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Blue light phones arrive on campus

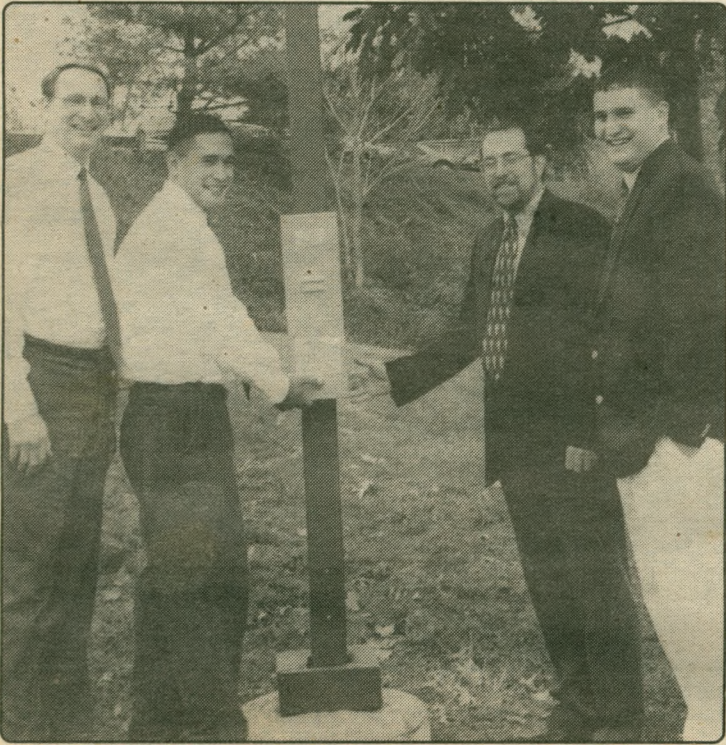


Photo by Kerrie Darress

William O'Connell (left), Brian Rivera, Dr. Thomas Forget, and Doug Knowe stand in front of a new blue light phone.

By Wendi Plescia
Co-News Editor

The blue light emergency phones have been installed on all parts of the University's campus to provide a better security system for the students.

"There are five blue light phones up and running. The sixth phone will be up shortly," stated Student Government President Brian Rivera.

There are two phones installed in North lot, one in South lot, one on the way up to Jefferson Hill, and one at Jefferson Hill. The sixth phone will be installed at Parkridge.

A test was ran on Tuesday to ensure that the phones were working properly.

The blue light emergency phones work when a student picks up the phone and a record-

ing alerts every public safety officer as to where the call is coming from. This enables students to converse with Public Safety and notify them of the problem, explained William O'Connell, director of Public Safety.

"We want the students to use the phones for Public Safety services only," stated O'Connell.

Student Government, Administration, and Lambda Sigma Phi fraternity have collaborated a donation for the installment of these blue light emergency phones on campus.

Dr. Thomas Forget, executive assistant to the President, congratulates Student Government and the students for the leadership to provide a safer environment for the community.

"This is one of my goals that I wanted to accomplish as Student Government President,"

said Rivera.

Doug Knowe, president of Lambda Sigma Phi said, "I am very happy that Student Government, Administration, and our fraternity have worked together to accomplish an important goal to all of us."

The students are impressed that the blue light phones are up and running.

"I think this is one of the best things Sacred Heart University has done. Finally they are concerned about our safety and they are doing something about it," stated Gail-Sue Capone, a senior criminal justice major from Medford, N.Y.

"I am going to feel a lot safer walking around this campus at night because you never know what kind of people are out there to violate me," stated Frank Larson, a senior Spanish major from Monroe.

Storm causes black-out

By Carolyn Volpe
Contributing Writer

Sacred Heart, as well as the towns around it, lost power on Saturday for almost four hours.

The storm caused circuit #2685, which cover many areas of Bridgeport, Fairfield and Easton, to go down, said a customer service representative from United Illuminating Company.

The academic building, as well as South Hall, West Hall, Parkridge and Taft Commons lost power.

Jack Fernandez, public safety supervisor, said the power was down between 4:25 p.m. and 9:09 p.m.

"I was editing in the Administration Building when the lights

flickered for a second," said Samuel Santiago, a junior media studies major from Bridgeport. "I thought the lights were going to go out."

The power did go out. Santiago said only the dim emergency lights were on in the academic building. FLIK served cold sandwiches and whatever leftover food that was still warm.

"Although it was an inconvenience, residents tried to make the best of it," said Erin Dymek, a senior biology major and RA in West Hall.

Dymek said the students knew it was not Sacred Heart's fault, so they were not as mad as they are when other problems arise. Many students went to visit friends at Jefferson Hill since it was not affected by that circuit.

Technical issues haunt Warrens

By Frank Todaro
Contributing Writer

Although the Warren's lecture proved to be entertaining in the past, this year the poor sound quality and lack of technical know-how disappointed many, including the presenters.

"We would return for free," said Ed Warren. "If these guys want us to come back in January, February or March, we would gladly come back for nothing, as long as someone else is running it and proper preparations are made."

Ed and Lorraine Warren were extremely disheartened as they could convey only a portion of what they had prepared. Due to poor sound quality, and lack of technical support, the presentation was barely audible, and the visuals hard to discern as well.

"They know we put on a good program," said Mr. Warren. "You cannot hold a program like that in a gym. We never had such a catastrophe in the thirty years we have been lecturing."

At one point in the presentation, Mrs. Warren took the microphone from her husband in the middle of his speech because her

voice carried better.

"I could not hear a thing and I was in the second row. It does not compare to the last time I saw them," said Kevin Horgan, a senior psychology major from Brooklyn, N.Y.

"We take so much pride in what we do, and genuinely enjoy giving these lectures. And not one person called to apologize. It was truly a disgrace what happened that night," said Mrs. Warren.

The event was sponsored by the Student Events Team and

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Keg parties raise concerns

By Elizabeth Hyer
Staff Writer

Many Sacred Heart students spend their Friday or Saturday nights drinking at off-campus keg parties. Some students feel this is a good way to meet people and to have a good time.

Michelle Papagni, a junior from Worcester, Mass. feels that "parties are a good way to have fun and spend time with friends while relaxing from the pressures of school work."

Students who host these parties do so for a variety of reasons.

"We throw parties to have fun, get drunk, and to help pay rent. If we didn't have these parties, we would have a hard time paying our landlord on time," said a student who lives off-campus and wishes to remain anonymous.

"When students are providing alcohol to minors at off-campus houses, they are profiting on the weakness of other people," said Fr. Michael McLernon, campus

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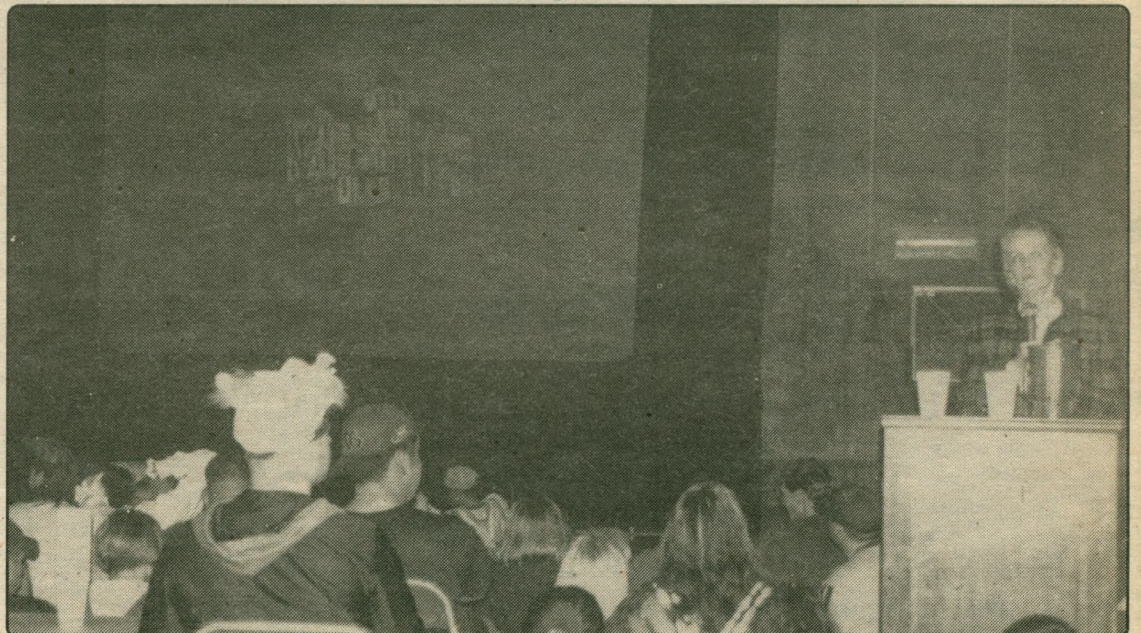


Photo by Camie Chisholm

Lorraine Warren shows a photograph on a large screen in her discussion of the supernatural.

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News Briefs

People's Bank employees to receive tuition

Through an Employee Scholarship Program, People's Bank will pay tuition for its employees who enroll at an accredited college, including Sacred Heart University.

Full-time employees will receive complete tuition reimbursement and part-time employees will receive up to \$2,000 a year.

The bank's recruiters will be on campus Friday from noon until 3 p.m. For more information, call Mitch Holmes or Deanna Fiorentino at 371-7975 or Jan Bisciglia at People's Bank at 338-2431.

Alcohol Awareness Week to begin next week

Alcohol Awareness Week will kick off Monday. The event is sponsored by Student Activities, Residential Life, Student Government, Campus Ministry and Public Safety.

Events will include an Alcohol Awareness discussion, lectures on "Responsible Drinking" and "Stereotypes of an Alcoholic."

For more information, call Nuala Hetzler at 365-7675.

-Compiled by Brian Corasaniti

Ladybugs invade West Hall

By Samuel Santiago, Jr.
Contributing Writer

This semester, Sacred Heart has battled a war with flies. This past week, West Hall was battling a war with ladybugs. The battle continues.

"The ladybugs are all over," said Resident Assistant Erin Dymek, a senior biology major from Housatonic, Mass. "We found them in the bathrooms and in the dorms," added Dymek. "I've received a lot of notes from residents complaining about the bugs."

The ladybugs spread to all floors of West Hall but attacked the hardest on all floors except for the sixth floor.

"I have killed about two dozen in my room," said Cheryl Rogerson, a psychology major from Enfield. Rogerson and her roommates have called this problem the "Invasion of the Ladybugs."

"They are disgusting," said Stephanie Chell, a freshman from Annapolis, MD. "They are taking over," Chell added.

"They are not even the pretty ones," said Janine Favuzza, a freshman from Hartford.

"The ladybugs have been seen

in the hallways and in the elevators," said Trish Pozzi, a senior from Yorktown, N.Y.

The cause for this bug problem is unknown. This warmth of this past weekend is what students think is the reason why these ladybugs have come to annoy us.

"There has been an unusual amount of ladybugs in the past week," said Carlin Guarneri of West Haven. "It's probably due to the recent warm weather we have been having," added Guarneri.

Only one tactic to fight this bug problem is in use. Students can do no more than just kill the

ladybugs.

"Maintenance used duct tape on the windows to keep the bugs out," said Dymek. This does not solve the problem completely.

"Friday, they were everywhere," said maintenance staff member Keisha Johnson of Bridgeport. Another staff member added that ladybugs were "good luck" and advised to "just leave them."

Residents will not rest so easily. They will continue to fight off this "Invasion of the Ladybugs" until they win.

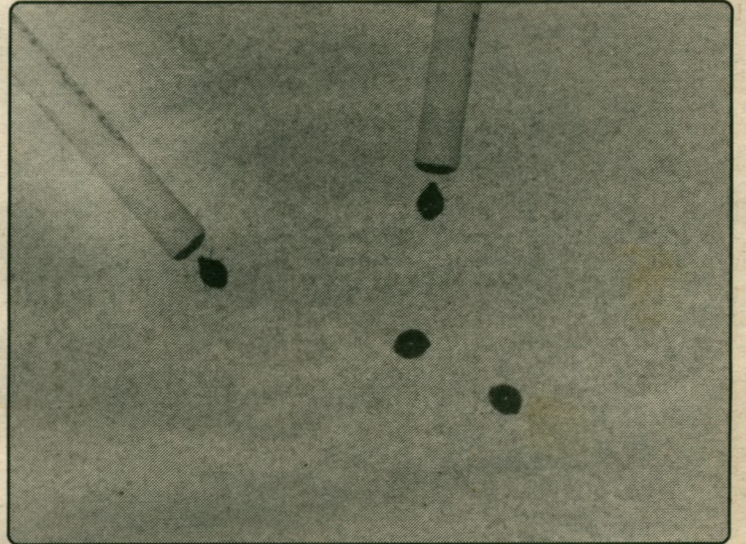


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Ladybugs find a new home on the second floor wall of West Hall.

Warrens: Sound ruins night

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Delta Phi Kappa sorority. S.E.T. managed all the booking, contract negotiation and equipment rental. Delta Phi Kappa were responsible for ticket sales and advertising.

"When we booked the Warrens in August, the theater was booked," said Director of Student Life Denise Sutphin.

Another reason for holding it in the Pitt Center was because the theater can only hold 800, while 1,000 tickets were sold, explained S.E.T. Theme Chair Tara Bryden.

"The Pitt Center was not made for that purpose but we wanted to bring the Warrens on campus," said Sutphin. "Having them in the Pitt Center was the only way we could."

After video footage of an apparition, the Warrens ended their lecture protesting how the University spent \$900 to rent a screen, and did not set it up correctly.

"If not for our M.C. Tony Spera, there would have been no

show," said Mrs. Warren. "He was expected to know how to run all the equipment."

Amy Ham, advisor of S.E.T. and liaison to the Warrens, explained, "they needed a screen and a slide projector, so I rented them. I was told they had a tech person. My understanding was that he could run the machine."

Ham explained that the sound was tested prior to the event and it worked fine. "S.E.T. was very disappointed at the evening's outcome and we hope the SHU community understands that it is not our fault. The efforts were made to ensure a successful event."

"The fact that the poor kids had to stand in the rain for so long was horrible," said Ed Warren. "I've never seen such incompetence."

Susan Ostapow, co-chair of Student Events Team explained, "we could not admit the students because the projector was not working and the basketball team had a practice until 8 p.m."

Parties: Violating state laws

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minister. "They are also exploiting and taking advantage by charging students just to make money."

Not all parties are held just to make a quick buck.

"Bars are not available to everyone and drinking in the residence halls can be a hassle, so parties are an option everyone can take part in," stated Owen Reilly, a junior from West Nyack, N.Y.

When students throw big keg parties they need to be aware of the consequences that can follow.

Cathy Raynis, director of Residential Life and Housing, and Fr. McLernon feel that people who throw parties should be aware that they are liable if anything goes wrong.

"Party throwers are jeopardizing a lot. They are violating state law by serving to minors and if caught, are also violating school policy," stated Raynis.

"Students need to be responsible. I do not think they are

Celebration

The University of Bridgeport in celebration of its 70th Anniversary and in support of the Arts invites all area students, families and alumni to a special production of

"La Bohème"

with the

Henry Street Opera Company of New York City

As a gift to the community the University is offering specially reduced ticket prices so everyone will have the opportunity to attend.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21 at 12:00 NOON
matinee performance, with an educational lecture during intermission.

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Hot! Cold! Hot! Cold! Hot!

By Gina Norelli
Editor-In-Chief

The temperature throughout campus has been swinging on a pendulum between too hot and too cold, leaving employees and students uncomfortable and frustrated.

From the Media Studies building and the library to the English department and the computer lab, the consensus seems to be that the temperature problem is more than just a trifle.

"We have a choice between maximum heat, or not heat at all," said Dr. Louise Spence, professor of media studies. "This is the third time since last spring that we've had a problem with the heat. This can be a problem for students and the equipment," she added.

An employee of the Jandrisevits Learning Center who wishes to remain anonymous, is concerned about the heat and what she believes to be a lack of ventilation in the JLC. "I've been working down here for five years,

and this isn't fit for people to be down here. I just wonder about the safety of the air quality. People are sick all the time and are in this closed environment with no air. It's dreadful."

Beverly Boehmke, the English department secretary, said, "We have a weird situation here. When you go into the offices in the morning, it's like a blast furnace. The heat builds up in the offices on the end." Boehmke said that the Maintenance Department has nevertheless been very responsive to any concerns. "The problems are in the design of the heating," she said.

Betty Olofson, assistant to Dr. Brodeur, chair of the Psychology department, said, "The problem with temperature is obnoxious and to the point of contention, confusion and annoyance. Nobody cares. We play thermostat games every day, and it's terrible."

Mike Giaquinto, director of faculty management/construction, said that the problem is due to the lack of the temperature controls and the age of the heating system,

which is over 30 years old. In more modern locations such as the Pitt Center and the Residence Halls, temperature is computerized on sophisticated systems that can be zoned off to each individual room, he explained. "The old system (that is causing problems) is complex and integrated."

Giaquinto said that it will cost over \$200,000 to modernize all of the heating and air-conditioning systems on campus to computerized control, and because of the budget, the transition will be done in phases over a three to four year period instead of at one time.

Larry Williams, director of Buildings and Grounds, said that his department responds to every complaint and has already fixed the problems in the new Science Wing earlier this semester, when the temperature reached 95 degrees and students were fainting. "We have two technicians who do nothing but run around tending to HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) matters," he said.

Read Aloud seeks volunteers

By Stacey Shepperd
Contributing Writer

Fifty-seven Sacred Heart University volunteers read to classrooms throughout seven Bridgeport schools on Oct. 22, to serve as role models for the students.

As part of the Read Aloud Program, sponsored by the School Volunteers Association of Bridgeport, adults read to elementary school classrooms and share why they enjoy reading. Afterwards, the book that was read is donated to the classroom library.

Phyllis Machledt, director of service learning and volunteer programs, encourages students to read aloud in the Bridgeport public schools on a regular basis. "I'd like to see us have a more continuous relationship," she said.

According to Machledt, Jenn Bayly will assist in coordinating a weekly Read Aloud Program at SHU. Bayly, director of South Hall, reads twice a month to a sixth grade classroom at Wilbur Cross Elementary School.

"The read aloud volunteers serve as role models for the students," said Bayly. Bayly, who has been a Read Aloud volunteer

for two years, said the students enjoy seeing new faces and discussing their educational experiences with the volunteers.

"It's great to see [volunteers] go once, but our goal is to get them to come back," Bayly said.

"It should be something that comes from the students," said Machledt. According to Machledt, one in three Bridgeport children live in poverty which means their families have annual income of less than \$14,000. "No matter what we feel about the parents, we cannot blame the children. "People need to stress the importance of reading," Machledt added.

"It's a great opportunity to get involved with," said Bayly. SHU students were involved in the city-wide Read Aloud.

Of the 621 volunteers from various community organizations who participated in the Read Aloud, the SHU volunteer group was the largest. Twice as many SHU volunteers participated this year as did last year.

"The program has been in existence for 12 years and Sacred Heart has been participating annually since 1994," said Machledt.

Interested students can contact Bayly at the Residential Life Office or Machledt at 365-7622.



Contributed photo
First year students Amanda Astrella (left) and Jill Burns read to a group of interested students.

Student Government meeting discusses a range of topics for students

By Brian Corasaniti
Assistant News-Editor

Several issues, including laptop troubles, a group of clubs breaking away from CCO and a new class ring policy were discussed at last Thursday's Student Government Executive Board Meeting.

Vincent Mangiacapra, chief information officer at Sacred Heart, spoke to Student Government about the various concerns over the laptops and the SHU network. He said that the help desk located by the SHU Bookstore would be revamped next year to

include more staff and trainers to help students with their laptop troubles.

Concerns were also raised over the quality of the Sacred Heart web page. Mangiacapra agreed, saying, "If we are touting that we are technologically advanced, you cannot see it from our web page."

Mangiacapra said that there is currently no dedicated web page administrator to work on the SHU web page, but one will be hired within two weeks.

A computer and laptop forum to discuss these issues and more was held Tuesday night in the Mahogany Room.

Another issue discussed was a proposal from Matt Fortney, manager of WHRT, for *The Prologue*, *The Spectrum* and WHRT to break away from the Council of Clubs and Organizations (CCO), and to form their own separate group, the Communication Advisory Board (CAB).

This new group will function to allow *The Prologue*, *The Spectrum* and WHRT to work more closely together.

There was concern from some Student Government members that organizations, particularly *The Spectrum*, were not attending CCO meetings in the past regularly, even

Public Safety Releases

Public Safety Incidents from Oct. 22 to Nov. 3

Oct 27: 3:50 p.m.- Laptop computer reported stolen last week was found.

8:26 p.m.- West Hall resident reported someone had used her credit card to make unauthorized phone purchases.

Oct. 28: 1:05 a.m.- Mother of a South Hall resident called to report her daughter was ill in the hall. Public Safety responded. An ambulance was called to transport her to the hospital.

10:45 a.m.- Minor damage reported to a Student Activities van.

12:28 p.m.- Minor motor vehicle accident reported in the Library (B) lot.

12:45 p.m.- Resident reported receiving harassing phone calls.

5:23 p.m.- Public Safety called to South Hall to escort a vendor out of the building who was selling tickets to a comedy club.

7:01 p.m.- South Hall first floor fire alarm caused by an activated hallway smoke detector.

Oct. 29: 7:41 p.m.- Parkridge resident reported a suspicious vehicle near Parkridge; Officers responded and the vehicle left the area.

10:48 p.m.- Commuter student reported the theft of their vehicle from the Faculty/Staff lot.

Oct. 30: 6:42 a.m.- South Hall resident student vehicle was found broken into in the South Lot.

12:17 p.m.- Taft resident reported their vehicle broken into while parked on the street.

Oct. 31 12:31 a.m.- Parent of South Hall student called to report her daughter being harassed by her roommate.

2:55 a.m.- Two South Hall residents were reported stuck in the elevator; they were rescued at 3:11.

3:01 p.m.- Student suffered a chemical splash in his eyes in the Science Wing; his eyes were flushed with water.

8:30 p.m.- Vehicle parked in Campus Center lot was hit and damaged by golf ball from the golf course.

9:23 p.m.- Student who became ill at the Pitt Center was treated.

Nov. 1: 12:56 a.m.- Public Safety responded to Jefferson Hill in response to a complaint about a possible fight; it was a roommate dispute.

2:03 a.m.- Public Safety Officer observed vandalism to the mailroom door.

2:45 a.m.- Jefferson Hill resident reported falling and injuring her arm; she was transported via ambulance to the hospital.

4:25 p.m.- Campus experienced a power outage due to severe rain and winds.

Nov. 2: 3:31 a.m.- South Hall vandalism reported by the NESS officer.

4:58 a.m.- West Hall fire alarm, fourth floor, caused by cooking in the kitchenette.

5:03 p.m.- West Hall fire alarm received; cause believed to be faulty detector.

6:25 p.m.- West Hall fire alarm, sixth floor; cause believed to be faulty detector.

11:24 p.m.- South Hall fire alarm received; cause unknown.

though *The Spectrum* has attended every CCO meeting since a representative was appointed in late September.

Fortney said CAB will now be able to, "keep a tighter reign on *The Spectrum*."

Student Government requested that CAB clarify the policy in their Constitution on fines and penalties for clubs that miss meetings and where that money will go.

The proposal was approved by the Executive Board, but still needs to be ratified by the Student Senate.

The final proposal of the week

came from representatives of the Jostens Ring Company. They requested that Student Government form a committee to decide on one or two specific class ring styles to be offered instead of the 30 to 40 different styles currently available to students.

That proposal was also approved and a committee will be formed to decide on a style for the new class rings.

Student Government Executive Board meetings are held every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Pitt Center. The meetings are open for all students to attend.

EDITORIALS

Attending mass at SHU brings peace

Do you ever wish for spiritual peace among all of the busyness and "noise" of the world? How about attending mass right here on campus and being truly inspired?

Each Sunday night at 9 p.m., the old gymnasium is transformed into a place of peace, fellowship and love. Anyone who attends mass will surely feel the presence of Christ and will leave with much more than they came in with. Sister Margaret Palliser and her student choir "Sheera" lead the congregation in uplifting song and music.

Father Michael McLernon, our University priest, has the wonderful ability to relate to college students in his heartfelt and powerful sermons. In simple language, he talks about the problems and challenges we encounter and how we can still follow Christ, despite society's worldliness that dictates otherwise. He talks about what's *really* important in life which isn't always what we may think is so important.

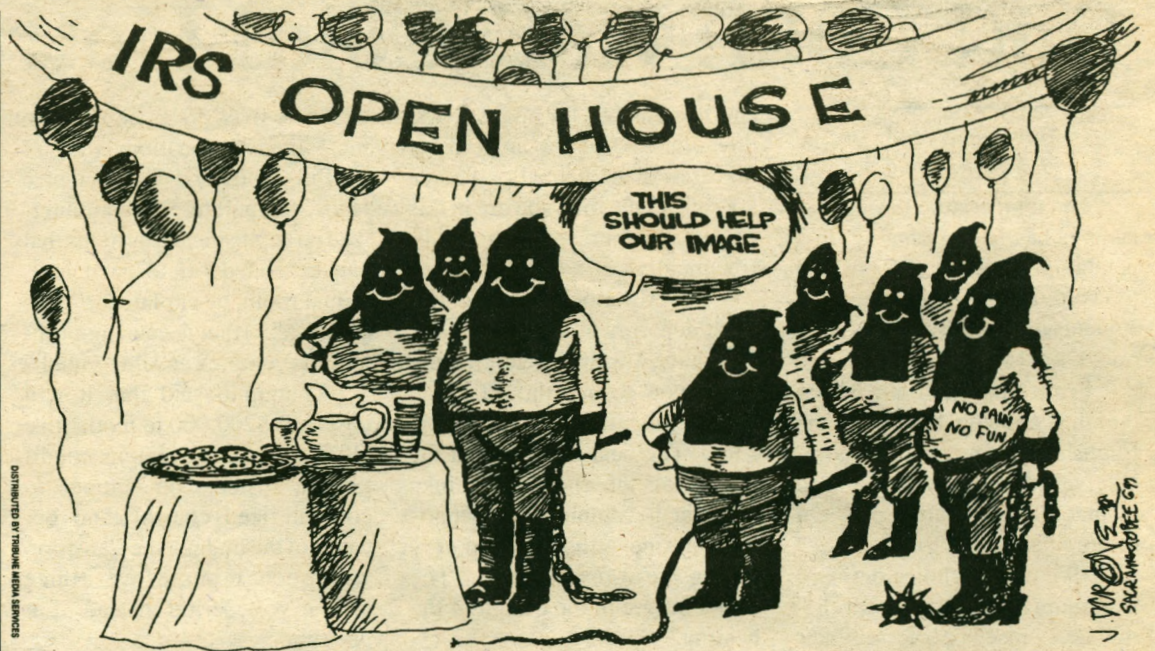
If you haven't yet attended mass at SHU because you don't have time or think you won't get anything out of it, we urge you to reconsider. Make the time and go with an open heart. You will gain what you need.

It's time to start giving

September and October are behind us, Halloween has come and gone and Thanksgiving will be here three weeks from today. While many of us look forward to sitting before a feast at the dinner table and spending time with family and friends, we sometimes lose sight of those who are unable to do the same.

The season of giving has begun. Not because holiday decorations have already started adorning department stores, but because we have much to be thankful for and others do not. We must take the time to help others in need of simple things that we often take for granted.

During the next month and a half, several groups on campus will take part in fundraisers, collections of food, clothing, books and other necessities, as well as various volunteer opportunities. The sooner we start giving, the greater the impact will be in the end. Act now and remember, what we give of ourselves goes a long way.



The Writer of Seville

I feel so alone! Never in my life has there been such a long period of loneliness and an overwhelming feeling of emptiness. I find myself thinking a lot about everything and anything. It is weird, but I never found myself with so much time just to sit and think, probably because I have never been away from family and friends for so long—half-way across the world.



By MIKE DUTTON

I always knew that many people had these same feelings, but I could never actually sympathize or understand them. Until now!

We all so often get caught up in our rush-rush lives and the busy lifestyles we lead that we forget to take time out for ourselves to sit and listen.

I'll be the first to admit how healthy and helpful it is to just be alone and listen to music, think, or even cry.

These are things I am certainly not used to and it kind of scares me. These times of reflection are when thoughts fly all over and one can truly grow as a person and truly put things into perspective.

Wow, I am having a tough time believing that this is all coming from Mike Dutton, but it is!

It's amazing how such an experience can lead to such growth, self-development and awareness.

Having only been here a month and a half, I can already see how the experiences can shape and re-shape one's attitude, values and ignorances.

I am no longer the one to stare or snicker at one's different mannerisms or appearances, because now I am that target. Taking one from his known environment can certainly lead to some vast changes and self-evaluations.

Instead of quickly criticizing or ignoring something or someone for what they say, do, or feel, I would rather probe further and attempt to understand how and why.

Truly nothing is surface value anymore, but rather something much deeper.

In only a month and a half, I have cured my fear of dogs, learned to love peas and carrots, and now listen to rap music.

I know being placed in a foreign environment, away from my "norm" does some weird things, but I cannot explain it. From speaking Spanish so much, I mess up my English. For example, I told someone the other day "I had twenty years", instead of "twenty years old" when they asked me how old I was in English.

My cravings lately have been unbelievable.

Lately, I have had such urges for stupid things like chocolate Riesen, tuna sandwiches, and gummy worms. Could it be that I am pregnant?

Who knows with the way things are going thus far, it could happen.

I am still quite ill from my trip to Morocco, Africa. Most of the people who came back from Africa are very sick too.

Extreme stomach and head problems are constant and it's been almost a week.

I'm going to get it checked out, but I'm scared that it will end up being some rare tape worm or unknown flesh-eating disease.

In the meantime, wish me luck and take care of each other.

Study Abroad Tip #8: While studying abroad is not for everyone, realize that if you chose to do so, then the sacrifices will be great, but the experiences and opportunities will be greater.

Grandmother's memory and the importance of change

When a situation occurs in life that greatly has an impact on your life, sometimes you just need to make changes, pick your head up and move on. This can be very difficult but in some situations it is for the best.



By WENDI PLESCIA

One day while sitting in my house off-campus studying for a test, my phone rang at around 10:00 a.m. The only person I thought it could be was my mom because who else would be calling me that early in the morning?

It was my father's secretary informing me that my grandmother on my mother's side who

lived with me for thirteen years had been rushed to the hospital. Immediately I began to panic and could only think the worst. I was only told she went to the hospital and that was it. I hung up the phone, with my mind completely confused.

I was just home the weekend before with my boyfriend and she was perfectly fine. She looked excellent and her vibrant personality wasn't altered. She was laughing and cracking jokes like normal. I just couldn't understand what could have happened within a week.

My uncle called, informing me that he was going to pick me up and bring me to the hospital. I had no idea of the condition I was going to face when I arrived at the hospital.

Arriving at the hospital was a nightmare. The first person I saw was my mother, who looked completely exhausted and upset. I

immediately broke down in tears, wondering if I should even enter the room. When I took the step into the room, a weird feeling went right through my body. I saw machines, tubes and then I finally saw her. A couple of hours later she passed away.

We lived in a mother-daugh-

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ter house where there was two of almost everything; two kitchens, two full-baths, two living rooms and a lot of bedrooms. My grandmother lived upstairs with me. Whenever I had a problem in the middle of the night I would first go into my grandma's room and then she would let me know if I needed to get mom.

That night when I came home from the hospital, I couldn't even go upstairs. It was always filled with so much life and happiness.

To go up there, knowing the person who created this atmosphere was no longer going to be there, upset me.

My life was never going to be the same. She was my best friend in the world. She always understood where I was coming from and like best friends we definitely had our share of arguments.

My mother and my stepfather made the decision that we were going to move. I was upset at first because I didn't want to leave my memories behind, but on the other hand I needed to continue living my life.

This is what I did. I picked up my head and moved on. I have accepted the fact she is no longer around, but I know she is always with me. You need to make changes in your life that you sometimes might not feel comfortable with, but you just need to let time take its course.

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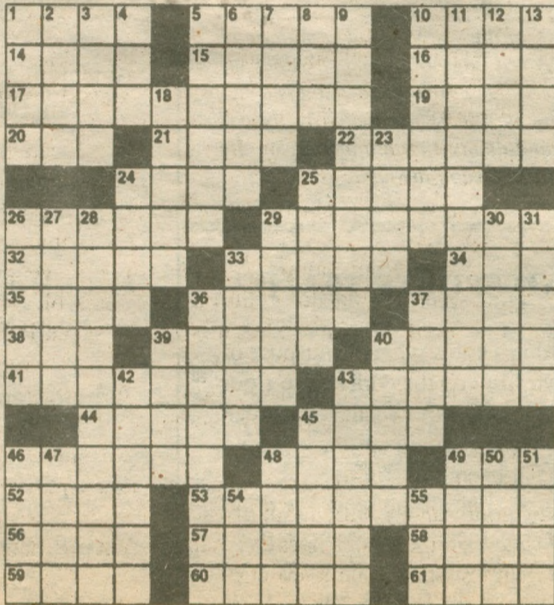
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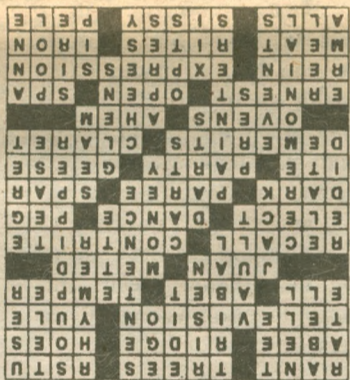
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ANSWERS



The SHU Voices

Compiled by Kerrie Darress

What is your biggest "pet peeve"? (What really irks you?)



Nicole Bishop
Junior
Kings Park, N.Y.
"People who are not punctual."



Joey Avino
Senior
Queens, N.Y.
"People who make fun of me being vertically challenged."



Jill DiMaggio
Junior
Staten Island, N.Y.
"Feet."



Mike Galluzzo
Senior
Weymouth, Mass.
"People who don't keep promises."

Letters to the editor

BETA DELTA PHI MEMBER UPSET AT SPECTRUM FOR LACK OF COVERAGE

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in disgust of the Spectrum. Several weeks ago, a few members of my sorority, Beta Delta Phi, went to the Spectrum office, begging and pleading for a staff member to cover our second annual Breast Cancer Awareness speaker. This event took place Monday, October 27, 1997.

Last year, we had the same problem. No member from the Spectrum "had any time for this" we were told. So, again, this year we decided to try again. We were told that "nobody in the office was available. Sorry." Well, sorry just doesn't cut it anymore!

The sisters of Beta Delta Phi

sorority walked out of the Spectrum office without the understanding of the Spectrum's purpose. Every week I see ads for Toad's Place and the specials that are happening for the weekend, yet when it comes to Beta Delta Phi's Breast Cancer speaker, two times we have been given the "brush off." Can the members of the Spectrum honestly tell me that they have no time for a community awareness speaker dealing with breast cancer?

I do not believe that this is a fair representation of the SHU community when the weekly bar specials take priority over a potential life-saving speaker that should be important to all of us.

Karen Hennig, senior

BRIDGEPORT ISN'T AS DANGEROUS AS OCT. 30 EDITORIAL CLAIMS IT TO BE

To the Editor:

I'm writing in response to the editorial "A red flag not to ignore." First of all, no one has said or confirmed that the shooter(s) or car thief (s) are Bridgeport residents. I live in Bridgeport and have NEVER had any problems. On the other hand, when I lived in Fairfield, my house was almost broken into while I was home. Secondly, you claim that Bridgeport is the most dangerous city in the state. Do you have the statistics to back up that claim?

Did you ever consider different cities in the state? Now on to my point in writing this.

Ignorance will lead some to believe that just because Parkridge

and Taft Commons are in Bridgeport (might I add the North End is one of the safest areas in Bridgeport) that the person (or people) who committed these crimes is a Bridgeport resident. Crime doesn't happen in a city because of its name. There are good and bad parts in any given city and it is not fair to make accusations without any proof. I'm tired of people who don't live in Bridgeport giving it a bad rap. Try living there, it's not so bad!

Rayna Smith
sophomore

Editor's Note: The author of "A red flag not to ignore" does indeed live in Bridgeport and is a victim of one of the many costly car vandalisms that happened in the North End of the city.

EDUCATION ON DANGERS OF HAZING NEEDS TO BE CARRIED OVER TO SPORTS TEAMS

To the Editor:

When I first came to SHU three years ago, I really wanted to join Greek Life. For my own reasons and that of 18 of my friends, Delta Phi Kappa was established in the Spring of 1995.

For five consecutive semesters, we had to sit in the Schine Auditorium and listen to people lecture us on Sacred Heart and Connecticut's policy on hazing. These meetings were not pleasant, but we were committed to Greek Life and our individual organizations, so we did it.

In the past two years, Greek Life has evolved into a stronger, family-like unit not only within the individual organizations, but as a whole. Not too long ago, I was sitting in my friend Al Precourt's office, talking to him about how things have changed since my first year. We were talking about how we are more aware, as an entire organization,

of what our initiation processes are like and how, for each organization, it has evolved. But a cloud gloomed over our small successes. We spoke of how it was a shame that we try to make involvement in Greek Life positive by bringing awareness to exactly what hazing is, but how some athletic teams do things that are worse.

We, the organizations that form Greek Life, have to hand in our activities for the initiation process before we even begin along with valid purposes for each. These then must be approved by the Advisor of Greek Life before we carry any of them out.

When I thought of becoming part of a sorority, I thought of having to prove myself worthy of being able to join an elite group of women with a particular purpose and all of the things I would be able to bring to them.

We, Delta, had it worse, in

my opinion. We had to prove ourselves to a council representing eight other organizations including our brother fraternity, not to mention a lot of faculty and staff who already viewed Greek Life negatively.

In my opinion, we proved all the people wrong who thought of us negatively. We add five theme weeks to our initiation process so that we could incorporate an educational component and build the associates leadership abilities and self-concepts.

However, just recently, a certain sports team came knocking at one of my resident's door at 4:30 a.m. to go do whatever.

Three times I had to come out and ask them to leave. By the third time, I was so mad.

My resident was on the other side of the door telling them to go away, however, they didn't seem to get the point.

Finally, I kicked them off my floor. As an outsider looking in,

I don't know what the purpose of working up the entire third floor was. All I know is if it had been a Greek organization, it would have been over for us.

After all the work we do to try to make involvement positive, sports teams get away with making members shave their heads, eat goldfish, dress as babies and everyone laughs it off.

Hazing isn't about Greeks, it's about imposing on others rights. When you think of Greek Life, you think of having to go through an initiation process. When you think sports teams, you think of playing a game you love and working as a team.

I guess what I'm trying to say is, if sports teams want to have an initiation, great. But educate them on hazing. If we can do it, why not them?

Jessica Gonzalez
senior and West Hall RA

PUBLIC SAFETY NEEDS AN EXPANSION AND MORE ATTENTION

To the Editor:

This letter is in regard to yet another car theft from Sacred Heart's campus. This theft occurred last Wednesday, October 29, between the hours of 9 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. The car was parked in the faculty parking lot, underneath a light, in plain view of Public Safety. The car belonged to someone very close to me, and this has been a very tough experience for her, an experience she should never have had to encounter.

Although many people would like to blame the most obvious target, Public Safety, I do not feel that they are completely at fault. There may be some things that Public Safety could do better, but I think the problem lies down a different avenue. The school has been spending so much money on projects such as the Pitt Center, adding on new classrooms and beautifying our campus. I feel that all of these are important, but what good do they do the Sacred Heart Community if its residents

do not feel safe and at times are not safe.

I think more money needs to be invested in the development of Public Safety, both in its improvements and expansion. The most obvious improvement would be a higher number of Public Safety officers on duty at all times. A greater presence felt throughout the campus would help lower theft and make the students feel safer at the same time. The theft occurred in the brightly lit faculty lot, not in the dark North or South lots. I used to think that the faculty lot was the safest at Sacred Heart, but now I am not sure there is a safe lot. Also, that night, I saw only two Public Safety officers on duty, one in the office and one on patrol. I do not see how two officers could possibly monitor the whole campus.

This issue should be addressed by the Administration immediately and it should be a concern of everyone that attends or works at this University. One of the goals of SHU is to be the

largest Catholic University in New England, but how will that happen if it does not provide a truly safe environment? I urge everyone to please consider this.

Peter Trenchard
Executive VP of Greek Council and Student Government Executive Board Member

Submit your letter!

All letters due by Monday at 3 p.m.

Name, phone number and signature required.

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FEATURES

Schooling benefits cops

By Wayne Kosminoff
Co-Features Editor

Over the last nine years, the criminal justice major has been on the uprise at Sacred Heart. Currently, 129 students are readily pursuing a career in the field of law enforcement.

Of those 129 students, 67 percent are male while 33 percent are female.

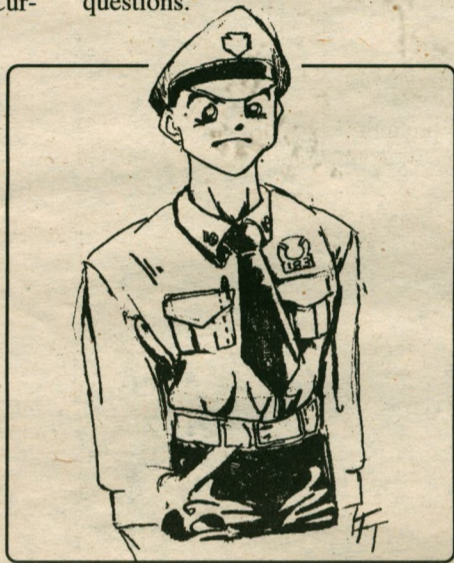
"The program has more than quadrupled in the last nine years," said Dr. Pearl Jacobs, chair of social and behavioral sciences and director of criminal justice at Sacred Heart. "Nine years ago it was highly unusual to find 40 students in an introductory criminal justice class."

Taking criminal justice classes is great, but what procedures should be taken in order to get a job as a police officer?

According to Officer Jeff Kuroghlian, a Sacred Heart graduate who has worked at the Fairfield Police Department for the last nine years, there are certain requirements that must be completed to become a police officer.

"The individual must have at least a high school diploma and some college credit. Then a written civil service exam must be taken," said Kuroghlian.

Questions on the test include math, English and some scenario questions.



Artwork by Frank Todaro

Other requirements are a physical and polygraph test. "You must also pass some physical requirements, such as bench press and running times. If you pass, then you go the Meriden Police Academy for four months," said Kuroghlian.

Qualities that are looked for when applying for a position as a police officer include good deci-

sion making, being a "people person," honesty, reliability and not being overly aggressive.

Kuroghlian is very happy with his career as a police officer. "I enjoy it a great deal and it's very fulfilling. What we do most of the day is help people who are poor or sick, but what we do is very rewarding," he said.

The field of criminal justice holds many other options besides becoming a police officer.

Daniel Lamonica, a junior criminal justice major from Harwinton said, "I was interested in this in high school and I've wanted to pursue a career in law enforcement since then."

Chuck Hartman, a junior criminal justice major from Pottstown, Penn., said, "I originally wanted to take elementary education, but where I'm from, all the state schools were overpopulated. I know a lot of cops and it's something I always wanted to do. Eventually I would like to become a lawyer."

"Having a degree in criminal justice when you are interested in working for the police, U.S. Customs or diplomatic services distinguishes you from the rest of the pack," said Jacobs.

This article was reprinted from a spring 1997 issue of the Spectrum.

Back to the 60s

By Carmela E. Chisholm
Co-Features Editor

Old habits die hard and from the scene at Sacred Heart, it seems that fashion's trends are somewhat immortal also.

Everywhere one looks, it's like a rerun of a Brady Bunch episode. From the toe-touching bell bottoms and funky shoes to the polyester, flower-infested shirts.

Anyone who's looked around the club scene could contest, the sixties are definitely back with a vengeance.

But why is there such a fascination with an age that has been criticized by many as the generation of tree-hugging, pot-smoking, free-loving hippies?

"I think it's because the sixties was a decade where people could make a statement. In the nineties, we're pulling styles from periods when people were allowed to be different and we're using them to be loud today," commented Mitch Elgarico, a junior political science major.

"We did the seventies, we might as well do the sixties," joked Jessica Andriello, a psychology major from Staten Island, N.Y.

As time moves on, most styles come around the "wheel of fashion" for a second try. Even if they don't make it back into everyday-wear, they certainly are common at costume parties. Everything from poodle skirts to punk hair and chains can be found in almost any novelty store.

Ironically though, bell bot-

toms, polyester and fashions of the past, have long been the joke of generation X. Snickering about "those hippies" is a conversation piece in any crowd.

Could it be that those very people who laughed before, are now buying the clothes they joked about? Are the sixties indeed on their way back around?

"Yes, I think the sixties are coming back," said James Gagliardi, a media studies major from Pauling, N.Y.

However, Sara Ignudo, a biology major from Wilmington, Del., thinks otherwise.

"No I don't think they're coming back. I believe that we are moving towards more conservative times in the way we dress, fix our hair and accessorize ourselves."

It seems that no matter how hard we resist the call of the bell bottom, the sixties will come back in some part, if not entirely.

How can people be expected to react to this new wave of flashy colors and stiff, groovy clothing? "The style is okay, as long as the druggie mentality doesn't go with it. We don't need more burnt-out hippies," added Gagliardi.

Not everyone has an open mind about the sixties' craze. "I like the bell bottoms, but a lot of it is too wild, like those freaky neon prints," concluded Andriello.

Whether you're a "flower child" disciple or a sweatshirt-and-jeans type of person, remember that one day your kids are going to look back at your college yearbooks and laugh.

Just a byte of technology

By Brian Rydstrom
& Dennis Fuzie
Contributing Writers

This column will run intermittently in the Spectrum to provide students with a chance to ask questions about the student mobile computing program. It will contain upcoming events, news, a handy Tech. Tip, a cool Web site and student questions with answers from the experts.

A new server will be up in the next week or two to replace the old server. This new page will contain virus scanner down-

loads and a computer lab manual. The on-line manual will consist of help with computers, printers and network access in the labs. There will also be a hard copy available for students in the lab.

Student Questions

Why haven't we received upgrades for Microsoft Office '97?

Microsoft Office '97 is not compatible with Microsoft Office '95. Therefore with the majority of students and staff running Office '95, it would cause compatibility problems between the two versions.

Tech. Tip of the Week: To change your wallpaper, right

click on the picture or pattern you want to use when it is displayed on the screen. Select "Set as Wallpaper." This picture will be your new wallpaper. **Web Site of the Week:** A Halloween Web site for those of you still hanging on to the holiday. Links to horror, graveyards and other Halloween sites.

www.advancement.net/~dennis/halloween/entrance.htm

*Send all questions to the Student Government Office, Attn. Technology Committee

National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) September Winners

Spotlight of the Month

Jenn Bayly, South Hall RHD

R.A. of the Month

Erin Dymek, West Hall

Student of the Month

Kathleen Donato

Advisor of the Month

Hank Parkinson, CCO

Executive Board Member

Ted Miller, L.I.F.E. president

Programs of the Month

West Hall Bag Lady Program & the French Coffeeshouse

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Counseling Center located at Park Ave. House

Sr. Anne-Louise Nadeau, director of the personal counseling center, would like to remind students that the center has relocated to the Park Avenue House.

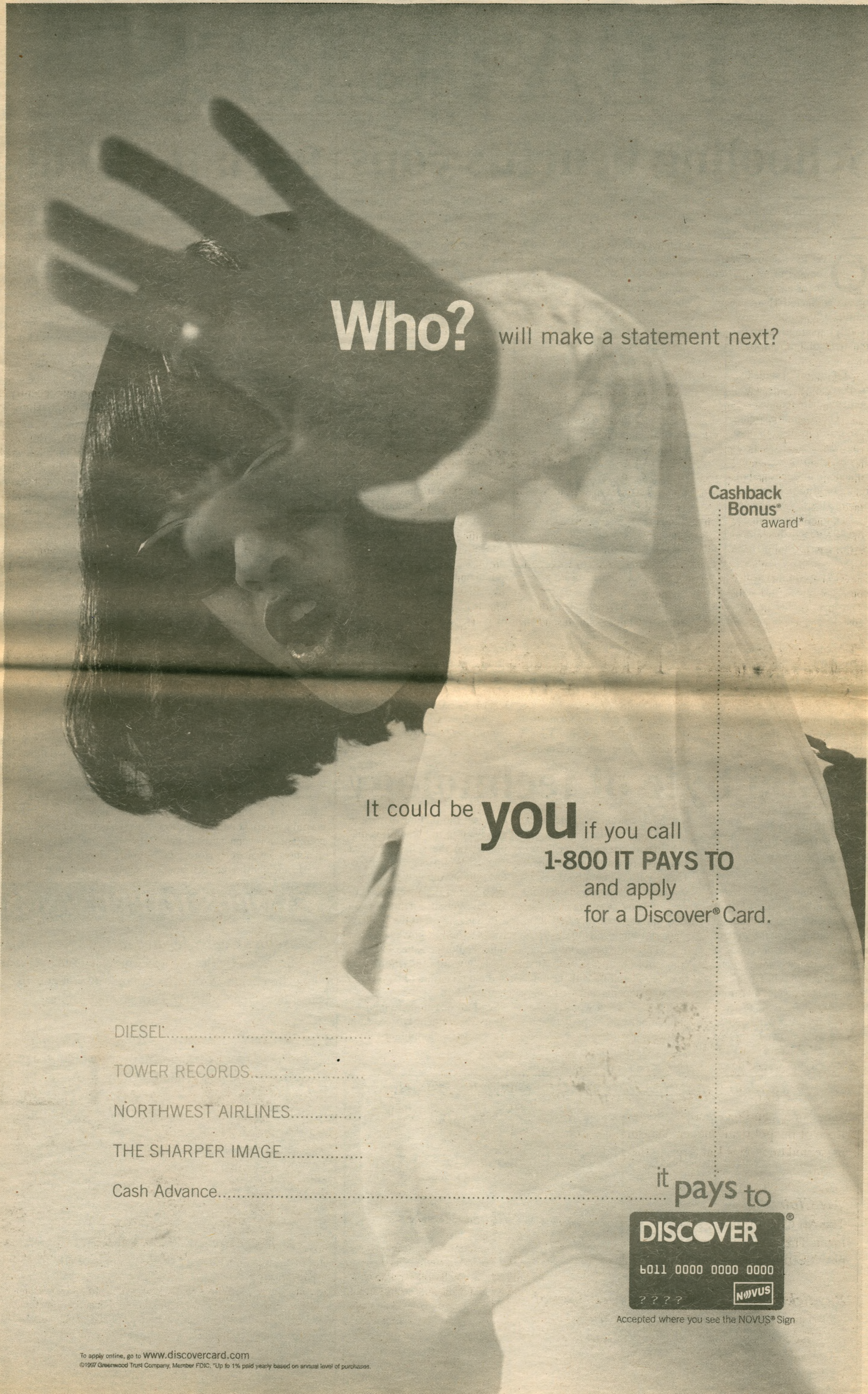
Get involved: Resume writing workshops

The Career Development office would like to invite you to attend a resume writing workshop on the following days:

- Nov. 6 at 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 7 at 11:00 a.m.
- Nov. 10 at 3:30 p.m.
- Nov. 11 at 10:00 a.m.
- Nov. 12 at 4:00 p.m (prep for success workshop)

Student Activities

Helping Hands wants your support. Buy and decorate a paper hand to be displayed for \$1. Proceeds will benefit gifts for underprivileged children and will be distributed at a holiday party on Dec. 6 from 1-4 p.m. in the Mahogany Room. For more information, call Hank Parkinson at 365-7675.



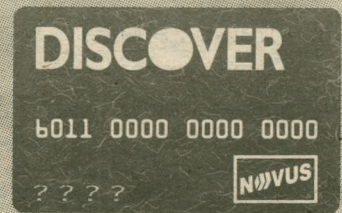
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Art Club circulates petition for move

By Tara S. Deenihan
Assistant A&E Editor

In recent weeks, the Art Club has taken action against conditions they feel to be inadequate in the art department in the form of a petition currently being circulated throughout campus. The art department is located below the Health and Science Wing, and was recently renovated.

Members of the Art Club said during meetings that they feel a petition would allow the administration to better understand the feelings of the students. So far, the petition has gained over 400 signatures from both students and faculty.

Katherine Hippeli, president of the Art Club, said of the club's efforts, "I'm hoping that all will go well and if we don't get moved next semester something will get put into the works for the fall." The club is looking into other spaces around campus.

One of the biggest problems Art Club members have faced so far is lack of information by other students.

"Everyone's biggest question is where we want to get relocated to," said Rina Pennella, treasurer of the Art Club. She added that many students, even seniors, did not know where the Art Department is currently located.

Vice President Nancy Chow said that most students and faculty who had heard of the department's problems had no problem signing.

"After all, we're like animals down here," she said. "It's a dungeon."

In addition to the petition, the Art Club intends to send let-

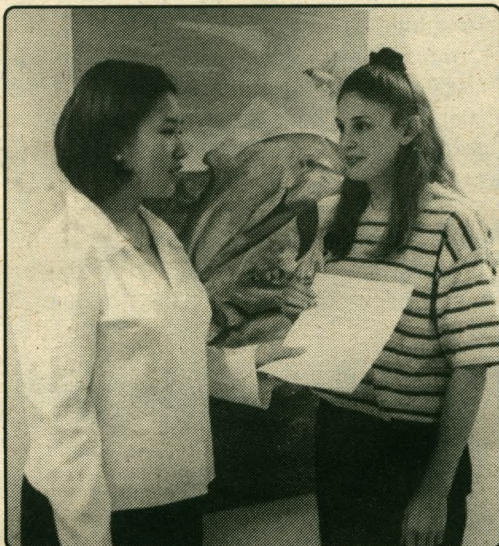


Photo by Kerrie Darress

Nancy Chow and Rayna Smith

ters to the parents of art majors detailing their complaints about the new department and asking for their help.

"This is our time to stand up and get noticed because we've been pushed down for too long," said Hippeli.

The following is the text of the petition being circulated by the Art Club to relocate the art department:

We, the students of the art department and members of Sacred Heart University, demand to be relocated from the existing art department facility into a more suitable atmosphere. Our department, currently located in the lower level of the Science and Health Wing, has recently been renovated. However, this renovation has not been for the better.

We have lost one studio on the upper level, and our ceilings have been cut to 6' 10". Our windows do not open, and there is no alternate ventilation system currently in place. Existing studios have also been reduced in size. We have tried to make the best of this situation but it is physically impossible. We feel that this basement storage area is not fit for a department that serves a large percentage of the student body.

The faculty has expressed many of the same concerns that we have, and we stand in complete agreement with them. We also intend to notify parents of this issue.

"Arts at the Heart" will return next week!

If you or someone you know is talented in any of the arts, call Tara at X7963

'Night of One Act Plays' in theater

By Justin M. Venech
Contributing Writer

The faculty of language, literature and media studies will present "An Evening of One Act Plays" on November 14, 15, and 16.

This show marks the debut of many student directors, actors and technicians as well as the return of many familiar faces to the University stage. There will be three shows directed by the students and two directed by faculty.

"I am really excited to have student directors, this is a large step for the program," said Rick McKinnon, director and member of the department of communication studies. "This show is also

unique in the fact that the lighting designer is also a student."

One student making his directing debut is Chris Gensur, an alumnus from Bridgeport.

"It's a whole different perspective to theater, it has given me an appreciation for the things Rick deals with," said Gensur. "I also love the sense of power, you tell the actors to do something and they do it," Gensur later added.

This is all a part of the department's plan for the broadening the experiences of those involved in the theater. The department of communication studies is providing many students with the opportunities to learn about and get experience fulfilling many of the different roles of putting on a production.

As a result, many of the communications classes are starting to emphasize all aspects of theater.

"This is my first college show and it has been a new and exciting experience. The directors and other people involved are more experienced than many people I have worked with in the past," said Jeff Hoose, a freshman from New Milford.

However it is not only the newcomers to the Sacred Heart stage who are excited about the new directors involved in the show.

"This is my sixth show here and it is a great learning experience working with different directing styles," said Jessica Bahamonde, a senior from Bridgeport. Jessica is in two of the shows

and is working with two different directors.

"Theater has a profound influence on any student who participates," said Val Chevron, adjunct professor for the English department. "Working with students has been a creative and energizing experience."

The show is made up of five plays and promises to be an entertaining one with many different styles being introduced alongside those of McKinnon and Chevron, who both have experience directing.

Tickets are available at the Sacred Heart University Theater Box Office. Prices are \$8 general admission and \$3 for students. For more information call 374-2777.

A & E BRIEFS

Dr. Rose to give lecture in Mahogany Room

"The American Presidency," a lecture by Dr. Gary Rose of the political science department will be presented on Nov. 11 at 8 pm in the Mahogany Room.

Art Club

The Art Club meets on Mondays in the art department. The next meeting will be Nov. 10 at 12:30 pm. Meeting times will alternate each week.

Buy tickets now for the winter semi-formal

Tickets for the winter semi-formal, "A Night Under the Mistletoe," will be available for advance purchase on Nov. 9 after Sunday's mass. Each ticket sold will be \$2 off.

-Compiled by Tara Deenihan

'X Files' kicks off fifth season

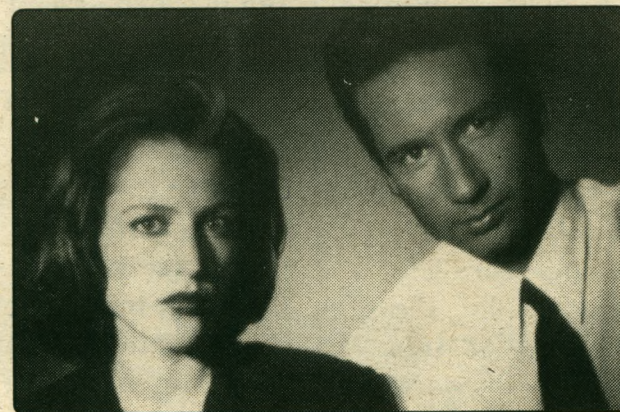
By Tara S. Deenihan
Assistant A&E Editor

For fans of the Fox Network's "The X Files," Sunday night was the moment of truth. In its season premiere, "The X Files" began to answer the questions it has raised throughout its four-year run.

Last year's season finale ended with Mulder's apparent suicide and the announcement that Scully's cancer had metastasized. Fans of the show spent their summer wondering how the show would continue without its two main characters.

Well, folks, not to worry — Mulder is alive and well and still searching for conspiracies, namely the one that caused Scully's cancer. Scully, on the other hand is getting worse, even despite her discovery that her illness is connected to the alien corpse found by Mulder.

Even with the answers it gave, "The X Files," as always, raised even more questions.



David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson

Who's really responsible for Scully's cancer? Who knows Mulder is alive? What does the Cigarette Man know, and what will he do? Can they really kill Scully when she's signed on for another year?

Viewers can only tune in to find out, keeping in mind that "the truth is out there." "The X Files" airs Sunday nights at 9pm on the Fox Network.

Basketball shoots for successful season

Women's Basketball

By Julie Nevero
Assistant Sports Editor

The Sacred Heart women's basketball team begins play on Nov. 15 and after last year's roller coaster season, anything is possible.

The Lady Pioneers had their most successful season two years ago when they posted a school record 20 wins. Last season, they hoped to improve on this mark but finished at .500 with a record of 14-14 overall and 10-8 in the NECC.

SHU went 5-5 in its last ten games. Five straight wins preceded five straight losses, including a 73-63 defeat at the hands of

Stony Brook in the last game contested in the SHU box.

The team faces a tough schedule this season with the first six games away at Division I institutions. However, the tough competition doesn't seem to irk Coach Ed Swanson.

"As long as the rim is still ten feet off the floor and the basketball is still in diameter, it shouldn't be a problem," said Swanson.

This will be the team's first season of competition in the Pitt Center and Swanson couldn't be happier with the new facility.

"It's just unbelievable," said Swanson. "It's an added plus and the team is all smiles."

Five of Swanson's six leading scorers are returning this season and three newcomers have been added to the roster. The

team's offense appears to be stronger than ever.

Senior Chrissie Perkins and juniors Angela Perkins and Jessica Bresnahan are the teams new captains.

Perkins, a forward, was the leading scorer last year, tallying an average 13.5 points per game. She was a force on the move and in the lane, going to the foul line a team high 105 times. She was also a long range threat, burying 42 three-pointers. Perkins also reached a milestone scoring her 1,000th point in a home win against rival University of Bridgeport last season.

Angela Perkins, also a forward, averaged 10.1 points per game last year despite suffering from a back injury early in the season.

Perkins missed some games due to the injury, but still managed to lead the team in scoring in three games.

"We have to keep in perspective the difference in our schedule and believe in ourselves," said Perkins.

Jessica Bresnahan is a key guard and led in free throw percentage (81.3) and three-point shots (46) and also averaged 7.6 PPG.

"We have so much talent on this team, but everyone has to play together," said Bresnahan.

Other key returnees include junior guard Jennifer Rimkus, who scored a team high 28 points in a game last season and sophomore forward Heather Yablonski, a multiple NECC Rookie of the Week, who averaged 11.3 PPG

and had team high averages in rebounds (8.5) and block shots (1.3).

If we play together, things will happen," said Yablonski.

The three freshman newcomers will be making big contributions to the team's cause this year. Guard Abby Crotty and forwards Erin O' Neill and Heather Coonradt will see playing time.

"They're solid players who come from winning programs," said Swanson. "They should do some nice things for us."

Swanson is keeping an open mind this season and will try not to focus on win/loss records but just playing the game.

"Each game is separate, we don't want to get overwhelmed, we just want to compete," said Swanson.

Sports Schedule November 6 - 12

Thursday

Intramural Flag Football: Red Dog Fog vs. Six Pack at 3:30, SHU Tang Bandits vs. WWF at 4:30 p.m.

Friday

(M) Ice Hockey at Alabama-Huntsville, 7 p.m.

Saturday

Football vs. Pace, 1 p.m.

Cross Country at NCAA Div. II Regionals, TBA

(W) Volleyball vs. USB/AIC, 1 p.m.

(M) Ice Hockey at Alabama-Huntsville, 7 p.m.

Sunday

Equestrian at Fairfield Show, TBA

Wednesday

Hockey at Stonehill, 7:30 p.m.

(W) Volleyball at Dowling, 7 p.m.

Intramural Flag Football: Road Runners vs. WWF, 4:30 p.m.

Tackling the rugby sex issue Women forming a league of their own

Women's Rugby

By Lauren Koester
Contributing Writer

They don't stick out in a crowd, unless they are all together, when you can hear the laughter and joking all over campus. To look at them when they run or work out is to look at any other girl trying to stay in shape.

For a bunch of girls that resemble the stereotypical cheerleader, it is hard to believe that these girls find tackling drills fun. Most women go to the beauty parlor for mud masks.

These girls go to the quad on rainy days, for they know where all the good mud puddles form.

It used to be a men's sport. According to the *Connecticut Post*, it is now one of the fastest

growing women's sports across the United States.

What is rugby and why do women play?

Rugby is a combination of soccer and football without pads. The ball cannot be passed forward but can run or be kicked ahead.

To score, the ball must have downward pressure in the try zone, the counterpart to a touchdown in the end zone in football.

There are two forty-minute halves. Both teams have fifteen players on the field that play the duration of the game, unlike football that has an offensive and defensive team.

In 1994, a women's rugby team was started at SHU. Like the men's team that started two years prior, it took some time to catch on.

"The women's rugby team has come a long way since it's

beginning," said senior captain Maureen Collins. "With the outpouring of freshmen coming out to play, it is going to continue to grow."

Four years later, the team has twenty-four players.

"I play because it is fun," Collins added. "It is competitive, but unlike other varsity sports there is not as much pressure to win."

The girls aren't just teammates but friends.

"We spend more time together off the field than on," Collins remarked about the closeness of the team. "With 24 players there is always someone to hang around with."

"I have learned a lot about the sport," said freshman team member Cate Masterson from Troy, N.Y. "Not only that, I have made some great friends after only being here a month."

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The Waldheim Report

The U.S. Open comes to SHU's Pitt Center

What if I told you the U.S. Open was going to be held at Sacred Heart? Would you wonder where you could get a ticket? Would you ask, "When can I meet Venus Williams or Tiger Woods?"

When the U.S. Open is the topic of conversation, one automatically thinks of tennis or golf. Believe me when I tell you, the Open is coming to Sacred Heart, but the ball to be used will weigh approximately 16 pounds and bear three holes.

Sounds like a bowling ball,



By Corinne A. Waldheim

doesn't it? It is. Our own Pitt Center will house some of the most talented bowlers in the world in the 1998 U.S. Bowling Open. And although SHU may never have a bowling center on campus it will have lanes to bowl on for four days in April.

Why is bowling seen as an old man's sport (or in some cases, not considered a sport at all)? Earlier this year, a 21-year-old University of Nebraska bowler named Jeremy Sonnenfeld shot 900. In bowling, this translates into 36 strikes thrown over a three-game series. This is tantamount to 27

strikeouts pitched in a nine-inning baseball game or driving 18 holes-in-one across golf's rolling greens.

This perfect series was accomplished by a gentleman just old enough to buy a beer, as opposed to a middle-aged man.

Letterman wanted him, "Good Morning America" had him. I witnessed children fumbling at his feet, asking him to sign their pins as if they were asking Michael Jordan to sign a basketball. I watched as local television stations followed him around the Intercollegiate Bowling Championships last April. Now Sonnenfeld is to Columbia bowling manufacturers what Woods is to Nike.

The masses may not see bowling as a strenuous sport, but comparing it to a sport like rowing seems most fitting to me.

When men or women get into a shell to row a 1500-meter race, they prepare for an endurance test like no other. It is a race that ranges from five to eight minutes depending on the direction of the tide. It is about balance, technique and timing. One caught crab, when the oar dives under the water in the opposite direction of the boat's momentum sending the handle into the rowers gut, could be fatal to the fate of the team.

In bowling, the individual uses his/her approach and wrist technique, along with posture

and the final knee bend, to manufacture one final shot. If each phase of the approach is not perfect, a clean execution is jeopardized.

In rowing, you could place four Arnold Schwarzeneggers into a Vespoli and the only thing they would do is circle the dock.

If you entered Team Arnold into a World Team Challenge, a similar result would occur.

Sacred Heart should see hosting the U.S. Open as the recruiting opportunity of a lifetime. The advertising possibilities are endless. For students, it's a chance to learn about a sport that outside the competitive arena can be fun and exciting for young and old.

Moore strong at Bryant Tourney

Women's Volleyball

By Julie Nevero
Assistant Sports Editor

The Sacred Heart women's volleyball team reached the semi-final round at the Bryant College tournament last weekend raising its overall record to 16-12.

Sophomore middle-hitter Trisha Moore was voted to the All-Tournament team for her performance in the two day affair. Moore totaled 40 kills and 26 digs in the three matches.

The Lady Pioneers went 2-1 in the tournament defeating Franklin Pierce in four games

(15-3, 12-15, 15-8, 15-6) and C.W. Post in three games (15-11, 15-11, 15-11) but suffered a loss in a very close match against Bryant. The team put up great numbers in the victories.

In the Franklin Pierce match Moore had 17 kills and 17 digs, freshman Stephanie Chell had 12 kills and 14 digs and junior Danielle Brown had 10 kills.

Sophomore setter Melanie Kubrica is seeing some playing time due to senior setter Melissa Amore's knee injury and had 43 assists in the match.

Against C.W. Post, Moore had 17 kills plus seven digs, Chell and sophomore Kelly Wehr both added another nine

kills and 13 digs and sophomore Jen Brown had nine kills, nine digs.

Amore was the setter in this match and had 46 assists.

The match was close against Bryant, but the numbers weren't as strong as in the previous game. Moore had six kills, Wehr had eight and Brown had seven.

Amore and Kubrica saw time in this match. Amore had 15 assists and Kubrica had 11.

The team has only three matches left this season before the NECC tournament. They will host both Stony Brook and American International College on Saturday in the Pitt Center. The first match starts at 1 p.m.

Football: Continues losing streak

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mistakes we made."

Linebacker Adam Fuller (Tewksbury, Mass.) led in tackles with 12. The team's senior co-captain has averaged 9.6 tackles per game (31 solo, 46 unassisted). Junior Greg Nota (Tewksbury, Mass.) had 10 tackles against the Hawks.

Sophomore Toby Lauder (Rochdale, Mass.) accumulated

69 yards rushing on 22 carries. Lauder is currently second behind junior Terrence Washington (Forrest Hills, N.Y.) for the 1997 season. Washington has amassed 403 yards, while Lauder has 259.

The Pioneers kick-off against Pace University at Campus Field at 1 p.m. for their last home game of the season.

"I expect it is going to be a competitive game between two teams that are rather young,

but improving," said Setters Coach Greg Lusardi.

Coach Radulski commented, "We have been very impressed with their talent. They certainly are a good football team."

Last year SHU lost to Pace, 30-0. Pace's record is 3-5 and 2-4 in Eastern Football Conference.

"The game is an important game for both teams. We are both coming off losses and having a rough season," concluded Coach Lusardi.

Men's soccer: Approach season finale on high note

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The Pioneer's cause was aided when Schmidt scored on a feed from Raupp. Glibowski had three saves in the net.

The Pioneers are 7-10-1 and concluded their season yesterday in a home game against New Haven.

Scores were unavailable at press time.

Quote of the Week: "If I don't come away with 21 strikeouts every game, then there is something I could have improved on."

---- Michele Granger, Star Pitcher for the University of California

Sports in brief

Equestrian within points of rival Fairfield

The Equestrian team returned from last weekend's Molloy Show with three blue ribbons.

Senior co-captain Nicole Fieschel took first place in Open Fences while fellow captain, junior Kristen Fleming took the ribbon in Novice Fences. Lauren Ludwig won in Novice Flats.

SHU is currently keeping pace with Fairfield University.

"They have been our traditional rivals. We feel really good about going into this final show of the semester," said Coach Maureen Lutz.

This Sunday, the Pioneers will be at the Fairfield Show with ten other colleges beginning at 9 p.m. The horse farm is located off exit 38 on the Merritt Parkway. Take Carter St. one mile and the farm will be on the right.

J. Hill Hall Council holds ice skating trip

Jefferson Hill Council will sponsor an ice skating trip to Bennett Rink on Nov. 16. Tickets will be sold in the Dining Hall beginning Nov. 10. The bus admission and rental will cost \$9. The bus will leave in front of public safety at 1 p.m. Only 45 seats are available.

Pitt Center considered for U.S. Open site

Sacred Heart's William H. Pitt Center is a site currently being considered by Strike Ten Entertainment and Brunswick for the 1998 U.S. Open in Bowling to be held April 8-12.

Intramural volleyball begins on Nov. 10

A captains meeting for intramural volleyball will be held tonight at 8 p.m. Games will begin on Monday.

Women's swim club informational meeting

Tomorrow the women's swim club will hold an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in the Admissions lobby.

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Soroka and Raupp aid in victories

Men's Soccer

By Matt Duda
Staff Writer

After falling to number one ranked nationally New Hampshire College by one goal, the Pioneers rebounded to crush their next four opponents. They defeated the University of Bridgeport, 4-1, on Oct. 22, ninth ranked Franklin Pierce, 3-0, on Oct. 26, Bryant College, 3-1, on Oct. 29 and UMass-Lowell, 2-0, Sunday.

Bridgeport got on the scoreboard early, but Sacred Heart stormed back with four unanswered goals. Freshman defender Jim Schmidt scored his first career goal and Rich Raupp (Shirley, N.Y.) added another score. The big story to come out of the Bridgeport and Franklin Pierce games, however, was the efforts of senior midfielder Steve Soroka (Holyoke, Mass.).

Soroka scored seven of his nine points on the season in these two games. Coach Joe McGuigan made better use of Soroka's speed by moving him to a more attack

oriented position. Against Bridgeport, Soroka accounted for half of Sacred Heart's goals. In the victory over Franklin Pierce, Soroka assisted on all three Pioneer goals. For his efforts, Soroka won the New England Collegiate Conference's Player of the Week.

The men wasted no time disposing of Franklin Pierce. James Hood (Islip Terrace, N.Y.) scored his sixth goal of the year just 47 seconds into the contest. Raupp, who was named the NECC Defensive Player of the Week, added another score to send Sacred Heart into the locker room with a 2-0 lead.

"We were real hyped up at half time, and our coach was telling us to calm down because the game is not over," said goalkeeper Scott Glibowski (Coram, N.Y.).

The Sacred Heart defense, with the help of Glibowski's goaltending, deflected a furious offensive by Franklin Pierce to open the second half. The game was put further out of Franklin Pierce's reach when Hood scored his second goal of the game.

"Too bad it came this late in the season," said Glibowski of the



Photo by Kerrie Darress

SHU senior soccer players and parents congregate before Sunday's game against UMass-Lowell.

huge win over Franklin Pierce. "When something like this happens, we look back and say look at what we could have done."

In the Bryant competition, Raupp scored two goals and

Schmidt tallied one to close the Bull Dog casket at Campus Field. Raupp leads the team in goals with eight.

At Campus Field against UMass-Lowell, Soroka, who leads

the team with six assists, scored the initial goal at 47:53.

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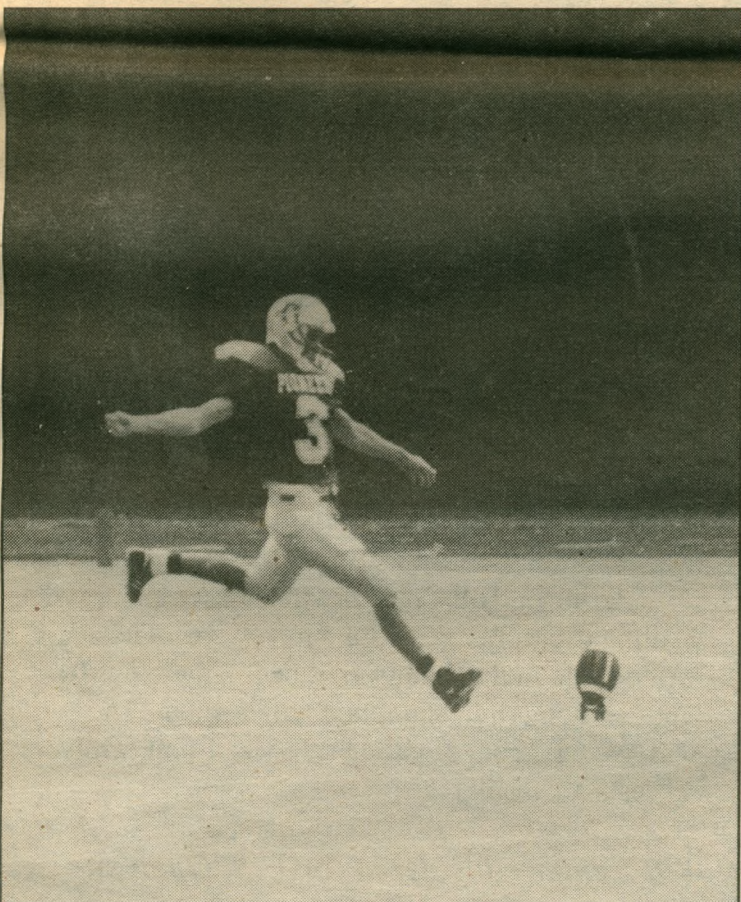


Photo by Alicia Hurley

Senior kicker Dennis Wuestkamp prepares to kick the ball

Pioneers fall to 1-7

Football

By Corinne A. Waldheim
Sports Editor

In its fifth straight loss, the Sacred Heart football team was blanked by Monmouth, 43-0, at Campus Field on Saturday.

"The past few weeks we have not had the same intensity. Our offense has been stagnant," said senior co-captain James Thomson (Amityville, N.Y.).

The attendance was at an all time low with just 239 spectators.

Monmouth scored 29 points in the first half, beginning its attack with a 40-yard field goal with 9:56 left in the first quarter.

"We are still not doing the things we need to do. Our kicking game wasn't at the level we need it to be," said Coach Tom Radulski. "They executed real well and took advantage of the

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SHU beats Assumption Majeski leads team with 20 points on year

Women's Soccer

By Matt Duda
Staff Writer

The Sacred Heart women's soccer team ended its season on a positive note by defeating Assumption 2-1 last Thursday at Campus Field.

The first half ended in a scoreless tie, but Sacred Heart jumped on top at the 50 minute mark off an unassisted goal by sophomore Peggy Feldt (Modena, N.Y.).

Assumption fought back, tying the score just six minutes later with Kristen Gondek's goal. The Pioneers then looked to

Michelle Majeski (Westfield, Mass.), as they did so many times this season. The sophomore scoring leader fed the ball to classmate Jennifer Higgins (Barre, Mass.) who netted the game winner.

Freshman goalkeeper Carlin Guarneri (West Haven) finished the game with six saves. Sacred Heart's win finalized its record at 7-8-2, 2-4-1 in the New England Collegiate Conference. Assumption dropped to 10-6-1 on the year.

Majeski's assist gave her 20 points for the season (7 goals, 6 assists). Freshman Elena Rosero (East Meadow, N.Y.) followed with four goals and an assist. Higgins also finished with four

goals. Feldt scored three times, sophomore Catherine Collins (Bedford, N.H.) found the net once, while freshmen Meghan Langevin (Scotch Plains, N.J.) and Corrie Smith (Bellows Falls, Vt.) each had one assist.

Guarneri saw most of the action this season in the net. She collected 91 saves and two shutouts.

Junior Sarah Hanna (Bayville, N.Y.) started five games, earning shutouts in three of them and amassing 26 saves. Sophomore Alison Singley (Merrimack, N.H.) saved six shots in the two games she played and freshman Marie Cetti (Pittsfield, Mass.) stopped a shot in her lone appearance.

Janocko leads the pack

Men's Cross Country

By Emily Greenough
Staff Writer

After the cancellation of the ECAC cross-country championships this past Saturday, the Sacred Heart men's cross-country team ended its best season ever with a third place finish at the ten-kilometer (6.2 miles) New Jersey Open Cross Country Championships.

The meet hosted seven teams in a race that consisted of both clubs and sports programs.

It was held on Sunday at Deer

Path Park in Readington, NJ. The meet was won by Breakneck Track Club, with a low score of 22 points. Sacred Heart finished with 62 points.

The men have had their most improved season ever in the history of Sacred Heart cross-country.

"Many of my coaching colleagues from other schools have complimented me lately on the progress the team has made since I took over the program in the fall of 1995. We have great team chemistry and the guys love to work hard," said Coach Christian Morrison.

The team should grow stron-

ger within the next two years, because of the return of many key runners. "With this team's depth and youth we should just keep getting better," explained Morrison.

Leading the men in the race were junior Rick Janocko (Linden, N.J.) in ninth place of 79 runners with a time of 35:17, and freshman Christopher Eaton in tenth with 35:37. Also scoring were sophomore Brian "Ace" Williams (17th, 36:42), freshman Greg Kyrtschenko (18th, 36:47), sophomore Dan Gallardo (24th, 37:22), senior co-captain Brian Young (27th, 37:58), and freshman Rob Alfheim (29th, 38:12).