William Brenner, a SHU public safety officer and trained EMT, responded first to the William H. Pitt Health and Recreation Center just after 8 p.m. during an AAU basketball tournament that was going on at the Pitt Center.

The woman, a spectator from Massachusetts whose name was unavailable, was believed to have suffered an aneurysm while watching the game, and had no pulse when Brenner responded. Brenner and another spectator in the stands brought the woman onto the floor to begin medical assistance.

After receiving CPR from Brenner until the Fairfield Police and Fire Department responded to assist shortly after, the woman regained her pulse and was taken to the hospital. Brenner said the fire department had to insert tubes into her throat to assist breathing. "The woman got her pulse back, but she was coughing up stuff and had difficulty breathing... the fire department took over and the ambulance showed up and put tubes down her throat," said Brenner.

The AAU had rented out the Pitt Center facility for the game and there was no security at the event due to the fact that it was not a school-run event.

William O'Connell, director of public safety, said he would have posted officers at the game if public safety had been informed that there was an event happening at the time. "We would have put tubes down her throat," said O'Connell.

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SHU unveils VPN

By Matt Duda Sports Editor

One of the major flaws in Sacred Heart University's computing network is the unreliable nature of SHU's dial-in network. When students try to connect to the system through the phone they are often greeted with a busy signal.

Last fall, SHU's telecommunication department addressed this issue by signing a contract with AT&T to provide SHU with a Virtual Private Network.

"The VPN's going to let students use things they really want to, like Real Audio and ICQ," said Acting Chief Information Officer George Kryszchenko. "The VPN's function is as an intranet as well as offering access to the global internet. AT&T will allow students to access an on-line network from any location in the world by dialing a local access number. The user would have e-mail and World Wide Web browsing capabilities.

In addition, all computers using the VPN would be networked, much like computers in SHU's computer lab are all connected. Users of the VPN would be able to share files with other computers on the network. Currently SHU's system allows 24 users to dial into network at a time. Since 526 resident students live in off-campus housing such as Parkridge this semester, the system is often jammed with users.

"Whenever I try to get on, it's always busy," said Kathleen Swanton, a junior from Quincy, Mass.

"The current system was originally intended to be used for e-mail only," Kryszchenko added. "Once people found they could surf the web they dialed in and stayed on for hours. They were basically getting free AOL."

According to Kryszchenko, the new system will save money for the university. A deal was made with AT&T to give the school a price break and to also provide long distance service for students. Beginning in the fall, students can get a phone card which gives rates of four cents a minute. AT&T will directly bill the students and provide round the clock customer service.

Kryszchenko said the VPN option made more sense than upgrading the current network. "It was easier than having to install 400 more phone lines," he said.

The current plan is to provide the VPN free of charge to resident students living in off-campus housing. Telecommunications is considering charging commuter students and faculty if they desire to use the service.

Installation of the VPN will begin by the end of next week, with testing beginning in two to three weeks. The system should be fully operational for the fall semester.
News Briefs

I.D. suspect turns himself into authorities

Mark Rolland, who was caught manufacturing fake identification material from his West Hall room last month, turned himself into the Fairfield Police on March 22.

Rolland was charged with 22 counts of criminal attempt to commit forgery and one count of con- spi- racy to commit forgery. The Spectrum reported in its last issue that Rolland had not turned himself into the Police as of March 22, but Rolland had turned himself into the police later in the day.

Ethics roundable this morning in Pitt

A continental breakfast and faculty roundtable discussion on, "Appeals to Experience in Ethics," will be held from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. today in the Pitt Center Board Room. The discussion will be with Dr. Paul Lauritzen and is being run by the Hersher Institute for Applied Ethics.

Christian-Jewish lecture at end of April

Mary Boys, a noted theologian and author, will give the Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding lecture in honor of Frank Brenna at 4 p.m. on April 29 in the Mahogany Room. Her talk, "What Do You Believe In? The Challenge for Christian-Jewish Dialogue," is free and open to the public.

Boys is the Skinner and McAlpin Professor of Practical Theology at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. She has published more than 60 articles in books and journals and is the author of several books, including Jewish-Christian Dialogue: One Woman's Experience.


Boys is an elected member of the Christian Scholars Group on Judaism and the Jewish People, and co-director of the Lilly Endowment-sponsored, "Religious Particularism and Pluralism," a project involving Jewish and Catholic educators.

For more information, call the CCJU at 365-7592.

More wallets stolen by same suspect

Two more wallets were stolen by the same individual currently sought by Public Safety. The thefts occurred on March 25 and 26 from Curtis Hall and the Academic Building with cash and credit cards being stolen both times.

The revised description of the individual is a black man, 5 feet 7 inches tall, no facial hair, in his mid 40's with short cropped hair, receding on both sides.

He was neatly dressed, wearing heavily framed glasses, a rust and tan colored flannel shirt and tan corduroy pants. He is reported to have bad teeth and a heavy cigarette smoke smell on his clothes.

Anyone who has seen this individual or has information should call Public Safety at extension 2475 for further information.

Rescue: Officer revives woman

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wanted someone there." O’Connell added that Brenner did a great job in responding to and bringing the woman back.

"That was a great job he did and the police had commented on the great job he did," said O’Connell.

Brenner said that he felt good about working to save her. "I’ve never brought anyone back before." O’Connell added that in most situations where CPR is required, the victim does not come back.

By Kelly-Ann Franklin

He is known simply as "Slats" to students at the Sacred Heart University campus. Now he might be called President Slats.

Jayson Slattery will take over the reins next year as President of Student Government after defeat- ing Tim Miller and Gia Marie Vacca in this year’s election.

"Slattery has been involved with WHRT and the Student Sen- ate, as well as being a Resident Assistant in South Hall this year. His goals for next year are simply, "I want to improve the quality of life here at Sacred Heart and be a sound voice for students as well as be a support for them," said Slattery. "I’d also like to make things fun and exciting so people can participate and to have students’ needs met."

In order to do these things, Slattery would like to see an im- provement in the way Public Safety handles problems that arise. "I want them to be more effi- cient," Slattery said. "And even excel at what they do. I’d like zero cars stolen, not just one or two. I mean, you’re talking about $20,000 for a car."

Another task for Slattery to handle will be the issue of what to do with the old gym. "I’d like to use the old gym. Turn it into a two floor combo," Slattery said. "With a bookstore, restaurant, and pub with the Stu- dent Activities offices upstairs. I’d like it be a social centerpiece for SHU," added Slattery.

Slattery is also interested in keeping with Sacred Heart’s mis- sion to become one of the leading Catholic universities in New En- gland. He feels that in order to do this, the school needs to have a chapel here on campus.

Even though Slattery is an RA, he feels that it won’t interfere with his duties as president. "I think I’ll do fine, the duties of (Student Government Presi- dent) aren’t too strenuous," said Slattery. "I’ve handled it all be- fore, I’ve got good time manage- ment skills."

"I will put more of a priority into being president, I’ve got down the RA position. I can balance them well. The RA is for me, the president is for the school and my fellow students."

Student Government election winners

Student Government President: Jayson Slattery
Vice President for the Senate: Gabe Goodine
Vice President for the Student Events Team: Brandi Blevins
Vice President for CCO: Jen McGovern
Vice President for Greek Life: Between Hunter McIntosh and Vimala George, to be determined

Student Government Secretaries: Kathleen Donato and Erica Rassias
Class of 2000 President: Theresa Forget
Class of 2000 Vice President: Amy Macauley
Class of 2000 Secretary: Anne Coary
Class of 2000 Treasurer and Senators: To be determined
Class of 2001 President: Tom Wuestkamp
Class of 2001 Vice President: Audrey Marrone
Class of 2001 Treasurer: Kelly Gordon
Class of 2001 Senators: Chris Horvath and Gill Lefort
Class of 2001 Secretary and remaining Senators: To be determined
Class of 2002 President: Keri Blair
Class of 2002 Vice President: Keith Markey
Class of 2002 Secretary: Michelle Barretta
Class of 2002 Treasurer: Victor Potemski
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OT: Occupational Therapy Month in April

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The second lecture will be given on April 29 by Jennifer Cosgrove, academic fieldwork education coordinator for the Oc- cupational Therapy Program. She will speak on Pediatric Occupa- tional Therapy.

Cosgrove came to SHU from Yale New Haven Hospital, where she worked as a Pediatric Occupa- tional Therapist.

“Occupational Therapy can work with a wide variety of pa- tients from the new born to the elderly, in lots of different set- tings,” said Cosgrove.

Occupational Therapy is estimated to be a graduate program at Sacred Heart by the Fall of 2000. The program is currently awaiting approval by the Connecti- cut Department of Higher Educa- tion and the Accreditation Coun- cil for Occupational Therapy Edu- cation.

Tallant hopes that students will be attracted to the graduate program.

“In the present work climate, if you have an undergraduate de-
A consumer society erodes the core values taught at Catholic universities, the President of Sacred Heart University said recently. In a talk given to a journalism class, Dr. Anthony Cernera said that the consumer mentality is the antithesis of the goals promoted by Catholic universities.

"That attitude of a consumer mentality has a very corrosive effect on what an education at a Catholic university should be all about," said Cernera. "A core value of Sacred Heart University, and any Catholic university, is the notion of creating communities of learners," said Cernera. "But we live in a culture that is more and more atomized, more and more individualized, so we've got a real conflict there." The importance of individuals having mission statements, as well as universities and other organizations, was stressed by Cernera.

"What do you believe in? What are your fundamental values? What are you trying to live by? What are the ideals that govern your life?" said Cernera. "Good institutions, good organizations, good universities, good individual humans have mission statements, and we need to articulate what they are all about," said Cernera. "You are a human being with infinite dignity and worth and consumer mentality doesn't foster that notion. It pulls away from fundamental values."

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"In response to an audience question about the ability of SHU to attend to its current students' needs while building new facilities and attracting new students, Cernera offered a different view-point on the school's rapid growth. "You are at a growing, developing, and transitional phase that has some stresses and strains attached to it. I think that is a wonderful preparation for the world that you're going to go into," said Cernera. "You are going to be living in a world that continues to change and develop and grow, that gets reorganized and restructured. That's life."

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By Guy Fortunato
Contribution Writer

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timess to grow along with the rest of the SHU. Many students are concerned about the time and cost involved with graduate programs. For students to be more interested in continuing on for my master's degree, said Jeff Thibault, a senior business major from Merrimack, N.H. "The master's program in business is really strong and very accommodating financially."

"We are looking to expand eventually but are primarily concerned with making the present programs as strong as possible," said Kirby. "We are more concerned with the quality of the program at this point. The numbers will increase in time."

Kirby said the graduate programs provide flexibility for students to devise schedules that best suit their academic needs and lifestyles.

"Our master's programs are unique because we enable students to either take classes full-time or part-time at night," said Kirby. "We hold classes at night, on weekends, and even during holiday days to accommodate as many students that work 40 hours a week," added Kirby. "One of the most highly enrolled graduate programs are the master's programs in education and business. Both consist of about 200 students."

Deciding whether or not to continue on for a master's degree can be stressful decision and should be made after careful thought.

"Years from now, having a master's degree will almost be a standard," said Brian Ihlfeld, an admissions counselor in the gradu­ate office. "So many people have bachelor's degrees these days, the workplace is looking for something to add that fine line to your application for a job opening."

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Grad school becoming essential

By Guy Fortunato
Contribution Writer

With the academic year approaching its conclusion, many Sacred Heart seniors will be deciding whether or not to attend graduate school.

Students earning their four year degree are realizing the value of a master's degree and more students than ever are opting for the master's degree to make them more competitive in the workplace.

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SHU artists struggling

By Adam Lapensee
Staff Writer

As the school semesters pass on by, the Art Department is going through some tough times. Whether it be equipment problems or lack of space, the Art Department is having trouble. "Two summers ago, when the school was pushed out," said Jack de Graffenried, assistant professor of art. "When everything was gutted, the ceiling was dropped from 9 foot 6 inches to 6 foot 10 inches." Last year, the Art Club sent out a letter to parents and faculty inviting them to discuss the problems with ventilation. The parents were told that a ventilation system was to be put in place in the art department. So far, this is yet to happen.

De Graffenried, "We have two areas for spray booths, which are used for air brushing. The booths are special boxes that suck out toxic air through separate vents that lead through separate vents that lead to the building." According to de Graffenried, the booths have been on order for a few semesters.

The Art Department here at Sacred Heart has four full-time professors. There are also seven adjunct professors, who can only teach one to two classes each.

Students in the Art Department have expressed their feelings of disappointment over the renovations that took place. "The school rebuilt all the classrooms and lowered the ceiling," said Chris Spaterella, a junior from Garden City, N.Y. "We now have bad ventilation because the windows do not open."

Spaterella also feels that the rooms are overcrowded with students. "We have an excellent art program here at SHU, but it's difficult to work under these conditions." Also touching on the ventilation factor was Shannon Morris, a junior from Fort Lee, N.J.

"The ventilation is quite poor," said Morris. "The air from the paint and art materials are unsafe. It is not healthy to breathe them in."

Katie Scinto, a junior from Milford, says that the accommodations made in the department were for the worse.

"We have too many students and not enough space," said Scinto. "In the 3-D graphics class, which involves cutting and space, we have about 20 students. There is no room for us to cut."

De Graffenried noted that money could be saved by using windows that open to allow natural air in and ventilate the rooms, as well as having the windows lock. Public safety would be able to lock the windows to keep things in the art department safe.

"Things aren't all that bad, as de Graffenried noted the new computers installed in his department. "The school assisted by getting Macintosh computers for design majors," said de Graffenried. "It is a big plus in terms of technology. Besides education, the computers help in the recruiting and retaining of students," said de Graffenried.

Other faculty members were unavailable for comments.

Students in an art class work despite unfavorable conditions.

Vergheese: Speaks to SHU about experiences with AIDS

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he treated patients with AIDS who were mostly gay men. The book was a National Book Critics Circle Award finalist and was one of Time magazine's five best books of 1994.

He spoke about how he remembered the "fear as well as the excitement as we took care of these patients since we had no idea how this disease was spread." He also recalled thinking that after the cause of the disease had been discovered that the "cure was just a few months, maybe a year away."

"It became very, very clear that we totally underestimated the magnitude of this disease," said Vergheese. "For every one person we were taking care of in the hospital, there were 50-100 others out there carrying this virus and everything we knew suggested that their future course would not be very good."

He talked about how his commitment to his work left him "increasingly isolated" from his friends, family, even his own work environment. "His sexuality was even questioned because of the time he spent with his patients."

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Vergheese's message was well received from students and faculty alike.

"From the comments that I have heard, the way he posed the question didn't make us think that (strong relationships were) the only answer, but they are central and meaningful," said Dr. Brian Slitnner, professor of religious studies and director of the Hershey Institute. "He used compelling stories from his book to reinforce his answer." Senior Cami Chisholm thought Vergheese was a "great speaker." "It (the speech) added a whole new dimension to his book, hearing him read it out loud," she said.

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Editorials

Have we all become too materialistic?

Dr. Cerrera's recent speech to a journalism class has raised an important question: Have we become too materialistic?

"Nowadays, it seems more important to drive a fancy car or to wear clothing from the most exclusive stores. From what we have seen in the SHU Voices this week, this kind of thinking is extremely evident on campus. Life is no longer about who you are but what you have. And as if this wasn't bad enough, those who don't concern themselves with having material possessions are often subject to ridicule.

Most students don't have the luxury of parents who provide everything for them like brand new cars to take with them to school or paying all of their bills. Those who don't have this luxury have been forced to provide for themselves. And that is noble. A student who drives a car that he/she purchased or pays his/her own bills is bound to feel better about themselves than if it was provided for them.

There are more important things to be concerned about than whether or not you have the "so" harido so don't dwell on these types of insecurities and you'll feel better about yourself.

Artists seek a breath of fresh air

Welcome to Sacred Heart University, a premier liberal arts college where students enjoy state of the art facilities. Well, that's what the sales pitch says. One only has to take a short walk down the stairs into the "dungeon" (that's the Art Department to the general public) to know that the sales pitch isn't entirely accurate. The arts have been pushed aside at Sacred Heart in favor of more trendy science-related majors.

After last year's "renovations," students and faculty protested the low ceilings, small studios and lack of proper ventilation. Parents were invited to speak to administrators about the numerous special problems and health hazards caused by the construction. However, since that time, no progress has been made.

What will it take for something to get done? Will the administration respond if students become ill from the fumes during painting classes, or transfer schools because of a lack of space? The conditions in the Art Department are not just inconvenient, they are dangerous. Students are being put at risk on a daily basis, and because of a lack of space? The conditions in the Art department are not just inconvenient, they are dangerous. Students are being put at risk on a daily basis, and even worse, are paying for the opportunity.

Do you think people have become too materialistic?

James Gagliardi
Senior
Pawling, N.Y.

"It seems everybody has either a new car, pager or cell phone. I would take a gremlin and a rotary dial phone and be happy."

Sarah Molloy
Senior
Avon

"Yes, because they always see the material values instead of self-worth."

Chris Reinhart
Senior
Mineola, N.Y.

"Extremely. People seem to spend money on things that don't last."

Public safety officers are more than just campus cops

Recently, a public safety officer helped save the life of a woman who they believe suffered an aneurysm in the Pat Center. This incident is a great example of the work done by our sometimes underrated public safety department.

All too often, people complain about how poor our public safety department is. If you listen to some of the folks on this campus, you'd think the Keystone cops were patrolling our school.

Let's face it, we're a campus of about 5,000 graduates and undergraduates with around 20 full-time public safety officers employed by the University. It's kind of difficult for everything to be under their watchful eye 24-7.

Besides, who wants this school to become a police state (you all read 1984, right? Not exactly how I want to live).

I don't think that we want local cops working security at our school either. Do students really want Bridgeport cops patrolling Sacred Heart? Why don't we just campus cops.

A great majority of the tractor-trainers, quite frankly, students who got caught and are angry about it. I can't totally blame them. I'm not too thrilled. I have to pay three parking tickets before I can register, but it's my fault that I parked at Parkridge when I had a JCC sticker, not public safety's.

It's the easiest thing in the world to say that public safety is the one at fault in whatever the situation might be. The us-verb-them mentality that some students have towards public safety will do no good when the day is over. That kind of juvenile mentality doesn't work in an institute of higher education. As hard as it may be to believe, we are adults. What many also don't realize is that public safety is more than just campus cops.

They also serve as traffic monitors, surveillance, lock and key control, engravers, parking registration monitors, enforcement all SHU, state and local laws, are liaisons to the fire and police departments, and the list goes on.

They also gave me a jump start for my car twice last Friday (on a side note, never geo a Geo Metro).

All have training as professional rescuers as well as first responders and CPR. Several staff members are also EMT trained. Those responsibilities are a large undertaking for the staff that we have.

The real problem with public safety is that there is just not enough of them. Their facilities are too darn small to suit the needs of this university. Of course there's been bad officers, and maybe there still are, but that doesn't mean we need to clean house.

What the university needs to focus on is hiring a larger, well-trained group of officers who will be watching over the needs of the SHU community.

Perhaps the rash of wallets that have been stolen from faculty and staff members (some from the President's office nonetheless) will get the school to realize that a stronger public safety department is needed.

A lot of the problems SHU has relating to security would probably be lessened if the burden of a microscopic staff was eliminated.

If the school doesn't give public safety the resources necessary to protect our campus, how can we expect them to provide a safe and crime-free campus to live and learn on?

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The SHU Voices

Do you think people have become too materialistic?

By Brian Corasaniti

"Are we becoming too materialistic?"
Letters

Professor Furious over Lacrosse Headline in March 25 Issue

To the Editor:

"Laxwomen scalp Braves!" How could you? That term "scalp." I'm certain, was chosen because of the Quinnipiac team name - "Braves," and your decision to use it to describe the victory of SHU's women's lacrosse team is troubling. I'm still trying to figure out if you intended to be inflammatory or if your wording was the result of simple ignorance.

I too was pleased with the team's win, but did you have to resort to conjuring up such an offensive and demeaning stereotype to celebrate it?

Until a short time ago a group of Native American ironworkers from the Mohawk reserve of Kahnawake in Quebec were working on the construction of the East Hall building on Park Avenue. Incidentally, as part of my course on North American Indians each spring semester, I take a group of students on a visit to Kahnawake and will be doing so again in mid-April. What do you suppose they would have thought of your insensitive and racist headline?

Gerald Reid
Associate Professor of Anthropology

Student Upset She Can't Trust Others After Money Was Stolen

To the Editor:

I am very disappointed with this University. On Monday (March 22) I left my pocketbook in my 7:35 p.m. class. I called Public Safety the next day and someone had turned it in. I was relieved. But after looking through the contents of my bag, I was dismayed to find that money was missing. Nice "Catholic" University.

I realize that it may not be necessarily appropriate for me to point fingers, but what is even more inappropriate is the lack of goodwill in the way money was handled. I called Public Safety the next day and someone had turned it in. I was relieved. But after looking through the contents of my bag, I was dismayed to find that money was missing. Nice "Catholic" University.

Alexis P. Harrison
Sophomore

An Apology to Those Offended by My Headline

As sports editor of the Spectrum, my favorite task is conjuring up headlines for the weekly sports section. I enjoy inventing short, catchy phrases that hopefully will entice the reader to read the accompanying article.

In the March 25 issue of the Spectrum, I wrote "Laxwomen Scalp Braves" as the headline to an article covering the women's lacrosse team's win over the Quinnipiac College Braves. I thought the term scalp provided a nice punch to the headline, and that it appropriately reflected the image of the Quinnipiac mascot.

Sports teams with Native American nicknames typically portray a warlike figure carrying a hatchet. In recent years the "Tomahawk Chop" has become a fixture at Florida State football games and often echoes in stadiums when the Atlanta Braves take to the baseball diamond. The United States military even named a cruise missile after the Tomahawk tribe.

When I used the term scalp, I meant no offense to Native Americans. I see it as a compliment to the mighty people who once dominated the land. Not everyone shares my view, though, as shown in Dr. Gerald Reid's letter to the editor (see left). Reid says that I was "insensitive" to the Native American and that the term was "demeaning" and "racist."

Was I insensitive? Possibly. Racist? I don't think so. Irresponsible? Yes. In my position as a newspaper sports editor, I have the dual responsibility of being objective and sensitive to the public. That includes all races and all walks of life, even those that don't necessarily comprise a large portion of the newspaper's circulation.

I grew up in central New York state in a country named for a powerful member of the Iroquois Confederacy, Oneonta. Lacrosse, the sport they used for religious ceremonies and to train for war, has been my favorite game since I first picked up a stick nearly 10 years ago.

I am aware that the Native Americans are a peaceful people who care deeply about the earth's condition and care that all of us maintain proper stewardship of the planet. I respect and admire the Native American people for their traditions and for remaining strong while their lands were taken away and their tribes relocated to reservations. When I used that term in my headline, I used it not out of spite or hate, I simply used it in what I perceived to be a creative means to introduce my article. I apologize to you, Dr. Reid, and to the Native American people in and beyond the Sacred Heart community. I intended no ill will.

The Spectrum is meant to be a learning experience to prepare my for the professional world of journalism after graduation, and this error has taught me a valuable lesson: to be more cautious and precise in my work.

Matt Duda

Student Prefers Efficiency of Public Safety Officers

After Suffering a Recent Medical Emergency

Letter to the Editor:

Although Public Safety is usually the victim of bad press and letters to the editor that are not exactly the nicest pieces of literature to read, I would like to thank the department. For all those who are still unaware of the events that occurred Friday afternoon, (4/9),

I was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital after suffering a severe allergic reaction to something I ate. Despite being somewhat high on oxygen and Benadryl, I do remember that those officers that responded to the scene from Public Safety were there quickly and did a great job preparing me for the ambulance. They were there in a hurry, reacted calmly and with efficiency and I want to send my thanks out to them. It's not often that Public Safety has a kind word written about them, and when the officers do their job well, not many people take the time out to thank them.

Kelly-Ann Franklin
Junior

The Weather Corner

Today
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Partly cloudy.

Friday
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Low 40
Chance of rain. Windy.

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High 53
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Becoming partly cloudy.
March against domestic violence slated for next Thursday

By Mike Kuchar
Features Editor

In respect for National Domestic Violence Month, the SHU community will take part in a march. The event will provide support for women who have been the victims of domestic violence and to promote awareness to students on campus.

"Take back the night" will take place on Thursday, April 22 at 7 p.m. on the patios in front of South and West halls.

"This is a meaningful idea in order to empower the women to be aware of what is going on," said Chris Szpilla, resident hall director at Taft.

Szamreta, the vigil gives women an opportunity for these women to share their voices and put an end to domestic violence. "We want to get started on this right away," said Katrina Coakley, assistant director of Residential Life.

"Women should know to have strength and that they can be supported...it is a great opportunity for these victims' voices to be heard," said Jeanine Szamreta, sophomore R.A.

Members of Residential Life, Dupre Benning, Katrina Coakley, and Chris Szpilla, set up the first annual "Take Back the Night." The march will start at 7 p.m on Thursday, April 22.

According to Jeanine Szamreta, the vigil gives women, especially students, a chance to come together to reach out against those being abused and put an end to it.

"Women should know to have strength and that they can be supported," said Szamreta.

"We are very excited, and to have to over 150 to 200 participants taking part," Szamreta added.

According to Coakley, there have been no recent domestic violence charges reported on campus, but these crimes are very much apparent in other Universities around the country.

"In most cases, students have been assaulted or molested when they were young," said Coakley.

"Take back the night" is a great opportunity to let their voices be heard," said Coakley.
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Greek Life gaining strength at SHU

A column devoted to our “brothers” and “sisters”

By Theresa Forpget

When you think about Greek Life, do you think of alcohol, drugs, or a setting straight from the “Animal House” movie? Most people do. However, here at Sacred Heart, Greek Life is something quite different, so much more productive, and so much more positive. We feel that we tend to be overlooked at times, so we are taking this opportunity to tell the SHU community who we are, what we do, and why we are here.

Who makes up Greek Life? Presently there are eight organizations on campus: Omega Phi Kappa, Phi Omega Tau, Sigma Delta Chi, Beta Delta Phi, Delta Phi Kappa, Kappa Phi, Lambda Sigma Phi, and Alpha Sigma Psi. We are all coordinated under a Greek Council, and we are like a big family. Every organization is different—some are old, some are young, some are small, and some are large. They contain people from all different walks of life.

So what exactly does Greek Life do? First off, the initiation process for pledges takes eight weeks. These eight weeks are vital to every organization, since these associates are going to be our siblings and they will determine the future of our organization.

Community service is the basis for each organization, as each sorority and fraternity has a specific purpose. For example, the purpose of Phi Omega Tau is AIDS awareness. Each year they sponsor AIDS Awareness Week, as well as perform service through other the year pertaining to AIDS related causes.

Other purposes for our organizations include helping the environment (Sigma), and women’s issues such as rape and abuse (Lambda). Both Delta and Omega concentrate on diversity, while Beta deals with breast cancer awareness. Alpha has decided to take on domestic issues in Bridgeport, and Kappa Phi is one of the leaders in community service this year and is in the running for a statewide award for their efforts.

Even though we are all unique, it is our differences that bring us together and help us achieve our goals. We count on each other for support and love, and we stand up for each other, under every circumstance. When something needs to be done, we work together to make sure it gets done.

The Greek organizations on campus have a tremendous sense of pride and tradition. We perform services for Sacred Heart and the surrounding community of Bridgeport. We work hard to provide enjoyable programs for all. Greek Life is a vital part of Sacred Heart University. We portray our University’s name in a positive way and we provide students with a great opportunity to join us. We work together and build on each other.

I honestly don’t know where or who I would be if I had not become involved in Greek Life. I have gained many valuable friendships.

So, maybe the next time you see a member of Greek Life walking through the halls proudly wearing their letters, you, one day, can also share in that pride by becoming one of us.

Campus Happenings

American Coffeehouse takes place tonight

The American Coffeehouse will take place tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge. The band “Over Easy” will take you on a musical journey spanning a range of styles in American music. One of Connecticut’s finest musicians Mike Kachuba leads the evening with entertaining stories and music. Refreshments served include eggs, homefries, and coffee. Admission is free for students and $8 general admission.

Orientation Leaders needed

The International Center has extended the search for four orientation leaders to assist in coordinating the International Orientation ‘99. The deadline to apply is Thursday, April 22. Applications can be picked up at the International Center in the Hawley Lounge.

Whitewater Rafting trip planned

The Outing Club is sponsoring a Whitewater rafting trip to Crabapple Rafting in Vermont on Sunday, April 25. The price is $65 and only 25 seats remain. The last to sign up is this Friday and students can do so in the Hawley Lounge.

Fundraiser scheduled to benefit Cancer fund

A pasta dinner to benefit the Gabriela Sanchez Cancer fund will take place on Saturday, April 17, at Hatter’s Park Banquet Hall in Danbury. For further information contact Dorcas Garcia at 792-3865.

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- Trip to Ireland to study Celtic Religious Traditions

Summer schedules are available at the Registrar’s Office in the Academic Center and at the University College Office in the Administration Building.
Students earn scholarships and respect at exhibit

By Frances Moore
A&E Editor

This year’s annual Student Art Exhibit opened March 28 in The Gallery of Contemporary Art. The opening ceremony and reception not only exhibited the students’ work, but allowed for recognition from faculty and area artists.

Each piece was entered in a competition in one of four categories. The first category was called Foundation, which consists mainly of still life, portraiture, the human figure, compositional problems and color.

The Intermediate I and Intermediate II categories featured more advanced artwork, followed by the final category, Advanced. Each entered artwork featured mainly senior artists.

Within each category were three prizes: First Place, Second Place and Honorable Mention.

Other awards given were “Best In Show,” which was awarded to Melynda Nhutavong, for her piece entitled “Tigipang Identity Program,” and “Faculty Choice Award,” which was won by Linsey Pfeifer for her untitled work.

For the complete list of winners, see below

Each piece was judged by a panel consisting of four outside judges (two painters, an illustrator and a graphic designer).

Students were not required to enter their work in the show, but faculty was only too happy to encourage their participation. Jack de Gaffinie, illustration professor, said, “The greatest compliment a student can receive is for a teacher to say, ‘You’ve done well.’ This is their opportunity to get that recognition.”

In addition to being recognized by their mentors, students feel that the exhibit is an important way to get recognized by their peers.

Sophomore Giovanni Daza, from Stamford, said, “The Art Department doesn’t get any recognition because we’re so secluded.”

The Plohn Scholarship is an award that is given each year, as well, to students, based on academic merit, their art work, a written statement from each applicant and a recommendation from a faculty member.

This year’s winners were Claire Widman, a junior from Mobeghan Lake, N.Y., and Michael Azzarone, a junior from Bergenfield, N.J.

The exhibit will be in the Gallery until April 20.

(Honorable Mention)

Katie Scinto
“Hospital of the Innocent,” 1998

Intermediate I

First Place:

Gail Ceclo
“Bishop’s Farm Marketing,” 1999

Second Place:

Michael Azzarone
“Out of Time,” 1998

Intermediate II

First Place: Claire Widman
“Morph,” 1998

Second Place: Kathy Hippeli
“Salamander Embrace,” 1999

Honorable Mention:

Mark Rolland
“Sunrise Farms Identity Program,” 1998

Advanced

First Place: Tara S. Deenihan

Second Place:

Kathy Hippeli
“Sunrise Farms Identity Program,” 1998

Honorable mention:

Rene N. Coryer
“Margritte Poster” (left). Her other piece, “Majestic Villas logo,” (right) can be seen in the Gallery.

Kathy Hippeli won a second place prize in the Advanced category with her work, “Sunrise Farms Identity Program” (left). Her other piece, “Margritte Poster” (right) can be seen in the Gallery.

By Terri Williams
Contributing Writer

Television advertisers who pay for prime-time airing of their ads are incorporating a new approach to catch their targeted viewers’ attention: music.

Advertisers of products like cars and cosmetics, those traditionally targeted at college-aged consumers, have picked up on the appeal of independent music to this age group.

The first car company to use independent music in its television advertisements was Volkswagen, in its immensely successful ad campaign for the company’s 1998 reissue of the Beetle.

"Less Flower, More Power," was Volkswagen’s boldly painted message on billboards along highways across the country.

In the television commercials aired during the campaign, power is what the public, and Volkswagen, got—the power of electronic music.

At the time of the airings, independent-electronic bands from England and France were enjoying immense popularity among college-aged Americans. This accounts for the commercial’s use of relatively obscure bands like Stereolab and Spiritualized.

The most popular has proved to be Spiritualized’s “Ladies and Gentlemen We are Floating in Space.”

All I wanted was a little bit of love to take the pain away...getting strong today...just you and I...and I will love you till I die...I could still fall in love with you,” sang Spiritualized as the new Beetle spun surreallyistically in the center of a white background, effectively nailing the commercial into the memory of college students across the country.

Volkswagen sold an estimated 50,000 cars with the ad.

The campaign, conceived by Doyle Dane Bernbach, “was one of the two or three best ad campaigns ever. In the world,” said Ron Lawner, creative chief at Arnold Communications in Boston.

Volkswagen’s successful use of independent music in commercials is now being put to use by many other prime-time advertisers.

Air, a French band, gained surprising popularity on the British dance charts last year, hitting the top ten for weeks.

Any viewer who sees a current L’Oreal commercial is also hearing “La Femme D’Argen,” the first track of Air’s new album, “Moon Safari.”

The band sold out their first North American tour last summer, and their overseas popularity continues to grow among the college crowd.

Current prime-time car commercials also follow in the musical path set in place by Volkswagen. Almost all car advertisements are now dominated by the ambient electronic music.

Less Flower, More Power, indeed.

Driven by the music: Volkswagen capitalizes on musical craze
No need to hate these ‘10 Things’

By Julie Ann Nevero
Editor-in-Chief

Fresh off the Oscar blitz of "Shakespeare in Love" comes another one of the Bard's classic works. Touchstone pictures "10 Things I Hate About You" is a teen comedy riff of Shakespeare's play "Taming of the Shrew."

The film centers around the Stratford sisters. Bianca (Larisa Oleynik) is the perky younger sister who is forbidden by her father (Larry Miller) to date until her shrewish older sister Katarina (Julia Stiles) does the same.

"Sounds simple, right? Wrong. The problem is, Kat's rotten attitude is a major turnoff to every guy at Padua high school."

Joey (Andrew Keegan) a smooth talking glamour boy wants to take Bianca to the prom so he hires the cigarette smoking bad boy, Patrick (Heath Ledger), to tame the beast. And wouldn't you know it, he falls for her.

"Came in the mean time, played by Joseph Gordon-Levitt of TV's "3rd Rock from the Sun" has plans to win Bianca for himself.

"Newcomer Ledger shines. His good looks and Aussie accent will leave teenage girls breathless. Stiles, fresh off the NBC miniseries flop "The 60's" is delightful as Kat. Her non sparse demeanor is very convincing. Miller pitches in a great supporting performance as Bianca and Kat's dad."

"Though "10 Things" rehashes just about every teen stereotype—the narcissistic stud, the dateless geek and the vapid babe—and the humor is a little uneven at times, its charming leads and strong supporting cast ultimately carry the film. It is clearly geared for a younger audience, however."

And with every new teen film we can expect a kicking new soundtrack and this one doesn't disappoint. The "10 Things" soundtrack features new tracks from Letters to Cleo, Save Ferris (both bands also appear in the film), Sister Hazel, The Cardigans and Semisonic.

If you like teen films, you'll like "10 Things I Hate About You." If you don't, you should at least give the soundtrack a try.

Quick Picks...movies, music and more

Choice flicks:

"Forces of Nature"—this romantic comedy, starring Ben Affleck and Sandra Bullock has become the number one movie of the season. It's a perfect movie for those looking for some fun and some romance.

"The Matrix"—The latest in sci-fi/action/fantasy stars Keanu Reeves. Even those who are not Keanu fans have found themselves drawn to "The Matrix." The film features action-packed scenes and acclaimed special effects. Lovers of Sci-Fi and fantasy will feel right at home with "The Matrix."

"Life is Beautiful"—For those who still have not seen this Oscar-winning drama, it can still be seen in area theaters.

On the tube:

"Futurama"—From the creators of the "Simpsons," Matt Groening and David Cohen, comes an all new cartoon. Critics and "Simpsons" fans alike have agreed that this futuristic cartoon lives up to the standards that Groening set with "Simpsons." If you enjoy Groenings humor, "Futurama" will not disappoint. FOX, Sun, 9 p.m.

Music to your ears:

"Up, up, up, up, up, up,"-Ani DiFranco's twelfth album shows her continuing growth as an artist. Fans will notice a slight deviation from her previous material, but will not be disappointed. Music is more intense, and jam sessions last a little longer, as she explores her artistic range.

Author connects art and literature in new book and lecture

Special to the Spectrum

Thursday, April 7 at 6 p.m., David Lehman, author of "The Last Avant-Garde," will lecture and autograph copies of his book at the Whitney Museum of Art at Champion, in Stamford, Conn.

The lecture is in conjunction with the current Whitney exhibition "Intimate Interiors: Paintings by Jane Freilicher and Fairfield Porter." Lehman will discuss the links between literature and painting that existed in the artistic milieu of Freilicher and Porter.

Lehman's book focuses on four friends, and poets, at the center of the New York School. His lecture will bring to life the exhilarating creative ferment that existed during the years 1948 to 1966, especially Freilicher, Porter, and Larry Rivers.

He talks about their influence on literary efforts at the New York School.

Lehman's essays and poetry have previously appeared in The New Yorker, Paris Review and The Times Literary Supplement. For more information, contact the museum at 358-7630.

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A&E Briefs

Lambda Sigma Phi sponsors Awareness Week

For the second year in a row Lambda Sigma Phi is sponsoring "Date Rape and Sexual Abuse Awareness Week." It will run from April 19 to April 25.

Each night will feature a different presentation dealing with these issues. The first is Monday at 8 p.m. in the Theater. The presentation is entitled "Drawing the Shades." Also featured is a self defense course on Wednesday night in the Pitt Center, followed by Thursday's "Take Back the Night" on the Patio. The week will conclude with a candlelight vigil. Information will be posted throughout the week.

Speaker comes to SHU for media discussion

The University theater is pleased to host Camille Cooper next Tuesday, as she speaks about "Women in the Media." The lecture will be given at 8 p.m. and will concern various representations of women in different aspects of the media. Those who are interested are invited and encouraged to attend.

Book Discussion Group meeting

The Book Discussion Group, sponsored by Student Life and Residential Life, will host their third book discussion meeting next Wednesday. The book featured this time is Billie Letts "Where the Heart Is?" Students, faculty and staff are invited to attend. For more information, contact Denise Stuphin at x7846.

—Compiled by Frances Moore
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Sports Briefs

Trip to baseball game this Saturday

The Student Events Team is providing transportation to this Saturday's baseball game featuring Sacred Heart against New Hampshire College at Bridgeport's Harbor Yard.

Those interested should sign up in the Student Life office. The trip is free to all Sacred Heart students.

Rugby players wanted

Sacred Heart's women's rugby team is looking for players to fill its roster this season.

The women practice on the quad on Mondays and Thursdays at 2-4 p.m., Tuesdays at 3-5 p.m., Wednesdays 4-6 p.m. and Friday 4:30-6:30 p.m.

The team begins its season at crosstown rival Fairfield on April 24. No experience is necessary.

Those interested should contact team advisor Al Precourt at extension 7969.

Road race raises $5000 for charity

Sacred Heart student-athletes raised nearly $5000 for the Connecticut Make-A-Wish Foundation last Sunday.

The Third Annual Running with the Pioneers Road Race raised the funds to send a terminally-ill Trumbull child to Disney World with her family.

Senior Angela Perkins, president of the Student-Athlete Council, said the event was a tremendous success.

"We were really excited, this is the most we've ever made. We far exceeded our expectations," Perkins said.

More than 600 Sacred Heart student-athletes participated in the 5K race along with members of the local community.

"The money will be transferred to the Connecticut Make-A-Wish Foundation who will present it to the organization," Perkins said.

Ex-NFL QB addresses violent behavior among SHU athletes

By Frances Moore
A & E Editor

Don McPherson, a former NFL quarterback, and Heisman Trophy runner-up, spoke to University sports teams on April 7.

A star quarterback at Syracuse University, McPherson led the Orangemen to an undefeated season and a fourth place national ranking in 1987. He played for several seasons in the NFL for different teams.

McPherson is the National Director of the MVP Program, a program that teaches men about violence prevention.

His lecture dealt with violence issues between men and women, and various other gender related issues.

Don Cook, director of athletics at Sacred Heart, worked to arrange for a day when no athletic teams had games. The lecture was mandatory for all student-athletes.

It was Cook's hope that McPherson would raise awareness about campus-wide issues such as rape, sexual harassment and men's violence against women.

Catherine Collins, a junior from Bedford, N.H., enjoyed the lecture, saying that McPherson addressed the issue in an informative and interesting manner.

"It's an issue that's not often talked about. He presented it in a unique way, which made it highly effective," said Collins.

Ex-Amherst and Ex-Connecticut head basketball teams but they agreed on one issue: while the teams are fighting for the best possible results, the students and coaches were fighting for a better world.

Don McPherson addresses SHU students in his 1997 visit.

Compiled by Matt Duda

Gogarty sets goal-scoring pace for SHU

Ray Gogarty, a senior attackman on Sacred Heart's men's lacrosse team, leads the team in goals scored and is second in total points.

The Deer Park, N.Y., native has 19 goals and one assist this season. He exploded for five goals in the Pioneer's 14-5 win over Manhatten.

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Don McPherson addresses SHU students in his 1997 visit.
Lukowski nets goals on and off lacrosse field

By Adam P. Lagnese
Staff Writer

When Sacred Heart’s men’s lacrosse team faces off against an opponent, the opposing defense makes a note of where number four stands on the field. They know that if he is given room to operate freely, the scoreboard won’t read in their favor by game’s end.

Senior Chris Lukowski of Syracuse, N.Y., leads the men’s lacrosse team in scoring. The two-time preseason Honorable Mention All-American attackman has 13 goals and 11 assists.

In addition to leading the team in scoring this season, Lukowski has moved into the upper echelon of career scoring at SHU. Lukowski currently has 159 career points in his career as a SHU attackman.

Lukowski was also Sacred Heart’s male Rookie of the Year as a freshman and has finished in the top five in scoring each season. Lukowski ended the season with 48 points, including 14 goals and 34 assists.

His dedication and hard work paid off for Lukowski as he was voted “Most Dedicated” in high school and dedicated to the people around him.

The leadership Lukowski had shown in high school carried over to his college days. A lot of players, younger and older, look to Lukowski for that leadership.

“Chris is a leader on and off the field as well as in the classroom,” said Kevin Anderson, a teammate for three years and senior attackman from Levittown. “He is quiet and easy going and adjusting to the role of becoming a leader,” said Mariano.

Spaterella said that Lukowski’s leadership in the classroom by noting his academic consistency with a 3.3 grade point average.

Besides playing lacrosse and doing team workouts, he holds down a part-time job and is the treasurer of a fraternity,” he said.

One of Lukowski’s current teammates is junior Mark Letizia of Camillus, N.Y. Letizia, who was a teammate of Lukowski’s at West Genesee, talks of Lukowski’s commitment to the team and his comprehension of the game.

“Chris has always been very dedicated to the game,” said Letizia. “He has an abrupt understanding of the game too. As far as knowledge of the game goes, he is a step ahead of a lot of people.”

“The coaches took notice of his dedication to the team,” said Letizia. “That is why he is where he is now. He was also voted Most Dedicated in high school by the coaching staff.”

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Chris Lukowski
N.Y.

“Chris is a very accomplished player with great intelligence, dating back to his days at West Genesee.”

Junior midfielder Chris Spaterella from Garden City, N.Y., has been a teammate of I have Lukowski’s for two years. Even while in high school, Spaterella saw the leadership Lukowski imparts on the team.

“In my senior year in high school,” said Spaterella. “I went to a game where Sacred Heart played New York Tech. Chris had three goals and four assists. Right then, I knew how good he was. I was amazed that he was able to do that as a freshman.”

Spaterella said that Lukowski is an inspiration to him. “When I got to college, I used Chris as a role model as to how I wanted to be in my freshman year.”

Lukowski’s coach, Tom Mariano, knows how important his leadership and skill is to the team.

“Chris is an excellent player within our system,” said Mariano. “He works hard to improve his weaknesses, which is a sign of a very good player.”

“Chris also works very hard to improve his leadership. He is adjusting to the role of becoming an everyday leader for the team. He is quiet and easy going and I am going to have him to be a more vocal leader,” Mariano added.

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Lukowski will graduate with a degree in Criminal Justice this May and is considering attending law school next fall.
Spikers wrap up season

By Matt Duda
Sport Editor

When Scott Carter became coach of Sacred Heart's men's volleyball team in 1995, he inherited a program that faced mostly small Division III schools.

Now the Pioneers are one of the top Division I teams on the East coast.

With just one player graduating from this season's 18-11 team, Carter looks forward to becoming even better.

"This was the best season we've had regardless of record," Carter said.

Although SHU fell short of winning the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association Odeneal Conference crown, they were top for the lead most of the year.

Leading the Pioneer's charge was junior Brian Cotte, of Natick, largely in part to Cotte. "He knows how to make tremendous passes," Carter said. "He made it so the hitters could do their jobs."

Although Carter is happy with how the team fared, it's likely a better record would have resulted if injuries hadn't hampered the lineup.

Cotte, who entered the season fresh still recovering from arthroscopic surgery on his shoulder, suffered cartilage damage to his knee early in the year.

"It was frustrating," Cotte said. "We started off strong but we had a lot of injuries. It was frustrating that the team couldn't play to our potential because of that."

Vetro and another key player, Tom Czapinski, also missed action because of injuries.

That setback didn't hamper the team from getting better.

Brian Drew, a junior outside hitter from Braintree, Mass., said that this year's team came a long way in a short while. "We made big improvements from last season to this one," he said. "We beat a lot of better teams this year."

Carter is amazed at how quickly the team is advancing. "We're not taking steps," Carter said. "We're taking leaps and bounds. We're improving from year to year at a phenomenal rate."

Even if injuries do take some of the Pioneers, a wealth of quality athletes makes Carter comfortable with substituting. "In the past we had one or two go to guys," said Carter. "This year we had a deep bench. I felt I could interchange players who all had similar ability."

Two recruits have committed to playing under Carter next year. They'll join an already formidable lineup to create a force to be reckoned with.

"Next year we'll have the strongest lineup in the program's history," Carter said. "This is a team that's going to be good for two or three years."

Sports Schedule
April 15-April 21

THURSDAY
Softball @ Quinnipiac, 3 p.m.
(M) Tennis @ Queens, 3:30 p.m.
SATURDAY
Baseball vs. New Hampshire College, noon
(M) Lacrosse vs. SUNY Albany, 2 p.m.
(M) Tennis @ NECC Tournament.
Track and Field @ Tri-States Championships, Bryant College, 11 a.m.
(W) Lacrosse vs. Monmouth, 11 a.m.
Softball vs. NHC, 1 p.m.
SUNDAY
Baseball vs. Fairleigh Dickinson, 1 p.m.
Baseball @ Quinnipiac, 3:30 p.m.
Softball @ Siena, 3 p.m.
By Matt Duda
Sports Editor

Sacred Heart's men's lacrosse team bounced back from a pair of setback losses to post three straight solid wins.

The Pioneer's defeated Manhattan College, Lafayette College and Marist College after losing to Ohio State and Boston College. The Pioneers are 4-4 this season.

Against Manhattan, senior attackman Ray Gogarty led the offense with five goals. Gogarty's scoring propelled the Pioneers to a convincing 14-5 win.

Gogarty, a Deer Park, N.Y., native, has emerged as a reliable scoring attackman this season after his sophomore season with 19 goals and one assist.

The Pioneer's defeated Lafayette 9-7 and Marist 11-10 before bowing to Hartford 16-7at Campus Field last Saturday.

Sacred Heart led 6-5 at the end of the first half and scored the first point of the second before Hartford reeled off 11 straight goals.

The second half troubles that were displayed against Hartford are not a new dilemma that haunts the team.

With the season the Pioneers played well in the first half against several opponents before falling behind after halftime.

Lukowski said that the team's inconsistency prevents them from posting a better record.

"Any let down in a game can make the difference between being successful and being a disappointment," Lukowski says.

Sacred Heart is being outscored 41-37 in the first half, but opponents are topping the Pioneers 49-30 in the second.

SHU traveled to Ivy League power Dartmouth on Wednesday and returns home for a contest with Albany at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Campus Field.

SHU track teams tear past competitors

By Emily Greenough
Staff Writer

The outdoor track teams traveled to two meets within the past two weeks and hoped to return home with wins in each. The women won the Rhode Island Invitational last weekend before bowing to Hartford 16-7 at Campus Field, and the men took no points, many relay teams (both running events and field events) took top places.

Both teams also competed in the Williams College Relays this past weekend. Although there were no team scores, many relay teams (both running events and field events) took top places.

The women's hammer throw relay, consisting of sophomores Brandi Blevins and Andrea Klanko, and freshman Betsy Sleeth, with a combined distance of 373'10". Blevins threw a school record with her individual throw of 136'3". These three girls also placed second in both the discus throw and shot put relays. Freshman Mike Stanley also set a school record for the men's men's throw.

The jumping team also had some strong performances, and some interesting ones at that. In this meet, they competed in a jumpers-only 4x100 meter relay race. Both teams, consisting of Kerri Schmitz, Sara Keenan, Kaithlin Kisiel, and Meghan Warnock for the women, and Jason Reed, Shawn Keenan, Mike Benedetto, and Gaetano Marra for the men, won the event. Marra and Benedetto also placed first and second individually in the high jump, respectively.

Keenan, Benedetto, and Reed also finished second in the triple jump relay and third in the long jump relay.

Sophomore Michele Shawah pulled out her usual success in numerous jumping and sprinting events. Not only did she win the long jump and the triple jump, but she placed second in the 100 meter hurdles. She helped the women's triple jump relay obtain a first place finish, along with Sara Keenan and Warnock, pushed the long jump relay to a third place finish with Warnock and Schmitz, and also helped out the women's sprint medley relay, which placed fourth overall and set a school record. This team consisted of Shawah, freshman Heidi Cheever, Kisiel and sophomore Heather Stockton.

"Michele Shawah was a force to be reckoned with in this meet," said Coach Christian Morrison. "But there's nothing unusual about that. She's just a great competitor."

Junior Jen McGovern decided to explore the northeast this weekend, traveling first to University at Albany (catching a ride with the women's lacrosse team) to finish second in the 3000 meter steeplechase and place third. The team also won team titles in the Tri-State northwest Massachusetts to help the women's distance medley relay break the school record and place third. The team also consisted of freshmen Kim Almeida, Cheever, and Stockton.

The men's sprint medley relay, comprised of senior Carl Starzino, sophomore Matt Boyer, and freshmen John Sakowich and John Morash, placed third in the meet. The men's distance medley relay also placed third. The team was junior Brian Williams, senior captain Rick Janocko, Sakowich, and sophomore Greg Krynitschenko. Williams also placed third in the mile run.

"The team is beginning to shape up for the important meets just ahead," said Morrison. "I'm optimistic about our chances to win team titles in the Tri-State Championships and CTC's the next two weekends."

Luckie's number 250 next

By Adam P. Lagnese
Staff Writer

Due to the recent sweep of the University of Bridgeport by the Sacred Heart women's softball team, Coach Elizabeth "Bippy" Luckie has moved within one win of the 250 win plateau.

The team won by the scores of 7-2 and 11-0.

"I am happy," said Luckie, who is also the Associate Athletic Director. "But I'd feel much better if we were doing better as a team. As a coach, I set goals, but first and foremost, I'd like to see the team achieve success."

Luckie, who's current record is 249-160-3 (.608), feels that the first 200 wins came a lot quicker than the last 50.

"I attribute that to the transition the school has made with Division II to Division I. We have taken our lumps the last two seasons, struggling to find ways to win those close games. It is frustrating to see us losing, but we need to do the extra things to improve. My motto is practice hard and games are easy."

Luckie's players are quite excited for her and talked about how well respected she is as a coach.

"She gets a tremendous amount of respect from the team," said Karyn Fortier, a sophomore catcher from Southington. "And she deserves it. The upperclassmen prepare you when you first come in on how the team works, and how much pride and tradition there is to be a member of this team. We are her girls."

In the 11 years she has been coaching, Luckie has been one of the most successful coaches in Division II. She had guided the lady Pioneers to five New England Collegiate-Conference titles and five NCAA Tournament appearances. She was also named "Coach of the Year" in the NECC.