Serving the Sacred Heart University Community

New residence hall to open in fall

By Ayoma Perera
Co-Editor

In a desperate move by Sacred Heart authorities to combat the influx of over 700 resident students for the 1997-98 academic year, a newly proposed residence hall has begun construction adjacent to a sewage treatment plant at an undisclosed location.

The proposed residence hall will replace former plans of building another on-campus residence—East Hall.

The ten-story apartment style building will house seniors only. The three bedroom and two bedroom apartments will have a kitchen, living room, bathroom and laundry facilities.

A weight room, swimming, tennis and other recreational facilities will also be available on the third floor. A Pizzeria Uno restaurant located on the roof will provide an alternative to dining at school.

"I think the idea of having a rooftop restaurant is excellent," said Alison Seas, a junior political science major from Stamford.

A shuttle service will be provided on a 24-hour basis with security provided by Public Safety.

The idea for a new off-campus residence hall surfaced after a mutual agreement could not be reached between university authorities, neighborhood residents, and the Department of Zoning Regulations in Bridgeport.

"The neighbors have been very unconcerned regarding the issue of East Hall. Fortunately, we were able to find the site near the sewage treatment center for the new residence hall," said Jim Barquinero, vice-president of enrollment planning and student affairs.

"Now students need not worry about being tripled up even in the Jefferson Hill apartments," he added.

The new hall, which has yet to be named, will be completed by the first week of August 1997.

"We are way ahead of schedule and students should be able to move in by the time they return from their summer vacation," said Barquinero.

FLIK franchises

By Michele Herrmann
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"Everyone will go just to get the dollar bill," said Morris.

The evening will be capped off by a performance of the Spice Girls' "Wannabe" by Kristen Lalla, a senior media studies major from White Plains, N.Y., and Denise Morris, a senior psychology major from Sound Beach, N.Y. Lalla and Morris perfected their rendition of the song over spring break and are anxious to perform for Sacred Heart.

Smokers, light up!

By Erin Harrison
Co-Editor-in-Chief

After several recent forums between students, faculty, staff and administration, Sacred Heart University will implement its new smoking policy effective today.

According to President Anthony J. Cernera, Ph.D., the former policy "discriminated against smokers who are just as much a part of the University." Cernera is a reformed smoker.

The new policy states that smoking will be permitted in the hallways of the Academic Center, including the Dining Hall. The bookstore is giving away cartons of several varieties of smoking materials from 5 p.m. today.

"Students have to be busy with school, work ... and now they have to go to the bookstore to buy tobacco," said Justin Venech, senior psychology major from Morris.

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Cernera DJs at 'Page'

By Kristyn Mulry
News Co-Editor

A fundraiser to lower the cost of Senior Week events will be held tonight at Sports Page on Main Street in Bridgeport. Students admitted with their SHU ID and a $3 charge. Others will be charged a $5 cover.

"SHU Rocks," hosted by President Anthony Cernera, will bring the cost of the Senior Week package from $130 to $100.

Cernera thinks the event will bring him closer to the students and allow them to see him in a setting outside of the University.

"I am excited about this party and feel that I will be able to establish a bond with the students through an event such as this," Cernera said. "I am also eager to display my interest in rap and dance music," he added.

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The fast food suggestion originated from the Dining Services Committee, which is run by students. "McDonald's has always been popular with people our age," said Justin Venech, president of the committee. "It's quick for those who are taking their food to go, and the Big Macs are always enjoyable. Besides, who can resist those french fries?"

As the process further develops, Kennedy said that the Dining Hall will be...
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Mickey D's: FLIK expands eating options

By Larry Waters
Contributing Writer

After a series of meetings by the Campus Beautification Committee involving all segments of the University, an action plan for the University quad has been formed for approval by the Board of Trustees.

The quad, considered an eccological problem on campus because of its poor drainage system, is slowly sinking in its center at a rate of approximately 2 to 3 inches a year, according to a report prepared by the University's Building and Grounds department.

Plans to build a University Chapel on the quad, as outlined in the 1992 Strategic Plan, had to be shelved when engineers hired by the University discovered that the dirt-sand-shaped area was situated over an aquifer at a depth of about fifty feet, making any building on the site impossible.

"I think we have finally found a use for the quad that makes perfect sense," said President of the University, Dr. Anthony Cemera, one of the proponents of the new plan.

University officials pointed out that the contour of the land in question, covering an area of approximately 3.5 acres, would be an excellent site for a large pond.

"If we could leave twenty or so yards of grass around the perimeter of the pond, and then add trees and benches and a walkway, we would make for a haven for all the students and faculty. It would be a gift to the University community," said Dr. Paul Madonna, vice president of finance and administration.

"And such a use of the quad is very feasible financially," he added.

Student members of the Quad Committee endorsed the plan enthusiastically.

"It's a great idea," said Christy Ashley, student government president. "It means we would lose the walkways to the Administration Building and the Library, but look what we would gain — a beautiful water recreation area."

The idea for the pond surfaced soon after all building on the aquifer was put on hold. But several members of the University community are not so sure that the current plan is in the school's best interests.

"Are we going to be able to keep students from swimming in the pond?" asked one university official who wished to remain anonymous.

Members of the committee said they addressed the swimming issue early in their deliberations and don't feel it will be a problem. It was also pointed out that students would be able to skate on the pond during the winter months.

Several students asked if the pond would be stocked with fish, and if there will be any boating allowed.

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Choice to go out on Thursday nights, we thought we would be able to raise the most money by giving all of Sacred Heart one place to go," commented Eller.

Student Activities has arranged for shuttle buses to transport students to and from Sports Page at no cost. The buses will run from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. on a continual basis.

"SHU Rocks" will begin at 8 p.m. and go until 1 a.m. when the bar closes. For further details, contact either Eller at ext. 7954 or Cemera at ext. 7900.

Returning to the pond, vending operations could be shelved when engineers hired by the University discovered that the inverted dish-shaped area was situated over an aquifer at a depth of about fifty feet, making any building on the site impossible.

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Puppetry major added to curriculum

By Wayne Kosminoff
Contributing Writer

Recently, Sacred Heart University officials declared that puppetry has been selected as a new major for the 1997-98 semester. With efforts to become the largest Catholic college in the Northeast, the University is exploring ways to compete with top universities such as UConn which has had puppetry as a major for several years.

What might seem strange or unusual to some, is not for approximately 43 percent of the incoming freshmen and the 150 transfer students waiting to attend SHU.

Karen Pagliuco, dean of undergraduate admissions, said that all of the students were asked in the survey what their first choice of major was, as well as if there were any majors that SHU didn’t have that they’d like to see.

“We found that there was an overwhelming request for students interested in becoming puppeteers. What first got our attention was that several last semester asked if this major would ever be available,” Pagliuco said.

Here are some of the students who expressed interest in this major.

“I was really interested in this for a long time,” said Lupersio Perez, a junior criminal justice major from Bridgeport. “I only wished that I knew this major existed. I really think she has come a long way and is accepting Kyle ‘as is.’ We suggested that maybe some courses be offered, in case he gets out of hand, but at least she’s not alone,” he said.

Sylvia Rutberg did some of the book’s exercises with Sylvia that are aimed at training the mind to aim lower rather than higher. “I think she has come a long way and is accepting Kyle ‘as is.’ We suggested that maybe some courses be offered in case he gets out of hand, but at least she’s not alone,” he said. Sylvia praises the efforts of the Counseling Center to help her ignore her intuition. “I really owe it all to them. They recommend some of the best self-help books around.”

As for her relationship with Kyle, it has gotten more severe.

“I have to still hear all the time that I’m nothing and that he’d jump off a building if I ever ended our relationship. But I love him, and who am I to judge?” she said.

Sylvia’s roommate Helen has seen changes in Sylvia since she read the book. “She does seem happier, I guess. But there’s still something about Kyle that’s off-center. I just tell Sylvia to never be alone with him and she tells me that I’m overreacting. Go figure,” Helen said.

The book has created a stir amongst angry feminists who claim it is limiting women in the wrong direction.

“Reconsidering Stalking” is available through Berkley Publishing and is in stock at most bookstores for $7.95.
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EDITORIALS

Thumbs up for new smoking policy

The newly implemented smoking policy Sacred Heart University enacted helps to fulfill its mission by outreaching to the community, smokers and nonsmokers alike.

The old policy mandated that smoking be not permitted within any building on campus. This was unfair to all smokers—students, faculty and staff alike.

The new cigarette butt receptacles around campus are a fine addition to the physical appearance to the school. The University's "facelift" over this past decade was lacking without them.

We believe that the smoking policy will decrease the stress levels of fellow smokers by allowing them to fill their lungs with smoke, anytime and anywhere on campus. We applaud the administrators who supported this valiant act.

Pond will decrease greenery

The recent decision to transform the quad into a pond is a hideous idea. The University already lacks greenery and functional recreation areas.

Granted the pond will provide more than adequate purposes for wintertime activities, it lacks any useful purpose for eight or nine months out of the year.

Adding this feature to the campus takes away more than it gives. We question the credibility and sanity of those administrators who approved such a major transformation on campus. All significant changes on campus usually meet the approval of the students by administration.

We must wonder why this outrageous renovation was not proposed to the students to seek proper approval.

Inebriation leads to happy memories

By Ayoma Perera & Erin Harrison

For many young college-goers, drinking adults, hangovers, endless nights of inebriation and "walks of shame" are not uncommon. In retrospect (from not only last night), having had our fill of pitchers, shots of Kamikazes, Red Deaths, "Blow Jobs" and "Sex on the Beaches," brace yourself for a look at two peak alcoholic episodes of our lives.

Erin: "I used to go to this bike bar in Stamford. Well, not really a bike bar, but it was a pretty divey place. (To protect the innocent, I will call the bar "Dick's Place.") I have to confess. That's irrelevant. Anyway, one time I was with Greg visiting our mutual friend at his college in Pennsylvania. Needless to say, our friend's college had something like 32 fraternities. We were at one house and a fellow drunk proceeded to hit on me. Greg ascended to quite a state of anger and decided to pull his "rough guy" act. He asked the bartender to shotgun a beer with him. Greg got so sick and threw up on the guy's leg. My hero. (Please note sarcasm)

Ayoma: "Wait, wait, wait. I have a story for you! Remember the Sports Page, freshman year? No carding, no inhibitions. Denise, Libby, Donna, Kelsey, Meg, the whole bunch of us third-year-old women at the White House lawn party. My first ever taste of a beverage that was not non-alcoholic! . . . By the nights' end, with almost four "Sex on the Beaches" and an undisclosed number of beers in my system, I was hammered! I stumbled out barely coherent and befriended an equally drunk individual, a 34-year-old woman who . . ."

Erin: "Hold on there killer! Speaking of befriending oddball drinkers, I somehow always ended up talking to 55-year-old divorcees at my dive of choice. How pathetic I thought these people were, but how equally pathetic I was for listening to their stories of heartache and tribulation. It seems I'm well on my way to becoming like them."

Ayoma: "Oh, stop you silly girl! You aren't like that."

Erin: "True, but sometimes I feel like Betty Ford before her reformation."

Ayoma: "Well, to continue with my story, as I was saying, this woman began to disclose her age to me, 32 to be exact. I, in turn, disclosed that I was also 32 and had just had "sex on the beach." Little did she know I meant the drink. After applauding me, she suggested her way home. Your turn Erin!"

We digress.

Erin: "I really think that we should rid of all the bottles in the Spectrum office before the end of the year."

Ayoma: That's right. We don't want to tarnish our angelic images anymore, do we?

Erin: "Top o' the morning to ya, laddy."

Ayoma: "Bonna Bonna! (That's my native tongue for 'Drink, drink!')"

Erin & Ayoma: "Let's go for a beer."

Clinton aptly handles relations

One of the major concerns of voters during the 1992 Presidential campaign was how Bill Clinton would handle foreign policy. In the four-and-a-half years he has been President, I must say Clinton has done well.

Take for example his policy in Bosnia. Rather than uni­lateralism, the arms embargo against the Bosnian Mus­lims, he turned a blind eye to Iran sending arms to the Muslims.

This brilliant strategy helped the U.S. to claim no re­sponsibility for the consequences of the arming of the Muslims. Asia is another example of effective American involvement in a world crisis. We removed a lawless dictatorship, and replaced it with a lawless, crooked democracy.

Well, at least we're trying to make Haiti more like America.

Soromia is another interesting example of President Clinton's foreign policy. We had rules of engagement that made our soldiers like fish in a barrel for those friendly fellows, the Somalian warlords.

Clinton apparently picked up that strategy during his Oxford days.

President Clinton has also had success in the Middle East.

In perhaps the biggest foreign policy achievement of his presidency, Clinton organized a hand­shake on the White House lawn between Yasser Arafat and Israel's late Prime Minister Rabin.

If there was anyone who questioned Clinton's foreign policy skills they were silenced after the handshake.

President Clinton's biggest strides in foreign policy success have been in Asia. As we have heard in recent weeks, President Clinton has had the friendliest relations with Asia of any President in history.

China and Indonesia were the president's main foreign policy focus after the handshake.

And, according to probes into Clinton-Gore '96 fundraising, Clinton's "foreign policy success" in China and Indo­nesia may even eclipse that of the handshake.

President Clinton continued the friendly relations with China by sending Vice-President Gore there last week. The vice-presi­dent toasted with Chinese leader­ers, perhaps discussing ways to make US-China relations even friendlier in about three years.

In 1992, then Senator Gore criticized President Bush for friendly relations with the Chi­nese. Apparently Gore has seen the error of his ways, and realizes how much China has to offer.

Now a lot of people are getting bent out of shape about this. I don't see why. The Clinton campaign benefited from selling business with China.

So what? Why go through all that eff­ort if there's nothing in return for you. It's just good foreign policy.

Republicans should look toward allies in Europe to help them out in the campaign in 2000. It's just good foreign policy.

I have to admit I too was a bit concerned about Bill Clinton's lack of foreign policy experience. After all his achievements in foreign policy, I realize there was nothing at all to worry about.

PERSPECTIVE

Inebriation leads to happy memories

By Ayoma Perera & Erin Harrison

The editorial page(s) is an open forum. All sub­missions are subject to editing for spelling, punc­tuation, grammar and clarity. The entirety of this issue of the Spectrum is a parody. Please lighten up and take no offense—take a joke!

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EDITORIAL POLICY:
Letters to the editor

PUBLIC SAFETY OVERSTAYS WELCOME

To the editor,

A couple of weeks ago, my housemates and I called Public Safety because our gas stove wasn’t working. One of the officers came over to attend to it at about 11 p.m.

The officer worked on the stove for about an hour and asked to use our phone to call his wife. I went up to bed only to be awakened soon after to the officer hollering loudly at the top of his lungs from our kitchen.

He disrupted the entire apartment with yelling about his marital problems. We didn’t have much choice but to hear in great detail. (Who is cheating on who, etc.)

It didn’t end there, as I thought it did. I heard the Public Safety officer finally leave at 2 a.m. When I got up to go to Italian class the next morning, I noticed a large object wrapped in a blanket on our couch. I woke and said that he crashed himself out of the house. He ended up spending the whole day on our couch, watching soap operas and talk shows.

I went over to poke it and it moved. It was the Public Safety officer who had somehow gotten into our townhouse. He had locked himself out of the house.

He explained spending the whole day on our couch, watching soap operas and talk shows binging on our food. After much coaxing, we finally convinced him to leave later that evening.

I felt sorry for his problems and he seemed like a wreck over them, but still, is that any excuse for disrupting an apartment full of students?

Gina Norelli

UNIVERSITY UNJUSTLY CHARGES ON DAMAGE BILLS

Dear editor,

I am writing to bring to your attention the wrongful charging and over charging of Residential Life in regards to damage bills and alcohol violations.

The dvaworks that live behind our townhouse refrigerator repeatedly damaged it. Everything had to be taken to them.

They have a huge mess all over the house whenever they have a party, which they throw every time we leave the house. During breaks and holidays, they have a field day. These are the times when they party and celebrate the most.

They create huge holes in our doors and walls and stuff the toilets. They knock out window screens and door stops, and spill dig spilt all over the rugs.

We’ve asked the one big dwarf on a number of occasions to please stop these things, but he doesn’t say anything.

He merely turns his head and slowly wanders back into the door behind our fridge.

Each semester my housemates and I get a very hefty damage bill for damage and property destruction that we are simply not responsible for.

I do not think it is fair that my housemates and I be charged for things we did not do, including write-ups for alcohol.

Is there anything I can do about this? (Please don’t say call Public Safety because I have tried that and all they do is hang up on me.)

A townhouse one member.

Christopher Twarowski

"THE CAN MAN" INFURIATES

To the editor,

I am writing to bring to your attention the person who roams around campus known as “The Can Man.”

If you and other readers do not know who this man is, I shall tell you. He is an older man, I’d say close to 70, who brings various magazines and videotapes to people’s homes in return for any empty cans or bottles you may have.

It’s getting old!!

Signed,

Aggravated

Gina Norelli

TIME ON YOUR HANDS

While it may not always seem like it, the college experience will typically offer more time and flexibility than you’ve ever had before on your own.

Look at the numbers. In high school, you started at 8 a.m. and ended at 3 p.m., eating up to 30 hours a week. After college, you can expect to work 40 to 50 hours a week. A full course load is 15 hours. So if you spend your time doing that, you will only have about 1 hour a day to do anything but sleep.

That doesn’t mean college is easy. It’s not. It does mean, however, that effectively managing your time is crucial. To help you do this, think about college as a 9-to-5 job. Get up, showered, and ready to go by 7 a.m. — whether you have a class to go to or not. If you don’t have class, hit the library. It will be uncrowded and quiet — offering a tremendous daily opportunity.

We know, however, that some of you are soldiers, too. It’s amazing to see students make a 10-minute walk back to their dorms when they have just an hour between classes. Find a quiet spot and get in the books. Even if you have a few hours between classes, don’t spend it back at your dorms or apartment hanging out with friends or chatting on the internet.

Firstly, study after class before dinner. There really aren’t that many other good things to do in the early evening, most of the best social, cultural, and other activities take place in the evening. By spending that “down time” in the library, you’re really not missing much. And, if you have to work in the dining hall, make sure you work in the dining hall and you won’t be successful academically.

Get a job, make money, and get the real world into your time in college.

Gina Norelli

PETTY COMPLAINTS APPALLING

To the editor,

I am appalled at the petty complaints made by students regarding the laptops and the service given by the Computer Mobile Center workers and doubt very much if any of these complaints have any value.

I am one of the students who have been writing diligently day-in-and-day-out on these computers without so much as a coffee break inbetween. In return they receive nasty looks and uncalled for articles in your newspaper.

I urge all you laptop owners to refrain from blaming the wrong people for your carelessness. I’m sure you wouldn’t want to be treated like this in your shoes — the receiving end of such narrow-minded accusations.

Whiny Bitch

OVERCROWDING BRINGS CLOSENESS

Dear Editor,

Despite what people say about overcrowding in the dorms, or Residence Halls, I would have to say that I don’t mind living with eight other people in a five room apartment. It’s actually quite enjoyable.

We all are squashed together, and I think that increases our friendship by allowing us to be closer to each other. True, there is a lack of privacy and space, but it teaches us to make due with what we have. True, we fight and at times get on each others’ nerves because of this, but I think this is normal. Isn’t that what friendship is all about?

I hear other apartments complain about lack of space and arguments. They just have to deal, and learn to get along. Even my suite mates moan. Now they tell me they are looking at different places to live next year. I guess I am the only SHU student willing to put up with overcrowding. Now, I have to figure out who to live with next year. Anyone interested can contact me at Jefferson Hill 4-102.

Christopher Twarowski

Mousy resident

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Phish joins spring concert

By Christopher Twarowski
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Phish will be headlining the spring concert to be held on the football field on April 25th with The Bare Naked Ladies.

This announcement comes amidst the prior report that there could be no concert on the football field this year due to the numerous complaints from residents in the neighboring areas of the campus from last year’s Violent Femmes and Fugees show. Consequently, the concert was going to be held in the Gym.

“We received complaints about noise levels from up to a four mile radius,” said Director of Student Activities Denise Sutphin. “But for a band of this great a following, we really had no choice.”

This is the first Phish show to ever take place in the area and it is expected to draw a very unique crowd.

Sacred Heart University President Anthony J. Cernera said that there would be added security present, though he does not foresee many problems with maintaining the crowd, or a need for an overwhelming presence of police.

“I’m well aware of the type of people that Phish attracts, and I feel that the show can take place without conflicts,” said Cernera. “I used to follow the Dead back in the ’70s and I have since become a follower of Phish since Jerry’s passing.”

Nevertheless, additional safety precautions had to be made. A 10-foot high wire fence will be constructed around the field in order to keep people out who may try to get in via the golf course. There will also be Bridgeport and Fairfield police officers from the ninth and 12th precinct present to make any arrests necessary.

“There will be some very strange folk gathered here,” said Director of Public Safety Bill O’Connell. “The like of which Fairfield has never seen before.”

“We are pretty excited about this,” said Cernera. “Every time I see them they have something new out, or if any medical assistance is needed.”

Student Activities cosponsors Clam Jam

By Michele Herrmann
Co-Editor-in-Chief

“Since many students go off-campus on the weekend, we thought it would be successful to have an event happen away from Sacred Heart,” said Denise Sutphin, director of Student Activities.

A step in that direction will include cosponsoring this year’s Clam Jam with Fairfield University’s SUBOG. The Clam Jam is scheduled for May 5 at Fairfield Beach.

The Student Events Team has met with SUBOG to assist with coordinating the alcohol supply and selecting this year’s performers.

“We are pretty excited about this. The Clam Jam brings in a lot of people and this is a good way to get students to attend a Sacred Heart student event,” said Mike Dutton, head of S.E.T.

Although Clam Jams have evoked complaints from residents in that area, Student Activities will handle any problems as they occur. Fairfield Police will be on call if fights do break out, or if any medical assistance is needed.

In the past, Clam Jams featured musical acts such as Cypress Hill and Busta Rhymes. This year, performers have not been announced, but around both campuses the rumor is Pearl Jam. As for verifying the rumor, neither Sutphin nor Dutton would respond. Members of SUBOG were unavailable for comment.

This year’s Jam will start at 7 p.m. and the music will end at 1 a.m. Admission is free. For more information, contact Student Activities or SUBOG.
Front Row

McCall and Jones unfairly punished

Lately it seems boxers are being unfairly picked on. A great example of this occurred earlier this week when former heavyweight boxing champion Oliver McCall was placed in a mental institution. The basis for this is the "breakdown" he had during his title fight with Lennox Lewis. McCall was unfairly disqualified just for expressing his feelings.

When McCall refused to defend himself during the fight and began to cry, the so-called experts said he was having a mental breakdown caused by drug use. Well, that's just not true. McCall knew exactly what he was doing. He was making a statement.

McCall was trying to show just how sensitive boxers can be. He was getting in touch with his feminine side in front of the world. We should commend him for it rather than lock him up for it.

Another statement he was making was a protest against the violence in boxing. McCall was asking Lennox Lewis the same question Rodney King asked the entire nation: "Why can't we all just get along?" Apparently we just didn't get the message. Instead we call him crazy and lock him away.

This type of thing isn't uncommon. Just recently Roy Jones Jr. was disqualified for hitting his opponent while he was down. Jones also was sending a complex message. Jones wasn't happy with how his opponent fell, and he wanted to let him know about it, so he hit him again. Can you blame him?

By Rob Sawicki

If you were fighting someone on national television and he didn't fall down as hard as you wanted, wouldn't you get mad and hit him until he fell appropriately?

Jones, however, was sending a deeper message to all the little Roy Jones Jr.'s out there—sometimes in life people are going to hit you while you're down. We're always complaining about how athletes aren't role models, but when Roy Jones Jr. tries to be one and teach children a valuable lesson, we disqualify him.

We expect a lot out of athletes. We expect them to work hard and put on a show for the paying customers.

We expect winning and the betterment of the game to matter. We even expect them to send positive messages to the children who worship them.

Not only are we asking all this of them, we even punish them when they try to do it.

Maybe Oliver McCall isn't the one that's crazy. Maybe it's us.

Sports in brief

Come out and funnel for a good cause

The Sacred Heart University Student-Athlete Council and Student-Athlete Mentor program (SAM) will sponsor the first "Funneling with the Pioneers" to benefit the Cirrhosis-of-the-Liver-Foundation.

The event will take place in the Outpost on Wednesday, April 9 starting at 9 p.m., with registration beginning at 8 p.m. The cost is $20 and will include a free funnel and 12-pack of Meister Brau at the door.

The top-five funnelers will receive a free t-shirt and a donation in their name sent to the Cirrhosis-of-the-Liver-Foundation.

For more information contact Al K. Hanie in the "Outpost" at 555 BEER. Or call the Counseling Center at 555-7118 and ask for Dr. John Daniels or James Beam.

Kregling faces tough decisions in final bowling competition in Hawaii

On April 12, the SHU women's bowling team will bowl against Team USA in their final tournament of the year in Mani, Hawaii. Coach Rebecca Kregling faces a moral dilemma as her team prepares for battle.

"I think I'll have to get someone else to coach or risk losing my position on the national team," said Coach Kregling, who has been the fifth ranked SHU's skipper for the last four years.

Kregling has competed on Team USA for the past year. The Athletic Department refuses to comment on the situation.

Bucky the Pioneer in sex scandal, mascot caught with his knickers down

Bucky the Pioneer has been suspended pending further investigation of allegations made by an individual who chooses not to be identified.

The individual states that Bucky was attempting to lure her behind the bleachers at campus field, while the mascot's drawers were dropped. "The girl and myself were just having a picnic and I had to relieve myself," said Bucky.

Cloning: SHU's new plan of attack

In a controversial move, SHU plans to replace weaker links of current sports teams with clones of former stars.

Athlete of the week

Champ Harrison

Champ, a six-year-old golden retriever from Fairfield on the Sacred Heart frisbee catching team, finished in first place in the National tournament held at Daytona Beach in Florida. Champ set a world record catching a perfect 100% of his master's throws at distances of up to 80 yards. He participates in the 85 pound weight class, and is considered to be pound for pound the best frisbee dog in the world.

Sports Schedule

Thursday, Apr. 3
Softball vs. U.S.A National Team, 4 p.m.
Baseball at New York Mets, Shea Stadium, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 5
Men's Lacrosse vs. Canadian National Team, 1 p.m.
Women's Lacrosse vs. Maryland University, 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, Apr. 6
Men's Basketball vs. Harlem Globetrotters, 1 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. WNBA All-Stars, 3:30 p.m.

Monday, Apr. 7
Men's Tennis at French Open, 4 p.m.

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Reho lands job with Jets

Set to coach defensive line under Bill Parcells in N.Y.

By Dave Lupica
Contributing Writer

Gary Reho, head coach of the Sacred Heart football team since its inaugural season in 1991, has recently been named defensive line coach for the New York Jets.

"While I'll be disappointed to leave the Sacred Heart community, I'm thrilled to be a part of the NFL and specifically the New York Jets," said Reho.

He was hired by newly appointed Jets head coach, Bill Parcells, whose 1996-97 New England Patriots fell short of a Super Bowl Championship last season to the Green Bay Packers.

Parcells, who is in the process of hiring a new assistant coaching staff has been impressed with the coaching abilities of Reho.

"I have followed Reho's teams since he began his coaching career as defensive coordinator of the University of New Haven," said Parcells. "He is an extraordinary defensive coach and has exceptional knowledge of the defensive line."

After his three year stay with New Haven, Reho spent two years as defensive coordinator at Hampden-Sydney, before beginning his coaching career and believing his coaching style will fit the Jet organization.

"Myself, along with our whole team was shocked when we heard Reho was retiring from coaching," said Douglas. "I saw him coach a couple of games at Sacred Heart and I'm convinced his hard-nosed style of defensive play will help us in the upcoming season."

Sacred Heart Athletic Director Don Cook expressed his disappointment in Reho's departure, but supports his decision.

"Gary has been offered a coaching opportunity of a lifetime and we understand it's an offer he can not pass up," said Cook. "We'll miss him at Sacred Heart, but we're proud to see him succeed and he should do a fine job with the Jets."

NCAA grants athletes a fifth year of eligibility

Former SHU players to return

By Bodacious Bowler
Contributing Writer

After years of speculation, the NCAA announced yesterday that college eligibility will be extended to five years. The new rule will go into effect in time for the 1997-98 season allowing this year's seniors the option to play another year and old favorite's a chance to return to the playing field.

This decision effects all Sacred Heart teams. Softball coach Elizabeth "Bippy" Luckie has already announced that she will be coming back to the softball diamond.

"We are all so excited about her return," said sophomore pitcher Nicole Menard, a 1996 second team All-American.

Sarah Solinsky will also be returning. With the return of these women comes controversy. Who will start at shortstop?

Don Harrison's comparison of these two stars in the 1995 summer edition of the Sacred Heart Magazine highlights their unmatched abilities.

Other questions that arise are; will Luckie return as a player/coach and will she start herself every game?

In men's basketball, Johnny Burkette and Joe Doyle will be back for this year's winter season.

"The last few weeks of my final season were hard. I always wished for something like this to happen and now my dream has come true," said Burkette, who graduated in 1996.

All NECC soccer graduate Jen Fallon will have a tough decision to make this coming season. After applying for the women's soccer coach position, Fallon was informed that eligibility was extended.

"It really hasn't sunk in yet...I might coach soccer and play lacrosse, but nothing is definite," said Fallon.

Jeff Vemick of the Sacred Heart men's bowling team, who has already received several extra years of eligibility, was ecstatic to learn of the eligibility ruling. Next year will mark his seventh year in college bowling.

Assistant lacrosse coaches Henry Olszewski and Doug Steele are planning to return to play for the team's 1998 season. Both Olzszewski and Steele were All-American selections during their playing years at Sacred Heart.

"I will be great to get back out on the field with the guys again," said Olzszewski. "I've really missed the excitement of competition!"

Director of Athletics Don Cook has expressed his excitement about the new rule and believes it can only benefit Sacred Heart athletics.

"SHU could be on the brink of a proverbial dream season," said Cook. "It's a fine line when ex-players get to take the field or court and play the sport they once excelled in. Who knows maybe I'll break out my baseball mit once again."