Fear of enrollment hike causes concern

By Grace Mukupa
Staff Writer

An increase in resident students at Sacred Heart has raised concern about housing and if there is enough space to accommodate this rise. Increased triples and conversion of common areas into rooms have fueled debates as to what is best for Sacred Heart.

According to Karen Paglino, dean of undergraduate admissions, the number of freshmen enrolled has not changed at all. "We take 600 freshmen every year, nothing has changed and I have a feeling that the number will stay the same," said Paglino.

Five hundred first-year students live on campus. Compared to past years, the number of dropouts and students transferring to other years, the number of students living on campus. Compared to freshmen every year, nothing changed at all. "We take 600 freshmen enrolled has not decreased," said Paglino. "More students are staying," added Paglino. "Maybe this is the reason why students think the school is enrolling more students."

Residential Life is working to make on-campus housing a better place for the students. However, an increase in residential students for the 1997-98 academic year has prompted the tripling of many more rooms.

"We don't like to do this, but in the meantime we are trying to do the best we can to accommodate all students," said Director of Residential Life Raynis. Many students are more interested in living on campus because of accessibility, but should consider some positive aspects of living off campus. "We want students to know that off-campus housing also offers a better experience," added Raynis.

Policy amended

By Kristyn Maley
News Co-Editor

Senior Week, May 13-18, will now be open to all students with 105 or more completed credits as of the end of the semester. The original policy stated that only those students eligible to graduate in May or August (114 credits) would be able to participate. The change in policy will affect 85 students, according to Director of Student Activities Denise Sutphin. In previous years, students not able to participate in commencement exercises were permitted to attend one of the events. This year, organizers wanted to prevent people from attending two Senior Weeks.

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Avalon goes dry

Students experience water cut due to unpaid bills

By Wendi Plescia
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, April 16, the water in 12 Avalon Gates student apartments was shut off due to the lack of payment of water bills.

"It was a major inconvenience. We had to walk down to the clubhouse in order to go to the bathroom," stated Collen Kennedy, a junior psychology major from West Greenwich, R.I.

Some of the Avalon Gates residents received a notice saying that the water would be turned off on April 7 if the overdue bills went unpaid.

"The University never received the bills from BHC (Bridgeport Hydraulic Company) or Avalon Gates," stated Dan Connolly, the director of housing.

After receiving the notices, the students went to Connolly, who responded by sending a certified letter on March 26 to BHC, requesting a name change on the bill. It was signed and received on March 31.

"Avalon Gates is the property owner, however the name change was never made for SHU to take over paying the bills," according to Larry Bingaman, vice president of corporate relations at BHC.

Avalon Gates was responsible for the payment of the building, and Avalon failed to pay.

"We sent bills to Avalon. Then we sent two late notices and Avalon never responded. After they didn't respond, we terminated the water service," stated Bingaman.

BHC turned off the water in apartments of families that live at Avalon Gates, bringing the total to 18.

Currently, the name change has been made and the bills are being paid by Sacred Heart.

Avalon Gates had no comment on the situation.

Res Life restructures

By Michelle Herrmann
Co-Editor-in-Chief

The reconstruction of Residential Life will result in the termination of the Director of Housing Operations and Conferences position, which Dan Connolly currently fills, on June 30.

According to Dean of Students Larry Wiell, an analysis of the department concluded that the responsibilities of the two full-time Residential Life directors were overlapping. "It's my feeling that the set-up of the two directors doesn't work as efficiently as it would like," said Wiell.

Connolly said he was informed about the decision most a month ago. "Larry Wiell explained to me that my position was going to be restructured in order to provide better service to students and allow for some salary dollars to be revised."

Connolly's duties include ordering furniture, overseeing damage billing, housing selection, acting as a liaison between maintenance and students, and handling summer conferences and housing.

"My biggest concern is that whatever they decide, they decide quickly so that service to students is not interrupted by any overworked department," Connolly said. "We should be looking at how to strengthen the department and not to restructure it."

With Connolly's dismissal, the changes in the department will now be open to all students with 105 or more completed credits as of the end of the semester. The original policy stated that only those students eligible to graduate in May or August (114 credits) would be able to participate. The change in policy will affect 85 students, according to Director of Student Activities Denise Sutphin. In previous years, students not able to participate in commencement exercises were permitted to attend one of the events. This year, organizers wanted to prevent people from attending two Senior Weeks.

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Holocaust Remembrance Day
1945-1997

A candle lighting ceremony will be observed by the Sacred Heart community on Wednesday, April 30 at 11 a.m. in the West Hall Great Room. Y'shaya Gramma will serve as Cantor. This is the 52nd year of liberation from the concentration camps.

Please call the Office of Campus Ministry at ext. 7840 to reserve your seat.

Publication party to be held today

There will be a publication celebration for Dr. Sondra Melzer of the education department today from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge. Melzer is the author of the book The Rhetoric of Rage: Women in Dorothy Parker.

Students are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Science department hosts contest

An essay contest is being held by the Science department. Open to all science majors, the contest will require submission of a 500 to 750 word essay on the following questions: "What do you feel will be the role of the scientist in the coming century? Why?"

Entries are due at the office of Dr. Christ Verses in the biology department by Apr. 29. Winners will be notified by May 2 and they will receive monetary prizes. Entries must be signed by the adviser of the contestant.

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Festivities: more seniors eligible

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Ferguson, an English major from Somerville, Mass. who will graduate in Dec. "That's probably what they should have done in the first place," she added.

Next year, the policy will revert to the original for this year. Only May and August graduates will be allowed to participate.

"I do not agree with allowing non-graduating seniors to participate but, as I have already stated, I am willing to make an exception for this year only," said Sutphin.

Sutphin said that the "powers that be" did not influence the decision regarding Senior Week as reported in an editorial in the April 17 issue of the Spectrum. "Al and myself came up with this decision all by ourselves."

Tickets for individual events can be purchased through 4 p.m. today outside the Faculty Lounge.

Countdown to graduation: 24 days

Student Nurses attend Phoenix conference

By Ayoma Perera
News Co-Editor

Four students represented Sacred Heart at the 45th National Student Nurse's Association Convention in Phoenix, Arizona from April 9 to 13.

Senior nursing majors Clare Cardo, Leo Gonzalez, Judy Schleiff and Trisha DeNitto attended the conference as representatives of the Sacred Heart chapter of the National division. This marks the second time that Sacred Heart has been represented at the national convention. Last year it was held in New Orleans.

"The theme of the convention was 'Expand your horizon' and was a way of giving student nurses a voice in their profession before actually going to work in that profession," said Clare Cardo, president of the Student Nurse's Association.

Dr. Beverly Mallove, president of the American Nurse's Association welcomed and hosted the conference which had an attendance of 3,054 people.

The opening ceremony consisted of a traditional Native American blessing that praised a nurse's ability to heal and cure.

The convention consisted of seminars and workshops designed to show students how to market themselves on jobs. Seminars were also held in specialized areas of the nursing profession to increase a student's proficiency in that particular domain.

Activities fair highlighted the week's events.

"There were publishers selling nursing books and fund-raisers by other student nurse's associations," said Cardo. "The army and different hospitals were also there."

Cardo also accepted a plaque to honor Sacred Heart as a sustaining member of the National Student Nurse's Association.

"I was proud to represent Sacred Heart," said Cardo.

President Clinton recognized the achievements and goals of the organization by e-mailing the National Student Nurse's organization continually during the week.

"I thought the trip was an excellent experience for our student association, and it was uplifting to see how well we are doing on a national level," said senior Judy Schleiff from Hull, Mass.

"It is great to see where we are now and where we could be," she added.

Connelly: position revoked

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Cathy Raynis, director of Residential Life, will become more involved with housing operations, according to Wielk. Raynis currently handles judicials, supervises six residence hall directors and next fall will manage 43 resident assistants.

"I'm supportive of Larry's and Jim's (Barquinero, vice president of enrollment planning/student affairs) decision, but I hope opportunities arise for Dan. He has a lot of expertise in serving us well," said Raynis.

Connelly's impending departure has left some students and RA's upset.

"I think Residential Life will fall apart without his expertise and experience. Dan has been accommodating and open to any concerns or difficulties," said nursing major Jen Platt, a senior from Abington and a R.A. at West Hall.

Raynis and Connelly were uncertain about how the future positions will be established but agreed on the need for additional coordinators to assist with responsibilities.

"I think that having the other professionals in the department report to the Director of Residential Life is appropriate," said Connelly.

Raynis said, "I think we need to be one department, Residential Life and Housing Services combined."

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**Plan to be voted on Ludlowe referendum discussed**

By Ayoma Perera  
News Co-Editor

The $17.1 million plan to renovate the former Ludlowe High School into a new middle school will be decided in a referendum, which if fails, could see double-sessions in the already overcrowded town's two other middle schools. 

Field-registered voters at Sacred Heart are encouraged to vote in favor of the Ludlowe referendum on May 6 between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. at the North Stratford voting post (closest to Sacred Heart). 

"It is important for the Sacred Heart community to get involved in this issue, especially since they are potential voters and can actually make a difference in the well-being of the children," said Karen DiPrete, a junior psychology major/education minor from West Warwick, R.I. 

"Restricting curriculum and jamming schools will jeopardize a child's educational experience and affect their performance later in life," said junior psychology major/education minor Almea Flaherty from Burlington.

According to Board of Edu­cation Chairman John Madoe, speaking to the Fairfield Minute­man, "You're going to see double­sessions and restricting of middle school children."

The Ludlowe referendum, which proposes the building of a third middle school, best satis­fies Fairfield's standards for edu­cational excellence and value for dollars spent, said Madoe.

"The alternatives to the Ludlowe plan — double sessions, portable classrooms and toilets, re­grant and moving the Senior Citizen Cen­ter out, are more costly and don't provide any future benefit for the amount of money spent," said Fairfield resident Mark Cody, who has one child in the Fairfield school system and two more who will be attending shortly.

The estimated price tag will be $18 million if Ludlowe is not remodeled.

"Renovating Ludlowe will read­ly the building for any future educational use," he added.

Those challenging the Ludlowe project claim it (the project) is grandiose and ex­tra­vagant which will cause property taxes to increase.

After reimbursement, the cost to Fairfield will be around $12 million dollars and cost $31 more in property taxes a year or $2.60 a month.

Opponents to the plan state moving 6th grade into elemen­tary schools is easier and less costly alternative. Supporters claim the move is more costly.

"The Taxpayers Association headed by John Kanka is more concerned with their pocketbooks being stretched than the welfare of the children," said DiPrete.

"The focus should be on the children, not the $31 increase in tax."

"Shorter curriculums due to restricted class time would pre­vent teachers from essential in­struction, and if plans for por­tables are executed, valuable space would be taken, thus con­suming numerous extracurricular activities," said DiPrete.

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Amended change welcome

Due to complaints from seniors, an exception has been made to this year’s Senior Week.

After careful consideration, both Denise Sutphin and Al Precourt of the Student Activities Office have imposed a new Senior Week policy.

The policy mandates that seniors who wish to participate in commencement activities may do so if they have accumulated a minimum of 105 credits at the end of this semester.

We applaud and support this decision. The exemption in policy will allow for all members of the Class of 1997 to and reflect on the past four years as a united group.

No tolerance for violence

We believe that students who engage in violence, against property as well as other people, should be strictly disciplined for their actions.

Violence has come to be a serious problem on Sacred Heart’s campus. Measures must be taken that will discourage people from participating in acts that are detrimental to everyone in the community.

People cannot assume that they are privileged enough to violate the rights of others by destroying either their material property or causing them personal harm.

There is no excuse for violent behavior, including intoxication.

If people are supposedly mature enough to attend an institution of higher education, they should also be mature enough to attend and reflect on the past four years as a united group.

Men behaving badly

Flagrance leads to scandalous headlines

Are you looking for a solid long-term investment plan? Aren’t we all? Well, I’ve got a good one for you. How about investing in a C-Bond?

You all know what a C-bond is, don’t you? It’s a Congressional Bond. The way it works you invest money in a member of Congress who has been fined.

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By Rob Sawicki

Look at nature like that.

"watching." It’s his own private moment, when he just says it to himself and when he is able to stare at something and be so caught up in it, at that moment I can sense he is at peace.

I never really asked him to tell me why, but I don’t have to. He probably wouldn’t need a reason to answer this question. Nor he should have too.

Men is still amazed by nature’s magic, and is happy when he sees nature as he should be — untouched. He still stands on the step, staring, and not call someone inside my warm house. My dad

I’m not quite sure this is what those in favor of strengthened political parties had in mind.

Bob Dole did what he was right. Both he and Gingrich wanted this to go away. We’ve yet to see whether or not it will. I’m sure there wasn’t anything illegal done, nor anything really unethical done either.

The real problem for Gingrich is that it looks bad. It looks bad to Joe Regular in Smalltown, U.S.A.

If I were advising the Speaker, I would have told him to solve the problem quietly. He should have passed the funds in a way that wouldn’t have created such headlines.

Both Speaker Gingrich and the President have failed to learn a major lesson about Washington — if a story has scandal potential, whether or not you’re wrong, deal with it, answer all the questions, turn over all information and pay whatever penalty is assessed.

That will make the story go away.

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TAKING A MOMENT TO 'LOOK AT THAT...'

Look at that... Look at that... It’s a saying of my father’s. From childhood (as long as I can remember), this may be a fast year—"fast year"—to now, he would point out some object and tell us to look at it. He would tell me, his wife, his other two daughters or his granddaughters.

Mainly, the object is an animal like a young deer grazing in the woods or a sky colored with purple or red tones. He really enjoys nature, enjoys watching nature, and tries to get us to watch nature. The third part is the tough one.

I don’t dislike nature—I just don’t notice it most of the time. I do pay attention to what my father points out, though, not to obey what he says, but to try to see what he noticed.

One evening, about a month ago, my father called me to come outside to get a glimpse of the Hale-Bopp comet. The comet was one that could be seen without a telescope, which is a rare occurrence. I slowly slipped on my sneakers and stumbled out the front door.

My father raised his arm and pointed to where the comet was, telling me exactly where I should look. I gazed at the comet for a short while. Its appearance was similar to any star, nothing different. I thought. When I felt my glancing was done, I headed back inside my warm house. My dad still stood on the step, staring. Sometimes he’ll just sit in the chair or stand near a window, saying "look at that..." keep staring, and not call someone over. Watching him one time, I could see his face begin to relax, but seem so focussed on what was happening outside.

For one thing, I know is to never interrupt him as he is "watching." It’s his own private moment, when he just says it to himself and when he is able to stare at something and be so caught up in it, at that moment I can sense he is at peace.

I never really asked him to tell me why, but I don’t have to. He probably wouldn’t need a reason to answer this question. Nor he should have too.

He is probably a person who is still amazed by nature’s magic and is happy when he sees nature as it should be — untouched. He still stands on the step, staring. Sometimes he’ll just sit in the chair or stand near a window, looking at nature. He is right. He probably wouldn’t need a reason to answer this question. Nor he should have too.

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Letters to the editor

UNDERSTANDING OF CULTS

NOT ENHANCED

To the editor,

I would like to express my objection to both the title and the content of your recent article "Killer Cults Swarm Nation" (April 17, 1997). The title suggests that such groups are a common phenomenon. They are not. There are hundreds of groups in America that could be labeled cults, but most of them are not dangerous. The content of the article is equally misleading. Based on the dictionary definition cited by the author (that a cult is a "great devotion to a person, idea, or thing") any religion, including Christianity, should be defined as a cult.

The author further states (without providing any evidence) that people are attracted to cults "for reasons of depression." Studies suggest that people join cults for all kinds of reasons and depression is not necessarily the most common factor.

The difference between cults and churches depends largely on whether society accepts a group as legitimate: if their beliefs and practices seem strange, we call it a cult; if they are familiar, we call it a church.

Today, nobody would refer to Christianity as a cult—yet before it became the official religion of Rome it was exactly that. What happened to Heaven's Gate is clearly a tragedy—but our understanding of that tragedy is not enhanced by the kind of uncritical writing displayed in your article.

Christel Manning
Assistant Professor
Dept. of Religious Studies

COST OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Substance abuse is a serious issue on college campuses across the country. One of the biggest problems is the debt people find themselves in as a result of their drug and alcohol habits. People get high and drink is not exactly cheap, especially for middle income college students.

Students who chose to get high and drunk on a regular basis run into financial troubles. Daily smokers of marijuana can spend anywhere from twenty dollars a day to hundreds of dollars a week. For the avid smoker they can move up to buying half a pound or ounces and ounces.

Drugs and alcohol abuse not only destroy finances, but also result in students who abuse drugs finding it hard to make their way to their classes. Many fail out of school, while others just desire not even to enroll in classes.

Daniel Carpenter

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By Lisa Wantroba  
Contributing Writer

Do you walk around without a smile all the time? Does your mood affect your everyday life? Does being unhappy make you depressed? If so, take action and fight back. Your life can be improved by how you approach the things that bring you down. According to Robert Thayer, Ph.D., author of “The Origin of Everyday Moods: Managing Energy, Tension and Stress,” moods may seem mercurial, but they are based on natural biological rhythms that you can learn to identify and predict. By controlling your moods, you may be able to live a happier and healthier life. Helpful strategies relieve bad moods. “Exercise your body and mind, think yourself happier, distract yourself, call your friends, avoid downbeat people and mind your mood swings by paying close attention to when they appear,” said Carla Cantor in Glamour. Bad moods can be affected by activities done throughout the day. “Drinking and drugs, sugar snacking, television and driving can all make your bad mood worse” said Cantor. Moods can ruin your ability to find pleasure and happiness in things. Some may be harder to shake than others. According to Cantor, one mood requires special attention—anger. Anger can be very stressful, and sometimes, extremely exhausting to overcome.

“Studies show that people have fewer and less effective strategies for angry feelings than any other unpleasant state.” Tension builds up with anger. Beating anger when it strikes can provide a sense of calmness to overcome, and release sanity again. “Realizing that you have control over your emotions is key to turning a bad mood into a better one,” said Cantor.

Taking control of your moods a great benefit

The fun of Siblings Weekend

Students and their siblings had a blast at Siblings Weekend earlier this month, (Apr. 11-13). Here, some that attended play Bings (above) and enjoyed an ice cream social (below). These events were just two of the many activities for siblings to participate in.

By Gina Norelli  
Features Editor

She recalls the most memorable phone call that ever came into Student Accounts. A student inquired as to whether they would grant her four years of deferred education.

“Come on now. You’re gonna defer four years of education?” Sandra Hibbert thought. “The lady wanted to defer four years. I don’t believe it!” roared Hibbert at the thought of the incident, having to catch her breath. Answering phone calls is just one of the many things that Hibbert, a student accounts representative, and her co-workers Rosemary Dobosz and Sue Kansch do each day.

“We also help students with the tuition bill and answer questions from parents about billing to figure out what they owe,” said Hibbert, dressed in a bright floral shirt and pearl necklace, both reflecting her cheerful personality. The representatives also grant reimbursements, deal with credit card declines and deduct stipends from bills.

Hibbert has been working in Student Accounts for three years, after earning a two-year degree at the Connecticut Business Institute in Stratford. It was there that she studied administrative assistance and computers. “I was trained for two weeks to do the basics (at SHU) and then you just catch on to answering phones, working the screens and figuring out how billing works,” explained Hibbert.

Hibbert describes herself as shy and not as spunky as she was in her 20s, although upon meeting her, you’d beg to differ. Hibbert has several plans for the future that include traveling and working in the entertainment business, which she presently does as a hobby. “I have two cousins in producing. I try to go to the studios and work closely with that,” she said. Another thing that she enjoys doing is fixing cars. “That comes from a junk car that keeps breaking down. Eventually you get to know every part, believe it,” she chuckled.

Hibbert plans to earn a degree in business or computer science at Sacred Heart eventually, since the school will grant her a full employee tuition reimbursement. “I thank God for the job and that he placed me where I’m able to get a higher education,” Hibbert believes SHU has a genuine warmth that isn’t found anywhere. “In whole, it’s a really nice place. You meet people who care,” said Hibbert.

Greek weekend events

King/Queen Semi-Formal will take place Friday, May 2 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Gym. Tickets are $15 for full-time undergrads and $20 for all part-time, faculty, staff and guests. In order to attend the King and Queen competition, one must also attend the dance. Stop by Student Activities to buy tickets.

Outdoor BBQ, Saturday, May 3 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on the patio.

Variety Show Competition, Sunday, May 4 at 7 p.m. in the Gym. Cash prizes will be awarded to winners.

Jazz band concert

A free concert performed by the Jazz band will be held Sunday, Apr. 27 at 3 p.m. in the Mahogany Room. All are invited to attend.

Commuter Day

On Wednesday, Apr. 30 the Commuter Council will be sponsoring a Commuter Day in the Quad from 12 to 3 p.m. Free food, raffles, giveaways, and more. Don't miss this special event.

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

"Compiled by Gina Norelli"
Drugs and alcohol may consume you

By Daniel Carpentieri
Contributing Writer

You sleep until two o'clock just about every day because you went to bed at seven that morning and slept through your morning classes. You do this all day and party all night.

You find the time to go to the bar, keep parties, cookouts and sessions, but can't find the time to write a paper or even go to the class to make up an excuse about why you don't show up.

You are enrolled in classes, but rarely go due to your busy schedule and the bar.

If this sounds like your everyday routine, then you may have a drug problem.

Some say that a majority of college learning experiences are spent outside the classroom. Some students take the saying a little too far and interpret it as all learning experiences take place outside the classroom. If students keep this pace up, it only makes sense that their learning experiences will never happen.

"Senioritis* hits A trip that always gives seniors trouble defining what it is. Here's why the paper isn't done. Bar, keg parties, cookouts and senior sessions, but can't find the time to study. A sensitive man condemns the macho spirit, emotional openness and purging prurient thoughts. Eckholm claims there is "more genuine understanding between the sexes." A negative side to this is that most sensitive men get ridiculed by the macho man for acting like women. The typical macho man says it's useless to worry about the differences between the two groups, many of which, not surprisingly, involve the sexes.

This is noted when Mr. Stein, a 45 year-old male, was introduced in Eckholm's "varieties. Stein was asked about maleness in the article. He said that men should not be ashamed of their ability to think hard about two things at once.

"For example, a domestic policy briefing and what is under the tight skirt of the woman delivering that speech," said Stein. This is where you can find the macho attitude working its way in. Students have differing opinions of whether or not men should be generalized. "I think it is sad that society puts pressure on men, and they have to act macho," said Sharon Nagy, a junior from Bridgeport. "I have a few guys friends that are very open and sensitive. I don't think they are any less male," she added.

Michael Lalanne, a sophomore from Albion, R.I., said, "I don't think that men should be generalized into two groups."

Erica Stark, a first-year student from N.J., said, "A typical male is egotistical, arrogant and tends to be a sexist pig.

A trip that always gives away.

By College Press Service

Senioritis. You won't find the word in a dictionary, but many college seniors say they have trouble defining what it is. Here's how seniors facing graduation trouble defining what it is. Here's why the paper isn't done.

"Senioritis is the point when you don't want to do your homework for about 40 hours so the real world won't be any different. I actually think it will be easier because you will be able to concentrate just on your job and not studying as well. Plus with a job, you get paid." -Christy McBride, University of Missouri-Columbia senior.

"Senioritis is when the brain is nowhere but on the glorious day outside." -The whole real world. "I don't feel apprehensive at all." -Nick Key, University of Missouri-Columbia senior.

"Senioritis is when students received much less priority than in previous years." -About the real world: "I would be very much happier if I had a job lined up.

"That is like driving a car with no breaks. Eventually, sooner than later, you are going to crash," said Gilbert. With dependence, students become preoccupied with the use of alcohol and drugs, and can no longer use them in moderation. They become an addiction.

One recovering addict, mentioned in the article, said, "It took me nearly all of my life to realize that my addiction to drugs and alcohol just was so unnecessary. I nearly lost my wife, my job, but even more importantly I lost my will to live."

There are ways students can pick themselves up off the ground, and there are ways to get help for their addictions such as through counselors and various groups and organizations.

'Senioritis' hits university

By Carmela Chisholm
Contributing Writer

As the end of the year approaches, many students are looking forward to summer vacation and spending some quality time in the sun. But have you ever thought about your vacation helping to build a school or going to another country for reasons other than recreation? That is exactly what 11 SHU students decided to do over spring break.

The trip, as part of a service learning project, these students traveled down to the remote village of San Hilario in El Salvador. Since 1991, members of SHU's faculty have made the annual trip to aid those people in need. As of now there are still kids who are in need.

What would make these 11 students give up their long awaited spring break? Why San Hilario instead of say, Daytona Beach? Zemadkian, a junior who decided to make the journey, explained her reasons for going. "I had a wonderful childhood, and I know there are people who are deprived of basic necessities. I wanted to give back."

Brian Lestnick, a senior who also made the trip, said, "I thought it was important to show people in the Salvadorian community that other people care about them."

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A trip that always gives away.

By College Press Service

Senioritis. You won't find the word in a dictionary, but many college seniors say they have trouble defining what it is. Here's how seniors facing graduation trouble defining what it is. Here's why the paper isn't done.

"Senioritis is the point when you don't want to do your homework for about 40 hours so the real world won't be any different. I actually think it will be easier because you will be able to concentrate just on your job and not studying as well. Plus with a job, you get paid." -Christy McBride, University of Missouri-Columbia senior.

"Senioritis is when the brain is nowhere but on the glorious day outside." -The whole real world. "I don't feel apprehensive at all." -Nick Key, University of Missouri-Columbia senior.

"Senioritis is when students received much less priority than in previous years." -About the real world: "I would be very much happier if I had a job lined up.

"That is like driving a car with no breaks. Eventually, sooner than later, you are going to crash," said Gilbert. With dependence, students become preoccupied with the use of alcohol and drugs, and can no longer use them in moderation. They become an addiction.

One recovering addict, mentioned in the article, said, "It took me nearly all of my life to realize that my addiction to drugs and alcohol just was so unnecessary. I nearly lost my wife, my job, but even more importantly I lost my will to live."

There are ways students can pick themselves up off the ground, and there are ways to get help for their addictions such as through counselors and various groups and organizations.

'Senioritis' hits university

By Carmela Chisholm
Contributing Writer

As the end of the year approaches, many students are looking forward to summer vacation and spending some quality time in the sun. But have you ever thought about your vacation helping to build a school or going to another country for reasons other than recreation? That is exactly what 11 SHU students decided to do over spring break.

The trip, as part of a service learning project, these students traveled down to the remote village of San Hilario in El Salvador. Since 1991, members of SHU's faculty have made the annual trip to aid those people in need. As of now there are still kids who are in need.

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Outdoor sculptures spur the imagination

By Stephanie Smith
A&E Co-Editor

What do you think of those pods sitting outside the Gym or the green arches between South and West Halls? Aside from The Gallery of Contemporary Art, SHU has an art exhibit open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. "Sculpture On the Grounds" is an outdoor exhibit that includes the permanent and temporary sculptures around campus.

"This is a 'gallery' where the art changes as the sun rises and sets, and casts different shadows," said Sophia Gevas, director of the Gallery. "And it changes when it is sunny, cloudy, rainy, or the sculpture gets partially covered with snow."

"Sculpture On the Grounds" allows for the exhibition of a wide range of young sculptors' work," said Gevas. "A university atmosphere is not a commercial venue and this allows us to experiment."

The permanent works, like "Nothing Gold Can Stay," by David Phillips, weaving through Jefferson Hill, were installed under the Voluntary Percent for the Arts Program. The program, developed by the Connecticut Commission on the Arts, asks the University to voluntarily reserve a percentage of its construction budget for art purchases.

The sculptures have been specifically created for the spaces they inhabit, and purposely created with a seating component, meant to be used as meeting places. Under the program, the construction of the William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center warrants the addition of more artwork to campus.

Kathleen Gilrain's "Burial Birth" is one of the temporary sculptures. It is often difficult for sculptors to find space to exhibit and store their larger works unless they are very well-known. "We have created a temporary safe haven for some of the works on campus," said Gevas.

The temporary pieces, also including "Here" by Sheree Kaslowski, "Occam's Razor" by John Clement and "Eidolan" by Niki Ketchman, were installed in the fall and will be here for at least a year.

Gevas understands that not everyone likes the sculptures. "They are not meant to decorate, they are meant to make us think," she said. "These works are like philosophy, about exploring, looking for truths, and truth isn't always attractive or decorative."


Camus to open for Barenaked Ladies

Featured at the Brazilian Coffeehouse on April 10 in the Faculty Lounge was Professor of Music/Guitarist Joseph Carter and Percussionist Joey Bracchitta. They performed pieces by Brazilian composers Antonio Carlos Jobim, Luiz Bonfa and Caetano Veloso.

Poet's Voice

Jesus lives in a vacant lot.

Beneath thin sheets of artificial facades
I lie.
Hidden behind a mask
Molded for the situation.

empty

hollow
Mock the truth.
Deceiving even within. they
Cover the void.
Situations once over-populated
With a smile.

Can you see me?

Inside the shadowless symbols and sounds,
I reside.

Congratulations to the winners of the 1997 Camel-Sparrow Poetry Competition. They are Lisa Heck, Michele Herrmann and Chris Gensur with first, second and third places respectively.

Singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist Camus will be opening for the Barenaked Ladies at the spring concert in the Gym tomorrow night. Tickets are still on sale inside the Dining Hall today and tomorrow. They are $14 for students and $20 for non-students.

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Talent tandem improves record to 7-4

Sophomores Jason Havelka (Brewster, N.Y.) and Tony Cabana (Tampa, Fla.) improved to 7-4 on the season in doubles as the talented tandem drowned Adelphi, 8-2, and reached the final at second doubles in this past weekend’s New England Collegiate Conference Championships at Stony Brook, N.Y.

Havelka and Cabana defeated Franklin Pierce’s K.J. Ellis and Mark Buzeon, 8-4, to reach the final before falling to Stony Brook, 10-4.

Sacred Heart, now 2-9 in dual match play, competes in the New England Championships at UConn on Friday and Saturday.

Schuch and Fieschel qualify for Mount Holyoke’s Intercollegiate Horse Show

Sacred Heart University equestrian team members sophomore Heather Schuck and junior Nicole Fieschel won their respective divisions at the Zone Finals in Philadelphia this past weekend to qualify for the Intercollegiate Horse Show at Mount Holyoke College May 2-4.

Schuck won the Novice Over Fences championship and Fieschel placed first at the Intermediate level of that event. This will be Sacred Heart’s third appearance at the nationals and only the team’s second in the difficult jumping events.

Men’s Rugby Club: Sacred Heart takes on English competition

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other opponents in the U.K. Three days later, in England’s Worcestershire County, they lost to Malvern, 24-5. On the day prior to their departure, the team rallied behind Argentine-born Diego Arias-Carballo and nearly repeated the Luton club before bowling 19-16.

“We should have won,” Kubic said. “If we had played that team first instead of last we would have won.”

King, one of 21 players who raised funds to make the trip, felt enriched by the experience, which included a tour of the historic Cardiff and Warnick castles, a visit to Buckingham Palace and three nights at a hotel on London’s Piccadilly Circus.

“We’re a tight group and we came together even more as a team. It helped the younger team members learn the game and even the more experienced guys learned so much,” King said.

Kubic, 34, rugby aficionado who continues to play the game as a member of the Connecticut Yankees, praised his players’ behavior: “They handled themselves as gentlemen”—and even brighter tomorrows for the program.

“We’ve surprised a lot of teams the last few years,” said coach Kennedy. “We’ve never heard of you, they’d tell us.

But we’ve made rapid progress. Last year, we went the only Div. II school to seed two players (Scott Warman, Pete Malagni) to the All-America Camp.”

Next year, Spring Break may mean a trip to Ireland and Scotland and perhaps a victory or two.

Quote of the week

"Achievements are accomplished in areas where losers thought were not important and winners did." — Lou Holtz

Sports Schedule

Tuesday, April 24

Women’s Lacrosse vs. Trinity College, 4 p.m.
Baseball vs. Adelphi Univ., 3:30 p.m.
Outdoor Track & Field at 103rd Penn. Relay Carnival, TBA

Friday, April 25

Softball at Adelphi Univ., 3 p.m.
Men’s Tennis at New England Championships, TBA

Saturday, April 26

Outdoor Track & Field at Univ. of Pennsylvania, TBA
Men’s Tennis at New England Championships, TBA
Baseball at UMass-Lowell, 1 p.m.
Softball at UMass-Lowell, 1 p.m.
Sunday, April 27

Men’s Lacrosse at LIU-Southampton, noon
Men’s Track & Field at Yale Relays, 11 a.m.

Monday, April 28

Softball vs. Merrimack College, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 29

Softball vs. Southern Conn. State, 3:30 p.m.
Baseball vs. Southern Conn. State
Women’s Lacrosse vs. Connecticut College, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30

Softball vs. Assumption College, 3:30 p.m.
Softball vs. Merrimack College, 3:30 p.m.

Athletes of the week

Rich LaVacca

LaVacca, a freshman from North Merrick, N.Y., went 4-6 with a home run, double, and seven runs batted in the baseball team’s 16-7 win over Queens. He missed the school record for RBI in a single game by two (George Madigan, ’94). LaVacca averaged .500 batting, 6-12, for the week.

Jen Stark

Stark, a senior from Pompton Lakes, N.J. and two time All-NECC performer for the softball team, hit her 41st career double to surpass the school record held by Alicia Stephenson (40, 1987-90). The record setting hit came in the Pioneers’ win over New Hampshire. Stark leads the team in virtually every offensive category and is batting .385 this season.

Hynes, Berger lead women’s lax over Philadelphia Textile, 18-5

By Corinne Waloileim Assistant Sports Editor

Last Sunday the women’s lacrosse team broke a seven-game losing streak at home against Philadelphia Textile, 18-5.

“We’re struggling a little this year,” said coach Rich Schwartz. “The girls are adjusting to the loss of six seniors since last year.”

Junior All-American Deirdre Hynes (Malverne, N.Y.), led the Lady Pioneers (2-7) with six goals and one assist. Senior Lynnette Berger (Wilmington, Mass.) scored five goals to aid in the late morning slaughter. Katie Richards and Julie Alleruzo (Mansfield, Mass.) each netted two goals for SHU.

“Since April we’ve been playing hard, we’ve only lost the last couple of games by a goal or two,” said Schwartz.

Christine Maumsky (Ballston Lake, N.Y.) defended the net with 10 saves (.515) and allowed only one goal in the second half. She has 101 saves on the year.

Hynes leads the team in goals (32) and points (35) and is tied with Sheila Bogan for assists (3).

Schwartz concluded, “They are very proudful hard-working kids!”

Today, SHU will face off against Trinity at 4 p.m. on Campus Field.

Freshman Keri Remington drives to the goal past a Philadelphia Textile defender in Sacred Heart’s 18-5 victory.

Photo by Lora Marcella
LaVacca, Carole lead Sacred Heart sluggers out nanny for 2½ and 4 yr. old.

LaVacca and Caron combined for seven hits, LaVacca going 4-4 with a triple hit for a cycle of hitting, that is, batting 3-0 against the New York Yankees. They are the only two teams with a chance of doing this season to lead Sacred Heart's hitters. Head Coach Nick Giaquinto's Pioneer Class.

LaVacca scored 14 runs on 17 hits while leading SHU to five hits in a 1-0 rout.

In game two, the Pioneers were able to come back late, once again out of the game, but once again they were out-hit in a 10-2 loss.

New Haven collected 15 hits and once again held the Pioneers to five hits.

The team's overall record stands at 12-16-1, after losing to New Haven. Sacred Heart has split its 20 games but still has a 10-10 record in MAAC."
Stark sets record as softball beats NHC

By Julie Nevero
Staff Writer

The SHU softball team moved into a tie for first place in the NECC Sunday by defeating New Hampshire College in a blowout doubleheader. The Lady Pioneers romped, 10-0, in the first game and 16-1 in the second.

"We're ready for this year's game. We just have to come out and play tough," said Senior Vicki White of Ansonia, who pitched a two hitter in SHU's 10-0 win over New Hampshire.

"Cardiff, which we played on our way home, was a big challenge," said Coach Luckie. "We've been playing a lot better, said Luckie. "We're making the plays that we haven't been.""}

Sacred Heart laxmen romp New Haven, 23-3

SHU to face Southampton in a game that will have bearing on ECAC seedings

By Brad Wilson
Sports Editor

The Sacred Heart men's lacrosse team used a five-goal, two-assist performance from sophomore Brandon Bennett of Clark, N.J., to blast New Haven, 23-3, on Apr. 16 at Campus Field.

"Overall we had a great team effort," said Coach Tom Mariano. "But most importantly we were able to get each player some game experience," said Coach Tom Mariano. "We're making the plays that we haven't been."