THE COLLEGE

From Conn to the Olympics and back again

by Jenny Marchick
SPORTS EDITOR

It appeared from a sweat sock. It had been expectations of a grand case handled with the utmost care, but the old white sock with a hole in it was as good a place as any. He unrolled the sock and dropped the medal into his hand. He carefully unwound the green and gold ribbon that had been placed around his neck on July 28, 1996 on the banks of Lake Lanier, Georgia. He looked at the silver in his palm for a moment, and then handed it to an audience member in the front row. "Pass my medal around. Just don't run off with it. Do the honor code thing," was all that prefixed Tim Young '92's handing his Olympic silver medal over to an audience in attendance.

Young was awarded the medal for the quadruple scull event at the Centennial Olympics in Georgia this past summer, but he had no qualms of letting everyone share it with him.

Anchors in the most unpretentious settings come one of the most brilliant sights one ever seen, and it is easily and willingly shared with all.

"Athletics were my calling in high school, and I knew I always wanted to compete at a very high level. When I was in high school, and drive from his home in New Jersey to his brother's crew races. Chris Young '88 was a senior oarsman for Connecticut College. The tall slender strong physique that didn't quite fit in the other arenas Tim had tried, was ideal for a rower. Tim decided to approach Ric Ricci, head coach of men's rowing, fall of his freshman year.

Coach Ricci put Young on the ergometer; and within the first week, Young had placed himself in the varsity cox four. Ricci knew Young had what it would take: "Tim had the physiology, right emotional characteristics, and intelligence." Starting that first summer after freshman year, Ricci had Young start scull training with a private boat club in Philadelphia. By his junior and senior year, Young's erg scores were as good as anyone from the collegiate powerhouse. Though he had an advantage due to his stature, Young's real success came from his determination and personal outlook. Ricci said, "Even with great gene, there are a lot of pitfalls."

He led Conn's team to a win at the New England Championships, through consecutive undefeated seasons, and had won the Collegiate National Championships in the single. "I had two big goals then: to represent my country and to become a medical doctor." His chance to represent the US in 1993 when he competed in the World University Games. "I always had the dream of wearing the country's colors on my back. There really is no greater honor you could have as an athlete."

After his rowing achievement, Young was ready to "hang up his ears" and turn to his second goal of going to medical school, he was working full time doing radiation oncology research and taking classes at Penn to receive a post-bachelor of science degree in their pre-health program. But friends dragged him back onto the water with the temptation of the 1994 World Championships. One month before the World Championships, Young received the medal.

Several additions that are being made to change Floralia into the Spring Weekend as it has always been billed. The Freshman class has already agreed to sponsor a Friday night "Anti-Rain Dance," and Dave Binder (a musician who performs James Taylor music) has already been booked for Sunday morning. The increased activities that S.A.C. is pursuing include a moonbounce, Velcro-Olympics, volleyball, and other carnival games. Brush said that she had been discussing funding for these events with Dean of the College Arthur Ferranti and that he had committed to helping with the proposal in a financial manner. Other items on the proposal include face-painting and spin art vendors and ensuring that the activities were close to the main stage to draw students to them.

Changes made to the traditional aspects of the event were limited, with the main focus being increased safety. The alterations to Floralia itself mainly fall under alcohol policy changes, guest/field campus.
SPAM speaks on Vernelli's visit to Conn

The international organization People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) consists of half a million members dedicated to helping those beings who cannot speak for themselves. The group works on "the simple philosophy that animals are not ours to eat, to wear, to experiment on, or to use for entertainment." On Tuesday, PETA employee Toni Vernelli spoke to about 60 people in the Alice Johnson Room in Ctn as part of a college tour. She spoke about the connection between human rights and animal rights, and, through graphic video footage, exposed the horrors of animal testing labs, factory farms, and slaughterhouses.

Addressing PETA's general philosophy of animal rights, Vernelli stated, "We believe that everyone has an inherent worth completely separate from their usefulness to humans and we challenge society's traditional view that animals were put here just for us to use, so we campaign against animal exploitation just as abolitionists campaigned against human exploitation." With the idea that "no one is free while others are oppressed," PETA stages various campaigns to stop animal exploitation.

"We fight the meat industry because it is the biggest oppressor of animals today," Vernelli said. "Eight billion animals in America right now are enduring apalling conditions in factory farms and slaughterhouses just because we think they taste nice. We don't need to eat animals, in fact we're healthier if we don't." She stated that the World Health Organization said that we would have 90 percent fewer cases of heart disease, cancer and stroke if we eliminate all animal products from our diets. Continuing, she made the point that if we were truly carnivorous creatures, we would kill without hesitation. Instead, issues of humane treatment and slaughter do in fact matter. Speaking on the environment, Toni explained the meat industry consumes more than half of all the water used in this country. It also creates three times as much waste water pollution as the rest of the country's industries combined.

"Half of the animals used in the fur trade in America are trapped in the wild and the other half, about three million on each side, are raised on fur farms. Animals kept on fur farms are kept in small cages cramped five, six to a cage. They don't get to express any of their natural behavior from the time they are born... They are killed by the cheapest means possible: anal and vaginal electrocution, snapping of the neck!" The fur industry is environmentally devastating, as well. Due to transportation, chemical treatment, and animal wastes, it takes three times as much energy to make a fur coat than a fake one. Leather production creates similar problems, especially pollution through chemical treatment of the skins. Additionally, the fur industry has declined 60 percent in sales in the last 10 years. If you are inspired or interested in learning more about the philosophies of this movement, check out a S.P.A.M. meeting, Tuesday evenings, 9:30, Earth House.

SPAM (Society for the Prevention of Animal Misuse) is a group of student environmentalists who work to end the use of animal products. They inspired or interested in learning more about the movement or have questions, please contact Vernelli at tony@peta.org.
call from the national coach. He was one man down, and wanted Young to try for the seat. Young took the chance and made the boat. They took seventh that year in Indianapolis, the first finish by a US boat since 1991.

"Things kept falling into place for me. I couldn't understand it, and thought it was incredibly selfish," commented Young. He remembered looking into the stands after the race, and had a stupid grin on his face. "It was the first time in my life...I knew we could win a medal," said Young. "I felt angry and guilty that my parents didn't know we were going to win."

He had been diagnosed with cancer in her jaw. Tim told me he was wanting me to go to the Olympics, and the coach on the water. "Young was confident about their chances. "We knew one thing, we had never won a medal in the Olympics. The best finish to that date was sixth. Yet Tim knew that he and his teammates could do it."

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Young had not traveled to the '95 World Championships so he didn't know what it was like. "A team of five men...I was making something of my life," he said.

Young averaged five hours of sleep per night in the winter of '94. Then the national coach called again: they were moving the training center from Philadelphia to Augusta, Georgia. His parents told him to go for his once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and it was his closest to his parents that gave him the confidence and support to follow their advice. Young left his family, job, and a one-credit-short degree from Penn to follow his Olympic dream. But while his rowing buck was continuing on the upward trend of the past years, Young was about to suffer the greatest tragedy in his life.

At the World Championships in 1995, Young's first race on foreign soil, his boat was the fastest there that day. The US made it to the semi-finals and took third, qualifying for the 1996 Olympics. Their finish in the finals could only better their previous standing, but the boat choked. "We had a horrible race in the finals. Everything was going wrong," said Young. "I didn't feel like I could..."
David Jaffe: the man behind the scenes

by Jami DeSantis
THE COLLEGE VOICE

Those Conn students who have been involved with the theater department have been fortunate to work on a wide variety of plays with David Jaffe, the acting professor. However, there are many students on this campus that are not familiar with the chance to get to know this inspiring professor who is up for tenure this year. These days, Jaffe is often the man behind the scenes, directing Kropsy’s Last Tape, which was performed to large crowds two weeks ago, and is directing a main stage production of Dancing at Lughnasa this April. Many don’t know that before teaching at Conn, Jaffe was the man on the stage.

A Conn alumnus, Jaffe received his BA from Conn, where he majored in theater studies, which was an interdisciplinary program at the time. He then went on to the Yale School of Drama, where he received his Master of Fine Arts in acting. For five years, he did professional acting in New York, participating in regional theater, off-Broadway productions, and dubbing in the shows. During this time, he also conducted some professional workshops at Conn. When a person was needed as a substitute replacement in the spring of 1989, David Jaffe was approached about taking the position. Claiming that he was “ready for a break from New York,” Jaffe accepted the position. It was during this time that he fell “in love” with teaching. He was offered the chance to teach for another semester and then another, until he was hired for the position that he currently holds. For Jaffe, there are two experiences that had a deep impact on him. The first occurred while he was an undergrad student and was taught by Morris Carnovsky, a Shakespearean actor and member of the Group Theater. Jaffe was “inspired by the way he brought energy and vitality to teaching.” A production of The Cherry Orchard staged at the Lincoln Theater proved to be another meaningful experience for Jaffe. Starring Anne Bancroft, Real Julia, and Meryl Streep, the show aroused many emotions that also inspired Jaffe’s work in theater. David Jaffe claims that theater is “in my blood somehow”, as he comes from an acting family. He chose theater due to the fact that he likes “the exploration of character” and the “re-creation of life.” Theater was something he loved, inspired by the David Mamet quote “The purpose of the play is to bring to life the soul of the storyteller.” Although he loved performing, Jaffe claims that through teaching he is “more engaged with art” as he feels that the business of acting was more commercial. When asked what he felt his role as a teacher is, he replied that it is to “engage the students in the pursuit of honesty and truth of character.” He wants his students to “stage the life of the soul” for actors and acting.” It is obvious, after taking a class with him, that his students truly are motivated to do their best.

Book review: How to Sta Single Forever

by Jessica Rogers
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Valentine’s Day, the most andor, loved holidays, depending on which side of the fence you happen to be standing on. While all of your friends are cozi conning over that rock can gesture from their significant other, you, as an unattached female may ype in that situation to be a driving force. You will find that when you are just as a single female, and wish to stay that way, or if you are just longing to get rid of that drip who picked you up at the WInter For mal, this book will be the answer to your prayers. Here are the top ten ways of staying single as compiled from Jenny Lombard’s book How to Stay Single Forever.

1) Have a Fête - The sicker and more specific your fête the less likely it is that you will ever find a partner who is willing to indulge it. “Next spank me...in both slippers.”

2) Mention Children: - That’s a good question to bring up to get the conventional ball rolling on a first date, don’t you think?“Don’t get over it” - so as simple a rule as that.

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"How to Stay Single Forever" by Jenny Lombard

"How to Stay Single Forever" is a book that offers advice on how to stay single and happy. The book is written as if it were a letter to a friend, and includes tips on how to handle rejection, how to deal with loneliness, and how to find a good partner. The book also offers advice on how to handle your singles lifestyle, such as how to socialize, how to deal with your family and friends, and how to handle your dating life. The book is written in a fun and easy-to-read style, and is a great read for anyone who is looking to stay single and happy. The book also includes tips on how to meet new people, how to deal with rejection, and how to find a good partner. The book is written in a fun and easy-to-read style, and is a great read for anyone who is looking to stay single and happy. The book also includes tips on how to meet new people, how to deal with rejection, and how to find a good partner.
**Star Wars returns for a new generation**

by Greg Levin and H.C. North

THE COLLEGE VOICE

I remember finding the Millennium Falcon in a yard sale when I was five years old. I’ve been playing Star Wars ever since. For me, it’s a matter of fact that I could convincingly play Star Wars. It was a fairly beaten up toy, but I was still excited to finally have Han Solo’s action figure. I broke out all my old Star Wars toys (which are now stored in my parents’ attic) and, with a few neighborhood kids, attempted to recreate the magic of George Lucas in my living room. It’s that intangible magic surrounding Star Wars that makes it a phenomenon that can, 20 years after its introduction, create enough fascination to warrant a re-release to theaters.

Seating for the first night of Star Wars re-release was at a premium: the theater in Groton was showing the movie on three screens, and people crowded in to get just the right seat. The cinema staff continued to add everyone to move down in the row to accommodate the crowd, but the die-hard fans maintained that the seats they were in were the seats they wanted to view from. I left some of my companions to defend our seating while I acquired 17 dollars worth of provisions from the concession stand. This was to be a great journey into a place far, far away.

As the film got underway, the crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to; the projectionist was well aware of this and would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to. The crowd itself made sure they would see the film as they wanted to.

The plot of Star Wars is at least familiar to anyone who has maintained a pulse in the last 20 years, so it’s redundant to review the epic struggle between the evil empire, led by Darth Vader and his mysterious emperor, and the rebellion, led by Princess Leia, who is aided by smuggler Han Solo and farmer Luke Skywalker. The movie has become such a part of American culture that my high school English teacher made it required viewing while the class read Wuthering Heights. The exciting part is the return of the films to full size theaters, as well as the rework of the sound and special effects. The new effects seemed to work best when used sparingly. A simple addition of an x-wing fighter to a scene, a new angle for the crafts in combat, or an extra two dozen storm troopers chasing Han and solo were enough to make the movie seem more personal.

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The film was released in 1977 as a two picture franchise, with the success of the first film leading to the release of the second. The original Star Wars films are now stored in my parents’ attic) and, with a few neighborhood kids, attempted to recreate the magic of George Lucas in my living room. It’s that intangible magic surrounding Star Wars that makes it a phenomenon that can, 20 years after its introduction, create enough fascination to warrant a re-release to theaters.

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The College Voice would like to express its concern with Professor Hirsch's position regarding the trial of Mumia Abu-Jamal. The faculty at this university has many different ways, and have nothing to fear from students or editors/advocates' reviews of their performance. As Philip Barnes, chair of the Faculty Steering and Conference Committee has stated, incidents of the College Review will not be held in terms of political correctness. The purpose of the College Review evaluations is to aid students in the course selection process, and with our rapidly declining drop-add period, these evaluations offer nothing but good advice. Right now the College Review is in a transitory period and it has thus improved in the Review, and with it a marked improvement in educated course decisions.

We support the College Review, and ask that students, faculty and administration alike give the new board the Review a chance. The possibility of a new College Review is due to lack of support from faculty and lack of interest from students, and it is this that we want to avoid.

Earth House

Response to Hirsch

In response to the Earth House Column of February 7, I have two issues to raise with Mr. Hirsch. The first regards the use of the Earth House Column for the purposes of Youth For Justice. If you are Youth For Justice, say so. There is an ethical problem with using friends who are inclubs to discuss their affairs. Another is that the editors of the Earth House Column? I doubt that seriously. The Earth House Column is where I look to find information on environmental concerns on campus and in the world. Youth For Justice is where I look for political activism.

The second point I must raise is one of much concern to me. Does Mr. Hirsch point to the situation in the Scat college in the late 1970's-early 1980's to invoke racist images of this country's justice system is an abuse of case history and an affront to the reader's intelligence. Whether or not you believe they are enough, the historical precedents of a Civil War, three amendments to the Constitution, the Civil rights movement, and the Affirmative Action policy are all indicators of the changed racial atmosphere in this country. Affirmative Action is not even the best word, for the word is an anachronism. The discussion is not about politicking, but about the facts. We must talk about the facts. To use a quote of Roger Taney from 1857 is hugely out of context in the argument that the trial of Mumia Abu-Jamal was racially biased.

You cannot ignore the 140 years of history that have moved this country out of the slavery days. They happened. We are not as a whole accepting of racial bias. As a collective nation we abolished slavery, we moved through the streets of Birmingham and Little Rock. Those are the images I hold; that is what any racial character is based upon. I have been blessed in my upbringing with accepting tolerant parents, but that is not all. The education system is now a bastion of racial diversity in an institutional form. Every day children are being taught about the Duress Scat case, and the turmoil its far-reaching consequences have shown. If there is a failure, it is clear that we have not moved into a downward spiral with our eventual extinction at the bottom.

In his New Yorker article titled "With Spears From All Sides" put this cultural extinction into perspective when he says that the "purpose of the Duress Scat case is to show us the symptoms of this unthinkable destruction will go to satisfy the United States' first for oil for 13 days. Not the whole world just the United States. For there is no way to return to these pools in 13 days, one cost of many is the eradication of these cultures which have developed over thousands of years. The tragic absurdity of this situation is inexpressible.

Within all this insanity there are sane measures we can take to work to correct the situation. Clearly, the goal is to decrease the amount of oil consumed by our country. First of all, we can decrease the amount we drive our automobiles by carpooling or riding our bikes to work or school whenever possible. Better public transportation will also help. We must also begin the transition from our unsustainable, non-petroleum fueled automobiles (i.e. electric- or hydrogen-powered) from manufacturers. In a capitalist society, manufacturers will not move until we (the consumers) create a profitable demand for them to move on. House heating systems fueled by natural gas are cheap, burned more slowly, and can ensure that we heal our addiction to petroleum and the insane path of destruction we clear to get to it.

Jack Marin '97

The war on drugs, Alcoholics Anonymous, and rehab centers are all designed to help rid us of our unhealthy habits. Yet the most devastat- ing addiction faced by our society goes un- treated and allowed to grow with each passing day. This addiction is our own; the great desire for this substance has reached the point where it is viewed as an absolutely necessary part of our lives. The substance we are referring to is petroleum. We will pay uncountable sums of money for it, destroy our environment as a side effect of mining it, and even go to war for it (remember the Gulf War?). How far we are really willing to go to satisfy this addiction to a constant and endless resource? Our own per- sonal experiences in Ecuador have shown me that we are even willing to destroy entire cultures in our frenzied quest to supply our "need" for this black gold.

I recently returned from studying Spanish and ecology in the small Andean country of Ecuador. For anyone who has ever been in a developing, or so-called "third world" country, he or she will know what I mean when I say that this country revealed what unthinkable levels can reach. Do you know how it feels to have a starving four-year-old child approach you crying, pleading with you to give him some food or money or anything? Do you know how he or she will know what I mean when I say try. It's even cheaper to have leaky pipelines which pour out over the ground and into the previously pristine rivers than it is to fix the pipes. And when his heart beats and you give him some fries or 25¢, 10 more kids come running over you, desperate and in need. This happened to me many times every day in Ecuador. There isn't a welfare check or means of helping people to get up on their feet in Ecuador because the government doesn't have any money to give away; most of it is tied up in paying off foreign debt to the good old good (we have) oil companies from all over the world. There, it is common knowledge that the "openly racial hostility" of the justice system has only been "toned down" shows only that he or she is willing to use what power it can to attempt to move us (the consumers) create a sustainable, non-petroleum fueled automobiles. We must also begin to decrease the amount we drive our automobiles by carpooling or riding our bikes to work or school whenever possible. Better public transportation will also help. We must also begin the transition from our unsustainable, non-petroleum fueled automobiles (i.e. electric- or hydrogen-powered) from manufacturers. In a capitalist society, manufacturers will not move until we (the consumers) create a profitable demand for them to move on. House heating systems fueled by natural gas are cheap, burned more slowly, and can ensure that we heal our addiction to petroleum and the insane path of destruction we clear to get to it.

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OPINION/EDITORIAL

The recycling program here at Connecticut College has slowly but surely become an integral part of every student's and office space students. Returning to dorms in the fall of 1995 were two small recycling bins outside the door of their rooms, marking the beginning of the desk-side recycling system.

The system was developed to make it easier as possible for people to recycle paper. One bin is for office paper and the other for large paper like magazines, postcards, etc. The bins are the size of a small wastebasket and are color-coded for ease of recycling. They are emptied by custodial staff. Instead of central collection centers, the bins are emptied by custodial staff.

The desk-side system has worked remarkably well in the dormitories (although many students have exercised their creative urges using the bins as punch bowls, CD cases, trash cans, etc.), we decided to get rid of the central collection centers on every floor of the dorms which include large bins to recycle glass, plastic and aluminum, and large colored trash cans for the different types of paper.

Marijuana is less aggressive than established legal drugs

In his article entitled "Marijuana Helps Suffering But It Does Not Cure All," Rudolph Radin [sic] said, "I am certain there are other safer drugs which have the same effect as the ingredients, inherent in the original organic form. The old and widely good drug dichotomy is not as clear cut as we have been brought up to believe."

"Besides me, my main point is Why is our government so against legalized marijuana? The only legitimate argument I see against its legalization is that it is a gate way drug. This is true. Unfortunelty [sic] for some people it can be. This is mostly because of the mental handicap of "I have tried one and hated it as well as the other." But that isn't the real reason. The real reason is the allopathic drug lobby, the pharmaceuti-
cal companies. They have the idea of a drug that they won't have total profit control over. Even though Americans will never switch from the allopathic drugs to non allopathic drugs, they stand to lose considerable profits and face from this. It may seem silly and can't the respective medicines realize and appreciate the other's good points for treating and end all this nonsense. This is indeed a good question. While you are at it, you may in your publically funded. Na-tional Cancer Institute spends millions, if not billions, of American tax dollars researching drugs that don't cure cancer, we lose more and lose more. For example, Prozac replaces therapy on the psychology front more and more. Who can stop the fact that we use the same kind of drugs? We have all seen these miracle cures save lives on either on [sic] "ER" or with the one we love. We are being persuaded to transgress. There are many drugs is not only to isolated the only dis-
eses. Chemotherapy exemplifies this. The drugs are so aggressive that they treat our body, it makes us look like a cancer and the doctor's chemo champions. The whole point of having to get a prescription is that the drug has such dangerous side effects that would make taking it dangerous to one's health and even deadly. Even over the counter allo-
pathic drugs are dangerous in anything but minor situations.

Marijuana falls into the category of non allopathic drugs. It is not synthesized artifi-
cially, it has active and inactive ingredients. Some of them seem to have a holistic effect on mind and body. Receptor sites are activated but not in the same way that associated drugs do. Marijuana and other alternatives has dis-
tinct advantages in certain situations. Curing problems isn't as dangerous or the prevention of disease is for allopathic medicine. Marijuana is not the answer to socio-econo-
ic problems nor is it the savior of man-
kind. Neither.

As you probably read in the front page article, an allopathic pill version of the active ingredient THC has been synthesized and named Maruinal with resulting disastrous side effects. This is to be expected. In its natural plant form marijuana releases THC slowly to the system in almost benign way. But when you try to concentrate one of its active ingredients it can be dangerous. It makes sense.

Marijuana is less aggressive than established legal drugs

We take some things seriously at college, others not so much. The notion of how we weight different issues in our daily life and how we are more intensely and result in a good outcome, other times, though, it is shocking. I have recently been made aware of the regu-
lar procedure, or lack thereof, that J-Board em-
ploys in the administration of their duties. Honestly, I was shocked.

The J-Board, as most others falling under an Honor code appear to be, is built on a fragile pretense that in no way allows it to sustain its legitimacy. This is due to the amount of power the J-Board is granted in charging, hearing, and punishing violation of the Honor Code. This is not to criticize the Honor Code, it's just that the policies may seem to have derived little support from the students or from the respective medicines realize and appreciate the other's good points for treating and end all this nonsense. This is indeed a good question. While you are at it, you may in your publically funded. Na-
tional Cancer Institute spends millions, if not billions, of American tax dollars researching drugs that don't cure cancer, we lose more and lose more. For example, Prozac replaces therapy on the psychology front more and more. Who can stop the fact that we use the same kind of drugs? We have all seen these miracle cures save lives on either on [sic] "ER" or with the one we love. We are being persuaded to transgress. There are many drugs is not only to isolated the only dis-
eses. Chemotherapy exemplifies this. The drugs are so aggressive that they treat our body, it makes us look like a cancer and the doctor's chemo champions. The whole point of having to get a prescription is that the drug has such dangerous side effects that would make taking it dangerous to one's health and even deadly. Even over the counter allo-
pathic drugs are dangerous in anything but minor situations.

Marijuana falls into the category of non allopathic drugs. It is not synthesized artifi-
cially, it has active and inactive ingredients. Some of them seem to have a holistic effect on mind and body. Receptor sites are activated but not in the same way that associated drugs do. Marijuana and other alternatives has dis-
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your social circle happily opens up to include more fascinating people this week. In fact, a new acquaintance is radically different from anyone you've met to date! Over the weekend, guard against a tendency to daydream which will take you away from necessary tasks.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be careful with extravagant spending this week. Also, avoid those who could take advantage of you in financial ventures. New beginnings at work and at home, are heavily favored during this period. The weekend looks good for a short getaway.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You are interested in a new hobby or intellectual pursuit. Work of a creative nature is inspired. Open up yourself to any family member who has to say and try to be supportive. You gain much in understanding by doing so.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Career matters take a decided turn for the better this week. Your suspicions about friends' manipulations are correct. Perhaps you should rethink whether this relationship is good for you in the long run.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A creative nature is inspired. Open up yourself to any family member who has to say and try to be supportive. You gain much in understanding by doing so.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Avoid being overly judgmental with certain co-workers who need your understanding rather than your criticism in order to straighten out. Couples make spur-of-the-moment social plans for the weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You could find yourself doing some unplanned shopping for a home appliance that needs to be replaced. It's just outlived its usefulness; Avoid letting things slide on the job. An overheating type isn't likely to listen to you at once.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A mentor enters your life with valuable insights for your future. Your significant other doesn't understand you with talk about past events that can't be altered. A business opportunity comes your way unexpectedly in the middle of the week. This weekend, domestic interests are accentuated.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You're champing at the bit to try new things. Your thinking is inspired by originality. Socially, you think a friend is being unreasonable and annoying and you could be correct about this.

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security enforcement, and increased availability of food and water. This year, SAC recommends that no kiddie pools or Styrofoam coolers be allowed at Floralia. Both Allison Terpack, senior class president, and Brent Never'99 supported the ban on kiddie pools and the Styrofoam containers with the agreement that other forms of storage remained legal. Trash cans and plastic coolers will be permitted, but the cuts were made due to concerns about the unsightly nature of the pools and the clean-up disasters that broken Styrofoam coolers present for SAC Exec. The cuts were described in the document as “symbolic in showing the student body’s desire to reach compromise with the interests of the administration in having a safer Floralia.”

Changes concerning the availability of food and water were discussed as one of the central efforts to increase safety. The SAC proposal calls for an attempt to be made to keep Oasis open during the day and to ascertain the feasibility of Dining Services having a tent of food set up near the stage all day long. Brush made sure to emphasize the importance of “portable food” and a large amount of water.

From a discussion of the section of the proposal indicating SAC’s desire to assess the option of a second stage, the meeting side-tracked into the music search procedures. Egil Dennerline, president of MBOBBC, was concerned that the second stage would not increase MBOBBC’s role in the event because of the logistical problems concerned with a second stage and because of the organization’s Spring Jam scheduled for the Saturday preceding Floralia in which all of MBOBBC’s bands perform. Dennerline said that he felt many bands would not want to play two weekends in a row at essentially the same event; and that he had reservations about students’ willingness to move between stages. The argument was then moved away from the proposal on the table as Dennerline proposed more student access to the music search process and the selection of the off-campus bands for the event in the form of a student music search committee. Brush visibly shaken as this discussion devolved into a series of personal statements, had a five minute recess to collect herself before the meeting could continue.

Once the meeting resumed, changes were made to the sections concerning kiddie pools and the second stage so that the second stage proposal would not be investigated further before any commitment was made. The rest of the discussion centered around five minute recess to collect herself before the meeting could continue, with the resulting proposal that guests, as in the past, be made to wear bracelets and that off-campus people who were not guests be asked to leave by Campus Safety. Bru...brush has said that he feels this will be one of the hardest policies to fully implement, and that it can realistically be used only as a gauge of attendance. Concerning the tension that was obvious and at times seemed provocative, SGA President John Schneider reiterated that tension was expected in a meeting about a topic as sensitive as students at Floralia. He attributed some of the tension and the need for the recesses, to the off-topic discussions that brought the attention away from the proposal. Both Brush and Biancur said that the proposal was something they were “proud to represent.”

Brush went on to say that he felt there was nothing unreasonable done, and that the administration and students have come to an agreement, as opposed to an adversarial result. The process that brought the document to the Assembly started last year after Floralia when Ferrari met with Biancur, former SAC chair Craig McChrystal, one of the members of the Campus Safety Jim Miner, and Dean of Students Catherine WoodBrooks, along with other members of the campus community, to discuss the restructuring of the event. This year the process began with the Brainard and the creation of the formation of the FRC to hear recommendations from the student body. FRC met with various student organizations including SAC this summer, SAC, the House Governors, and various members of the administration throughout the year, and hosted six all-campus open forums to discuss the restructuring. They also read through the APRC surveys. FRC then met with SAC Exco to discuss the recommendations they had come up with. SAC prepared the document for SGA, bringing together the work of the APRC, FRC, and adding their own recommendations and thoughts.

Both Brush and the members of FRC seemed optimistic that the changes would make Floralia safer and maintain its fun atmosphere. Brush repeatedly said that many hours had been logged by many concerned students to keep the fun in Floralia while doing the best they could to increase safety and assuage fears that were raised by the administration over the conduct of students and others during the day. When asked about the process, McClure said that the point of the process was to “add to the event and make it safer.” McClure also stated that when SAC began looking into the restructuring it wanted to find out what students wanted.”

The recommendations, and any changes effected, were to be made to the student body in the form of APRC surveys, FRC meetings, and elected student government members. The hopes of all involved that the work put into the event will result in an environment of safety and enjoyment for all involved. Brush has taken the recommendations and is already working on implementing several of the additional changes.
Men's basketball enjoys all-time record season

By Tim Sheflin
THE COLLEGE VOICE

In case you hadn't noticed, Conn's men's basketball team has been enjoying it's greatest season ever. At 15-4, the Camels are breezing past their competition en route to a possible NCAA tournament bid. After Monday's 30-point pounding of Nichols, Glenn Miller's squad has climbed to number five in the Northeast. In order to make the Division III tourney, chances are Conn has to win four of five remaining games against tough NECASAC rivals.

Nick Conn has to win four of five remaining games against tough conference foes. Without a doubt, the rest of the team did too. The Camel mark Monday night, beating Mike Pennella '92's old mark of 87, was the third point-production, giving the Camels 16 on the night. That total broke the old single game record of 14. Junior Chris Gallerani, the team's leading scorer, also had a great night, pouring in 20.

While the Nichols' game started a Camel perimeter attack, two players have started on the inside all season. Zach Smith and Ron Jones have dominated the boards for Conn. Both have been able to score as well. Jones ('98) is averaging over 6 rebounds a game while providing close to 12 points per contest. Smith is really having a great year. The sophomore is averaging almost 15 points and 8 rebounds. The future depends a lot on this center and young players like Stallings. Freshmen Dave Canning and Isaiah Curtis also have played significant roles all year. Curtis, the starting point guard, leads the team with assists. So far Curtis, Smith and company have performed extremely well.

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Camel Update

Women's Basketball

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Men’s and women’s squash: dedication and improvement

by Katie Carpenter
THE COLLEGE VOICE

The men’s and women’s squash teams have been fierce on the courts this winter. Both teams started out with the majority of their players inexperienced in the game of squash; but over the season these new players have improved and stopped up to play as well as their more experienced teammates. Freshmen have also played well on both teams, with many earning top positions on the ladder.

On the women’s team, the Camels have won seven matches so far this season with five left to go. Their total record is 7-11. Coach Sheryl Yearly said that she will be happy if they match last year’s record with nine wins. She feels the team has made a lot of progress and played great matches this season.

On Saturday, February 8, the women traveled to Smith and played a disappointing match, losing 1-8. Yearly feels the team did not quite play to their potential and had a flat match. This was unexpected, and not typical of the rest of the season. They have a chance for revenge against Smith at the Howe Cup this coming weekend. The women also had a match against Bard and won 9-0.

Captain Cassie Marris is impressed with the vast improvement the team has made over the season and is most proud about how closely the team has stuck together.

On Wednesday, the women travel to Wesleyan to play Tufts. On Friday through Sunday, the women compete in their last regular season matches at the Howe Cup at Yale. They take on Colgate, Cornell, Hamilton and Smith in the Division III bracket. With the women luck as they try to match last year’s record, and then some.

The men have had a rebuilding season. This past weekend the team played MIT and lost 2-7. Senior Chris Davis and freshman Ted Robertson played great squash and won both their matches. Coach Steve Schmidt remarked that the team has done well during their first season with many earning top positions on the ladder.

Among Amherst on the fifth, the two teams were deadlocked at 4-4, and even OT couldn’t save the Camels from their first tie of the season. An 8-4 blowout loss to visiting Hamilton on the eighth worsened matters, and a 3-0 loss to visiting Colgate the next day hurt even more, being the first shutout the team has suffered this season.

At the top of the scoring charts is elative forward Ery Largay ’98, who chalked up an impressive 22 points over the first 11 games, going 7-15-22. Captain and top blueliner Holly Doyle ’97 has used her shot and skating to go 12-5-17 over the same span, with Meagan Blue ’97 next with 7-8-15, and freshmen Britton Bistrain (10-1-11) and Jill Potsaid (6-5-11) tied for second.

On the first of the month, the team crushed Wheaton away 7-2, a fantastic result if their earlier 13-2 defeat of a win is ignored. The next evening, they padded their statistics with a 14-0 ambush of the Scarlet Knights of Rutgers University. This was a positive result, but anything less than stellar.

The results look good on paper, but in terms of preparation for a difficult season ended now. The team is looking to spring break, their season over, and at the beginning of the year, once they return, preparation will begin in earnest for the last regular season matches and the NESCAC Championships.

Athlete of the Week
Shanta “Ban. I’davital” Voice
Freshman Britton Bistrain exhibits a valiant attempt to overcome Wesleyan’s lead in Wednesday’s game.