Angelou to speak at SHU tonight
Renaissance woman brings wisdom to a sold-out Sacred Heart crowd

By Stephen Scholz
News Editor

Tonight the Sacred Heart University community will be graced by the presence of one of the great voices of contemporary literature.

At 8 p.m. Maya Angelou, an extraordinary poet, best-selling author, educator, playwright, civil rights activist, producer, director and actress, will share some of her legendary wisdom in a solo appearance in the University Theatre.

Tickets for the lecture, which is sponsored by the University’s Student Government Programming Board, are sold-out.

Infused with passion and an exuberant vitality, Ms. Angelou is famous for her unending and unending bonus of those who have yet to share fully in the American Dream. Today, she continues her work and lectures throughout the country and abroad, sharing the black experience and educating her audience on the human condition.

She strives to make us more aware of what each can endure, dream, fail at and still survive.

Hailed as one of the distinguished voices of current literature, Angelou is a remarkable Renaissance woman who continues to travel the world making appearances in college campuses, sharing her insight and passion.

Angelou is also famous on the talk circuit for tailoring her performance to her audience.

“One can never be sure exactly what she is going to discuss,” said a spokesperson for the company which represents Angelou.

She usually sets her agenda according to the group she is speaking to, always very conscious of her surroundings.”

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Cabaret show to premiere

By Shauna Doherty
Staff Writer

A student theater production entitled “A Cabaret Show” will premiere on Saturday Dec. 2 at 8 p.m. on the main stage.

The show consists of one act scenes from plays, dancing, baton twirling, stage diving and more.

One act is called “Bad Boys” and illustrates three mothers talking about their sons. Another is a parody entitled “Hard Knock Life.” Written by Tara Dinnihan and Elizabeth Kremler, it is a parody of Sacred Heart rewritten from the movie Annie.

Other acts will include scenes from Greta, The Greater Tuna, and Beyond the Fringe.

The material was collected and prepared by the students with assistance and guidance from Rick McKinnon, professor of English, and new adviser to the SHU Players, the university’s student run drama club.

McKinnon teaches acting classes and advocates the development of a minor in drama on campus.

“Professor McKinnon is exactly what the department needs to get people interested in theatre. He has a great sense of where the program should go,” said Justin Veneno, a sophomore media studies major, who will be appearing in several comedy skits like “One leg too few” and “Hello.”

Admissions is free but donations offered will be used to fund the children’s show scheduled for the spring.

The SHU Players encourage the university community to come out and watch their premiere production of the season.

FLIK offers incentive for students to bus their trays

By Jonathan McCarthy
Editor-In-Chief

This week marked the beginning of a major move by the university’s Dining Service Committee (DSC) and FLIK in order to combat the severe tray busing problem that has plagued the Dining Hall. “The program is backed by the DSC,” said FLIK manager Chip Kennedy, “but it is to serve everyone who eats here.”

Backed by the slogan “Thou shalt bus thy own tray,” there is a program in steps that will ensure the cleanliness of the Dining Hall. According to the DSC, FLIK wastes $19,125 to bus the trays that students leave behind. This money, if saved, would be put toward improving the quality of the food. The program initiated as of Nov. 20, places the university’s resident assistants as well as concerned staff members in the Dining Hall to remind students to bus their trays. “Anyone who is noticed leaving a tray will have his name handed in to the Dean of Students and in turn be required to do ten hours of community service.”

FLIK offers incentive for students to bus their trays

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New spirit shows in East Side Bridgeport

By Kristen Lalla
Contributing Writer

There are some people who make things happen, those who watch things happen and still others who wondered what happened. In the city of Bridgeport, two people fall into the first category: Karen Daden, president of the East Side Community Council, and George Jaiman, Bridgeport’s Police Crime Prevention Specialist.

Ask Daden what she thinks of the status of Bridgeport today, and she may give you a different perspective on the life in the Park City. “Everyone considers certain countries in South America as third world nations. Look at your backyards, ladies and gentlemen. This is the third world,” says Daden.

One noticeable and controversial change that Daden and Jaiman unanimously praise is the Phoenix Project. Large yellow maze. The residents love them.

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SHU to host jewelry show

On Sat. and Sun. Dec. 2 and 3, Sacred Heart will host a mineral, jewelry and gem show in the University Gym. Dealers featuring crystals, gemstones, jewelry mineral specimens from Connecticut and all over the world, fluorescent minerals, fossils, sterling silver and turquoise jewelry plus many unique and great gift ideas for the holidays. The show will also feature informative lectures and door prizes. Admission for the show is a $1 donation.

Professor Roald Hoffmann to lecture

Sacred Heart university will proudly present a public lecture by Professor Roald Hoffmann, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry in 1981, titled "One Culture, Or The Same And Not The Same" on Cornell University, where he is now the John A. Harvard University. Since 1965, he has been at University Theatre. Friday Dec. 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sacred Heart University Gym. The lecture, which is sponsored by the University Learning Center. "Go to the University Learning Center where you can ask for help," the international student is told, "or go to the Dining Hall where your friends will encourage you."

"I was hurt very much when I received a research paper with no grade which the professor had stopped correcting in the middle," said Miho Shin, a senior global studies major. "I was upset, I worked very hard and it took quite a long time. The professor told her that her paper was not worth reading. "I didn't expect his sympathy, but I wanted him to read my paper to the end." Working with ULC tutors, Shin stayed in the course and finally got the grade.

Concert by SHU Community Chamber Orchestra

The SHU Community Chamber Orchestra will present a concert of Baroque, Classic and Contemporary music on Sun., Dec. 3 in the University Theatre at 3 p.m. Orchestra members Jean Bradley and Eleanor Smith will appear as soloists in Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Cellos. Soprano Cassandra Andreas, SHU voice instructor, will perform a Handel aria from the opera Julias Caesar.

The slogan "Thou Shalt Bus Thy Own Tray " is the new motto for FLIK and students alike.

International students wrestle with language

By Michiyo Ukai
Contributing Writer

International students are often frustrated because they cannot speak fluently what they want to say in English, they cannot understand. American jokes when the other students burst out laughing, or they receive unsatisfactory grades and are requested to work at the University Learning Center.

"When I get angry and complain about my difficulty in English, I feel like improving my language problem any longer. "I just do my best on my next work," she said.

"Saying anything I want to say is the best way to recover. We, international students, always share our hardships and cheer each other," she added. "When I get angry and complain about my difficulty in English, I feel like improving my English," she laughed.
The Advanced Technology Lab provides computer hardware and software for students with disabilities. The lab is located in the University Learning Center.

**Lab offers wealth of resources for students with disabilities**

*By Stephen P. Scholz  
News Editor*

A professor of mathematics is sitting alone in front of a computer terminal inside the Adaptive Technology Lab (ATL).

"Wearing a walkman-like headset with earphones and microphone, Professor Jonathan Matte is apparently carrying on a conversation with himself since there is no one else in the room."

The scene might seem a bit strange. But students familiar with Matte would know that Matte is not talking to himself. He is talking to a computer.

"The lab offers assistance with disabilities as minor as lack of organizational skills," said Fran Grodzinsky, associate professor of computer science. "The lab assists students who have trouble collecting their thoughts to create a graphic outline with boxes for main ideas and connecting lines linking related material. The program will then automatically put data into standard outline form, flow chart or other type of graph.

The lab offers many tools for disadvantaged students to learn independently," said Grodzinsky who was the principal investigator of a $62,538 matching grant which helped fund the equipment in the lab. "It is also great for admissions because it demonstrates that Sacred Heart is dedicated to providing resources for students with disabilities."

Perhaps the most advanced resource in the Adaptive Technology Lab is voice-activated program Dagon Dictate. To use the program one must first undergo a voice-recognition procedure, like Professor Matte. This procedure consists of putting on a headset and talking to the computer so it can then become familiar with your voice. After this has been accomplished a student can use a microphone for data input by simply telling the computer vocally what he or she wishes to say.

"With this program a student can go into Windows, access a program like Word or Works and write an entire paper without ever having to touch a keyboard or mouse," said Matte who is a contact person for lab support and assistance. "You can see why we want students with various handicaps to know that these important resources are here and available for their use."

**Flik: seeks to combat bussing problem**

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vice for Flik," said DSC President Justin Venech. The DSC has also put in place incentives to bussing trays. "Students will have a card that will be punched every time they return a tray. When the card is full it will be put into a drawing for a moun- tain bike that will be on display starting Monday (Dec. 4)," said Venech. Other incentives include a "Keep Up the Good Work" dis- centifier that FLIK will sponsor when there is noticeable improvement."

The committee establishes the FLIK menu for upcoming weeks in order to best serve the community. They also are working on a recycling program that will cut back on the use of styrofoam in the Dining Hall.

The DSC is currently looking for volunteers. "We are looking for people to work three shifts for which they will receive $5 in dining dollars," said Vinny Yesinovsky, DSC volunteer recruiter. "Bussing a tray is such a silly problem, unfortunately it has gotten to the point that we have no choice but to act," said Venech.

**Off-Campus News**

More heterosexuals have multiple sex partners

SAN FRANCISCO—A game of sexual Russian Roulette is being played by more heterosexuals, according to a University of California-San Francisco study published in the November American Journal of Public Health.

The study surveyed the mating habits of 4,790 heterosexuals ages 18-49 in 23 cities scattered throughout the U.S., and found that the number of people who had multiple sexual partners increased from 15.3 percent in 1990 to 19.3 percent in 1992.

The majority of people with multiple partners did not use a condom on a consistent basis. According to the survey author, Joseph Catania, the study demonstrates that the safe-sex messages we see and hear in the media are not being taken seriously.

"The messages are not heard, because people are getting mixed messages," said Catania. "Something like Cosmo will come out and say there is no risk for heterosexuals."

The survey also suggests that the dating-phase, adolescence through the late 20s, is a particularly vulnerable time, said Catania. Before marriage, heterosexuals are more likely to have multiple sex partners and engage in more risky behavior, he said.

So, how do you protect yourself from becoming infected with the HIV virus? If you're going to have sex, Catana said, "condoms are still your best protection."

**Holy, Floating Latex!**

BOULDER—It's a bird. It's a plane. No ... it's a gigantic latex condom in the sky.

The 60-by-20-foot Sheik condom package was scheduled to fly over University of Colorado-Boulder's stadium during its homecoming football game. But luckily for UC-Boulder administrators, who weren't thrilled by the prospect of a giant condom floating by the stadium, the pilot couldn't get it up.

"It was airborne five miles toward the stadium, but the pilot couldn't control it, or the plane," because of the downdraft from the mountains, said Don Mathews, owner of Banner Advertising in Denver.

"So he [let it go] in the drop zone.

The oversized condom package—trailing by a banner with the message "Get Some"—"floated gently to earth," Mathews said.

UC administrators, citing First Amendment issues, announced before the game that they were reluctant to try to stop the advertiser.

The condom ad is scheduled to fly over several more football games this season, but not in Boulder, said Platy.

"It was our last home game, so ..."
A.I.D.S. offers wake-up call

This Friday is A.I.D.S. Awareness Day. This is one day set aside in order to remember all those who are suffering or have died from this terrible disease. The United States has been at war, however undeclared, with the virus since the early 80's.

Now as the number of deaths approaches one million, the facts begin to get scarier. There is no cure and for that matter there is no one at fault for this horrible disease. On Friday take a moment to open your mind and pray for all involved and for a cure. A mind is a terrible thing to waste.

Bussing a childish problem

This past week began the Dining Service Committee's move to haul the trashing of the Dining Hall. The sad fact about this situation is that it is even a problem at all.

Students should be mature enough to pick up after themselves. There should be no need for incentives to pick up trash. However the fact is there is now a need to impose a sanction for a "lack of class." Clean up after yourself. Lack of respect for yourself should not interfere with the dining of your classmates.

Sacred Heart should grow up

By Shaena Doherty
Staff Writer

Okay, stop me if you’ve heard this one (no, not another mindless joke, although this is about a few of Sacred Heart). A lot of us think of college as a fresh start from the halls of high school and look forward to college to become the people we couldn’t in high school. Following me so far?

As a freshman (oops-first year student, as if there is a difference), I wanted to free myself of the burden of high school life. I told myself and got lost in the hoopla of the ultimate college experience. Now, boys and girls, can you say regret? I have not found myself, but I have found the school from hell.

Instead of me determining what I was going to become, my grandparents and thoughtful teachers have done it for me. The first day of classes I was called immature and unintelligent because I didn’t do things the same way as one of my professors, but I still got the right answers. She just thought her way was better.

Another teacher flat out refused to answer any of my questions. He told me he was right, and I was wrong. Another teacher told me that I thought the whole world was against me.

Yeah so — I do, and I won’t deny it. But never did I do anything to make him or her believe that. I simply asked the teacher a question and the first thing he said was, “Shaena, how come you think the whole world is against you?” He proceeded to ridicule me in front of my CLA. He then asked if I was a psychology major and when I said, “yes,” he said that is why he could not relate to me.

“And have you ever tried to change a teacher because you want a better education? What a joke!” Trying to reach the department head is a hassle. They never return your calls, and this last piece of information sent me through the roof! If I change teachers and earn an A with the new teacher, my old teacher has to approve the grade even though he or she no longer has the advantage of seeing my academic performance. And since I rarely get on someone’s good side, I’d be better off in the Antartic wearing a bathing suit than in another teacher’s class.

I have always been told that you remember the good and bad teachers alike. I found that out this Thanksgiving when I was visiting my grandfather for a night. He took me out to breakfast and got on the subject of school. He told me of a French teacher he had when he was a little boy and the man is now nearing ninety. This woman lied to him and he remembered her all of these years. So if we also remember the bad teachers I will remember Sacred Heart University for life.

And these nitty gritty computers that are supposed to enrich our understanding of the computer age are another joke. I have now become fond of the number three since I am on my third computer. One was sent away and came back in the same condition. This one has a mind of its own and freezes when I am writing a paper or looking for material in Netscape.

And do you think the network will actually function for a span of 24 hours or more? Weirder things have happened. Forget going to the computer lab for help because they have no clue and they talk about you behind your back anyway.

When my first computer received a crashed screen, the lab proceeded to say to someone behind my back that I must have stepped on it and didn’t want to admit it. Or when my second computer died on me and the lab told one of my friends that my computer was a “piece of sh-t.”

Thanks for letting me know, buddy. And what was supposed to be a twenty-minute wait for my new computer turned into a twenty-minute wait while the man who was supposed to be helping me was socializing.

When someone went to get him he just had a look on his face like, “oh yeah, she’s waiting for me, isn’t she?” I still think that the lab should have a place for my computer so I can just drop it off when it breaks every day.

Sacred Heart has a lot of growing up to do and while this school can offer a lot, it also has much to learn. Each department needs to review its performance in order to help the students more. I found that out when I was at the computer lab. They have no idea what is supposed to go in there. Am I complaining? How’d you guess?
Letters to the Editor...

QUALITY TEAM SETS INTO ACTION

To The Editor,

Okay, this is an audience participation piece, so be prepared to say "ooh, ahh," and get your brain ready to think. Don’t worry, if it’s as hard as some of the mid-terms around here...

Question: What do the following have in common?

Make a directory of library call numbers
Create a map of library floors
Sell cans of Arizona Iced Tea in the Dinning Hall
Fix the sticking doors in front of West Hall
Put a sign on Schine Auditorium

Anyway, they are all suggestions to improve the quality of life and services here at Sacred Heart University. And they were all made by people just like you.

In October of 1993, President Cortesini appointed a group of people from various posts here at Sacred Heart University to be on a Quality Team. Each aspect of the University is represented: students, staff, faculty, and administration. The Quality Team is aware of many of the issues that need improvement and needs help in realizing this mission.

What is their mission, you ask? The mission of the Quality Team is to make Sacred Heart a community where continual improvement and personal growth are a way of life. To do this, we need to create an attitude that there is always a better way to do things and that each of us should continually strive to find that better way. So, no only is it a matter of our coming up with areas to improve quality, it is also a matter of figuring out how to make the changes, and then making them.

That’s all, you as a member of the community of Sacred Heart University, become involved.

Our, goal, as a community, is to help each other recognize and implement these improvements. One way is to use the SHU boxes that are available in different locations on the Fairfield, Stamford, and Lisbon campuses. Use the SHU box suggestion form to help the Quality Team identify quality issues and how they might be solved. Don’t forget to put your name down! The Quality Team reads these suggestions and will respond to you about your idea. If a question arises, you would be the best person to explain what you had in mind.

All is said and done, the improvements in quality that we can use with the box can be made if we all take responsibility for our community, think about what we really want, and get involved to make it happen.

We look forward to hearing from you!

The Quality Team
Jessica Domorak

The Campus Voice
How did you spend your Thanksgiving break?

By Kent Bauer

Michelle Covelizajz
English
"I got to hang out alot with my friends and started Christmas shopping."

Kari Mann
PT
"spent time with my family and ate alot of turkey."

Rich Gore
Illustration
"With family and friends who had come home."

Meredith Betz
Art
"I went to my grandmother's for turkey and hung out with my friends."

The problem is that Life gets expensive, especially for a student with less of an income than a dead pine tree.

My friend J.P. recently found a radar detector and found how many speed traps? Zero...zipp...zilch... nada...typical Jeep score.

Yet, fans who are so annoyed at making fun of the Jeeps during a week in which they won a game, have one word to say: Sell.

When I saw J.P. last Friday, he had just about lost his faith in radar technology when he asked me, "Is there a Dunkin' Donuts around here?"

"Actually, yes, there's a new one right around the corner."

We turned the corner and... BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP...there were two police cars in the parking lot (no lie). We told them the whole story and they thought it was hilarious (that part is a lie). What does this story illustrate? Radar Technology has advanced so far that, from hundreds of miles away, through rain or sleet or fog, in the most dire of emergency situations, no matter what the odds, no matter what the risks, no matter what the consequences, we can now, any time we want, find donuts.

I rarely get traffic tickets (knock on wood), but when I hit a horse-shoe, throw salt over my shoulder, eat an apple a day (yes, I realize that eating an apple a day has nothing to do with good luck, but I happen to be hungry right now, so fare with me!).

The last time I needed to pay a traffic fine was over two years ago and believe me, they made it tough ("What do you mean I can't pay with my MasterCard?!")

Anyway, J.P. drove through Connecticut with his new radar detector and found how many speed traps? Zero...zipp...zilch... nada...typical Jeep score.

He's a nice guy who is very responsible.

We turned the corner and...BEEP BEEP BEEP...there were two police cars in the parking lot (no lie). We told them the whole story and they thought it was hilarious (that part is a lie). We told them the whole story and they thought it was hilarious (that part is a lie). 

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By Gina Norelli
Assistant Features Editor

"The heavens are telling the glory of God, and all creation is shouting for joy." "The Lord is kind and merciful." "It sounds and echoes in my soul. How can I keep from singing?"

These are just a few of the beautiful words that Sacred Heart University's Sheera (meaning "song" in Hebrew) sings at the Sunday masses.

Sheera is composed of about twenty students who are ministers of the song and members of Campus Ministry. They lead the congregation to join them in singing uplifting songs. There is no doubt that mass wouldn't be as spirited without their presence.

"Whenever" sings, prays twice," said St. Augustine. "Sheera's song enriches our worship. A liturgy without song is like a day without sunshine," says Father Michael McMahon.

Sr. Margaret Palliser, the founder of Sheera and director of Campus Ministry agrees, "It belongs to the nature of liturgy to receive new music from music publishers. Sr. Margaret is hoping to get some of Sheera's members to the Stamford Conference to sing. There is no doubt that the members of Sheera enjoy what they are doing. "It's fun to sing in Sheera because we all sing together and add another aspect to the mass," says Maureen Coan, a junior psychology major from Milford, Connecticut.

Sr. Margaret has a dream for Sheera's future along with her wish for more students to join. "That it will be completely student run, with a student guitarist or piano player. That someone would have enough interest in being the musician," she says.

Along with singing at the Sunday masses, Sheera also takes part in special university occasions such as Holy days, anniversaries, the Thanksgiving Interfaith Celebration, the Baccalaureate Mass, the Mass of the Holy Spirit, special events during Advent and Lent and monthly morning prayer.

Sheera has also sung at the homeless children's Christmas party. With most of these larger celebrations, some faculty and staff and professional musicians on campus join Sheera to sing.

Any member of the SHU community that wishes to join Sheera in song or instrument is encouraged to call the Campus Ministry office at #7840 for more information. The enthusiasm may just pull you in!

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**Sheera hits a high note on campus**

"Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing." Psalms 100:2

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**Christmas Week (and 1/2) Schedule**

**Friday, December 14th**
- **Service Project**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Saturday, December 15th**
- **Parker's Inn**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Sunday, December 16th**
- **Tribute to Parents**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Music Ministry**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Monday, December 17th**
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Tuesday, December 18th**
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Wednesday, December 19th**
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Thursday, December 20th**
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University

**Saturday, December 22nd**
- **Christmas Caroling**
  Location: Sacred Heart University
- **Christmas Caroling**
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Kerri tells heartbreaking message

"Normal" people can get A.I.D.S.

By Linda Barlow
College Press Service

Kelli Lawless Hughes tells it this way—50 cents could have saved her from the AIDS virus.

That’s far cheaper than the six AZT pills she swallows daily at about $2 each. Such a small price for someone who doesn’t expect to see her 30th birthday.

One reckless night in South Hall at St. Ambrose University, a small Catholic college in Davenport, Iowa, brought her to this port, Iowa, brought her to this destiny. Just one short-lived encounter in 1988, when she was on the rebound after a five-year relationship ended with a high school sweetheart.

Kelli wants to put a female heterosexual’s face on AIDS.

It was her second sex partner ever, a man with hemophilia who contracted HIV from a blood transfusion.

“I was 18 years old, and I made a really big mistake. I’m paying for it big-time,” says Kelli, 26, of DeWitt, Iowa.

Everything has changed. Kelli, who is angry that the man who infected Kelli didn’t tell her, says people think it can’t happen.

“For seven years, she unknowingly carried the virus. Meanwhile, the man who infected her knew his diagnosis and didn’t inform her. He now has AIDS.

“Ironically comes one time,” Kelli says.

“Thank God,” she says, that her husband Jim, wasn’t infected.

He dated her 4 1/2 years before her diagnosis in August, 1994. He proposed three weeks after she learned she was HIV-positive.

“On Aug. 12, 1994, at 12:45 p.m., my life was going at 3,000 miles per hour,” Kelli says.

“At 12:46 p.m., I slammed into a brick wall. My life has never been the same since.”

Everything has changed.

“Normal” People Get AIDS

It’s hard not to say, “But you look so normal!” upon first meeting Kelli.

She is a well-coiffed, conservatively dressed, career-minded workaholic with curly brown hair, wire-framed glasses and a fun sense of humor. She works for a pharmaceutical firm, a job that sends her traveling across the country and gives her an inside look at the health care industry that is her lifetime.

Nothing in her outward appearance suggests that she is HIV-positive.

But then, this is her point.

AIDS doesn’t discriminate.

That’s the message this fall.

St. Ambrose University graduate brings when she speaks to college students at her alma mater: AIDS can strike on Catholic college campuses, too.

She has received a lot of mail from students, and her story has made even the toughest of football players cry.

She and her husband Jim speak to students together.

Jim, who is angry that the man who infected Kelli didn’t tell her, says people need to have “safer” sex.

“Be responsible as far as informing whoever you’re involved with,” he tells them.

“There isn’t a lot of news about heterosexual transmission, so people think it can’t happen. That was one of the biggest shocks.”

Kelli warns students that, at age 26, she is faced with death far sooner than she ever dreamed.

Before her diagnosis, she had an assortment of unusual health problems including two bouts with shingles. The second time landed her in the hospital, and she endured a battery of tests and prying questions.

“Have you ever been an IV drug user or a prostitute? Have you ever been transfused?” the doctors asked.

“Then when everyone left the room, I started to think. I remembered hearing that this guy was a hemophiliac and had been transfused. That’s when all the pieces started coming together.”

Everything has changed.

Kelli tells students that there is no such thing as “safe” sex.

But if they don’t remain abstinent, she encourages them to be armed with the information they need to have safer sex.

Meanwhile, she arms herself with the information she needs to live with AIDS. She is making a will and having heart-to-heart talks with her doctors on how she wants to die.

Kelli remembers the day she told her future in-laws that she unknowingly may have infected their son.

“We didn’t have his test results back when we told them.

It was very difficult to look across the table at your future mother-in-law and father-in-law and say, ‘We don’t know.’

It was a tense, several-week wait before Jim learned his test was negative.

Jim and Kelli had talked about getting married long before HIV was foisted into their lives. He gave her an engagement ring three weeks after her diagnosis, a move that shocked Jim’s parents who still ask, “Aren’t you afraid of her?”

“After my diagnosis, I wanted to break it off,” Kelli says.

“Have you ever been an IV drug user or a prostitute?” she asks.

“Other than that, life is the same,” Kelli says.

Jim agrees. “We don’t forget about it, but we try to put it on the back burner. A couple of times a week we talk about if she’s feeling good, if she’s coughing, how her blood counts are.”

The hardest part is planning for the future.

“I’ve got three job offers, and what do I do?” she asks. “Do I really want to go through the whole spiel again at a new place of employment and say, ‘This is what I have?’

“I should be looking at the fun things, planning children, facing the challenges and opportuni ties that another job could bring.”

Everything has changed.

Do you love to write?
We know you’re out there!
So why not write for Features?

Remind yourself to call Gina at x6365 or Michele at x4495.

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“Ironically comes one time,” Kelli says.

“Thank God,” she says, that her husband Jim, wasn’t infected.

He dated her 4 1/2 years before her diagnosis in August, 1994. He proposed three weeks after she learned she was HIV-positive.

“On Aug. 12, 1994, at 12:45 p.m., my life was going at 3,000 miles per hour,” Kelli says.

“At 12:46 p.m., I slammed into a brick wall. My life has never been the same since.”

Everything has changed.

“Normal” People Get AIDS

It’s hard not to say, “But you look so normal!” upon first meeting Kelli.

She is a well-coiffed, conservatively dressed, career-minded workaholic with curly brown hair, wire-framed glasses and a fun sense of humor. She works for a pharmaceutical firm, a job that sends her traveling across the country and gives her an inside look at the health care industry that is her lifetime.

Nothing in her outward appearance suggests that she is HIV-positive.

But then, this is her point.

AIDS doesn’t discriminate.

That’s the message this fall.

St. Ambrose University graduate brings when she speaks to college students at her alma mater: AIDS can strike on Catholic college campuses, too.

She has received a lot of mail from students, and her story has made even the toughest of football players cry.

She and her husband Jim speak to students together.

Jim, who is angry that the man who infected Kelli didn’t tell her, says people need to have “safer” sex.

“Be responsible as far as informing whoever you’re involved with,” he tells them.

“There isn’t a lot of news about heterosexual transmission, so people think it can’t happen. That was one of the biggest shocks.”

Kelli warns students that, at age 26, she is faced with death far sooner than she ever dreamed.

Before her diagnosis, she had an assortment of unusual health problems including two bouts with shingles. The second time landed her in the hospital, and she endured a battery of tests and prying questions.

“Have you ever been an IV drug user or a prostitute? Have you ever been transfused?” the doctors asked.

“Then when everyone left the room, I started to think. I remembered hearing that this guy was a hemophiliac and had been transfused. That’s when all the pieces started coming together.”

Everything has changed.

Kelli tells students that there is no such thing as “safe” sex.

But if they don’t remain abstinent, she encourages them to be armed with the information they need to have safer sex.

Meanwhile, she arms herself with the information she needs to live with AIDS. She is making a will and having heart-to-heart talks with her doctors on how she wants to die.

Kelli remembers the day she told her future in-laws that she unknowingly may have infected their son.

“We didn’t have his test results back when we told them.

It was very difficult to look across the table at your future mother-in-law and father-in-law and say, ‘We don’t know.’

It was a tense, several-week wait before Jim learned his test was negative.

Jim and Kelli had talked about getting married long before HIV was foisted into their lives. He gave her an engagement ring three weeks after her diagnosis, a move that shocked Jim’s parents who still ask, “Aren’t you afraid of her?”

“After my diagnosis, I wanted to break it off,” Kelli says.

“Have you ever been an IV drug user or a prostitute?” she asks.

“Other than that, life is the same,” Kelli says.

Jim agrees. “We don’t forget about it, but we try to put it on the back burner. A couple of times a week we talk about if she’s feeling good, if she’s coughing, how her blood counts are.”

The hardest part is planning for the future.

“I’ve got three job offers, and what do I do?” she asks. “Do I really want to go through the whole spiel again at a new place of employment and say, ‘This is what I have?’

“I should be looking at the fun things, planning children, facing the challenges and opportunities that another job could bring.”

Everything has changed.

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5 Provide party food
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16 QED word
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20 Russian monk
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43 Observed
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49 German river
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54 Tableland
55 Capricorn
56 Volcano

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Soap Opera takes a stand on HIV

General Hospital shows the consequences of unprotected sex

Danielle Nolan
A&L Editor

General Hospital, a well-known and highly-rated soap opera, has been airing the story of two young lovers, Stone and Robin, for over a year. Last spring, after having unprotected sex together, Stone discovered he was HIV positive. Recently, Robin received the results of her third HIV test after testing negative twice before. She is positive.

In this decade, when AIDS is the number one killer of young adults, General Hospital displays a real-life issue which you almost never heard of on a soap. When Stone tested positive, fans were devastated.

No one thought that Robin would ever test positive. In most other "soap worlds" Robin's test results would have been negative just to keep her on the show, but General Hospital is showing the reality of AIDS.

"I thought, oh sure, Stone is positive, but they will never kill Robin off the show. She has been on it forever. They will just make her negative because it's a soap," said Denise Cullinane, a sophomore majoring in finance from Westwood, MA.

Kimberly McCullough, who plays Robin, has been a part of the General Hospital cast since she was a little girl. She has been on the show for over 10 years.

Finola Hughes and Kimberly McCullough embrace for the first time in years

Robin’s parents, former supercouple Anna and Robert Scorpio, have recently returned as spirits to Robin as she struggles to tell Stone and her family the results of her test.

Fans of the show quickly registered their negative opinions about Robin testing positive, but the show's writers argued differently.

Robin having HIV "was an essential ingredient to the story and the only way, really, that it would have been anything other than a cartoon. The fundamental message of this story is taking responsibility for your life," said head writer of the show, Claire Labine, in an article in Soap Opera Weekly.

McCullough agrees. "I don’t think that there is any other way it could have gone because Robin and Stone had unprotected sex more than once. If she didn’t test positive, that would bring out a very, very, bad message, and the whole point of this storyline would be lost," she said in the same article.

The Nov. 12 issue of the New York Times released the results of a study showing the increased risk for heterosexuals to contract AIDS. The study, published in the November issue of The American Journal of Public Health, reported that the number of heterosexuals who have multiple sex partners increased to 19.3 percent in 1992 from 15.3 percent in 1990. The majority of people surveyed said they use condoms sometimes or not at all.

Melissa Ragozine, a psychology major from Amosia, Conn., said, "I think the show did the right thing. I think that if by some miracle Robin tested negative, kids watching the show would think that, by some miracle, they would test negative and they would think that it can’t happen to them and that it won’t. People think they’re indestructible."

McCullough said that her most difficult scenes were ones when she found out she was positive. "And it just gets more difficult because it doesn’t go away," she said. "You can’t go to work the next day and it’s something different. It keeps going and going, just as it’s always there for a person who’s living with AIDS. There’s no getting away from it now."

McCullough will remain on the show for another year despite Robin’s diagnosis. She will then leave to attend college and return when her schedule permits.

"I think the people who didn’t want her to test positive simply assumed that that meant she was going to die if she did," Labine said.

"That’s not the point we want to make. Robin isn’t dying. She is going to lead an extraordinarily full life that is complicated by the fact that she is carrying the virus."

Theresa Hickey
A&L Writer

If a group of men want to go out on the town without any female companionship we easily phrase it as "guys night out." The difficulty arises when we have to decide how to describe a night out with just the, girls, broads, or the newest, . gals.

An on-going feminist dilemma is coming up with a less formal word for female than woman. In the past, words such as chick or broad were used to describe a woman passing by. The condescending, babe, has even been used to address a woman of authority in the past. The latest controversial word for a woman is "gal."

According to Natalie Angier, in her New York Times article "Where Woman Was, There Gal Shall Be," numerous celebrities and media spokespeople have all started to use gal, not only in social conversations, but in newspaper articles. Angier mentions Kate Clinton, a columnist for The Progressive, who claims she incorporated the word gal after hearing it used by her audience of twenty something females.

The controversy of the word gal may be grounded in its etymology, or how it came to be. Angier explains that gal might have come from the British pronunciation, which makes girl sound more like "gel." A Lexicographer supreme, according to Angier, explains why the "little girl" connotation no longer applies. "Unlike other terms for the female of the human species, this one doesn’t seem to be overloaded with any kind of historical patdown."

Although the lexicographer, whose name is Anne Soukhavong, does not consider gal offensive, many others do. Angier mentions the opposing view of "Lydia Sargent, an editor at Z. magazine, a left-wing political publication."

Sargent calls the word gal, "... a user-friendly word for girls," she also describes it as, "a pathetic description of women."

So, what do you call those female pals you have been hanging out with for years? No longer is it correct to say your best "girlfriend." "Girlfriend" implies that your friend has failed to mature past playing with dolls or making mud pies, according to some sources.

The question of labeling: girls versus gals
Need a good laugh? try Baywatch Nights
New show leaves much to be desired as the beach hits the street in drama

Kristen Lalla
Contributing Writer

NEW! From the makers of the intellectually challenged series “Baywatch” (a.k.a. “Baywatch Nights!”, an Intellectual Show!震) comes “Baywatch Nights!” As if one mindless show about the adventures of David Hasselhoff and his female counterparts as they frolic along the beach was not enough, we now have a night-time version, centering around a private investigation team. The show can be found on UPN Friday nights at 9 p.m.

The episode I had the pleasure of checking out, entitled “Purse,” told the story of a beautiful model named Cassidy who believes she is being stalked. She hires the Buchannon, Ellerbee & McBride Private Investigation team to become her 24-hour bodyguards.

To keep the show moving, there is an underlying love story between Mitch Buchannon, played by Hasselhoff, and Cassidy. Because of this, Mitch begins to become blind to the fact that Cassidy has already killed a fellow model, the only female member of the investigation team, Ryan McBride, had been picking up on hints that there was more to Cassidy than just a skinny bathing suit all along, but Mitch would not believe her. Smooth-moving Mitch finally figures this all out and cracks the case, thus making him the hero.

It is generally known that when tuning in to “Baywatch Nights,” you are not exactly going to be viewing a thought-provoking show. The acting is not worthy of any Emmy Awards. Call it a “guilty pleasure,” similar to the likes of “Melrose Place” and most soap operas which are watched solely for entertainment purposes.

But can this show be offensive?

“There are some stereotypes and ideas found on the show that are degrading to women,” said Angie St. Louis, a junior biology major from Vernon, Conn. “The ‘Barbie Doll’ figures that are seen on the show are unrealistic and uncommon of the average American woman, who is, like the average American man, overweight. But besides this, shows like these usually make the man look smarter than the woman, and it seems like she is only there to look pretty,” she added.

There are a lot of plots throughout the show which make women look like sex objects,” said Phil McDonald, a senior media studies major from Norwalk, Conn. “I think the show is pretty unrealistic. All the people have chiseled bodies and the men have a Fabio look to them. That’s not real life,” he said.

Still, others take a different look at the show.

“I hate to admit it, but I watch it,” said Brendan Casey, a junior media studies major from Milford, Conn. “I’ve heard all the talk about the show being degrading, but I don’t think it should be taken so seriously. I mean, David Hasselhoff is the coolest guy on TV!” he said. “He’s got to be somewhere in his 40’s and he still gets all the best looking women on TV.”

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**Rowers take Sugarman Cup in recent regatta**

By Jonathan McCarthy
Editor-In-Chief

There were three races for the day and points were awarded for first and second place. This year's race featured crews from Norwalk and the Saugatuck Rowing Association as well as state powerhouse UC/Conn, which soundly defeated the Pioneers in September on the Mystic River.

The first race was the women's four. The ladies, led by Cox Colleen Kennedy, included Kelly Abate, Shaina Stahlberg, Valerie Hau and Nicole Muscarella.

The race, which was 4000 meters (twice as long as the usual Regatta), finished with the Pioneers losing only to UC/Conn and winning individual silver medals.

Next up was the men's four, led by Brad Dahanick and led by captain Ed Page, which also won the gold. The men found success by beating Norwalk and posting the best time on the river in the history of the cup while winning the gold. The last race became a battle for the Cup. The race was contested mixed eight which was led by Cox, Dahanick and included Hau, Stahlberg, Abate, Muscarella, Page, Wilson, Jonathan McCarthy and Gootman. The Pioneers were up against two of UC/Conn's eight.

When all was said and done, the Pioneers handed UC/Conn a 12 second defeat, won the gold and clinched the Sugarman Cup.

"It is the greatest day in the program's history," said Ed Page.

"We thought we could do well on this river, but beating UC/Conn and Norwalk, schools that have defeated us in the past, just helps establish us as a force."

"This victory is one for the team, the individuals and the university," said Tom Wilson.

With the outdoor season over the program heads indoors in order to prepare for indoor races which begin in January.

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**Gridders suffer loss to St. Johns in last game of season**

Pioneers end season with a 3-7 record

By Joe Collett
Sports Editor

Thanksgiving didn't go well for the Gridiron as they closed out the 95 / season with a 37-20 loss to the Redmen of St. Johns, with their final record standing at 3-7.

The gridders couldn't put up any points in the first half of the game. St. Johns was able to light the scoreboard up for 28 points. The Pioneer defense wasn't able to control the explosive offense of the Red Storm. St. Johns seemed to show control both offensively and defensively.

This wasn't only one of the better performances of the Pioneer defense. Letting up that touchdown late in the fourth quarter destroyed any hopes of a SHU comeback. "The defense did not play well, there was no drive to hold St. Johns. Letting up that touchdown in the fourth quarter really hurt us," said Head Coach Oney Reho.

"We weren't able to stop them in the first half. They moved their domination on both sides of the ball in the first and second quarters," said Reho.

There seemed to be no hope for the gridders until the second half rolled around. It was obvious that changes had to be made in the Pioneers' game plan, and that's exactly what they did. The most notable and welcome changes to the line-up came with freshman running backs Terrence Washington and Matt Salvatore.

"Both of the freshman running backs that we put in to play in the second half, took up the challenge and were ready to play," Terrence Washington had 94 yards and three touchdowns and Matt Salvatore also showed some great ability," said Coach Reho.

The Pioneers were able to bounce back and A.J. Hill stepped up 20 points for themselves. Washington seemed to be the only offensive weapon that SHU had by scoring all three touchdowns for the gridders.

Washington's teammates welcomed the output that he gave against St. Johns. "Terrence really stepped up and showed that he can get the job done," said senior co-captain Anthony Leo.

"With the season over, there are disappointments as well as accomplishments for the Pioneers," said Hill.

"This season was a disappointment. The younger players saw what you have to do to win, and hopefully they will incorporate that into off-season workouts and carry the feeling into next season," said Reho.

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**Zig on Sports**

By Keith Ziniger


Enough is enough. The time has come for all you whiny crybabies to shut up and accept the facts of life. We all must live and die by the law.

I can't believe I'm doing this, but remember you forced me to do this. I am standing up for a man he's very existence frightens me. Mike Tyson deserves an opportunity to become the Heavyweight Champion of the World and O.J. Simpson can join the Senior PGA Tour if he wants.

On Dec. 16, the National Organization for Women is planning to stage some form of protest against Tyson during his fight with Buster Mathis. "Tyson is no less acceptable as a sports hero than O.J. Simpson," said Bear Atwood, president of the New Jersey NOW chapter.

Excuse me Bear, but who are you to decide which individuals are heroes and which aren't. You seem to have a short memory. Simpson wasn't found guilty or innocent by a jury in this country, you did it in the US government. Under my rules and more importantly the rules of the United States Constitution (remember that little piece of paper, Bear), everyone is innocent until proven guilty. Let's see under that rule book Simpson has always been innocent and if he wants to resume the role of sports hero, let him.

Tyson is a different story. He was found guilty and served three years for rape. He served his time and paid his debt to society, according to the US government. During his stay in prison he lost out on the opportunity to earn hundreds of millions of dollars as a prizefighter. He was released from prison this year and now is trying to resurrect his career as a champion fighter. Convicted felons have the right to pursue unemployment after they have been rehabilitated. This is exactly what Tyson is doing.

NOW is picketing the wrong man. He didn't make the rules he just lives by them. The United States government made the rules and they are the ones who change them. If NOW wants to change things, they have to picket Washington. Until someone comes up with a better judicial system, the one we have works the best.

I am appalled by the number of people in this country who believe that they have the right to play God. I have heard countless numbers of people who believe that someone should take care of O.J. Vigilante justice may be considered gallant and romantic, but it only undermines the rule of law. The rules of the game have to be adhered to. Justice can't prevail if we take the law into our own hands.

Instead of protesting Mike Tyson or O.J. Simpson, the time has come for us to protect the system. These men played by the system's rules. One man was found innocent, another guilty. Both men stood trial and Tyson served his time. Don't blame these men for not letting the system keep them down. Blame the system for not being tough then.

Mike Tyson is a bully. He is controlled by his own feelings. "He's just not the right mind set. "We need to show them that there are disappointments as well as accomplishments for the Pioneers," said Reho.

Next season is going to need a few changes. People have to work hard in the off-season and most importantly, change their frame of mind. The Pioneers have the weapons to do the damage, just not the right mind set. "We have to develop a winning attitude," said Reho.

This is the final thought that the Pioneers should carry with them into next season.
Lady Pioneers up record to 2
Recent win over Northeast-10 rival St. Anselms boosts morale

**By Megan Keefe**
*Staff Writer*

The women’s basketball team improved its record to 2-1 with this past Sunday’s 69-59 win over Northeast-10 rival St. Anselms.

"St. A’s went to the third round of the NCAA tournament last season and are still considered to be one of the top teams in New England," said Pleban.

"We dictated this game," said Phillips. "We just played harder and wanted it more than they did," said Schatz.

This weekend, the Lady Pioneers travel up to New Hampshire to face NECC foes Franklin Pierce and Keene St. in this season’s first conference contests.

Pleban explained that Pierce is on of the teams to beat in the league and defense will be the key to winning this game.

"We have been working hard and I think its contagious. With our confidence and leadership, we should build on Sunday’s win and threaten every team we play," said Head Coach Ed Swanson.

**Icemen's record drops to .500 after loss to Bentley**

**Pioneers suffer 10-2 defeat at the hands of Bentley**

**By Kevin Carroll**
*Assistant Sports Editor*

The SHU men’s hockey team dropped to .500 after the Turkey Day break as they fell victim to a relentless Bentley attack in a 10-2 loss.

"We have not been playing 100 percent for the full 60 minutes," said Head Coach John Glynne. "With the system I have put in you need that full 60 minutes of play to win."

Take the Bentley skirmish. The two teams faced off in an even match, but a little over half way through the first period Bentley tallied with three quick goals off the sticks of Richard Starck, Jason Porter and Scott Frerichs. Scott slipped one past Pioneer net minder Brad Watkins with three minutes left on the clock.

The second period started off with more of the same as B.J. Luciani poked one in just one minute into the period. The Pioneers did show life as Jon Yackmack and Mike Racine put up the only two points for SHU.

"Jon is a great leader for this team and has been doing very well this season," said Glynne. "He is one of the players who ‘always gives it his all the whole 60 minutes.’"

Yackmack and Racine's efforts weren’t enough however. Bentley would not let down their guard and lit up the lamp 6 more times before the game was over.

"We are off to our best start in the program’s history right now at 3-3. I feel that the program is one of the top teams in New England," added Pleban.

The SHU coaching staff and players knew what they had to do to shut down a tough St. Anselms team.

In order to win, they needed to hold leading scorer Kristen Skoglund under her average of 26 points., beat them in the rebounding category and limit the number of second shots.

SHU reached these goals, only allowing Skoglund 17 pts. while outrebounding St. A’s 49-39. Seniors Denise Schatz and Kim McCullion paced SHU, grabbing 10 and 9 rebounds respectively.

The Lady Pioneers set the tone early in the game with a full court press and an aggressive zone, which resulted in many turnovers for St. A’s.

"We dictated this game," said McCullion. "We came out and basically told them how we were going to play instead of playing their style of game."

Down the stretch, rebounding, tenacious defense and accurate foul shooting allowed SHU to come up with the victory.

"We just played harder and wanted it more than they did," said Schatz.

The men’s basketball team 10-2 defeat with the final score, 82-68. From there it just went downhill.

The next day the Pioneers took on Stonehill and suffered their first defeat with the final score being 76-61. The cagers walked the effect, tenacious defense and accurate foul shooting allowed SHU to come up with the victory.

"We have not been shooting well and we’re getting beat defensively on fast breaks," said senior center and co-captain Kevin Vulin.

The cagers found themselves in the Constitution Classic as their first stab at the 95 campaign. The Pioneers started off looking good said Phillips. Their level of play if they want a serious run at post-season play. If not then the season will end soon.