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Class of 2001 promotes involvement

By Wendi Plescia
Co-News Editor

The newly elected officers for the Class of 2001 have one major goal in common—to involve more students with campus activities.

Jim Kelly, president; Audrey Marrone, vice president; Morgan Futch, secretary and Gabe Goodine, senator were selected on Sept. 23.

"My goal is to get everyone in my class involved and I want to come up with fun activities," stated Kelly, an environmental science major from Beverly, Mass.

Six other students ran against Kelly for the position of president.

"I feel I am a good leader and a vocal person. I know I can make a difference," added Kelly.

Marrone, who is debating between Spanish or psychology as a major, from Smithtown, N.Y., has many goals to help improve the SHU community as a whole.

"Students have a hard time meeting

the shuttle schedule, so I would like to get more shuttles running at different times," stated Marrone.

"I also would like to form another group of students to help out the officers share ideas they might have heard from students, and ask them what are some changes that could take place to make the school better," added Marrone.

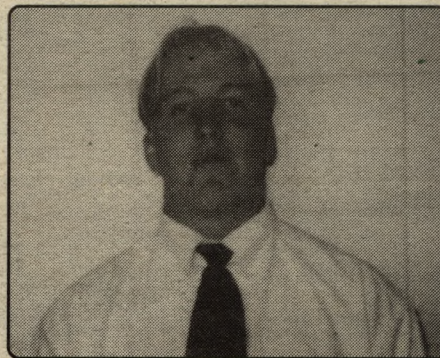
Futch, who has not chosen a major, from Dix Hills, N.Y., has her own reasons as to why she decided to run for a position.

"I was involved with student government at my high school. I didn't want to sit by and watch things happen. I wanted to be a part of it," stated Futch.

Goodine, an economics major from Madison, Maine, said, "I would like to look into the fire alarms since they keep going off. Also, I'd like to see if it is possible to get lockers for the commuters."

Brian Rivera, student government

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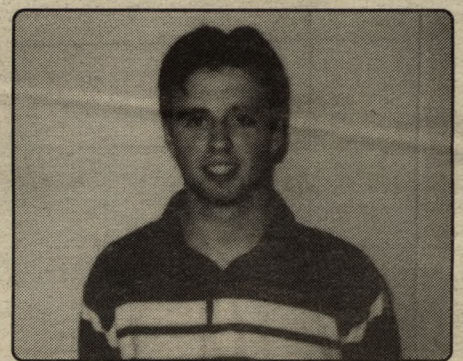
Jim Kelly, President



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Chemistry chapter receives national honor

By Bruce Carlson
Co-News Editor

The American Chemical Society (ACS) Student Affiliates chapter at Sacred Heart University has been selected for special recognition as an Outstanding Chapter for the 1996 - 97 academic year.

Out of nine hundred chapters in colleges and universities in the U.S. and Puerto Rico, only twenty-five are recognized as Outstanding.

"I think it's very exciting for the club because we do a lot of work, and receiving national recognition says the club is succeeding as a whole," said Jessica Clark, a senior chemistry major from

Calais, Maine and president of Student Affiliates chapter at Sacred Heart.

Kendra Heriot, a senior biochemistry major from Franklin, Mass. and secretary of the Student Affiliates chapter added, "I think it's an incredible feat for such a young and small organization, but we definitely deserved it considering all the hard work we

do."

The selection process is based on an annual report of each chapters activities, and determined by the Society Committee on Education. The three categories are Outstanding, Commendable, and Honorable-Mention.

Last year, the organization was recognized as a Commendable chapter, only it's second year

since Clark took over as president.

"It existed before we came, but we brought it back as sophomores, and we are glad it's succeeding," said Clark.

Dr. Linda Farber, associate professor and advisor of the SHU

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Pioneer Weekend opens with mixed results

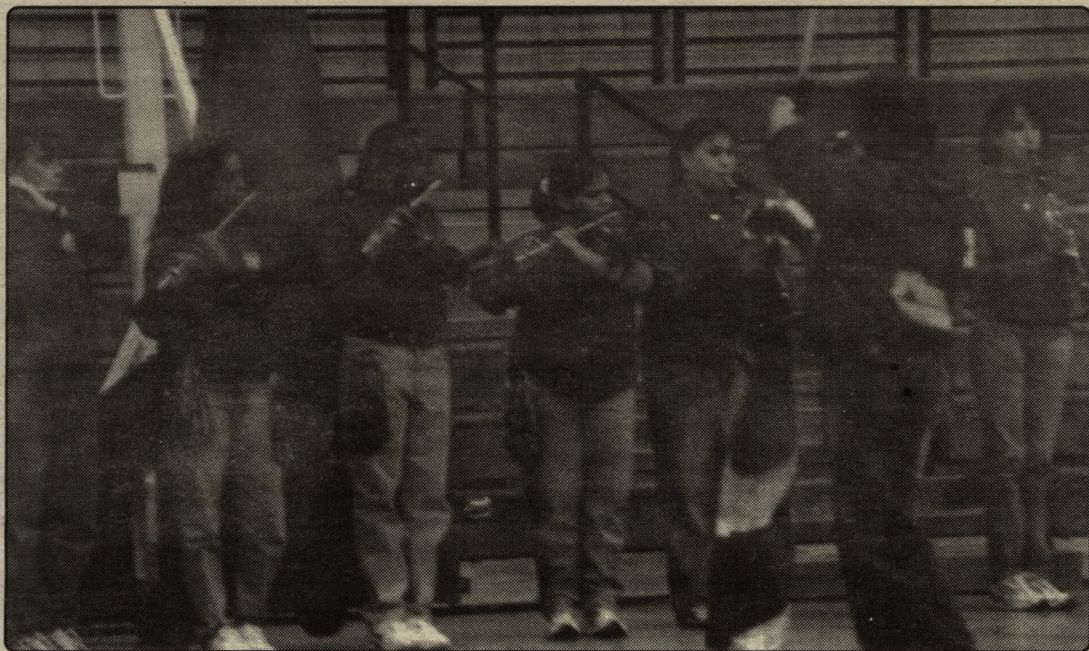


Photo by Alicia Hurley

The marching band was the opening act for the pep rally for Pioneer Weekend.

By Brian Corasaniti
and Lisa Pio
Assistant News Editors

Last Friday and Saturday, Sacred Heart University held its annual Pioneer Weekend. The two day event was designed to bolster school spirit among the SHU community.

The evening began with a barbecue and pep rally at the William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center.

Although the pep rally, organized by the Student Events Team, started out with the stands nearly full, they were almost empty by the time the Harlem Wizards took the court.

"The sound was not the best it could be for the money they

paid. They needed to arrange stuff better," said Robert McGrath, a first year student from Amityville, N.Y.

When asked if they were disappointed by the turnout, Kathleen Donato, a first year student and member of the Student Events Team from Sparta, N.J., said, "I guess, because the Harlem Wizards were here. But we are glad the Wizards showed up for the pep rally."

The Harlem Wizards, a traveling basketball team, were the highlight of the evening for many of those who stayed.

"I love the Wizards. I thought they were very nice," said Dr. Barry Mittag, a math

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NEWS BRIEFS

Diocese of Bridgeport's seminar to begin soon

A Life in the Spirit seminar will be held six consecutive Tuesday evenings at St. Joseph Church in Brookfield beginning Oct. 7 through Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

A registration and seminar fee of \$ 5 is required. For information and registration forms, contact Catholic Renewal Services at 372-4301, extension 358 or 359.

USA Today looking for 60 academic all-stars

USA Today, in cooperation with four other colleges, is sponsoring its 1998 All-USA Academic Team.

Any full-time undergraduate student in a four-year institution in the United States or its territories is welcome. Each member of the team will earn a \$2,500 cash award. Anyone interested should call Carol Skalski at (703) 276-5890.

New teaching positions opening for educators

Friends of World Teaching announced that teaching and administrative positions are available to fill existing vacancies with English-speaking schools overseas in over 100 countries throughout the world.

Positions in all fields exist on all levels, from kindergarten to the university level. Those interested can call Friends of World Teaching at 1-800-503-7436.

Campus Ministry to offer pastoral training

Campus Ministry announced that they will be opening their first Partners in Pastoral Ministry Program. Any students who are interested in peer ministry in any religion are encouraged to attend.

Anyone who is interested is encouraged to stop by the Campus Ministry office or call 371-7840.

-By Brian Corasaniti

Third vehicle stolen

By Wayne Kosminoff
Co-Features Editor

A vehicle was stolen from an on-campus lot on Sept. 24. The disappearance marks the third time a vehicle was stolen in a twelve-day period.

The vehicle, a gray 1997 Mitsubishi Eclipse, was stolen from Lot C, the faculty and commuters parking lot, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1:55 p.m.

According to William O'Connell, director of Public Safety, this car was alarmed, as were the other two stolen cars.

"We patrol the lots the best we possibly can. The people that steal the cars are professionals. You have to under-

stand, they can take the cars in a matter of minutes," said O'Connell.

According to a Public Safety officer who wishes to remain anonymous, "We try to have someone watch the lots all the time, but sometimes there are emergencies... and they have to be left unattended for a little while."

O'Connell gave advice to those concerned about the welfare of their car, "Get something similar to the 'Club.' It doesn't have to be the 'Club' but something like it. I haven't heard of too many cases of thefts with it on."

The vehicle has not been located, and no arrests have been made.

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president, anticipates the new members to be dedicated to their positions.

"They were motivated to run for the position, therefore I expect them to be motivated to do

their jobs to the best of their abilities," said Rivera.

Kelly will be interviewing students who are interested in the position of Treasurer. Also, there are openings for three senator positions, one must be a commuter.

Flik responds to concerns

By Elizabeth Hyer
Contributing Writer

In recent weeks, many in the SHU community have been voicing objections about the dining services provided by Flik Internationa Corp. Flik has been made aware of the discontent in an article appearing in the September 25 issue of the Spectrum that put some of the concerns on the table.

Chip Kennedy, director of Dining Services, urges anyone with a problem to take action and speak out about any concerns.

"It is critical that if someone has a problem with the services we provide that they come and talk to me or fill out a comment card," said Kennedy.

"If we don't get back any feedback, it is impossible for us to know if students are unhappy, and harder for us to do a good job," he added.

One issue that Flik is trying

to tackle is the high prices at the Marketplace. But after conducting a study with local businesses that SHU students patronize, they concluded that their prices are on target with what other businesses are charging.

"We will be conducting another study and looking into other food distributors to help cut costs," said Kennedy.

"We are also offering Bargain Bundles in the Marketplace, which is something we have never done before. This will be cheaper and a more practical way to save on dining dollars, while still getting quality food," Kennedy added.

Another concern of students is the amount of flies in the cafeteria.

"It is disgusting that students share their food with the flies. Flik definitely needs to get rid of them," said Lauren Koester, a senior from Ridge, N.Y.

According to Kennedy, exterminators have been notified

and the flies should be gone shortly.

"This is a problem we face every year. After the exterminators come, it is important that everyone bus their trays. That will further alleviate the problem," said Kennedy.

Aside from complaints about the food, students are upset with the long lines and lack of seating space when the Mahogany room is not available.

"I find it frustrating to have to wait forever just to be served," said Michelle Papagni, a junior from Worcester, Mass. "It is also disappointing to not have a place to sit when the Mahogany room is closed," she added.

Kennedy said, "The lines are something that at this point cannot be helped. With regards to limited seating, it is not our fault when the Mahogany room is closed. The administration needs to limit the use of the room for banquets and meetings or find somewhere else."

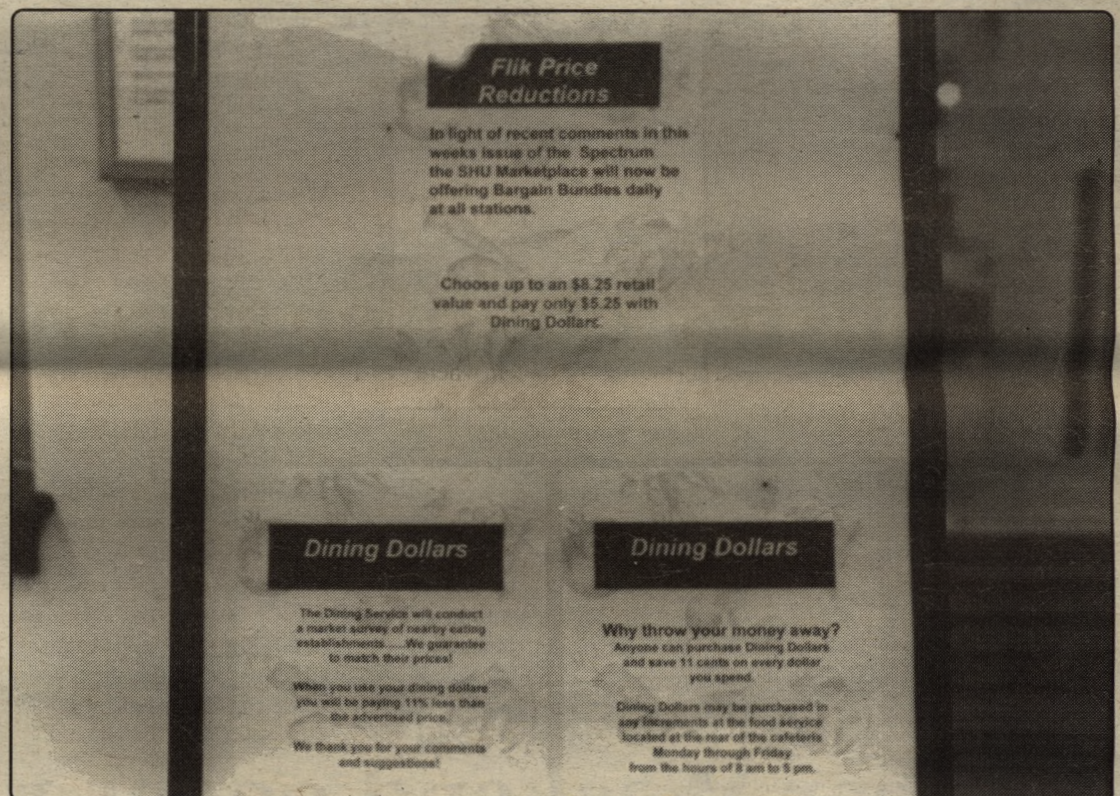


Photo by Wayne Kosminoff

Flik's new pricing policies are now posted in the cafeteria and marketplace.

Pioneer: Festivities promote school spirit

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ematics professor at Sacred Heart. "It would have been fun if more people would have stuck around," he added.

Overall, the Students Events Team didn't think the pep rally was a total disaster.

Ted Miller, a sophomore and organizer of the evening for the Student Events Team said, "I think the pep rally went well. I was kind of hoping they would

stay...I was not too disappointed."

Miller added, "the barbecue went very well." He said that event drew over 300 people.

Saturday began with an open house, where prospective students were given tours of the campus. They then proceeded into the Pitt Center gymnasium for the Activities Fair. Many clubs, organizations and academic departments had tables with information and handouts for the students and their parents.

Following the fair, the stands in the football field were filled to watch the Pioneer football team beat Assumption 27-0.

"It was really great to see a large turnout of students for the game," said Tara Deenihan, a junior art major from Central Islip, N.Y.

Assistant Director of Admissions Meghan Farley estimated that about 2,000 people were on campus for the festivities Saturday.

Chemistry: Hard work gains recognition

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Student Affiliates chapter, said, "The students deserved the recognition. It makes them excited and spurs interest in them. They do it because they love to do it."

The ACS offers support to its members by providing national and regional meetings, career workshops, exposure to other

fields of research, and possible career resources.

The members act as "Science Ambassadors" at elementary schools, performing hands-on experiments with the children, explained Farber. They also offer a workshop for parents and children. A children's show will be held during National Chemis-

try Week, the first week in November.

In April, five members attended the national meeting in San Francisco. The national meeting this year will be held in Dallas, Texas. Fundraisers are being organized to pay for the trip.

Getting caught in the act

By Gina Norelli
Editor-In-Chief

On September 12 at 11:05 p.m., an intoxicated South Hall student became ill and assistance was given. Minutes later, at 11:13 p.m., another South Hall intoxicated student became ill and was transported via ambulance to the hospital.

On September 14 at 1:53 a.m. a Public Safety Officer confiscated alcohol from a South Hall student, and just last Sunday at 3:46 a.m. a party at Jefferson Hill Building One was broken up and a keg of beer was confiscated.

Drinking is common at Sacred Heart University, as these Public Safety releases prove.

"I don't think we're any different from any other campus," said Director of Public Safety Bill O'Connell on the level of drinking at this university.

What happens if a student needs medical assistance from drinking too much? What are the

consequences of getting caught drinking?

"Our first concern is for the safety and welfare of the intoxicated student," said O'Connell. "Alcohol poisoning quite frequently causes respiratory arrest. The central nervous system becomes so depressed that the heart can stop beating and the person can stop breathing."

O'Connell said that after Public Safety attends to an emergency involving drinking, a written investigative report is made. "It's turned over to the Dean of Student Larry Wielk, if it's a violation of the University code of conduct," he said.

A student who violates drinking rules at Sacred Heart usually isn't turned over to the police, where he or she would face a fine and/or probation. Instead, the violator faces punishments that have a greater effect on his or her life on campus.

"Quite frankly, we have the ability to impose stricter sanctions (that the police) via the adminis-

tration," said O'Connell. The student might be suspended from housing, or be required to participate in mandatory counseling.

O'Connell believes that as an institution, SHU does a good job of educating its students of what's right and wrong. "The ultimate decision is left up to the student," he said.

According to the SHU Department of Public Safety Fall 1997 brochure, alcohol use is allowed for students of legal age (21) who reside in Parkridge, Taft or Avalon Gates only. Such use is allowed only in apartments in which all the residents are over the legal drinking age.

All other residence halls, and apartments in Parkridge, Taft or Avalon Gates are considered "dry" and *no alcohol or alcohol containers are permitted* in these areas.

Editor's Note: This article was written as a dedication to the M.I.T student who recently died of alcohol poisoning due to binge drinking.



Photo by Alicia Hurley
Sophomore Dennis Fuzie feels guilty after dinking a wine cooler.

Public Safety Releases

Public Safety incidents from Sept. 23-29

- Sept. 23: 1:13 and 1:26 a.m.-** Received reports of very loud individuals in front of South Hall; Public Safety dispatched
- 1:30 p.m.-** Staff member reported cash stolen from a purse; location of theft is unknown.
- 4:09 p.m.-** Jefferson Hill resident reported a contractor damaged property while working in her room.
- 4:57 p.m.-** West Hall fire alarm caused by activated smoke detector.
- Sept. 24: 1:55 p.m.-** Commuter student reported his vehicle stolen from the "C" (faculty/commuter) lot.
- 11:28 p.m.-** Student reported stuck in a West Hall elevator; he was freed at 11:42 p.m.
- Sept. 25: 12:48 a.m.-** Vehicle reported driving on and damaging the lawn by the Administration Bldg.
- 3:04 a.m.-** Off duty Public Safety officer saw vehicle stolen earlier driving on Geduldig St.; Bridgeport Police notified.
- 3:16 a.m.-** Parkridge Public Safety officer saw stolen vehicle being driven on Geduldig St.; Bridgeport Police notified.
- 9:50 a.m.-** Jefferson House fire alarm activated; unknown cause.
- 1:21 p.m.-** Staff member reported the theft of equipment from the old weight room in the Academic Building
- 2:15 p.m.-** Commuter student reported someone tampered with her vehicle while it was parked in the North Lot.
- 2:25 p.m.-** South Hall resident reported she believes her roommate has stolen some of her property.
- 5:25 p.m.-** West Hall fire alarm caused by dust activating smoke detector.
- Sept. 26: 2:33 p.m.-** Parkridge resident reported receiving threatening phone calls from her ex-boyfriend.
- 7:55 p.m.-** Public Safety officers reported observing a suspicious male in the South Lot; he ran away when approached.
- 11:30 p.m.-** Public Safety officer reported a suspicious male driving a vehicle in the South Lot. The driver was given a trespass warning and told to leave campus.
- Sept. 27: 1:10 a.m.-** South Hall resident reported a pizza delivery man reported a student stole a pizza from him.
- 6:01 p.m.-** South Hall resident reported someone dumped liquid laundry detergent on the 2nd floor hallway, which leaked under her door; it was cleaned up.
- Sept. 28: 1:39 a.m.-** Jefferson Hill, Bldg. 1, fire alarm received; cause was an activated pull station. Fairfield Fire Dept. responded.
- 2:06 a.m.-** South Hall fire alarm received; cause was an activated pull station. Fairfield Fire Department responded.
- 2:24 a.m.-** South Hall resident injured her wrist; she was transported via car by an RA to the hospital.
- 3:46 a.m.-** A party at Jefferson Hill Bldg. 1 was broken up and a keg of beer was confiscated.
- 3:54 a.m.-** West Hall resident reported her room keys were taken by a non-student visitor.
- 11:40 a.m.-** An ill West Hall resident was transported via taxi to the hospital; offer of an ambulance was declined.
- 12:15 p.m.-** Library staff member reported finding open doors upon her arrival at work.
- 1:54 p.m.-** South Hall fire alarm received; cause was burnt popcorn in the microwave in the 5th floor kitchenette; Fairfield Fire Department responded.
- Sept. 29: 5:22 p.m.-** Library fire alarm received; unknown cause.
- 6:29 p.m.-** Jefferson Hill resident reported suspicious males in a vehicle driving in the lot; vehicle was later found to be a student's vehicle.
- 8:53 p.m.-** West Hall fire alarm, 4th floor, caused by smoke from cooking.
- 10:45 p.m.-** Student reported damage to their car while parked in the North Lot.

Honors Program changes its ways

By Vanessa Filonow
Contributing Writer

Students in the Honors Program are having difficulties attaining a minor due to the number of extra classes required outside their majors.

"With so many honors students working hard in their major, it was difficult to get the minor. Now changes have been made to allow students to do both," said Dr. Carol Batt, director of the Honors Program.

Honors students found that only a few honors courses were offered each semester. Many students could not fit these courses into their schedules.

"I would liked to have stayed in the Honors Program, but I am a physical therapy major and none of the courses fit into my schedule. It would have been easier if some of the courses were somehow related

to my major," said Jennifer Cicone, a senior from Bridgewater, Mass.

The revised Honors Program offers courses in a variety of majors it had previously ignored, such as biology, history and mathematics.

"It is an excellent idea. I did not like the old system where students were funneled into classes they had no desire to take. I am sure the Honors Program would have a higher retention if students had the option to take courses relevant to their majors," said Matt Fortney, a senior media studies major from Westbury, N.Y.

The program is no longer English based. Students are not required to take EN 91 and EN 92. Now students must take three thematic honors seminars. This year the theme is "The Self as Maker."

"The seminars cover a variety of topics like religion, his-

tory and politics. Students are given a lot of exposure to faculty members who will come and lecture on specific topics," said Jon Matte, assistant director of the Honors Program.

Students can now apply their Advanced Placement (AP) English credits towards the EN 91 and EN 92 requirements.

"I think the new Honors Program will benefit the freshman because all their hard work in their high school AP English courses will not go to waste," said Anne Marie D'Amore, a sophomore from Long Island, N.Y.

"I had English credits that should have been put toward the English requirement, but were not. Now the freshman can actually use their credits for what they were intended," added D'Amore.

The completion of 18 Honors credits remains a requirement for the minor.

Reports show crime increase on campus

By Brian Corasanti
Assistant News Editor

With the rash of laptop thefts last year, and increase in car thefts and vandalism this year, many people on campus feel Sacred Heart is not as safe as it used to be.

According to this year's Public Safety brochure, crimes reported to Public Safety have more than doubled between 1994 and 1996. Larceny alone has increased from 42 to 111 incidents in that time span.

Director of Public Safety William O'Connell said. "I think our campus is like any other microcosm of society... It would be naive to think crime does not happen on campus."

"I would not feel safe leaving my car here overnight," said Craig Baker, a senior from

Greenwich.

School officials and students partly attribute the increase to a higher enrollment.

"I do not think the actual occurrences have gone up dramatically. The occurrences have gone up in proportion to our enrollment," said Larry Wielk, dean of students.

He also believes that returning students in the fall tend to be the first victims of criminals. He said that early in the year crime can be due to, "the outside community preying on the naivete of the returning students."

Some students feel Public Safety is doing what they can, but they need more man power.

"Overall, I think they are doing a great job. If anything, they need to beef up the staff at nights because of vehicle theft," said Peter Flora, a senior from

Southbridge, N.Y.

Dean Wielk echoed that sentiment. "You can never have enough public safety officers. More is always welcome short of becoming a police state," he stated

O'Connell also stresses the importance of crime awareness amongst the students.

"It is important people be aware (of public safety incidents)," he said.

According to him, students have to be very careful of who they let into their residence halls. They should be aware of anyone who follows them into their residence building, to be sure they live there too.

He also states the importance of students reporting any suspicious persons to public safety immediately.

"We have to ask students to take more precaution," he added.

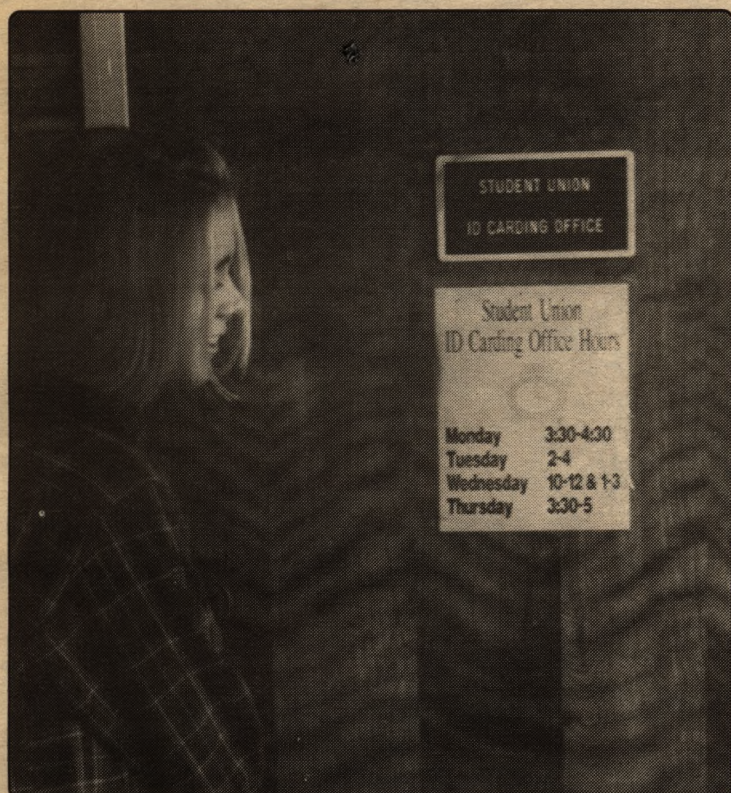


Photo by Wayne Kosminoff

Katy Davis tries to get into the ID carding office.

Replacing ID's pose a problem

By Thomas Puzo
Contributing Writer

Most students can relate to a time when they have broken or misplaced their school identification cards. Recently, students have been complaining of conflicts in their schedule and the time when ID's are being offered.

Although ID's were taken in Hawley Lounge, the new location is in the front entrance lobby near Public Safety.

"This move was done due to a reconstruction of Student Affairs," said Kim Sousa-Peoples, assistant dean of students. "Student ID's are affiliated under the student union in which I am in charge of."

This change was made to make the ID carding office more accessible to physical challenge students. It also gives the school more room for other activities taking place in the Hawley Lounge. Although this was a change for the better, some students are upset with the hours being offered for a new ID card.

"I have been trying to get a new school ID for about two weeks and I still can't match their hours with mine," said Christian Comito, a junior business major from Bridgeport. "Then when I go to eat, they turn me away even though I am on the meal plan and all of my meals are paid for. I'm not the only student that this has happened to."

Many students view this as

just another way for Flik to make extra money.

"We try to be as flexible as possible to students who have not had a chance to receive an ID," said Dawn Gelo, administrative assistant of Flik International food services. "If you come to us on a Thursday which is after the time frame to receive an ID, we will allow you to eat until Monday when they are being offered again. This is our policy to prevent students from abusing the system."

The student union is looking to expand the days and hours to receive replacement IDs hoping to further benefit students and their busy schedules.

The faster all students receive IDs, the quicker this problem will be resolved on both sides.

Sared Heart tackles harassment

By Frank Todaro
Contributing Writer

In last week's issue of the *Spectrum*, several harassment cases were reported. This does not necessarily mean that the harassment rate of this university is on the rise. However, it is a prevalent issue which must be dealt with properly.

"Harassment is not tolerated," stated Cathy Raynis, director of residential life and housing services. "But the definition changes from different peoples' vantage."

The University policy, combined with the Connecticut state law, encompasses the official criteria of harassment on this campus.

"We try to hear both sides of the story," stated Raynis, "to de-

termine if there was a violation of state policy or law.

"People have different boundaries as to what is offensive and what is not. However, for extreme cases there is possible expulsion," said Raynis.

"We are going to come down harder and quicker this year," says Dean of Students Larry Wielk. "In the past, a student would have to commit many acts to be suspended. This year we are initially advocating a short term suspension."

The action taken by Public Safety is dependent on the nature of harassment. In extreme cases Public Safety can change a resident's phone number and housing assignment, as well as offering escorts.

"A female commuter came to me with an order of protection she had received against

her," stated Director of Public Safety William O'Connell. "We now escort her from class to her car."

"Most cases of harassment on campus deal with intimidation or direct threat from outside members," says Wielk.

A separate phone line is dedicated to reporting assault of sexual nature through the Department of Public Safety. Disciplinary proceedings may be instilled as well, if the victim chooses.

"In one incident I spoke with both parties involved and sent them to someone more qualified than myself," stated Raymond Turner, a Resident Assistant at Jefferson Hill.

"Around this time of year, last October, there were a handful of incidents involving physical harassment," stated Wielk.

Howdy! How are you all doing? Hope everything is going well with all of you. Okay, so here's the rundown of what's going on in Student Government.

The Senate established voter registration this year. This means that although you are away from home you can still be registered to vote here and vote at the local public places. Voter registration will take place October 7-9, Tuesday and Thursday 10:30-2:30 p.m. and on Wednesday 10:30-2:30 p.m. in the cafe. Don't forget to register!



By Brian Rivera
Student Government President

This Friday night, spirits will be all over Sacred Heart University. Come to the Psychic Fair, from 9:00-1:00 a.m... and it's free.

The Class of 1998 will once again be holding another flea market this Sunday. Show your support by visiting their food and vintage booth. There will be lots of vendors so bring your money.

The Class of 1999 is in the process of finalizing plans for this year's semi-formal. Any suggestions for a theme please feel free to give your ideas to any of the officers.

Finally, the Class of 2000 will be holding its first class meeting. Show your pride Class of 2000 by attending on Tuesday at 9:00 p.m. By the way.... there will be free food!

That's all folks!

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A General Information Session will be held on Monday, October 20, 1997, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in Room SC 203. Select on-campus interviews will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 1997.

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EDITORIALS

Parents and whining yield action

Whenever students at Sacred Heart complain about something being wrong, there is an overabundance of people who tell them to "do something about it." However, this University does not encourage its students to peacefully try to change things that bother them. This University encourages anger and childish behavior since the only way to get anything fixed or accomplished in this University is to whine.

The people who ask nicely and wait patiently are the last ones to be taken care of. Only those who act impatient and rude get what they want, when they want it. A university is supposed to be a place where adults go to study. But how can we learn to act like adults in an atmosphere where our parents have to call before our complaints are to be considered valid.

SHU needs to realize that all its students are over 18, and therefore, are adults. We should not need to have our parents call. We also should not have to be aggressive and violent to be taken seriously. Maybe if these childish alternatives were not the only way to fix things, people would be more likely to stop complaining.

Avalon regulations are real life

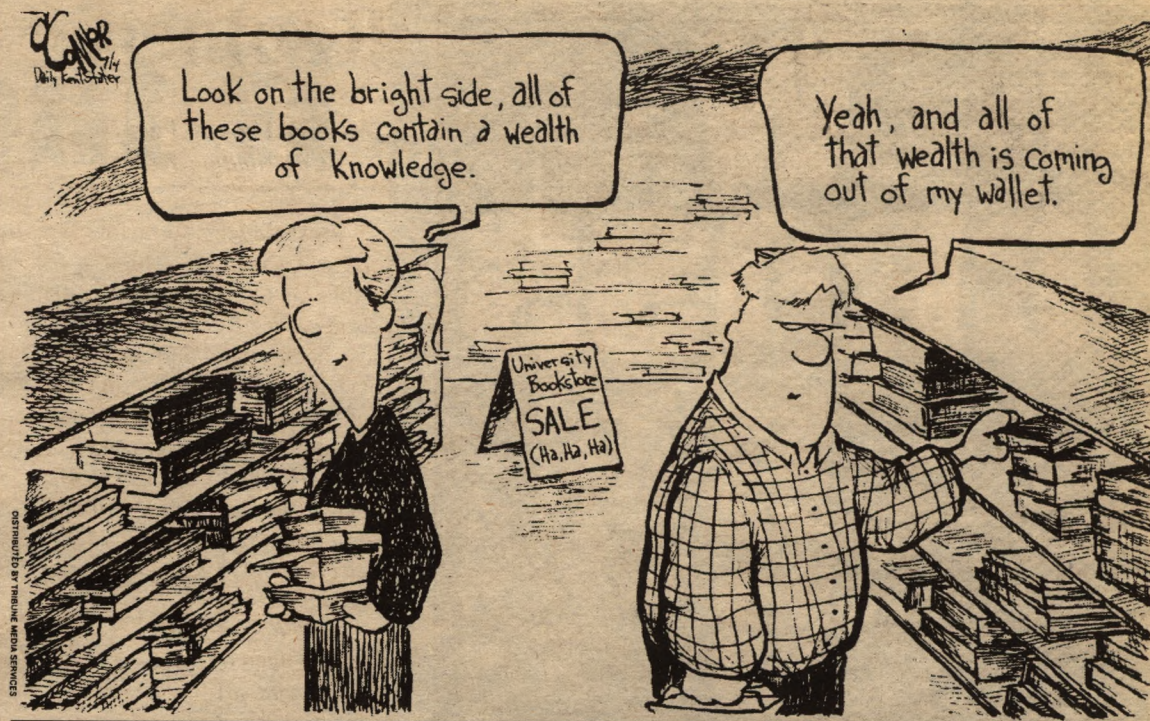
There is plenty of parking at Avalon Gates for those who choose to find it.

Around Buildings One, Two, Three and Four, spots are limited and they fill up quickly, but driving down to some of the lower buildings reveals plenty of empty spaces.

Students complain about the lack of parking, not having swipe cards for the front gate and the strict rules for entering Avalon. Avalon is not a school-run residence hall. It is a living community for families and working professionals who chose to live there partially because of the concern Avalon has for security.

Regardless of how Avalon and SHU are working to solve the parking problems, the best we can do is respect the rules. Encourage guests to get a visiting parking pass. Take the extra walk to a designated parking space.

Sooner or later, we students will become the working professionals and the parents of families.



The Writer of Seville

The experiences here in Seville are seemingly endless. So far, I feel like I am on vacation for three months. The changes and adjustments are so great that I do not know when to sleep, eat or do anything for that matter.



By MIKE DUTTON

I barely slept all week and then slept 18 hours straight on Saturday. I have no sense of time or dates since I do not need them here. It's the weirdest feeling I have ever had; no commitments and nobody to report to.

There are no clubs or Student Governments here to join, so can you imagine how much free time I have to do absolutely nothing?

Friday nights are huge as every person in Seville goes out to party. The streets are jam packed

with hundreds of thousands of wild partiers dancing and drinking the night away. A night usually goes from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. You cannot possibly imagine the messes every Saturday morning. Smashed bottles, glasses, cans and soda bottles carpeting everywhere you look.

It takes hundreds of street cleaners hours to clean the city by hand. College parties I guarantee do not come close to a Friday night in Seville.

Most of the food here is great, but once in awhile, I come across something that is just plain gross. Since it's very rude not to at least try something that your house lady cooks, I must try all of it. Thank God for napkins because I have spit numerous things in them thus far.

I was very rude once already though, as I refused to eat these little whole fried fish with the heads still on. I still have not had rice or beans like everyone insisted I would be eating. It's not possible to go hungry here or miss a meal like most people do at FLIK. Maybe I will just bring my housemother back to the states to cook for FLIK.

Studying abroad can empty

one's pockets real fast, considering that I have already spent over \$500 on entertainment, food, drinks and beggars. I will be the first to admit that I cannot resist when the little gypsy girls come up to me with their sad faces begging for money.

Once I thought I was doing something good so I gave her an American dollar but she threw it back at me. Maybe she thought it was just a piece of paper. Take the beggars in New York City and multiply them many times and that's what Seville is like.

Unemployment is so huge here in Seville that I feel that if they can make a living begging, then good for them.

It is so much better than resorting to public or government assistance, so I help them out when I can. maybe I'm a sucker, but who cares, I'm a sucker on vacation in Spain having the time of my life!

Study Abroad Tip #4: Make sure to budget yourself before you go abroad. Most people I have noticed get over their heads in spending money. Allot a certain daily or weekly amount, according to what you think is enough.

Children: The best examples of happiness and strength

Life doesn't always deal us a fair hand. But like any game, there's always someone who has a worse hand than you. The whole point of the game is to make the best of what you are dealt.



By Carmela Chisholm

When I was in seventh grade, I took part in a club called Cross-Age-Science Teaching or C.A.S.T. for short. It was a group of junior high students who were interested in teaching science to children in grades one through three. It was an attempt to get younger children interested in science, to help them learn the mysteries that the world offers. It turned out that we

learned a lot more than the children.

There was one little girl in my group that no matter how I tried not to, I favored above the others. She was like me when I was little. Everything amazed her. The way her eyes would open wide in awe and wonderment. The way she longed to know how everything worked, how things happened, and how to find the answers to her many questions, all reminded me of myself at her age. But it wasn't her curiosity, nor her sweet smile that make me remember her. It was something else—her strength and passion for life.

One of the first experiments that we did required the use of a blindfold. As we began the experiment, I noticed that her pretty, long, blonde hair was actually a wig. I made sure to place the blindfold carefully over her head, so as not to knock the wig off. Later on, I found out that the little

girl had come back to school after being out for cancer treatment.

Every day after, I watched the little girl. I tried to find any remains of the pain and fear she had gone through. There were none. This young girl had gone through the experience of being in the hospital, losing her hair, and being kept away from her friends

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at school. Yet, through all of this, she had not lost her will to live or her passions for the mysteries of life. She was happy; she laughed, smiled and was just glad to be alive. Even though the threat of an end to her remission was always present, she never once let it stop her from enjoying her childhood. She was a strong, beautiful little girl with a wonderful future in front of her.

Life is not easy. You don't need me to tell you that. Everyone

has their cross to bear and their mountain to climb. But there is always someone who is lower on that mountain than you. It's easy for us to look at our lives and say, "Why me?" We often say how life is unfair and how horrible our lives are. But do we ever stop and think how lucky we are?

That one little girl taught me that life should not be taken for granted. She had seen and felt more pain in one year than most of us in an entire lifetime. Yet, it never stopped her from living. As we go on into adulthood and the real world, we need to keep our childhood in our memories and in our hearts.

Children accept what comes to them and move on. They never complain about how horrible their situation is or how they don't want to go on.

There's a great deal we can learn from children. Always stop to smell the roses, take what you're given and keep smiling.

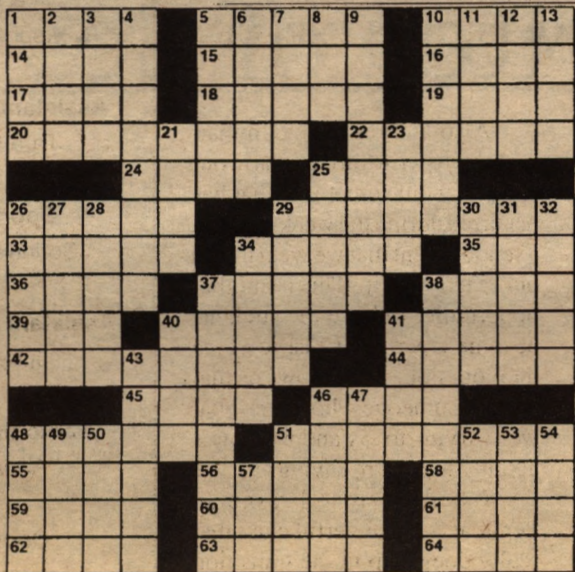
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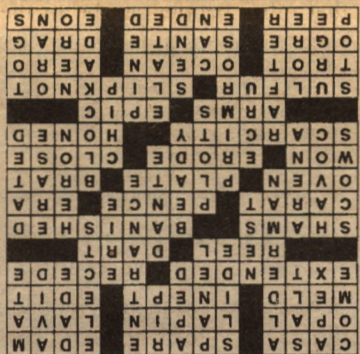
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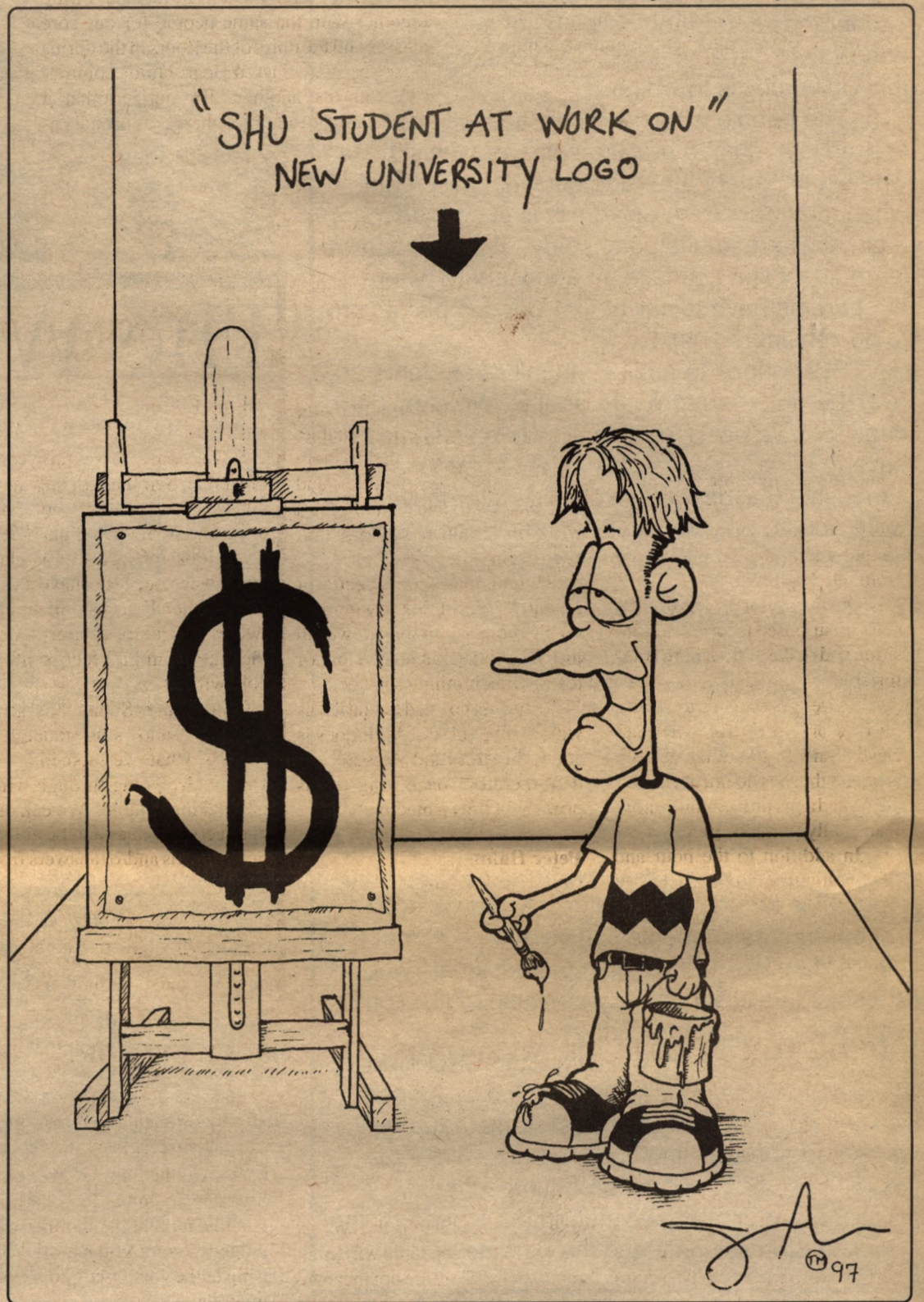
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ANSWERS



If the SHU Fits

by Jeremy Staub



The SHU Voices

Compiled by Brad Wilson

What did you think of Pioneer Weekend?



Matt Sauer
Senior
Bronx, NY

"It was good to see people showing school spirit."



Irene McDonald
Sophomore
Stratford

"It was a fun weekend, and even better to see the football team win."



Mike LePage
Junior
Fall River, Mass.

"The basketball game with the Harlem Wizards was enjoyable."



Katie Scinto
Sophomore
Milford

"The pep rally had a large turnout and it was a good time."

Letters to the editor

FRIENDLY SETTING REMINDS STUDENT OF HOME

To the Editor:

I feel that the attitude on campus is very friendly. Even though we were only here for three weeks now, I feel that Sacred Heart is an extension of my home.

I was always told that home is where your heart is. And even though my whole family and friends are back in Buffalo and my heart is with them, my teachers and friends here at Sacred Heart also have a new place in my heart. Because this campus is so small, you are bound to run into people over and over again. Sooner or later, you

introduce yourself, and then the next time you see them, they become acquaintances. Then you find that they are your friends. While walking to class, most people will look up, smile and acknowledge you. Sacred Heart is very family-like. The fact that we are together with the same people for our core classes and the unity of the floors in the dorms is another way Sacred Heart builds community with one another. I'm not sure that at other schools, the atmosphere is as friendly as it is here.

Joelle Constantino
first-year student

SENIORS RESPOND

TO A LETTER IN SEPT. 25 ISSUE

To the Editor:

In response to the letter to the editor written last week by the FIRST-YEAR student who feels the shuttles should trapsorts students to off campus parties: SHOULD YOU BEDRINKING?

Jesi Gonzalez and Erin Bymek
(both seniors)

FRESHMAN SEMINAR PROVES USELESS

To the Editor:

I am writing you this letter in regards to the required Freshman Seminar Course. I don't believe this class serves a purpose and it should therefore be eliminated from our requirements.

Our instructor tells us that the class is supposed to ease our transition and make us feel more comfortable.

However, many of us have a lot of work to do for our other classes, and the last thing we need is a class that has no impact on our GPAs and adds up to nothing more than a silly waste of time.

In addition to the hour and fifteen minutes of class time, we

have to do assignments and projects. Our time is valuable. We would all feel much more comfortable if we could spend that nearly two and a half hours a week on our other school work, and on our enjoyment.

I understand the need for guidance, but I think it would be much more profitable if we all just met with our counselor for ten or fifteen minutes a week.

There is no need to burden us with another class. All it does is add to the stress and pressure, and it is therefore backfiring on its prime and only objective.

Peter Hahn
first-year student

FRESHMAN SEMINAR PROVES USEFUL

To the Editor:

One of my classes this year is Freshman Seminar. In only have this class once a week, but it has to be one of my better classes.

I look forward to this class every week because I have a very nice teacher, Frances Collazo and two helpful junior advisers. Also, the class I am in, I feel comfortable with.

Freshman Seminar is great because it allows us students to express what we're feeling, or what we're going through without making trouble. We can discuss certain issues and be able to get opinions and/or answers from our peers.

I believe it is a class that can be very informative and that can help the students become creative and interactive with others.

Also, in Freshman Seminar, we have to write reflections in our journal about something that has occurred during the week or about a school event that we went to and our reaction to it. This is another opportunity to have the students become creative or just to voice their opinion. This shows us that there is someone who hears what we're trying to say and who cares about what we're saying.

I believe that Freshman Seminar is a wonderful class that really does help in the transition from high school to college.

And it also shows that we can learn from others and find out that other people can be in the same situations as us.

Angela Paulone
first-year student

DIRECTOR OF GALLERY RESPONDS TO "COSTLY EYESORES" EDITORIAL (SEPT. 11)

To the Editor:

Well, they may be eyesores to you, but they are not costly! These works are on loan, free of charge.

The sculptures described are part of a program titled, "Sculpture on the Grounds", an outdoor Gallery in the midst of you everyday lives, without hours, to be viewed as you walk from place to place on campus.

A University atmosphere is not a commercial venue and this allows us to experiment. We are an educational institution and as such, we are attempting to exhibit challenging, professional works. One does not usually like what is

easy or common in one's field of interest. The exceptional is more interesting. For example, a professional chess player has little interest in an amateur game. Not everyone will like all the works, but we hope that people will think about them. They are not meant to decorate, they are meant to make us think. These works are like philosophy, about exploring, looking for truths, and truth isn't always attractive or decorative. There is a one page publication titled "Looking at Art" available in the Gallery to help you understand these works.

The works are on temporary exhibit and have been selected for their diversity. They are by

predominantly young sculptors.

Three of these artists have completed artists' residencies and been exhibited at the prestigious Socrates Sculpture Park, in Long Island City and their works were judged as some of the most promising of the young sculptors working today.

The fourth work is by an artist with studios in NY and Westport, whose works were exhibited in November of '95 in the Gallery.

Since the new sculptures appearing on campus are here temporarily, they have not necessarily been created for their sites.

The work that you find meaningful, is permanent and was pur-

chased as part of the University's Voluntary Percent for Arts Program.

The Voluntary Percent for Art commissions on campus, associated with Jefferson Hill, South and West Hall, and the Pitt Center, are specifically created for the space that in which they are installed.

They also have been created with a seating component, and are meant to be used by the University community as places of contemplation or as signature meeting places.

Sophia Gevas
Director of The Gallery of Contemporary Art

Study abroad student reflects on days well spent in Spain

Upon deciding that I would spend a semester studying abroad in Seville, Spain, my imagination



By Adriana Norena

never could have prepared me for the significant turning point such an experience would cause in my life.

Everything around me was

new and exhilarating.

The endless sunshine that greeted me in this beautiful Spanish city guaranteed a smile on my face, each time I walked to class at the university. The palm trees waving in the cool breeze and the rich architecture brimming with artistry and history surrounded me. My Latin descent and command of the language afforded me with warm acceptance, almost an honorary residence. I gained a whole new appreciation for my own descent and culture.

Also I was able to form new

and lasting friendships with other students. All would teach me things about the people and some would help me learn things about myself. A few weeks ago a handful of us had a mini-reunion in California and we agreed that this had been the best time of our lives.

Many people asked about my academics abroad since it happens to be the last topic I talk about. I learned much about Spain through my classes but my real learning occurred outside the classroom. In cozy cafes, on the

bus, in a smoky bar or dance club, in the park, at my host family's home. I was able to see the vast fascination Europeans have with the U.S. and its culture.

Today as I look back I feel that I am a different person from the one who left to study abroad. My time away showed me that I can be happier than I thought, and I can do almost anything, if I really want it. But most importantly, that there is an immense world out there teeming with endless beautiful places that await. What are you waiting for?

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FEATURES

Special canine friend is leading the way

Wayne Kosminoff
Co-Features Editor

Petunia is an exceptional lady. A faithful companion, who is there in any time of need, just ask Bill DiStasi.

DiStasi, a junior psychology major from Fairfield, has been confined to a wheel chair, since 1990, when he was involved in car accident while drinking and driving.

"My dog is the only female who has stayed with me since the accident," jokes DiStasi.

Within the past seven years, DiStasi has had two relationships. Neither worked out. However, his companion Petunia, a shaggy brown and black border collie, who was rescued from the Westport Humane Society, has worked out.

Because of DiStasi's condition, Petunia was trained to help him with certain tasks early in his rehabilitation process. Like any good dog, she has stayed by his side the whole time.

"She is very protective. She

helps me with many things such as bringing objects to me," DiStasi said. When asked to retrieve an object, the dog runs over to fetch it with great enthusiasm.

"My dog is the only female who has stayed with me since the accident."

As his situation improves, Petunia is becoming more of a companion than a necessity.

"As of now, my abilities have improved to the degree whereas her talents are unnecessary. What she does do is to provide unconditional love and continues to teach others how to love. She is an exceptional lady. Very rare, indeed," said DiStasi.

DiStasi, who has undergone years of physical therapy, now lives alone in his own apartment with Petunia. He believes that he has become very independent.

He can cook and clean on his own, even though it takes him two hours to get himself ready in the morning.

Along with his numerous other accomplishments, DiStasi is about to take an even bigger step forward; he is going to try and obtain his license again.

"I'll have to get a special car that will be modified for hand controls. I definitely will not drink and drive anymore."

One of the things DiStasi likes about this university, where he maintains a 3.99 G.P.A., is the students.

"They have been really helpful. They hold doors for me when I go to class; everyone has been so cooperative."

When asked what DiStasi plans to do after graduation he said, "I'm going to try and get my masters degree and teach. Maybe I'll do some substance abuse counseling."

"The one thing that I would like to stress is if you're going to drink, drink responsibly. Don't drink and drive," DiStasi added.



Photo by Wayne Kosminoff
Bill DiStasi and his friendly companion Petunia, sit outside in front of Public Safety, enjoying each other's presence.

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

How about quitting smoking now?

The Respiratory Therapy Club will be holding a "stop smoking meeting" on Thursday, October 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Mahogany room. Refreshments will be served. For more information contact Sue @ x7781.

Scholarship Opportunity, take action!

The Multiple Sclerosis Association is holding a scholarship essay contest. Essays must be between 500 and 1,000 words. Essays should be about MS, its impact on a person and their family, and how society can improve the quality of life for the physically challenged. The entrant must have at least \$7.50 in sponsorship fees. The contest is open to all freshman, sophomores, and juniors. One \$5,000 scholarship and three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Entries must be postmarked by June 5, 1998. For a registration form call 1-800-LEARN-MS.

Jewish Friendship Organization

Rabbi S. Jerome Wallin and the Jewish Friendship Organization meet from 11 a.m. until noon every Tuesday at Campus Ministry. All are welcome to be part of this interesting group! Call x7840 for more information.

Do you want to glimpse into your future?

Come have your future and fortune told! The annual psychic fair will be held on Friday at 9 p.m. in the Mahogany Room.

Bag lady increases awareness

By Brad Wilson
Associate Editor

Encountering a bag lady on the streets of New York City is an aspect of everyday life. On Tuesday evening, this normal urban occurrence struck the Sacred Heart campus when students viewed a woman rummaging through a trash can.

Walking down the brick pathway from the main academic building to South and West Halls, students stared and nudged at each other, but continued walking.

Many made remarks after they had passed. Some even commented when they were directly in front of her.

In a sarcastic tone of voice, one student said, "I can't believe there's a can lady on campus. Hey,

maybe I'll let her borrow my meal card."

Another said, "someone should get a shotgun and put her out of her misery."

What they didn't know was this was part of a program which was meant to increase people's awareness of those with differences.

Sponsored by Residential Life and Housing Services, "Fear No People Week" began on Sunday and consists of various activities that deal with diversity, race relations, sexual preferences and physical disabilities.

"It is a week organized for students to develop an appreciation of others and be comfortable with others," said Cathy Raynis, director of residential life and housing services.

The bag lady on campus Tuesday was not actually a street person. It was Sister Anne-Louise Nadeau, director of personal counseling, impersonating one to aid in an activity set up by West Hall Resident Assistants and the Counseling Center.

"Many of these people are mentally ill," said Sister Anne. "It's okay to be scared of them, but the way we react makes a difference. There is no excuse to be rude." A group of

West Hall students were told by Resident Assistants that they were walking to the academic building to participate in an ice cream social and discussion of diversity.

Arriving upon the bag lady, Erin Dymek, a senior resident assistant, approached her and the rest of the group congregated around the area.

A student passing through, not involved in the activity could not comprehend how everyone could stand there, staring: "What the heck is wrong with these people," she said.

Many students wanted to help, but were hesitant to step forward. Eric Rutberg, assistant director/personal counselor, initiated involvement by asking "should we buy some food for her?"

Two students immediately ran to the Marketplace. One began sifting through his pockets for change. Another, coming from the cafeteria, offered his yogurt.

Moments later, Sister Anne revealed her identity and the group analyzed each others reactions.

"The activity showed students how they may react when encountering different people," said senior Resident Assistant, Justin Vench. "They may think they know themselves, but there is more to know."

Activities continue tonight at the Park Ridge Community Room at 7 p.m., when students partake in, "What is it Like to be Physically Challenged?" On Sunday, an AIDS walk organized by Avalon Gates Resident Assistants, begins in front of Public Safety at 11:15 a.m. concluding "Fear No People Week."

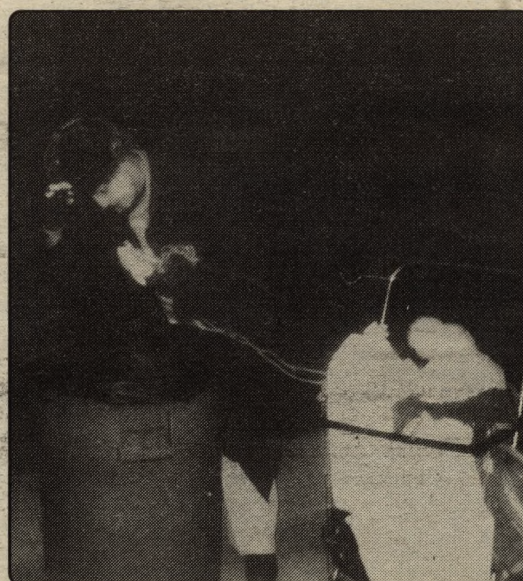


Photo by Brad Wilson

Sister Anne impersonates a bag lady to aid in "Fear No People Week."

Mexican coffeehouse offers a fun fiesta

David N. Collum
Contributing Writer

Last Thursday marked the International Center's second successful coffeehouse of the season. The evening was generously sponsored by the office of Eileen Bertch, the assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the College of Arts and Sciences. The festivities began around 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, offering its attendees a taste of traditional Mexican culture.

Hot chicken wings, jalapeno poppers, and chips and salsa, catered by Amigo's Restaurant in Stamford, greeted guests as they arrived. Gloria Jean's coffee Co. of the Trumbull Shopping Park also donated Mexican Altura coffee for the event. Each of the small square tables, robed in white tablecloths, supported colorful flower arrangements that were set aglow by the soft ambience of candle light, providing an authentic traditional Mexican atmosphere.

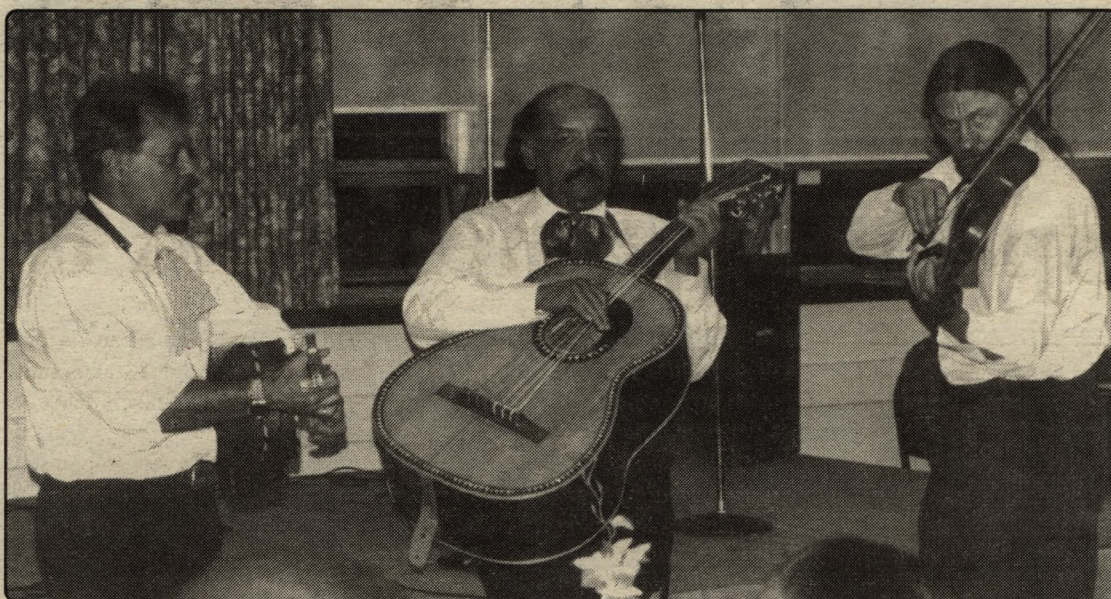
Grace Lim, assistant director of student life for international programs said that she ex-

pected the turnout to be good, "Due to the popularity of Latin America and the Caribbean with Americans."

The evening opened with a presentation by Professor Robin Mc Allister of the English department. Mc Allister talked of his active and enthusiastic exploration of Mexico that began in the summer of 1965, following his graduation from Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT. He shared some of his experiences, describing Mexico City as "one of the most cosmopolitan places in the world." He concluded by saying, "at some point, you might think about taking an adventure...getting on a bus or taking a train, because the experiences you can have with the people you meet will stay with you."

Dressed in traditional costume, the Mexican folk band trio Mara, played authentic Mexican instruments such as the guitarron and vihuela, as well as Mexican guitars. Those familiar with the music joined in singing, while others clapped their hands and swayed in their seats to the invigorating beat of the music.

Karla Plaggett, a sophomore



Photos by Alicia Hurley

Amigos enjoy the Mexican festivities as the Mexican trio.

transfer student from the Virgin Islands, said she was "having a great time."

Josue Chevalier, a senior from Bridgeport, felt the evening, "offered an interesting insight into [the] Mexican people."

Yasmin Betances, a senior psychology/Spanish major from Bronx, N.Y., said "I envisioned

the turnout would be smaller, but it [the evening] turned out to be a great success," and was "a nice way to get to know Mexican culture."

When Lim was asked later in the evening if she was pleased with the evening, she responded enthusiastically that she was, "very pleased."

An Italian coffeehouse, coordinated in conjunction with the Italian American club, is scheduled to take place in the Mahogany Room, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. It will feature classic Italian music performed by Italian Opera singers and tempting Italian desserts.

Understanding the facts of Greek life

By Alexis Harrison
Contributing Writer

Upon entering college, students are encouraged to participate in school activities to help boost their self esteem, make new friends and most importantly help the transition into college easier.

Fraternities and sororities are among the most popular social groups to get involved with on college campuses in the nation. Greeks are said to learn the importance of responsibility, dedication, cooperation and self-reliance.

So, what does Greek Life have to offer? Is it the a way to meet new friends, to project leadership, to participate in community service and involvement skills. Or is it a way to be humiliated, hazed and disciplined by peers?

"People depend too much on fraternities and sororities as a way of fitting in and a sense of belonging. They go in as thinking it's their only way of meeting friends. They join for the wrong reasons," said Lisa Pio, a sophomore from Ludlowe, Mass.

College can be a scary and very lonely place. The Greek system was designed to create a home away from home atmosphere for many students, where brothers and sisters form lifelong bonds. True? Maybe. A possible stereotype? Probably.

But at Sacred Heart, there is nothing stereotypical about fraternities and sororities. Unlike these examples: "Animal House" or the movie of the week "Dying to Belong" which was aired last winter on NBC or "Beverly Hills 90210" which people often associated fraterni-

ties sororities and as being presented as wild or their participation in hazing. All these shows emphasize and participate in the maintenance of the myths about sorority and fraternity members.

According to Nadia Kendell, a senior from Far Rockway, N.Y. and president of Delta Phi Kappa, she claims that hazing is not existent on Sacred Hearts campus. "As far as I know hazing does not exist on campus. At least it doesn't in our sorority."

Kendell said hazing would include activities such as forced drinking, nudity, deprivation of sleep, and other things that can harm ones self esteem and body which does not occur here.

Pete Trenchard, vice-president of Greek Council, says "People's views of sororities and fraternities are overshadowed by the negatives that they hear about from major universities."

Doing research for this article, I had the opportunity to talk to many students who are involved in Greek Life.

I found that SHU fraternity guys and sorority girls have certain characteristics: That they choose to join a fraternity or sorority to make new friends. Others to learn leadership skills. Many of them have an interest in the cause that the fraternity or sorority advocates like AIDS awareness, breast cancer, community service, and children from the Bridgeport area to name a few.

"Greek Life at Sacred heart University offers students the opportunity to work in the community and to develop leadership skills," said Nuala Hetzler, Advisor to Greek Life.

The stereotypical fraternity brother and sorority sister are rare in this institution. They are not the

all-American boy or girl that wears the most expensive and stylish clothes. They are not all star athletes or the "A" student, yet he or she can party every weekend.

"He is not King of Campus

and she is not little miss popular. They come in every size, shape, color, economic and ethnic background," said Wendi Plescia, president of Kappa Phi.

Greek Life is one way to get involved in the school commu-

nity. The sorority and fraternity has the ability to affect the life of a young man or woman forever. Whether negative or positive. Like everything, what is right for one person is wrong for another.

Hang out in The Outpost!

The Pub is a great place to sponsor events on campus, or to just hang out!

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Thursdays
8 p.m. - 12 a.m.

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9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Contact Kim Timpany
at The Student Union Office
or call 396-8027 to program
Outpost events!

'Sculpture Walk' offers art for thought

By Tara S. Deenihan
Assistant A&E Editor

The "Sculpture on the Grounds" program at Sacred Heart seeks to expose students on campus to the visual arts, by incorporating art with their everyday lives. The project uses a combination of purchased sculpture and sculpture on loan.

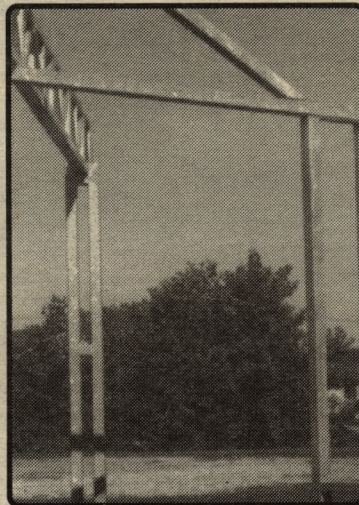
Most of the sculptures students see around campus are on loan to the University from young sculptors who have trouble gaining exposure otherwise. Other sculptures on campus were purchased by the University through its "Voluntary Percent for Art" project. With the Percent for Art system, one percent of the funds for all new structures is to be set aside to purchase artwork for the area.

"Sophia Gevas, director

of the Gallery of Contemporary Art, says of the program, "The University has made a unique commitment to the arts by setting aside a portion of money that can be used to enhance land around our buildings, and areas that students and faculty pass everyday."

Works to be purchased go through a long selection process which includes soliciting artists, providing them with full plans for the space their work will inhabit, and presenting the artists' work to a committee for final review. Last year, three models of possible sculptures were also on display in the Gallery for students to choose from. Sculptors to loan artwork to SHU are sought out by Gevas, and their work is presented to a committee which includes experts in art history, photography, sculpture, and education. Works on loan will probably be changed approximately every two years.

Gevas emphasizes the im-



"Memory Theater"

portance of understanding the work. "Sacred Heart is an educational institution," she said. "We're supposed to experiment, to make people think."

In an attempt to increase interest and understanding in the sculpture on campus, the Gallery has produced brochures including a location map of all works, photo-

graphs and descriptions by the artists. The brochure also contains directions on analyzing art, to help the average student determine its meaning. The Gallery will also be providing

information packets about the artists, including their resumes. This and additional information can be obtained by visiting the Gallery of Contemporary Art.

Sculptures on Campus

Purchased Artwork

"Path of Expanding Vision," by Helene Brandt, located outside South and West Halls

"Poetry in Motion -- Start to Finish," by Will Turey, located in the William H. Pitt Center

"Nothing Gold Can Stay," by David Philips, located outside Jefferson Hill

"Memory Theater," by Tom Rose, located outside William H. Pitt Center

"Prayer Rock," by Claire Dunphy, located outside Jefferson Hill

Artwork on Loan

"Eidolon," by Niki Ketchman, located outside mail room towards Jefferson Hill

"Occam's Razor," by John Clement, located outside Administration Building

"Here," by Sherru Kalikowski, located outside Academic Building across from Gallery of Contemporary Art

"Yemoo," by Sherinatu Fafunwa, located inside Ryan Matura Library

"Burial/Birth," by Kathleen Gilrain, located outside old gym.

Superheros in the Schine

By Tara S. Deenihan
Assistant A&E Editor

"Batman & Robin," the fourth installment of the Warner Bros. series, will be playing this weekend in the Schine Auditorium. Featuring the debut of George Clooney as the Dark Knight and Alicia Silverstone as Batgirl, "B&R" fails to live up to its hype.

While the basic plot vehicles seem promising, the film winds itself into a frenzy of special effects and bad puns. As Mr. Freeze, Arnold Schwarzenegger appears toward the beginning of the film, looking like a Transformer gone awry, and utters the line "The Iceman cometh!"

With the combination of three villains (Schwarzenegger, along with Bane and Uma Thurman as Poison Ivy), "Batman & Robin" falls victim to its own flamboyance, becoming a case of too many crooks spoiling the soup.

Thurman, however, turns in an entertaining performance as a botanist transformed by an accident in her lab into a human-plant hybrid who seeks to rid the world of human pollution. Ivy slinks about in green spandex and big hair, breathing love potion and delivering venomous kisses. Thurman visibly enjoys the role, giving her best Mae West impression.

Chris O'Donnell also performs well as Robin, although the script allows him less flexibility than his original appearance in "Batman Forever." The first exchange between Batman and Robin in the film is an argument over Robin's dissatisfaction with his motorcycle.

"Why can't I have a car?" he whines. "Chicks dig the car."

Clooney's Batman answers, "This is why Superman works alone." In its attempt to pay homage to Batman's comic book roots and poke fun at the genre, "B&R" in actuality becomes a mess of poorly constructed humor.

The writers also seem to have forgotten the basis of Batman's character. Clooney's glib one-liners and womanizing betray the image of the Dark Knight, who is fueled primarily by the inner conflict and despair that the new user-friendly Batman lacks.

Overall, "Batman & Robin" fails at its purpose, but is entertaining in its farce. If you're looking for a movie to turn off the brain to and "veg," this is the one.

"Batman & Robin" will be playing in the Schine Auditorium on Saturday at 5 and 7 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 4 p.m., and Monday night at 9 p.m.

Budget cuts hurt theater program

By Justin Venech
Contributing Writer

Budget cuts in the department of communication studies have cut into opportunities for student actors at the University.

"The budget cuts made me change the entire fall schedule program," said Rick McKinnon, department of communication studies faculty. "I planned to do what the students wanted, and have a musical, but now it would be too risky."

In past years there has been a certain amount of money allotted for the fall show. It was less than the amount allotted for the larger spring show, however, it was still enough to do a show. Due to the budget cuts the musical one act had to be cut from the program, said McKinnon.

The fall show has already been cast and goes into rehearsal this week. It contains a series of

one-acts but no musicals.

However, the effects of the budget cuts do not stop here. With the amount of money available for the spring show up in the air, ticket sales might pre-empt if the show will go up.

"In the past I've marketed the spring shows to the local school districts in hopes to get some ticket sales and have that much more money to put into the show," said McKinnon.

"Now if we don't sell tickets to the schools, we might not have enough money to do the show."

In the past the department has met with limited success with selling to high schools in the area. For the spring 1996 production of "The Crucible," over 1400 seats were presold to the high schools. Although, none were sold for last year's production of "The Skin of our Teeth."

"I've done a mailing to 230 school districts. I hope the turn-

out is good," McKinnon added.

All of these problems have led to many of the university students involved in the theater to get angry.

"It is always the departments that deal with the arts that are victimized by budget problems and the space problems at this university," said Chris Gensur, a senior English major from Bridgeport.

"If you want to see where art stands at this university, take a look at the art department's space," added Gensur.

"This university should try to be more than just a sports school. It seems like it's only about sports," said Helen Adams, an English major from Trumbull.

"One of this University's selling points is that it is supposedly well-rounded, said Jessica Bahamonde, an English major from Bridgeport.

"This will not be the case if we keep cutting department budgets for sports and sciences."



The cast of 1997's "The Crucible"

Contributed photo

Wyle chooses film with emotion rather than action

By Ian Spelling
College Press Service

NEW YORK—Noah Wyle, one of the handsome young stars of "ER," could have followed in the footsteps of fellow TV doc George Clooney and reached for the brass ring by tackling big roles in major films. But he didn't.

Instead, Wyle chose to do an independent feature, the ensemble drama, "The Myth of the Fingerprints."

Wyle says he thought long and hard about what made him comfortable in front of the cameras. In the end, he decided to go with what he knows work—a strong ensemble cast.

"I really like working with an ensemble. It's what I'd been doing every day, surrounded by terrific actors. I wanted to find a film where I'd have that same thing," he says. "I love great scripts, and I decided to stick with my instincts as I went through scripts, deciding what was good

and what wasn't good, not whether or not it would have been good for me or my career to do. If I were going to do a big film, it would have had to have been one where you could take out the car chases, the explosions and the pistols and still have a plot. Nine times out of 10 you don't get that. I really held out until something struck me mightily, and it was 'Myth of the Fingerprints.'"

Written and directed by first-timer Bart Freundlich, "Myth," which cost an incredibly modest \$1.8 million, scrutinizes the lives of a dysfunctional New England family as it gathers for the Thanksgiving holiday. There's Mom and Dad (Blythe Danner and Roy Scheider) and their grown children, bitchy Mia (Julianne Moore), love-phobic Jake (Michael Vartan), relatively normal Leigh (Laurel Holloman) and lovelorn Warren (Wyle).

Over the course of a few days, the assorted family members and outsiders looking in utter words they do not mean, words they

very much mean and things they have been dying to say for a long, long time.

There is love and loathing, and there are dark secrets revealed at inopportune moments. There is even a denouement that just comes along and ends the movie. It may not wrap up the movie in a lovely, send-'em-home-happy Hollywood bow, but it certainly reflects reality.

"I've been in and seen many family dramas, and this one was different in its presentation," says the 27-year-old actor, who hails from Los Angeles and counts among his credits small roles in such films as "Swing Kids" and "A Few Good Men," as well as several stage productions.

The movie is unlike Hollywood blockbusters in another sense, says Wyle.

"There's also, as everyone has pointed out, no real climax to the movie, no explosive argument," he says. "There are no histrionics, no plate smashing scenes. There's no big death



Wyle (right) with co-stars Brian Kerwin and Julianne Moore

scene. These were all pluses as far as I was concerned. It's just very honest, very real.

Look, the movie may not make a dime and I'd be sad about that, but I'd still be glad I did it. It's a good movie, and I'm very proud of it."

And, fortunately, Wyle has a little day job called "ER" Now in its fourth season, "ER" remains atop the ratings and somehow manages to retain its high level of

quality week after week. This season, which kicks off with a live episode (see box, below), finds Carter back in the emergency room after abandoning his surgical career. And, Wyle reveals, Carter's romantic life will get a shot in the arm later this year.

As the conversation comes to an end, Wyle contemplates the future. He foresees a couple of more years of "ER," as well as other films along the lines of "Myth," modest productions that let him do his thing.

"ER" is as huge as I really want my career to get," he says.

"Looking for things that will be learning experiences, in terms of learning more about my craft and how to do it better, that's what I want.

"Putting myself in positions where I can work with actors who have something to offer, that's what I want. I just want to keep working, keep doing, keep learning. That's all I've ever really wanted."

"The Myth of Fingerprints" is now playing in theaters.

Leder keeps the 'Peace'

By Stephanie Smith
A&E Editor

Mimi Leder has crossed a line. As director of "The Peacemaker," starring Nicole Kidman and George Clooney, Leder has entered the territory of the male-dominated action films.

"The Peacemaker" is Leder's first feature film. Steven Spielberg recommended her for the film after seeing her work on "ER," where she won an emmy for the episode "Love's Labor Lost," the episode where a pregnant woman is misdiagnosed.

"I never said I couldn't direct action," said Leder in an interview in *US* magazine. "I just never looked at what I did as action. Steven made me see it this way."

"I know people expect me to wear combat boots and carry a whip," she said. But she prefers people to see, "some kind of fun, sexy, red-lipped woman."

Leder did not start at the top, directing emmy-winning television. Her first break into television was as a script supervisor on "Hill Street Blues." Leder's directorial debut was a 1987 episode of "L.A. Law."

Unfortunately, male script supervisors move up quicker than the females. In efforts to break the glass ceiling, Leder raised money to produce a short film. "The guys didn't have to do that," she said.

Leder went on to direct "China Beach" and "Crime Story," before landing on "ER." She has now left the show to pursue her career as a film director. Immediately after "The Peacemaker," Spielberg gave Leder a sci-fi epic, "Deep Impact," with Tea Leoni and Elijah Wood.

Leder is confident she will be successful in Hollywood. "Since it took me so long to get here, my plan is to stick around for a good long time."



Director Mimi Leder

'ER' does it live

By Stephanie Smith
A&E Editor

Last Thursday, the cast of NBC's hit drama series performed their show live for viewers across the United States.

The live show had its ups and downs.

The show took the format of a film crew making a documentary about emergency room worker Dr. Mark Greene (Anthony Edwards).

Since the episode was live,

it was missing the polished version of a produced episode. Eventually that distraction disappeared as the action of the story picked up.

Throughout the show, well-choreographed fights broke out in the ER and actors watched each other for flubbed lines.

The idea for the live episode was fresh and exciting. It actually was filmed live twice, once for the East Coast and once for the West. Another live show is tentatively scheduled for later in the season.

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Mac makes a comeback

Fleetwood Mac returns to the music scene

By Julie Nevero
Assistant Sports Editor

On Saturday, September 20, one of the greatest bands of all time performed at Great Woods in Mansfield, Mass., and I was there. After 12 years of separation, Fleetwood Mac (Stevie Nicks, Lindsey Buckingham, Christine and John McVie and Mick Fleetwood) played over two dozen songs for a sold out audience.

The crowd was treated to a two hour show featuring Mac hits like "The Chain," "Dreams," "Go Your Way," "Rhianon," "Gold Dust Woman," and "Gypsy." The band played some of the individual work of Nicks' like her 1983 hit "Stand Back," and Buckingham's new song "Bleed to Love Her."

The audience was primarily adults including true Nicks fans, adorned in long black dresses, suede boots and chiffon scarves, mimicking the woman on stage spinning around, shaking her tambourine in balletic fashion. Buckingham rocked the crowd with exciting guitar solos from "I'm So Afraid" and "Big Love," and Fleetwood banged wildly on a Chinese Gong during "Tusk."

I first got into Fleetwood Mac when I received their



Fleetwood Mac

"Tango in the Night" album for Christmas in 1985, the year of their last tour. I listened to popular tracks like "Little Lies" and "Seven Wonders" and liked the band so much that I decided to purchase some of their earlier works.

My collection of Mac albums grew and before I knew it, they had become my favorite band and due to the split, I thought I would never have the chance to see them in concert.

When word of the reunion got out, I couldn't believe my ears. They had a new album, "The Dance," and were going on

tour in honor of the 20th anniversary of their now classic 1977 "Rumors" album.

"The Dance" is Mac's reunion concert which was taped live and features old favorites with new twists along with some new songs.

It's been almost two weeks since the show and I still cannot believe I was there. Fleetwood Mac has another 74 shows to perform all over the U.S. and I would go to every one of them if it were possible.

It was like a dream to see them, and in my opinion, there will never be a greater concert.

OLP is 'Clumsy'

By Tara S. Deenihan
Assistant A&E Editor

"Clumsy" is the second major label release from Canadian band Our Lady Peace. The album's 11 tracks vary in subject matter and sound, but all retain a singular gritty undertone.

While OLP's rock alternative style is unique, it is comparable to that of more familiar bands like Sponge.

The first single from the album, "Superman's Dead," deals with the issues of loneliness and peer pressure with lyrics like, "do you worry that you're not liked/ how long til you break/you're happy 'cause you smile/ but how much can you fake?"

Several tracks on the album contain a similar theme, some even bordering on hysteria or psychosis. The title track and second

single is a pledge of friendship through such feelings. The chorus says "maybe you should sleep/ and maybe you just need a friend/ as clumsy as you've been, there's no one laughing/ you will be safe in here..."

All songs on the album were written by band members Raine Maida, Mike Turner, Duncan Coutts and Jeremy Taggart.

Our Lady Peace has another Columbia release, called "Naveed." Although their main popularity rests with its Canadian audience, their tense sound is becoming more popular here as well, and they have begun performing more shows in the U.S., including a forthcoming appearance at New Haven's Toad's Place.

The album "Clumsy" is available on Columbia CD's and cassettes, and is certainly worth checking out for any rock alternative fan.



'Ska'rrific bands in the Outpost

By Frank Todaro
Contributing Writer

The Outpost was the stage for two super ska bands last Wednesday for Pub Night. Students from all residence assignments and a wealth of non-SHU students flocked to the cafeteria (known as the Outpost on such occasions) to see Spring Heeled Jack and Sgt. Skagnetti, two of the more popular ska bands of Connecticut. Local punk band Now Who's Laughing opened the show.

The amount of students and non-students that showed up for this event was noticeably higher than previous Pub Nights of a similar nature. The concertgoers were dancing, jumping and "skankin" the night away.

"I think they should book more ska bands, and make it a bigger event," said Beth Gaffney, a sophomore from Miller Place, N.Y.

The man responsible for booking these two ska greats is Matthew Flood, band coordinator.

"I am good friends with Sgt. Skagnetti," said Flood, "and I

Band in the Outpost

On Wednesday, Oct. 8 the band Hubinger St will perform in the Outpost. The music starts at 10 p.m. Alcohol will be served to 21+ with proper i.d.

Musicals at The Center

The Center for the Performing Arts at SHU will present "The Liberty Belles," conceived and directed by Maureen Hamill, from Oct. 24 through Nov. 2.

Performances are on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 for general admission, \$12.50 for seniors and students, and \$10 for groups of ten or more.

Also at The Center, auditions for the musical "Big River" are scheduled for Oct. 27 and 28 from 7 to 10 p.m.

"Big River," directed by Kevin Miller, will be presented from Dec. 27 through Jan. 11, with 7 p.m. evening performances and 2 p.m. matinees. Performers of all ages are welcome and are asked to present one, up-tempo song and one ballad.

For further information about either show, contact the theater box office at 374-2777.

A great weekend line-up at Toad's Place

Tonight Bruce Dickinson plays at Toad's with Geezer and Puller.

John Caffery and The Beaver Brown Band performs Friday night and on Sunday, Toad's presents Sister Hazel.

Tonight and Sunday, doors open at 7:30 p.m. and shows start at 8:30. On Friday, doors open at 8 p.m. and the showtime is 9 p.m.

For ticket information, call Toad's Place at 624-TOAD.

Calling all artists

The Art Club meets Mondays at 3:30 p.m. in the Art Department (in the basement of the Science Wing). New members are welcome; being an art major is not required.

-compiled by Stephannie Smith



Our Lady Peace



Illustration by Frank Todaro

Equestrian begins 1997 season at Hofstra

Women and men compete with nine colleges at Long Island show



Contributed Photo

Last year's equestrian team, with Coach Maureen Lutz (far right).

By Corinne Waldheim
Sports Editor

The Sacred Heart equestrian team begins its fall season on Sunday. The team will compete at a horse show at Hofstra University.

There will be over 100 college competitors from Connecticut and Long Island, including Sacred Heart, Yale, Fairfield, Stony Brook, Molloy, Suffolk C.C., Hofstra, St. John's, St. Joseph's and Dowling.

Practices are held at the Lion Hill Farm in Easton.

The team competes in its region during both the fall and spring semesters.

The region holds eight to ten horse shows in October, November, March and April, concluding in May after the Regional and Zone Finals and the Intercollegiate National Horse Show.

During competition the contestants vie for both team and individual placing simultaneously.

Seventeen members return from last year along with ten new arrivals.

"This year, we have the strongest team to date," said Coach Maureen Lutz.

Last year the Pioneers finished third in the region. Regional finalists include captain Tara Auch, Kristen Lutz, Samantha Rabel, Naomi Michayl, Alicia Cantelmo, Heather Schuck, Nicole Fieschel.

Schuck and Fieschel competed in the National Horse Show at Mount Holyoke last May individually. The two women also participated in the Zone All Stars. They qualified for the Zone competition after winning blue ribbons at the Zone Finals in Pennsylvania last April.

Team captains include Fieschel, Auch, Schuck, Michayl and Kristen Fleming.

SHU Records

Football	1-2
(W) Volleyball	5-5
Men's Soccer	2-6-1
Women's Soccer	2-3
Field Hockey	4-3
Tennis	N/A

Women's cross country best in state

By Emily Greenough
Staff Writer

The Pioneer women's cross country team proved its ability at the Sept. 26 meet at Quinnipiac College in Hamden. They finished in front of Quinnipiac and Wesleyan, becoming the Connecticut Intercollegiate Cross Country Champions. This is the first overall win for the Pioneer women in Sacred Heart history. "The women were totally

dominant this past Friday," said Coach Christian Morrison. "This is how championships are one."

The women swept in four of the first five led by freshman Heather Stockton (Clifton Park, N.Y.), who also received her first collegiate win, with a time of 20:04 (3.1 miles).

Following Stockton in second place was junior Carrie Demirgian (Broad Brook) finishing 20:19, sophomore Michelle Wesolowski (Sewell, N.J.) in third (20:32), freshman

Danielle Revell in fifth place (20:56), and sophomore Jen McGovern (Queens, N.Y.) in eleventh (21:36).

Lisa de Burgo (Pawtucket, R.I.) and Stephanie Smith (Hope Valley, R.I.) finished thirteenth and fourteenth respectively.

The Pioneer men's team came in last place overall on the five mile course, competing against four other teams.

"The men should definitely improve upon their finish from last year in the Fairfield Invite,"

said Morrison, in regards to the Invitational at Fairfield University on Sunday. The men finished sixth out of nine last year.

Morrison said, "We just want to put this race behind us and move on to next week."

Freshman Chris Eaton led the men, landing in twelfth place (28:30). He was followed by junior Rick Janocko (Linden, N.J.) in thirteenth (28:30).

Both teams are preparing for Sunday with the women at 1:45 p.m. and the men at 2:30 p.m.

Volleyball at .500 after Southampton victory

Julie Nevero
Assistant Sports Editor

The SHU women's volleyball team reached .500 last week with wins against Assumption on Wednesday and Southampton on Friday. This raised the team's winning streak to three games and its overall record to 5-5.

The Lady Pioneers continued to win in the Pitt Center, defeating Assumption (14-16, 15-8, 15-9, 15-9) in the second athletic event contested in the new facility.

After losing the first game, the team came back in full force to take the next three games and the match.

Sophomore hitters Trisha Moore and Kelly Wehr continue to dominate the front line. Moore had 16 kills on the night and has raised her hitting percentage to .403 to lead the team and rank third in the New England Colle-

giate Conference. Wehr added 14 kills, 9 digs and 5 service aces to the victory.

Senior captain and setter Melissa Amore had 41 assists and sophomore Jen Brown had a team high 19 digs in the match.

Friday's Southampton match featured an exciting, seesaw battle for points.

The Lady Pioneers lost the first game 9-15, came back to win the second 15-10. The team fell again in the third game 8-15, but dominated the fourth game 15-3 to tie the match 2-2 and force a fifth game. The team won the final game 15-7 and the match 3-2.

Wehr led in kills with 14 and Moore followed with 9. Amore had 25 assists and Brown had 15 digs.

The team will participate in the Southern Connecticut State Tournament tomorrow and Saturday in New Haven. Game times are TBA.

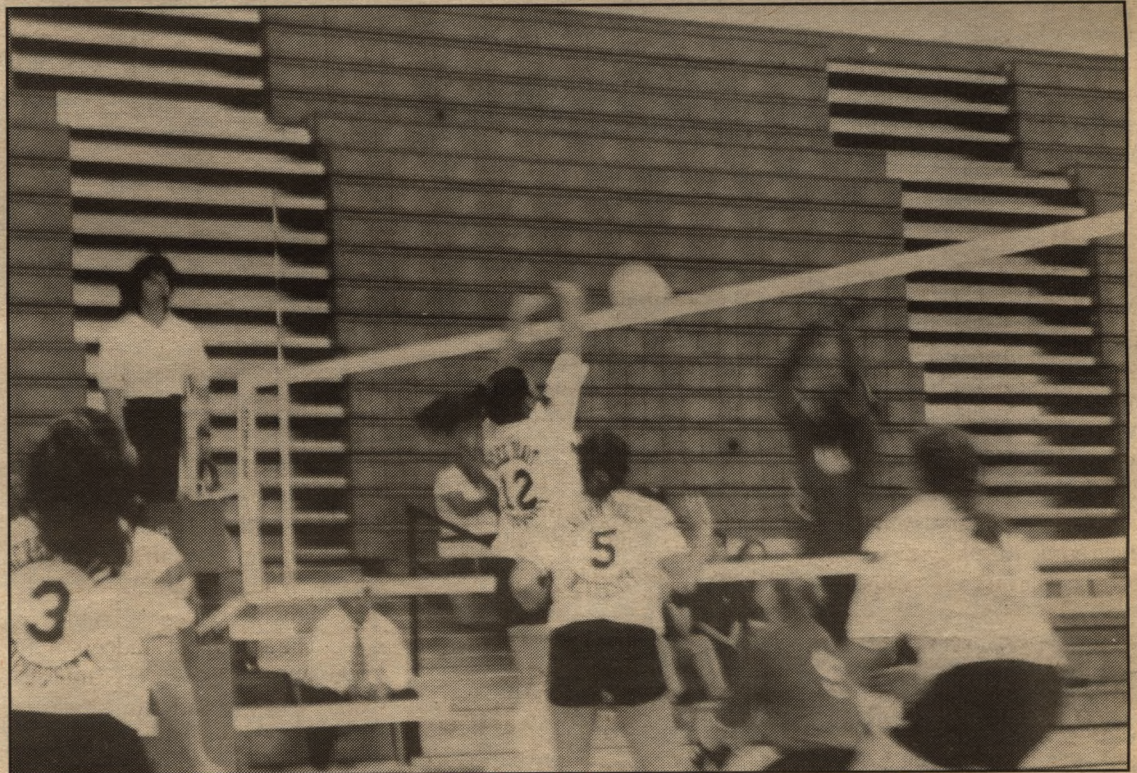


Photo by Amber Schaper

Stephanie Chell of the women's volleyball team adds a kill to her record.

Quote of the week: "Tomorrow's athlete will be stronger, more supported, better recognized. With more girls involved in sports, the next generation can only be better."
-- Michelle Akers

Fact of the Week: The total cost of the William H. Pitt Center, Campus Field and running track was approximately \$18.8 million.

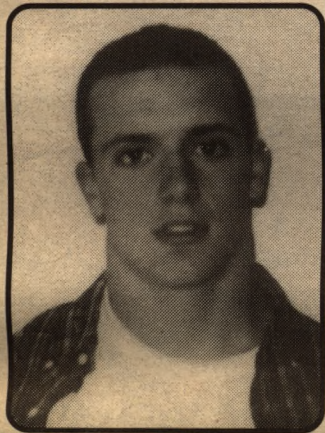
In the spotlight

Name: James Thomson
 Age: 22
 Hometown: Amityville, N.Y.
 High School: Amityville
 Sport: Football
 Position: Defensive End
 Heroes: Bruce Smith, Gregg Lloyd
 Movie: Braveheart
 Book: "The Winner Within"
 Quote: "Excellence is not an act, but a habit"



What made you choose SHU? They are dedicated to personal attention. The aura here is different than at other universities.

Major: English and Political Science
 Future Plans: To get an MBA and go into the health and business industry
 Pet Peeves: excuses, laziness and those who blame others



Name: Michael Griffin
 Age: 17
 Hometown: Hyannis, MA
 High School: Barnstable
 Sport: Football
 Position: Defensive Back
 Heroes: Parents
 Song: You Be Illin'
 Movie: Tommy Boy
 Book: No Medals for Trying

Quote: "It's not the size of the dog in a fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog"

Hobbies: sports and listening to music

What made you choose SHU? During visits, it seemed like everyone was happy here

Major: Business

Future Plans: To own my own small business

Pet Peeves: Loud people

Football: Wins home opener

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 (Bronx, N.Y.) to make an interception.

The fourth quarter was quiet as both teams remained scoreless to the final buzzer. "We were sloppy in the second half," said Radulski. "There is no way we can be effective that way."

The most excitement came from the SHU bench as junior Greg Nota (Tewksbury, Mass.) and senior Damian Cherry (Springfield, Mass.) doused Radulski with the ritualistic Gatorade bath.

Freshman Prescott Chartier (Pawtucket, R.I.) sealed the Greyhounds fate with one final tackle. The Pioneers retired to the foot of the Madonna, below the scoreboard, to reflect on the game.

"Right now we are absorbing this, tomorrow we are going to concentrate," concluded Thomson.

On Saturday, SHU will visit Stony Brook at Seawolves Field at 1 p.m. Last year, the Seawolves were 6-4. The Pioneers lost 26-9 in their last contest with Stony Brook.

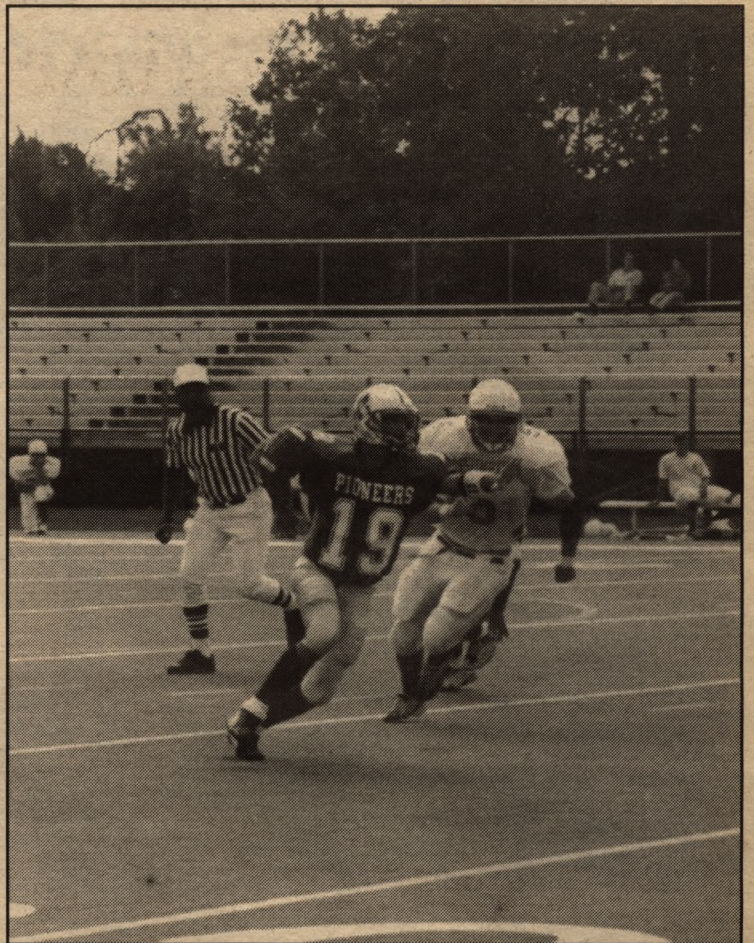


Photo by Alicia Hurley

Quarterback Peter Flora attempts a pass for Sacred Heart

Field Hockey: Pioneer women top previously unbeaten UMass-Lowell

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shot that was the result of a Lowell defender withholding the ball from play.

Ten minutes later, UMass-Lowell trimmed the advantage to one when Jenifer Randall scored on a feed from Shannon LeBlanc.

With 16:49 remaining, the Pioneers received an insurance goal when sophomore Lauren Wiggins assisted Hynes.

Hynes, who was a second-

team All-America last season, leads Sacred Heart with eight goals and two assists.

"We spread the field well and passed the ball crisply," said Hynes. "This really shows us that our level of play has increased as of late."

Sacred Heart's next home action will be today against Bentley College at 4 p.m. on Campus Field.



Senior captain Deidre Hynes

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Baseball: Pastime getting back to its roots

In 1986, Major League Baseball was at its best. The Mets were playing the Red Sox in the World Series and players seemed to love the game. When I was 11, ripping open a fresh pack of Topps baseball cards was second only to sitting on the couch with Dad watching Jesse Orosco close the playoffs and the World Series.



By Corinne Wadheim

That December, my mother

brought me to the Diamond Club at Shea Stadium where I had the opportunity to meet Howard Johnson, my favorite Met, and Tim Lincecum at a Christmas party. I took a picture with Howard and snapped pictures of Tim doing the Trefel Shuffle in a Santa outfit. Baseball was a big part of my childhood.

Then, something happened. In 1994, players went on strike and the American pastime turned into Pay Me Every Last Dime!

Finally, the game is returning back to the days of old. The days when players were role models and signed autographs without charging.

In the twenties, Babe Ruth attracted more than a million fans each season over a five-year span. His drawing power was not limited to the Polo Grounds or Yankee Stadium, he attracted crowds at every stadium he played in.

One man who does this today is Ken Griffey Jr. of the Seattle Mariners. Junior concluded the 1997 season with 56 homers, breaking his career-best 49 last year and within five of Roger Maris' record 61. Behind Maris is Ruth (60, 59), Hank Greenberg and Jimmie Foxx (58).

When Junior came to the plate in Kansas City several weeks ago, he was walked by the Royals' pitcher. This drew a huge response from the fans, who booed their own pitcher. In Greenberg's day, he didn't just have the fans behind him, but some of the umpires and players as well. He admitted in his book, *Hank Greenberg: The Story of My*

Life, that umpires called him safe when he clearly was out and players dropped routine foul balls to give him another opportunity for another long ball at the plate.

Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, surpassed Griffey and closed the year with 58. This year he set a record for home runs hit over two consecutive seasons by a right-hander (110).

One major-leaguer who has me perplexed is Cal Ripken Jr. of the Orioles. The Birds clinched the Eastern Division title Wednesday for the first time since 1983. Ripken holds the record for consecutive games played with 2,472 through Sept. 26. He completed all but 99 of those games. But Ripken, like the Energizer Bunny, refuses to stop going, even though

he is visibly hurt and in a major slump. It seems that Cal has "I" on his mind. Didn't our coaches from little league teach us that there is no "I" in team.

Griffey, who sat out Friday against Oakland, said "What's important is getting the trophy with all the flags on it. The fans may not understand it, but that's the way it is. It's a team. It's not a one man show."

Hopefully he'll get over his "I" complex and think about the damage he could do to the Orioles in the playoffs. As a Yankee (New York in general) fan, I say go ahead, Cal, play out the season.

Otherwise, the game seems to be returning to its roots. One man's mission won't spoil the bunch.

Tennis has rough weekend Galizia and Bulone make semifinals

Lisa Pio
Assistant News Editor

The SHU women's tennis team traveled to Hamden last weekend to compete in their first tournament of the season at Quinnipiac College.

The tournament featured some tough competition including Quinnipiac, the best ranked team in New England, and defending Division II champions University of Albany.

"We're playing in a different talent level now but we've held our own," said coach Mike Guastelle.

The focus of the tournament was performance. Scoring was

not a factor in the weekend competition.

The team's top six players were finally able to play in the lineup at the same time.

Sophomore Kelly Quinn (Medford, N.Y.) returned to action after suffering a back injury.

The injury has affected me a lot," said Quinn. "I'm still fighting to stay at my top playing ability and not let it bring me down."

The dynamic sophomore duo, Jennifer Galizia (Staten Island, N.Y.) and Desiree Bulone (Staten Island, N.Y.) made it to the semifinal level in the tournament but fell to Fairleigh Dickinson.

"Jenn and I play together

very well," said Bulone. "We know each other's abilities."

"We are going into transition to Division I with a very young team," Bulone added. "I think with time we will do very well."

Also in the lineup was freshman Jessica Magri who finally received clearance to play from the NCAA. Magri will be seeing more playing time throughout the season.

Guastelle concluded, "They've been working hard and are playing better than expected. I have no complaints."

The team will be in action on Sunday in Albany against Franklin Pierce at 10 a.m. On Tuesday they travel to Merrimack.

Men's soccer splits

Matt Duda
Staff Writer

The Sacred Heart men's soccer team was treated to a warm homecoming gift last Wednesday with a win against Stonehill. In its next outing, however, they suffered a 3-0 defeat at the hands of C.W. Post on Sept. 27.

Leading scorer James Hood scored in the win against Stonehill, as did John Morris. Jeff Lord was credited with one assist.

As of Sept. 29, the men's soccer team has a 2-6-1 overall record, 0-1 in the New England Collegiate Conference.

After nine games, Hood leads the team in scoring with two goals. Captains Gennaro Iammuno, Rory Alex, and Rich Raupp each have one goal, as well as John Morris and Jeff Lord. Assists also have been credited to Iammuno and Lord, while freshman Andrew Herr and junior Garfield Thomas have dished out two each.

Scott Glibowski has started all nine games in goal for Sacred Heart, stopping a total of 55 shots and allowing 29 goals. Backup goaltender Matt Dudek has seen

action in five contests, and has let in one goal while saving six shots.

Seven goals have come in the favor of Sacred Heart, while opponents have booted the ball into the net thirty times.

The men's soccer team played this past Monday at Assumption College, where they added another loss to its record last Monday at Assumption, losing 3-1 in Worcester, Mass.

John Barata (2, Danbury) and Matt Guida (South Setauket, N.Y.) scored for Assumption. All goals were assisted by Mike Luongo. With Mark Moura (Merrimack, N.H.) adding a goal to the scoreboard for Sacred Heart.

Goalkeeper Ryan Farias had 11 saves for Assumption. Scott Glibowski (Coram, N.Y.) provided seven saves for SHU.

The next contest will be at home on Oct. 1 against Merrimack College at 3:30 p.m. in a non-league game. After that, NECC opponents make up seven of their last nine games.

Road trips to Stony Brook on Oct. 8 and to Albany on October 12 are scheduled before the next home game. The Pioneers will meet New Hampshire College at Campus Field on Oct. 18 at 2:00 p.m.

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Sports Schedule

October 2 - 8

Thursday	(W) Soccer vs. SCSU, 1 p.m.	(W) Soccer at Southampton, 2 p.m.
Field Hockey vs. Bentley, 4 p.m.	(W) Volleyball at SCSU Tournament, TBA	Tuesday
(W) Soccer at Bryant, 3 p.m.	Sunday	(W) Tennis at Merrimack, 3 p.m.
Friday	Field Hockey vs. FPC, 1 p.m.	(W) Volleyball vs. Albertus Magnus, 7 p.m.
(W) Volleyball at SCSU Tournament, TBA	Equestrian at Hofstra, TBA	(W) Soccer at Bridgeport, 3 p.m.
(W) Tennis vs. Malloy, 4 p.m.	(W) Tennis at FPC, 10 a.m.	Wednesday
Saturday	(M & W) Cross Country at Fairfield Univ. Invitational, 10:30 a.m.	(M) Soccer at Stony Brook, 3:30 p.m.
Football at Stony Brook, 1 p.m.		

Sports in brief

Student Events Team sponsors bowling trip

On Saturday, the Student Events team is sponsoring a "Night Trip to Bowling." The bus leaves at 8 p.m. Students pay \$1 for shoes, transportation and games. Sign up at 6 p.m. in the Dining Hall.

Women's soccer loses contest to UMass-Lowell

The Sacred Heart women's soccer team beat St. Rose on Sept. 23. The Pioneers lost to UMass-Lowell last Saturday, 3-2. The team is 2-3 for the season.

Freshman Elena Rosero (East Meadow, N.Y.) leads the team in goals with three. Michelle Majeski has three assists to lead in that category.

The Pioneers are away at Bryant today at 3 p.m.

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SPORTS

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Football routs Assumption in home opener

By Corinne A. Waldheim
Sports Editor

Every cloud has a silver lining and this week the Sacred Heart University football team found it. The Pioneers (1-2) won their home opener with a 27-point shut-out over Assumption at Campus Field last Saturday.

Last year the Greyhounds were 1-9. They are the only team the Pioneers will face with a prior year record below .500.

"We knew we were going to explode in this game," said senior co-captain Adam Fuller (Shrewsbury, Mass.). Prior to Saturday's game, Fuller was ranked tenth in the Eastern Football Conference with 18 tackles.

Lou Monaco kicked a field goal to put the first three points on the board. Senior co-captain James Thomson (Amityville, N.Y.) scored the first SHU touchdown of the year after picking up a fumble. The touchdown also marks the first of his career.

"We needed a win desperately as well as spiritually," said Coach Tom Radulski.

Michael Griffin (Hyannis, Mass.), a 5-foot-7 freshman, played excellent defense for SHU including a second quarter interception. "Michael played very well. He's a strong safety," said Radulski.

"What we lack in size, we make up in speed," said Thomson. "We owe a lot to our coach and staff."

Last year he was second on the team in quarterback sacks with 4.5.



Sacred Heart senior Eric Wood attempts to tackle Assumption's Rob McCoy.

Photo by Alicia Hurley

The sky mirrored SHU's offense against Assumption. The late afternoon sun wove in and out of the scattered clouds, giving the players a well needed break from its hot rays.

Terrence Washington

(Forrest Hills, N.Y.) scored for SHU with 6:51 left in the half. Washington gained 239 yards in the Pioneers first two outings this year, ranking him seventh in the EFC in that category.

Before the end of the half,

Monaco rocketed another pigskin through the uprights. Senior quarterback Peter Flora found the hole in the Greyhound defense to add another TD for SHU.

Sacred Heart passed for a total 154 yards, to Assumption's 19.

In the third quarter, Thomson returned to the bench for some team accolades following a block that allowed senior Eric Wood

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Hynes leads Lady Pioneers to fourth straight win Defeat UMass-Lowell to climb over .500 mark



Sacred Heart field hockey at Friday's game against UMass-Lowell.

Photo by Alicia Hurley

By Brad Wilson
Associate Editor

Senior Deirdre Hynes netted three goals to propel the Pioneer field hockey team over previously unbeaten UMass-Lowell, 3-1 at Campus Field, last Friday.

After losing its first three games, Sacred Heart has notched four straight wins under new coach, Harriet Barbaresi.

"We had a rough beginning, but we've really started to come together as a team and individual talent levels are improving as well," said Barbaresi.

The Pioneers opened the scoring about midway through the first half when Hynes controlled a loose ball that followed a shot by senior Jill Beaudoin. Hynes beat UMass-Lowell goalie

Jen Anderson for the half's only score.

"We played inspired today," said Hynes. "We hustled to the ball and were able to get shots on goal."

Sacred Heart outshot UMass-Lowell 39 to 20 keeping Anderson busy in the cage.

In goal for the Pioneers, junior Dina Whalen and freshman Virginia Capicchioni combined for 14 saves.

"We didn't test their goalies enough," said UMass-Lowell coach, Tiffany Willis. "We can't score if we don't get shots on cage."

Just over four minutes into the second half, Hynes put Sacred Heart ahead 2-0 on a penalty

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