Anger, Compromise, Power: Activities, S.G. reorganized

New events added to spring calendar

By Chris Nicholson
Editor-In-Chief

An exciting array of student events, new additions and old favorites, is on tap for the spring semester, according to Director of Student Activities Tom Kelly. "We are attempting to provide a more rounded variety of student events," Kelly said. "We have included more theme weeks than ever before, and we are confident that we will have our first major concert on campus this semester alone."

One new theme event is Siblings Weekend, running from April 2-4, which will include a variety of cultural issues. Senior Sonia Mikolic-Torreira and President of the Caribbean Club.

Cultural Diversity Day kicks off Black History Month

By Kathy Bothos
News Co-Editor

Yesterday, Sacred Heart University celebrated Cultural Diversity Day, a chance for students and faculty of all backgrounds to see what different cultures have to offer. According to Anthropology Professor Gerald Reid, "The conference gave our students, faculty and staff an opportunity to consider issues of cultural diversity here at the university, how it affects what we do in terms of the curriculum, our student life, our hiring practices, and in terms of the way we prepare our students for life outside the university."

Cultural Diversity Day included workshops and lectures on a variety of cultural issues, highlighted by a lecture by Dr. William E. Cross, Jr., author of The Varieties of African American Identity and director of the African Studies and Research Center at Cornell University.

The purpose of Cultural Diversity Day was to educate the university community in multicultural issues. Senior Sonia Mikolic-Torreira and President of La Hispanidad, states, "This conference provided the university community with an opportunity to get a glimpse of what other cultures besides their own has to offer."

For the month of February, coinciding with the Cultural Diversity Day, is Black History Month. Black History Month is a month set aside nationally to celebrate the History of Afro-Americans, Caribbean-Americans and other blacks in America. According to Lloyd Faulkner, Scott, President of UJAMMA, "Black History Month is a time when society as a whole becomes more conscious of the contributions blacks made. It's a month where America realizes and begins to remind themselves that blacks for a long time have suffered as a result of their color."

Many activities have been planned for Black History Month, including last Monday, a lecture by Benjamin Karim, an associate of the late Malcolm X; a play titled The Knowledge, which will assist the university community to understand Black History Month better; and a party sponsored by both UJAMMA and the Carribean Club.

For more information on the activities planned, contact Lloyd Scott or Alvin Clinkscales.

All student events to be held on campus

By Chris Nicholson
Editor-In-Chief

As part of the new changes in the Activities office and the powers of Student Government, all student events will be held on campus this semester, excepting the Valentine's semi-formal and the Last Day of Classes Party, according to Dean of Students Kevin Kelly. "We want students to realize they don't need to go off campus to have fun," said Kelly.

Events will be held either in the Dining Hall, the gym or the quad.

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began complaining, and some are boycotting the events. A student who wished to remain anonymous stated she wouldn't attend any event on campus. "People are here for classes all day, and a lot of people live here, and we want to get away for activities, not stay here."

Student Government President Todd Ross said, "The Activities office wants to make Sacred Heart a place where a lot of activities are held, like at large universities." However, Ross noted that SHU lacks the facilities to accommodate the events. For example, the University of Bridgeport and Central Connecticut State University have ballrooms where semi-formals can be held. For the Springfest semi-formal at SHU, the current plans call for renting a tent for the quad.

Ross asked, "Why should the student life office have to pay $3500 to $4000 for a tent when we could pay for almost the whole event with that amount if we held it somewhere else?"

Kelly said the gym or Dining Hall could easily be transformed into a better environment for an activity, "the same way they transformed an old mall store into a dance hall for the Christmas semi-formal." As far as students boycotting the on-campus events Kelly said, "I hope they won't. We will put an emphasis on making these fun and exciting events. They'll only be hurting themselves if they don't come."

Activities: siblings will be sleeping over

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volve students' brothers and sisters visiting the Sacred Heart campus for various activities, including a sleep-over.

The intramural sports program, which will continue to be directed by Pat McLaughlin, is also now part of the Activities office.

"This is the most comprehensive and pro-active schedule of activities we have ever offered." A complete list of the spring events can be obtained from the Activities office.

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Cernera names executive assistant to Sacred Heart University President Anthony J. Cernera, Ph.D.

This process was not completed in the last revision year, 1990-91, thus Kelly's refusal to recognize the document as official and binding.

Kelly also feels Student Government should have been replaced if Student Government's only concern about the Finance Committee is that, although the committee would control the Activities budget, the committee's advisor (who would be a member of the students services branch of the administration) would have veto power.

According to Jim Kraemer, a member of the Constitution Revision Committee, the concern about the advisor's veto power is not a major one. "We are going to rely on the professionalism of the advisor," Kraemer said. He also noted that under the new constitution, Student Government would select the Finance Committee's advisor, so he or she could be replaced if Student Government believed the veto power was being misused.

Ross said that Student Government was initially angry because the administration decided the changes without student input. "Like it or not," Ross said, "change is inevitable here. But we want to be part of that change. We want the student voice and student opinions to be heard. If the students don't have a voice, then the students don't have an identity. It is important for the students to be heard, and, up to this point, we haven't been. It's been very disappointing, but we're making progress."

"I was upset at first," said Student Government Vice-President and Constitution Revision Committee Chairman Jason Calabrese. "It seemed things were being dictated to us, but after we walked in a normal meeting environment and got some answers, Kevin Kelly realized how disinterested we were, and he was willing to compromise."

Calabrese noted that students' anger was not caused by the changes, but the way the changes were implemented. "The way the administration went about it, they just said 'This is it.' Todd (Ross) and I were not involved in it at all, and if we had been, it would have cut out a lot of the problems we're dealing with now."

Director of Student Activities Tom Kelly stated, "The changes we've made are certainly the most expedient way of accomplishing our goals, which is to upgrade the Student Activities program. I understand some students' points of view, and I can understand that frustration. But I hope that they can have confidence in the Activities staff that these changes will create a better student life."

S.G.: students may have more financial power

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Anthony Cernera for ratification.

The Finance Committee is the major addition, according to Student Government Advisor Denise Sutphin, and the part that will give Student Government more power. The Finance Committee, according to Sutphin, will regulate where the $240,000 activity budget is spent, including granting of budgets to student organizations and for university activities.

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OFF CAMPUS NEWS BRIEFS

Compiled from CPS reports

Program Gives Women Boost

Women learn the ins and outs of corporate life long before they graduate for Susquehanna University.

Every female freshman majoring in business is assigned a woman mentor who is a graduate of Susquehanna and successful in business. The program offers women the opportunity to learn skills and have contacts that the male students have access to, according to officials who designed the program.

"The aim is to get women involved with mentoring early enough so that it can be useful in their career planning," said Mary Cianni, assistant professor of management in the university's School of Business.

Twenty-one women are currently participating in the program, which requires that they meet with their mentors twice a year from their freshman year to their senior year.

Cianni said the program also teaches women how to use social opportunities to network.

Higher Enrollment Expected

The U.S. Department of Education estimates that 16.1 million students will be enrolled in colleges and universities by 2003, up 14 percent from 14.2 million students in 1991.

The projections are included in the department’s Projections of Education Statistics to 2003, which includes estimates on elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education. It is the first report on educational statistics that reflects the 1990 Census population estimates and projections.

The findings include projections that high school graduates will number 2.5 million for the next two years, which will be the smallest graduating classes since 1964-65.

By 2003, the number is expected to rise 20 percent to 3 million. Teacher salaries are expected to rise 20 percent between now and 2003, and per student spending should rise 24 percent, the report said.

Family Sues for $8 Million

The family of a Florida State University student who died after diving into a trapeze safety net used by the school’s Flying High Circus has accused the school of negligence and is seeking $8 million in damages.

Stacey Lynne Stokes, 20 of Fort Myers, died Oct. 31 at Tallahassee hospital. According to police reports, Stokes, who was not a member of the circus, scaled two fencers posted with no trespassing signs and climbed a platform before jumping into the net, which collapsed.

The family is asking for $5 million in damages for Stokes’ parents and $3 million for a younger sister “for emotional distress and loss of her sister.”

The Department of Public...oops! Recently the Public Safety patrol car got a bit banged up by the Fairfield Transportation bus that shuttles students to and from the off-campus resident halls. No damage estimate was available at press time, but we hear the coffee stains should come out of the uniforms with no problem.
We pay ten thousand dollars a year to attend classes at Sacred Heart, but yesterday, we had no classes. It wasn’t a holiday, it didn’t snow, the water main didn’t break.

It was Cultural Diversity Day, a day when the university community could attend lectures, etc. on the brotherhood of man and the ideal harmony between races. Was this really enough to cancel classes for?

Yes, it was. But now we ask: why was it necessary to cancel classes so that people could participate in Cultural Diversity Day? Why could people not be trusted to take an interest by themselves, and why could people not be relied upon to make time in their schedules to attend the events?

It may be that people, in general, are not interested in other cultures, and inter-racial harmony is not a major concern to them.

How many people attended the day’s events instead of using the extra time to sleep in late?

Does it matter? That’s your decision. It may not be a black and white issue.

Black history perspective... please?

It’s February, and we all know that February means that it’s Black History Month. While we on the Spectrum have no intention of belittling the concept behind this effort, we have to admit to a certain ignorance which we can not seem to crack. As white people trying to understand aspects of black society and culture, there’s no way we can ever hope to fully understand the feeling of pride in “their” culture.

All too often, the white society sees and hears about only the ruffian black class, and bases its perception of the entire race upon those negative reports.

Quite contrary to those indications, the black community has many positive role models. Perhaps the best known being the martyred Dr. Martin Luther King and Malcolm X. But positive role models exist in the best known being the martyred Dr. Martin Luther King and Malcolm X. But positive role models exist in the best known being the martyred Dr. Martin Luther King and Malcolm X. But positive role models exist....

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John Paul II as well as their con-

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life, is not a benevolent idiot. The

cries of the murdered unborn chil-

dren demand his response. Only Jesus' mercy and the perpetual

pleading of the Blessed Virgin

Mary inhibit God's chastisement.

Joseph E. Valletty

Third Order Franciscans

-At the House

November 25, 1992

By J. Broad

Columnist

There are a few pieces of ad-

vice which I have used, over the

years, as sort of guidelines to keep

me out of trouble. "Look before

you leap" is a favorite of my

father's. "Never rub another man's

rubbarb" is another of these little

gems, as are "Never play pool

with a guy who has the same name

as a cactus" and "Never play leapfrog

with a unicorn" (which I guess

would sort of fall under "look

before you leap"). I would like to

add my own axiom to this multi-

tude of pithy platitudes: "Never

work out with your 'little brother.'"

Now, what you must under-

stand that, since my mother and I

get along now, if he ever be-

comes a serial killer, it will most

certainly be my fault. There is

a three year difference between my

brother and me, and certain

tribulations that he experienced at

my hands while growing up have

most probably left inalienable

homicidal tendencies. In my own

defense, I was merely medica-

tating the treatment that I received

at the hands of my older sister (an-

other three years), and, in the tra-

dition of the American

family, I took out my aggressions

on the next younger sibling. Al-

though I am sure that, by now, he

has forgiven me for the time in

fifth grade when I locked him in

the hide-a-bed and sat on his head

for three hours watching Gilligan's

Island, and the time in seventh

grade when I attempted to flush

him down the toilet (remarkably

unsuccessfully I might add), I am

also sure that he has never for-

gotten.

He has grown up to be the

better looking of the two of us, and

by far the more athletically in-

clined, whereas I have become the

more cerebral (translation: flabby

couch potato). In our formative

years, while I was watching

Jeopardy!, my brother was in his

room listening to "Eye of the Ti-

ger" and other such inspirational

music, and lifting weights.

Through sheer mass alone, I have

managed to remain arm-wrestling

champion of the household, but

my brother is more than strong

enough to pay me back for all of

my past sins.

In any event, we decided to

chip in together for a home gym

did I mention that I am the more

(prosperous)? So we drove to

Service Merchandise (known

throughout the 50 states as the

place to buy workout equipment)

and began perusing the Nautilus

(which, of course, is Latin for

rectus—one avalanche) equipment.

My latest workout regimen

is limited to four-pronged

universal lifting at many of the area's

fitness restaurants, I left the selection of the actual apparatus to my ex-

femaledollague. As he examined

the self-inflicting devices with the

cautious optimism of a dog sniff-

ing a hydrant, I let my mind

wander, half-listening to him.

"This one's got butterfly and ab-

dominal crunch," he said. Now

this caught my attention, mostly

because it sounded as if we were

getting a pool and a year's supply

of Nestle candy bars. Just how I

was going to crush my abdomen

on this dizzying array of pulleys

and wires was totally beyond me,

but he seemed so excited that I

agreed with him.

We brought the thing home,

and actually managed to get it into

the house with the intervention of

most of my immediate family, a

number of unaffiliated passers-

by, and the invocation of the Lord's

name several hundred times.

After seven hours (I feel the need to

express at this point the fact that I

am not making this up!), my

brother finally got the thing to-

gether, but was so worn out he
couldn't lift his arms enough to try

it out.

The next night, I went
downstairs to try out my new

investment. My brother was already

there, bench pressing several

thousand pounds (or so it looked

like) to me and listening to some

very bass-ridden music that was

just loud enough to cover the fact

that I had entered, but not loud

enough to drown out his anguished

screams of pain. I set the

stairmaster side of the rack on

intermediate difficulty (how bad

could stairs be?) and started off.

Several hours later (in Nautilus

time, 3 minutes) my brother

left the room to get something to
drink. I leaped from the stairmaster

(looking first!) while it was still

churning, my legs feeling as if

they were on fire. Using my arms
to drag myself across the floor,

I seated myself in the butterfly/

bench press chair. My brother

returned, smelling suspiciously

of Ben-Gay. I tried the bench press

— the veins stood out on my

neck, my feet lifted in the air, and I

thought that I saw God (He was

laughing!). I turned and saw that

my brother had been thrown from

the stairmaster like John Travolta

in Urban Cowboy.

"Hey Kev!" I said, "what do you

say we stay down here for a

couple of hours and rest, and then

go up and watch Jeopardy?"

"You won't tell anybody" he

asked.

"Noope," I said. And we turned

on "Eye of the Tiger" — really

loud.

By Dawn Kentosh

How do you feel Student

Government is doing?

Katie Simms

Junior

English

"What I see is that it's active

and enthusiastic and I feel well

taken care of."

Rick Cercone

Sophomore

English

"I feel they are doing an ad-

equate job and they should

know they can come to the students for support. They

represent us and are doing a

super job."

Michael Mayo

Undecided

"I don't know. Actually, I don't

pay attention to it."

Kelly Adams

Senior

Sociology/Education

"Since I've been here I've no-

ticed an improvement. How-

ever, I think they should make

themselves known better

among all students. We need

to be more interested."

Tim Leary

Sophomore

Criminal Justice

"I support their movement on

the insurance policy lift. Let's

keep this place ours."

"WELFARE" RECIPIENT BITES BACK

The Campus Voice

To the Editor,

Chased some poor excuse of an insurance policy.

Since we did not ask to be insured, why should we

have to pay this bill? Why couldn't this considerate person

be our benefactor?

Most students will agree that they are tired of being

pressed. With all the term papers and assignments that

we have to do (not that we're complaining about these), we

would certainly appreciate a break.

Sincerely,

Vallery Allen

To the Editor,

As we were not under enough pressure that comes

with finding money for tuition, books and other unnecessary

fees, some thoughtful person has decided to become con-

cerned about our welfare. As a result, we have all pur-

chased some poor excuse of an insurance policy.

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A Moral Epidemic: Homophobia

By Rev. Thomas P. Thorne

Many of us perpetually lock into the concept that fidelity and holiness mean holding onto what we have been taught, holding on to our concept of God, Catholicism and the moral life, never to change. Sink your roots deep into the unchanging truths, and though sincere is sincerely touch anything, pass it on uncritically, no questions, no wonder, don't tamper. Whether you may irritate us to change or not, we do. Intelligent, open-minded parents can separate the two. Parents do. Intelligent, open-minded people do not yield to fear based on ignorance. That's homophobia and it's an epidemic in our nation and Church.

God is revealed in an ongoing fashion. Many readily see Him in the pope but rarely in lesbians and gays. God is rarely seen in the Moslems in the former Yugoslavia, in the Catholics in Northern Ireland or the 400 or so Palestinian's in southern Lebanon. We would much rather reveal God where we prefer to see God. The photo of the pope in two, Catherine Siena wrote to her pope. Read what St. Catherine of Siena wrote to her pope. Read what St. Bridget's 'private' thoughts would turn around and repeat the same American error. Reject behavior not the person. You can separate the two. Parents do. Intelligent, open-minded people do not yield to fear based on ignorance. That's homophobia and it's an epidemic in our nation and Church.

Hold a piece of tape up to your eyes, dim the lights and try to fill out your taxes. Now you're seeing things from her point of view. Almost everyone has to file taxes, but not everyone can afford online. Volunteer and help make someone's taxes less taxing. Call 1-800-999-9000.
The term fraternity doesn't mean what it used to. In the "old days," a fraternity was a club of male students. A new organization plans to make history here at SHU.

Pi Omnicron Lambda (POL) will not discriminate for any reason. Co-chairman Joe Downer explains, "We are a fraternity based on social issues our goal is not only to educate the SHU community but the public as well."

Co-chairman John Bowman continues, "This is a co-ed fraternity that does not discriminate on any basis."

Members will be asked to keep up to date on state, national, and international news and search for potential speakers to bring to campus."

Chairman Dr. John Kikikos commented, "I am proud and excited. "I think it serves a need in the student and faculty community."

"The members will hopefully inspire a degree of volunteerism in the Sacred Heart community. We are hoping it will inspire people to address those issues that they feel are pertinent," Bowman said.

The group is planning to have three speakers on campus this semester. The three topics to be covered are AIDS, a women's issue, and homelessness."

"Other issues are expected to be addressed in future semesters," Downer explained. The speakers will be volunteers this semester. "There are people hungry now to come to college campuses. These people aren't just anyone, but professionals who want to educate our generation," added Downer.

Kikikos said "It (the fraternity) will be a place for dialogue and discussion."

Senior Paul Perille, a Political Science major, plans to join the fraternity. "I think John and Joe have got a great idea here. I think something like this will strengthen the university as well as the department."

The co-founders of this group chose political science as the theme because of its social nature. "We feel the issues we address are something the new government administration will be addressing."

Those are the long term plans. For now, the group will tackle SHU issues. According to the co-founders, the first on the roster is probably the "sex education problem" on campus."

Downer stated, "Weekly meetings for the fraternity will be held on Thursdays from 11:00-12:30, and all members of the community are welcome to address any social problems.

With a little luck and timing... A photographer's view at the inauguration

By Dawn M. Kentosh

The next morning I awoke with a mission at hand, I had to go to the media center at George Washington University to pick up press credentials, media guides, and sit in Clinton's media center, George Stefanopolous, for up to the minute changes being made. I finally had those hot little passes in my hands, I was granted access to five events! Two of them had already happened on Sunday, thank you. But three awaited. I got an extra pass for the church ceremonies the morning of the inauguration, access to the swearing-in ceremony, and a church spot on the parade route. I decided to scrap the church ceremonies because I wasn't in the area, so I took the Metro to the Capitol! South stop and walked with the rest of the early arrivers hoping to get a good spot.

My pink pass got me into the press area where guard dogs sniffed my camera bag and the oil regular photos high fived each other. These people were ready for a good day of shooting. I still hadn't had any coffee. I found myself on the steps of the Capitol building trying not to look too much like an amateur. I turned to the guy next to me and asked him to take a picture. He said, "sure!"

He set me up and snapped away, then he asked me to take his picture. This was too cool! We made some small talk and found out we were each from Connecticut. His name was Alan and he was on assignment for The Herald, New Britain's newspaper. My day was starting to look good.

I found out from my friend that I was supposed to be in an area called Memorial Tree Park. Alan had access for South Triangle. The mere sound of the two locations would indicate which was closer. I couldn't go down there and just wait all day for people to pour in and ruin my view! So Alan said "come with me."

The check points were rarely set up this hour, so I skated right in. The deal was that I could not leave. I grew roots from my feet into the soft earth and waited. It was now 8 a.m. and as we all know, the president is sworn in at 12 noon. I still had not a drop of coffee in me.

Little by little people came in. I saw Nelson Mandela, Jack Lemmon, Carl Lewis, Coretta Scott King, and the famous photographer Annie Leibovitz, just to name a few. For fear of being delicious and passing out from lack of food and generally overwhelmed by everything, I asked these two guys from New York's Gay and Lesbian Cable Channel if I could have their left over blueberry muffins and cold coffee. At last, coffee! They gladly gave it to me but warned, "what goes in eventually has to come out!" I was determined to control my bladder until that night if I had to.

We figured we were about 100 yards away and I was an illegal alien on the Capitol grounds. Toilet runs were not an option.

Thankfully, I stored my breakfast for the rest of the day. Alan joked about turning me into a. hobo and from time to time to make me nervous, but he never did. I think him for that and for making my day far better by making my day far better by helping me get a better view.

With a little luck and timing, my trip to D.C. turned out to be one I can. life is truly an adventure if you make it that way."

By H. Darr Beiser, USA TODAY

"We Goofed File."
Local milliner made a 'celebrity'

By Sarah Gauthier
Features Editor

Imagine yourself a budding new milliner (hat maker). You get an inspiration during the post-election euphoria. You send Hillary Clinton a hat. She then contracts you to design another hat. You are mid way through designing the second hat when the designer who is doing the accompanying outfit lets you in on a little secret. YOU ARE CREATING THE HAT TO BE WORN FOR THE INAUGURATION!

This would be any one in the industry’s dream, right? Well, it is 30 year old Darcy Creech’s reality. Creech’s business in Southport was recently given a little, well, shall we say boost? Hillary Clinton hired Creech to “do” her hat. Here we have reproduced parts of an interview that we had last Tuesday with Ms. Creech of Darcy Creech in Southport.

Spectrum: “How did Hillary Clinton get in touch with you?”
Creech: “I sent her a hat shortly after the election. It was a black signature hat with parchment paper and roses. The designer doing her outfit for the inauguration contacted me for a hat. She didn’t tell me it was for the inauguration until we were already well into the project.”
Spectrum: “Are you going to market the hat or was it strictly a one-shot deal?”
Creech: “We aren’t going to make another hat exactly like that one again. It was a beautiful hat.... hand sewn, hand blocked.”
Spectrum: “Have you ever made a hat for any other political celebrity?”
Creech: No.... well yes. Actually my first experience was a hat for [Fairfield first selectwoman] Jackie Durrell. But that wasn’t a signature hat. She bought that one off the rack.”
Spectrum: “Did you go down to the festivities in Washington?”
Creech: “No, I watched them on TV.”

Spectrum: “Our photographer was at the inauguration and she said Tipper Gore’s dress was actually purple. It showed up Royal Blue on T.V. Did you know anything about Tipper’s dress color?”
Creech: “No, we had no idea that they were similar colors.”
Spectrum: “Any future plans to make hats for Hillary?”
Creech: “Yes, I spoke with Hillary and she said she loved the hat. She said she wanted me to do more. It was quite a thrill getting through to her in the White House.”

Wondering about the cost? In the New York Times this Sunday Creech said, “I was not going to charge her at all but they insisted I bill them before they left for Washington. I didn’t charge her any differently than anyone else: all my custom hats are around $200.”

Creech is a graduate of Bowdoin College and a self-taught hat designer. Her advice for any hopefuls in the trade. “Focus on one thing and believe in yourself. It comes from within and you have to make it from you. It has to be fresh or you wont make it. Don’t try to emulate something already out there!”

About Hillary Clinton, Creech said, “She was incredible, kind, down to earth. I admire any successful woman whether housewife or entrepreneur. I have a great admiration for anyone who feels passionate about something and does it well. That is the kind of woman I want to wear my hat.”

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Stellar cast kept busy performing CPR on lifeless screenplay with enormous potential

Todd Cerino
A&E Writer

Used People boasts a stellar cast but the stars are kept busy breathing into a disappointing screenplay that has enormous potential.

Used People features three Academy Award winning actresses: Shirley Maclaine (Terms Of Endearment), Jessica Tandy (Driving Miss Daisy), and Kathy Bates (Misery). Besides these three great stars, there are strong support from Marcello Mastroianni, Marcia Gay Harden, and Sylvia Sidney.

The film takes place in Queens, NY in the 1950s. Maclaine plays Pearl, a Jewish mother who has lost her husband of 37 years. Soon after her husband’s death she is courted by an Italian-charmer named Joe (Mastroianni).

Besides dealing with her new suitor, Pearl must also contend with her mother Frieda (Tandy), and her two divorced daughters, Norma (Harden), and Bibby (Bates).

The director, Beeban Kidron, does an excellent job of capturing the anxieties and pressures of living and surviving in Queens. Each of the characters yearn for an escape and some find it.

The only major drawback to Used People is the screenplay by Todd Graff. Some of the scenes seem to last forever and they deal with one subject for too long, a fault that also lies with the director. The laughs come far and few between, which is a bad sign for a film that is being touted as a comedy.

However, Graff’s writing excels with the moments of discovery, forgiveness, and revelation involving the central characters. These moments almost make up for the digressions in the plot. Almost.

MacLaine just might add another Oscar to her collection. Her performance is heartfelt, funny, and moving, the kind of part that she is known for.

Mastroianni is perfectly cast as the Italian suitor who offers Pearl the escape she craves although she will not admit it.

Jessica Tandy and Sylvia Sidney are wonderful as two elderly women who have stood the tests of time. They provide some of the films most hilarious moments as they struggle over whether to move to Florida or enter a retirement home in Queens.

Marcia Gay Harden’s role as Pearl’s troubled daughter, Norma, is the highlight of the film. Norma lives in the fantasy world of movies to escape the pain that was caused by her husband’s leaving and the accidental death of her infant child. Although Harden’s numerous re-enactments of famous stars and characters are humorous, her role is also haunting and extremely moving.

Although Bates’ acting is excellent as usual, she has once again taken a role that deals primarily with her weight. Bates should stay away from movies that use her appearance as a joke. That “joke is wearing thin. Bates’ appearance is only one part of an extraordinary gifted actress who deserves better material.

Overall, Used People is a very good film. It is another example of a film that features excellent performances, yet marred by a weak screenplay that has enormous possibilities.

AIDS Quilt warms hearts in state tour

Koleen Kaffan
A&E Editor

Nothing has rocked the art community more than the AIDS epidemic. This deadly disease has taken some of the greatest performers, designers, and artists such as Keith Haring and Rock Hudson. On Wednesday, Jan. 26, hundreds of people flocked to the Greenwich Civic Center where the Names Project AIDS Quilt was on display.

As volunteers, dressed in white, unfolded the 12 by 12 foot quilts, names were read by people who have had a family member taken by the disease and people in area organizations. One of the readers included Broadway playwright, Harvey Fierstein.

Sponsored by AIDS Alliance of Greenwich, the event began with a very emotional convocation at the First Congregational Church where 50 new quilts of deceased Connecticut residents were added. The new pieces joined the other 24,000 panels that span the size of eight football fields.

Following the ceremony there was a candlelight walk to the civic center in which hundreds of people took part. Approximately 400 of the 24,000 AIDS Quilt panels were on display and all of them had the story of their victims’ brief lives. Some had photos, others had a favorite article of clothing or a dog tag that they wore. Some merely had the name of a loved one emblazoned upon it in remembrance.

A quilt for Dr. Tom Woppell was made out of cancelled VISA cards as a protest to the company for their support in the Anti-Gay Olympics Committee. Also on display were two quilts for Ryan White, the young man that tried to make the world aware that AIDS can affect everyone.

The quilt is no longer in Greenwich, but it will be back for its second Connecticut appearance on April 29 to May 2 at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury.

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PROGNOSTICATIONS FROM A PIONEER

By The Prognosticator
Sports Columnist

It can't be true. Surely the third time would be the charm. I mean the Bills had to have learned from the mistakes made the first two times and come on, they are facing the youngest team in the NFL! Sure the Cowboys would quiver in their boots from intimidation (28-17). But alas, (52-17) reality is true as a summer阵.

An interesting division race is decided, for all purposes, in August. So for most teams, their final months of the season are meaningless, except for, of course, personal awards such as the home run title and the batting title. But come on, if that's all there is to root for, it's easier and cheaper to pick up the morning paper and check the line score for what that player did last night. Take the 1984 Eastern Division title race. The Detroit Tigers got off to that 35-5 start. The season was over for the other six teams on May 15.

Now, if there was a chance for a wild-card berth, there would be something to root for. In an era of rising salaries and decreasing revenue for the owners, adding an extra round of playoffs makes good sense. Personally, I could give or take interleague play. Sorry traditionalists, time to join the 1990s.

Alright, I've kept quiet until now but while watching the University's women's basketball team play a strong UMass-Lowell club tough and stay in position for a win. I noticed something very disturbing in OHIO gym. There were several hundred fans in attendance, and the only ones making any noise were the Lowell fans!!! Come on people, get off your seats and let yourself be heard. I don't mean anything negative towards the men's team by what I'm about to say, but come on, what are you waiting for? The men's game to start? If you can't get the energy up to cheer for a team that is just as much Sacred Heart as the men's team is, then stay home.

But on the other hand, the women's team has definitely not shown the same intensity and enthusiasm that was present earlier in the season when they started out 5-1. They have received fine play from Melissa Jones, Kim Fillia, Karen Bell, Athelia Osbourne and Sarah Soinski. I am extending my congratulations to Megan Keefe and Kim McCulliton, but they never get solid play from them at once.

Kudos to the men's team for playing tough against one of the best teams in the country, the New Hampshire College. Like I said earlier in the season, we are just one player away from being one of the top teams in the conference. Darrin Robinson simply cannot be stopped. Theo Gaddron and Craig Philip have been tough, but they just need one more big player. Oh well, maybe a couple of years' time (and the return of athletic scholarships), the men's team will return to their past glory.

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Men's hoops still coming up short

By Amy Madison
Assistant Sports Editor

The scenario is a familiar one for the Pioneers this season. There are 12 seconds left in the game, and Sacred Heart is down by three points with possession of the ball. Everyone knows who will get the ball for the last shot—Darrin Robinson. Three defensive players are covering Robinson, which forces him to take a bad shot, and he misses.

This was the case last Saturday at New Hampshire College, as the Pioneers dropped their fifth straight game, falling to the 15-2 Penmen 95-90. Sacred Heart has not won a game at New Hampshire College in four years, but this time they came pretty close.

Sacred Heart (9-9, 1-5 NECC) trailed 53-48 at halftime but remained close for most of the second half. The Pioneers tied the score at 53 on a basket by Craig Philip with 18:20 left in the game. The Penmen were able to hold onto the lead despite a strong effort by the Heart. At 5:53, Robinson’s layup pulled the Pioneers to within three, 81-78, but New Hampshire baskets the lead from 85-81 in the last two minutes.

Robinson’s basket closed the score to 92-90, New Hampshire’s Bob Patrenstro missed the first of two foul shots, giving the Pioneers a chance to tie. Patrenstro missed the second free throw, and the Pioneers had 12 seconds to convert on a three-pointer.

“What we tried to do was set something up for Darrin,” said SHU head coach Dave Bike. “But they had an idea what was coming, and they had a few good guys on him. It was a hard shot.” It must have been a hard shot, for Robinson tossed up an airball.

Robinson finished with a game-high 34 points and 9 assists. He was selected as the ECAC Player of the Week for the third time this season and the sixth time in his career. Theo Gaduesen had 18 points, and Philip added 13 points and 11 rebounds for the Heart. Wayne Robertson led the Penmen with 22 points and 12 rebounds.

The Pioneers played well for much of the game. They were more aggressive on defense, getting more second and third chances to shoot, which was reflected in SHU’s16-10 advantage on offensive rebounds.

The Heart will try to averge an earlier blowout as they face LeMoyne College on Saturday at 3 p.m. in the SHU Box. Next Wednesday, the Pioneers will take on Southern at 8 p.m. at home. In their last meeting, the Owls defeated the Pioneers 83-82.

Women's basketball team making waves

By Antoine Scott
Sports Writer

Sophomore transfer Sarah Solinsky’s ball handling skills should be more than enough to carry the team to the top. When you put all the chemistry together, you look to find your weak spots. With the services of Alethia Osborne back on the court, you may have to look a long time. Osborne, who once played at Providence College, did not play in the first semester but has made her presence known this semester.

In a non-conference win against Molloy College, she led the team with 21 points. Her offensive-minded ways and strong background in defensive styles should make Alethia one of the most impact players in the whole NECC.

The Lady Pioneers’ upcoming games will be their most important because they will meet the bulk of their conference opponents. The next game is on Wednesday against the University of New Haven.