Freshman vote in
new representatives

By Danielle De Name and
Brian Carusoniti

Last week's Sacred Heart University student government freshman elections resulted in six new class officers and a 15 percent increase in voting over last spring's general and class elections.

Approximately 33 percent of all SHU freshman voted in the elections, compared to 18 percent of all SHU sophomores, juniors and seniors last election.

The newly appointed offi-
cers are President Tom Perez, Vice President Kenneth Harris, Secretary Bonnie Hanlon, and Senators Josh Slack, Curtis Geib, and Medusa Mezzina. 

Computer Senator and Treasurer position is available and interviews are being held this week. 

All the newly elected representatives said they are looking forward to the job ahead of them this year.

"I'd like to represent the Class of 2003 to the best of my ability... I hope to learn through the year how to be the best senator I can be," said Geib.

Some ideas they are hoping to address include expanding the mailroom’s hours and looking at Fisk's pricing policies.

Unity among the class was a common theme expressed by the new officers as well.

Hanlon said she is looking forward to getting to know everybody in the class and getting them to work together.

Editor's Note: Danielle De Name is News Editor and Brian Carusoniti is Co-Editor-in-Chief

Adult students get AHEAD

BY JERRY BOOTH
Contributing Writer

Adults in Higher Education Working for Accelerated Degrees program is providing an opportunity for night students to complete two to four year degrees in half the time.

The AHEAD program was created to give working adult students the ability to earn an associate or baccalaureate degree in business administration, finance, and international business.

"The AHEAD program is an excellent way for me to get my degree," said Jan Eccles, a freshman in the AHEAD program, who has returned to school after several years in the workforce.

"It's hard to get back into the study habits, but it comes back to you eventually. You have to get into their mindset," said Eccles.

The AHEAD program has helped bring it all back," said Eccles.

The AHEAD program consists of five terms per year. Courses run seven and a half weeks per term. Classes meet either two nights a week for two weeks per term. Classes meet.

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SHU students visit United Nations

Some SHU students walk around the United Nations Security Council last Sunday. The trip, sponsored by the International/Multicultural Center, brought a busload of students to Manhattan to visit the building and take a guided tour of the UN.

**AHEAD: Program helping older students move forward on a part time schedule**

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hours and 15 minutes or one night four for and a half hours. "The AHEAD program has worked out perfect for me. It is easy to fit the classes into my schedule. They don’t interfere with my work schedule," said Sue Maugeri, a junior in the program. The core curriculum is the same for all SHU majors, allowing students to take accelerated classes to meet core requirements. AHEAD classes are offered at five locations: the Fairfield campus, Stamford, Danbury, Derby, and Shelton. "The locations are great. I don’t have to rush from work to get to class," said Maugeri, who goes to the Derby site. "It’s nice that school is just five minutes away from work," said Eccles, who also attends the Derby site. Questions about the AHEAD program can be answered by the Continuing Education Office at 371-7830.
Incident Reports from Sept 24 to Oct. 5

Sept. 24: 3:35 p.m.- East Hall resident reported being harassed by other students. Residential Life and Bridgeport Police Department notified.

10:25 p.m.- South Hall fire alarm; received; no problem was found.

Sept. 25: 2:16 a.m.- South Hall fire alarm caused by discharged fire extinguisher.

2:37 a.m.- Fight in front of South Hall; Officers responded, dispersed the group, notified Residential Life.

3:52 a.m.- Fight at Parkridge; Officers responded, dispersed group, notified Residential Life.

11:30 a.m.- Officer observed a vehicle parked in the North Lot with a window smashed. Student owner located and notified, Fairfield Police also notified.

12:07 p.m.- Officer observed exit signs vandalized in Jefferson Hill apartments.

11:13 p.m.- Officer observed alcohol violation in the South Lot; Officer confiscated alcohol from underage students, dumped out the contents, and referred the matter to Residential Life and the Dean.

Sept. 26: 12:00 a.m.- Residential Life staff member reported a West Hall resident injured their ‘head’. Officers responded; student declined medical aid.

1:51 a.m.- Officers assisted Residential Life with disorderly, intoxicated students behind Parkridge.

12:54 p.m.- Resident of Parkridge Townhouse reported property stolen, but that they wanted to handle the matter on their own with the other students involved.

1:25 p.m.- Report of an injured soccer player on the field, 911 called. Fairfield Police, Fire, and American Medical Response Service responded. University of Maryland student was transported to the hospital with a head injury.

11:06 p.m.- East Hall resident reported receiving a harassing telephone call from another student. Public Safety Officers responded, investigated, and notified Bridgeport Police, who responded to investigate.

Oct. 1: 12:38 p.m.- Administration Buildings fire alarm; no problem was found. Buildings and Grounds Department notified of the problem.

3:50 p.m.- Employee reported she injured her hip while walking fast in the Main Academic Building hallway.

4:00 p.m.- Staff member reported a laptop computer missing from the Compu USA repair office; missing within the last three weeks, reported on Oct 1. Fairfield Police Department was notified.

9:08 p.m.- Officer reported someone vandalized the Parkridge Community Room bathroom.

3:50 a.m.- Officer observed a vehicle speeding in the Faculty/Staff Lot and they proceeded to the Tennis Court Lot and took a safety cone from the parking lot. The Officer retrieved the safety cone from the involved parties.

12:50 p.m.- Officer observed a minor motor vehicle accident in the North Parking Lot. A note was left on the vehicle that had been hit.

8:35 p.m.- Officer reported there was a dispute at East Hall Cafeteria between a resident and a cafeteria employee. Public Safety investigated.

Oct. 3: 1:30 a.m.- Fire alarm; no problem found.

1:51 a.m.- Parkridge resident reported her boyfriend was threatening her. Public Safety responded and informed the boyfriend to leave the premises.

10:59 p.m.- Officer reported a minor motor vehicle accident in the North Parking Lot; no injuries. Fairfield Police were called and responded.

11:34 a.m.- Neighbor reported Sacred Heart students renting a house on Indian Pace had a party and left cups and a keg of beer on the front and back lawn.

12:00 p.m.- Neighbor reported they heard loud noises near her house between the hours of 11:30 p.m to 12:00 a.m. She reported her mailbox has been broken three times. She reported there were cups left on her front lawn.

4:35 p.m.- Visitor at the Flea Market reported a University staff member driving a truck was speeding through the North Parking Lot.

4:43 p.m.- Jefferson Hill Building three trouble alarms were caused by burnt food.

10:15 p.m.- East Hall resident reported she was almost hit by a car while crossing at East Hall. Bridgeport Police were called and notified of the incident.

Oct. 4: 8:16 a.m.- Administration Building fire alarm; no problem found.

10:06 a.m.- Staff member reported his Casio CD/Cassette player missing from Buildings and Grounds.

Oct. 5: 2:37 a.m.- South Hall, third floor fire alarm; no problem found.
Editorials

Elections are pointless if students don’t vote

Well, once again the Spectrum is complaining about the lack of participation by the students of SHU when it comes to campus activities, particularly student government elections.

We find it hard to believe that the students here are so overburdened with work that they can’t devote one minute out of their day to vote in the elections. A visit to the Page on almost any given night doesn’t lend much credibility to that argument.

Props to the freshman for turning out in higher numbers this year than before, and supposedly, wiser classmates, but 33 percent voter turnout is still low and below national averages for many general elections. Let’s not even get into the 18 percent turnout we had last spring for class and executive board elections.

How are we supposed to know that the folks that hold the power in student government are the ones we as students want in office if 82 freakin’ percent of the students don’t bother to vote? But if students can’t even bus their trays in line, how are we to expect they’ll stop by the voting booth on the way out?

**Media Studies in dire need of improvements**

If there’s any major offered at Sacred Heart that is more neglected than Media Studies, we have yet to see it.

The Media Studies department consists of one classroom. The chairs are probably the most uncomfortable found on campus. Imagine having to sit for three hours in a cramped, uncomfortable chair while watching a movie. Even the Art Department, which protested vividly after it was denied space in the old gym, has much better conditions than Media Studies.

The Media Studies curriculum relies too heavily on theory and does not really teach students practical application that can be used in the working world. For example, several other universities teach students the ins and outs of using equipment such as sound boards, cameras, and other production equipment.

At Sacred Heart, the emphasis is put on studying the effects media has on the public. That may be important, but it probably will not help the student after graduation when hands-on experience becomes crucial.

The University needs to step back and seriously evaluate Media Studies. Either bulk it up or drop it.

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**Strict rules give university identity**

Those of us who went to Catholic school when growing up probably remember dealing with a litany of seemingly stupid rules. Many Catholic high schools still enforce a strict dress code or uniform policy. I remember serving at least one three-hour detention during my tenure at Bishop Ludden H.S. for a violation of this rule. I think the audacity was a denim shirt. I asked anyone who went to a public school for their opinion of their parish or school counterparts and one of the few things they’ll probably mention is that the Catholic school kids have to wear uniforms.

At the time, I went with the popular opinion that most of my high school’s rules were lame. Now I think differently.

Catholic schools are known for providing education that is cheaper, better, and more strict than what the public sector offers. Their reputation says that Catholic institutions are different, and should not be held to the same standards of public institutions.

It should come as no surprise, then, that Sacred Heart’s policies are different than those at public universities.

Yes, I know this complaint about the dry campus, strict inter-visitation policies and the like, but what would our institution be like without those policies?

It’s rules like these that separate us from the rest of the crowd. They are a part of what defines us as a Catholic institution.

Last year, there was a complaint that Health Services does not provide birth control to students.

Abstinence is one of the focal points of Catholic teaching. Why should SHU, a Catholic University, sacrifice the very values it is rooted in? If the answer is because its more convenient for the students’ lifestyles, then maybe that person doesn’t belong here in the first place.

It’s doubtful that any student at SHU was unaware that the place is Catholic when filling out the admissions application. It’s just as ridiculous to think that just because the university caters to adults that it will abandon its moral teachings to appease students’ cravings.

A popular argument is that since we pay $20,000+ to attend a college that just because the university student is unhappy unless it complies the rest of us look bad.

A friend commented the other day that people at Sacred Heart aren’t happy unless they are complaining. It’s fine to complain if the intention is to change the school for the better and not to compromise its values.

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**What entertainment act would you like to see at SHU?**

By Matt Duda

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**The SHU Voices**

By Jeff Murray

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Letters/Op-Ed

Students, staff need to take active roles in changing SHU

Dear SHU,

I love Sacred Heart. This is mostly due to the fact that I truly feel like a cornerstone member of the university community and therefore, the school reflects me in some way. I also like to think that it reflects the school. Yes, I do love SHU despite the fact that there are no parking spaces, the network is down, class size is too big, the dorms resemble Folsom. It seems lately as though there is a larger than normal amount of resentment towards the University about the increasing number of these failed services.

All I can say is that the squeaky wheel gets the oil. It is possible that the reason many of the issues are not being addressed to our satisfaction is because there is only a relatively small group of student proactively taking part in shaping university policy. Matt Deda wrote last week about the poor attendance at a Student Government meeting intended for the specific purpose of addressing these policies. We all have legitimate concerns, there are specific people on campus who are responsible for different issues and it is our responsibility as concerned students to approach them. The underlying belief is if something is truly important to you, you will act on it.

The faculty and staff, I encourage you to do what you can to tackle the willy walls that dissociate and separate our university community. Sacred Heart provides an amazingly unique opportunity in that we must all take an active role in society, if the university is to fulfill its missions.

Peter Attekey
Junior

Smokers should dispose of cigarettes properly

Dear Editor,

When I first visited this campus last year, the first thing I noticed was the beautiful landscaping. On Labor Day weekend, as we freshmen moved in, I noticed again that the landscaping was exceptionally well maintained. Well, now that we students have left and nature has been undisturbed, the condition of the landscape has been deteriorating.

The problem isn't the ground's crew. They do an excellent job keeping the campus clean. The problem is the students who are too lazy to put out their cigarette butts in the ashtrays. Instead, they insist on throwing their butts out in the surrounding area, especially on the walls that divide our rooms. Sacred Heart provides an amazing, unique opportunity in that we must all take an active role in society if the university is to fulfill its missions.

Karen Knaus
Freshman

Criticism of book intended to open eyes, not be sexist

Dear Editor,

I have been two weeks since I submitted the editorial which criticized the book entitled, "Women Philosophers," and since then there has been one student who has responded to it. I feel it is necessary to restate the central argument I put forth: that a book with this title openly declares it is not interested in the truth, for if it was, it would not have narrowed its search down to the works of only a few women.

My first criticism of this argument by requiring a book such as this, "the professor was simply attempting to expand the students' knowledge in one particular area of philosophy." But what area of philosophy is this? Science, for example, is composed of a number of areas such as physics. Nowhere in the field of science, however, will you find a area called, "women scientists" because the aim of such an area has nothing to do with the subject matter.

Her second point she discusses is her assertion that education is hierarchal. By hierarchal, I mean that we only study the works of people who have intellectually contributed the most to that subject. The only thing competing in the hierarchy is the individual works of scholars dedicated to a particular area of study, not the fields of study themselves. My critic tries to deny such a hierarchy by putting into competition the areas of study, and while I don't deny such a hierarchy, it is irrelevant to what I am saying.

She says that because she is studying congressional elections it doesn't mean that presidential elections are less important. I think that her professor had to choose between a number of competing texts. Some were better than others, and the professor chose the one he thought best. The competition here is between intellects and not genders.

I want to highlight that there is nothing intrinsically wrong with such a book, but I find a problem when it is placed anywhere but in a women's studies program. My critical seems to have reduced me down to a sexist trying to establish some kind of male superiority. I think she misunderstands my message.

Fred Mustafi
Senior

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Dear Editor,

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Amy Boss
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Weather Corner

FRIDAY

High 60 Low 41
Partly Cloudy

SATURDAY

High 64 Low 48
Mostly Cloudy

SUNDAY

High 64 Low 52
Windy

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The Spectrum
Recent study shows a 28 percent increase in students who smoke

Around four million college students around the nation smoke. The University study found that nearly 30 percent of college students, that is comparable to a total of four million students, smoke cigarettes. This represents a 28 percent increase from just six years ago. This is apparent among Sacred Heart students who think that smoking is a serious problem on this campus. Many students are concerned about the health of these smokers and the condition of the campus.

"You can tell how many students smoke from the overflowing ashtrays and the covered ground," said Francesca Davi, a junior from N.Y. who is a smoker. "I remember freshman year going out in front of South Hall and seeing half the freshman class out there smoking a cigarette," she added.

Even the Buildings and Grounds crew, who are delegated to clean up all the cigarette paraphernalia on campus are witnessing first hand the aftermath of smokers.

"I think it is unsightly," said Joe Rosa, supervisor of roads and grounds. "It is becoming hard to control," he added.

Rosa, who is a smoker, believes that it is the smoker's responsibility to clean up after themselves or herself.

"It seems that people who smoke don't care about the nonsmokers," said Rosa.

Some students have found that the smoking on Sacred Heart's campus has been steadily increasing in the past few years.

"I think that over the three years I've been here I've seen more students with cigarettes now than ever before," said Heather Comandini, a non-smoker from Hack N.Y.

"If I see three people walking to class it is guaranteed that one of them has a cigarette in her/his hand," she added.

"It is terribly depressing to see these college students smoking," said Kim Winter, manager of the tobacco control programs for the American Lung Association of Connecticut.

Winter attributes this to kids who start to smoke at an early age and are unaware of the various consequences of smoking.

"Those kids who started smoking when they were 10 are developing diseases such as lung cancer or emphysema in their 30's," said Winter.

The Counseling Center on campus is making programs to help students to quit smoking.

"Any student who chooses to stop smoking is to be admired for willing to try," said Sr. Anne Louise Nadeau, director of Personal Counseling.

Students can contact Sr. Nadeau and other members of the counseling staff by calling 371-7955 or by going to the center, which is located on Park Avenue across from East Hall.

The metal folding chairs that are currently in the studio will soon be replaced with newer, more comfortable chairs.

Unlike the tables located in classrooms throughout the Academic Building, single desks seem to be more functional in a multi-purpose room like the media studies room for screenings and hands-on productions.

Responsible for the upcoming change is the Vice President of Academic Affairs, Thomas Forget, and Eileen Bertsch, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs.

Forget said the new seating is just the beginning of some changes that the media studies classroom will undergo in the next few semesters.

"I will scour our available resources for this year to see if there is some way to make some immediate improvement, and I will seek improvement in this space in future planning," said Forget.

Some students feel that the University tends to overlook the opportunity to improve conditions in the media studies class-room and causes the department to be neglected.

Others feel that change is needed in the classroom and the way in which it is set up makes it very difficult to learn.

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Thomas Forget, vice president for Academic Affairs

"Being that most media classes are two and one half hours long, it gets very uncomfortable to sit there," said Mike Toto, a junior media studies major.

"New chairs wouldIndeed by a much needed improvement," he added.

Some professors lecturing in the Academic Building prefer separate tables and chairs instead of individual desks currently in use.

Bertsch is seeking to move new desks and chairs into the classroom as soon as possible. Despite some speculation that the new desks are long overdue, media studies faculty welcomes the improvement as well.

Jim Castonguay, a professor of media studies who formally taught at the University of Michigan, is used to teaching in large lecture halls and feels that although the equipment in Sacred Heart's studio is good, the lack of space in the classroom could provide some distractions.

"If you're not comfortable, you cannot learn," said Castonguay.

"But I think these new chairs will help the matter." Castonguay also said that the media studies department is working hard at looking at other classroom options as the University grows.

For now, the new change will improve conditions in the media studies room and allow students to concentrate less on discomfort and more on learning.

By Leann Doyle Contributing Writer

Media studies majors complain no more. The media studies classroom, located next to the Administration Building has long been criticized for its uncomfortable seating, which causes students to lose their attention spans.

But media studies students may be sitting pretty in the near future.

The new improvements are being made to media studies classrooms

By Megan Ambrose Contributing Writer

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College Republicans meeting coming up

The organization with over 1,500 active members in Conn. will be meeting soon. The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Oct. 17 outside the Mahogany Room. For information, call Alexis Harrison at 374-1170.

Celebrate Oktoberfest this Friday night

The German Coffeehouse is rescheduled for Friday night. 7:30 in the Faculty Lounge. Celebrate the start of the year with an evening full of sights and sounds of Oktoberfest. Live accordion music and traditional style dancing will be on tap. Gourmet coffee and tea will be served. Free for SHU students, general admission is $8.

Tango Around the World coming Oct. 14

Variations of the tango from Argentina to Europe are showcased by international artist, Antonella, at the Argentinean Coffeehouse on October 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge. A glamorous and unique presentation that will not fail to captivate your imagination. Live band accompaniment. Refreshments will be served. The event is free for SHU students with I.D. and $8 for general admission.

Fencing Team looking for new sign-ups

All men and women are encouraged to sign-up for the Sacred Heart University fencing team. The winter season runs from November to February and members participate on a Division 1 level. Practices are from 8 to 10 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at the Pitt Center lower level. For information, contact Coach Ciccarrone at 778-0808.
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LATINO HERITAGE MONTH '99

“UNITED WE STAND, TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE”

Tuesday, October 5th
Latino Film Series - 1st in a series of four movies
“MI FAMILIA”
A story about the struggles of a Mexican family in Los Angeles. (In English)
Join us for this movie over popcorn and soda. FREE
12:00 NOON, HAWLEY LOUNGE

Thursday, October 7th
Opening Ceremonies
THE OFFICIAL KICK-OFF FOR LATINO HERITAGE MONTH.
Rosa Correa, Director of Governor Rowland’s Southwest Office in Connecticut will present an inspiring lecture to our university community. Brief cultural performance to follow. Mexican and Peruvian refreshments served. FREE
1:00 PM, MAHOGANY ROOM

Tuesday, October 12th
Latino Film Series - 2nd in a series of four movies
“NIGHT OF THE ASSASSINS”
A play about revolutionaries in Cuba (in Spanish w/English subtitles)
Join us for this movie over popcorn and soda. FREE
12:00 NOON, HAWLEY LOUNGE

Thursday, October 14th
ARGENTINEAN COFFEEHOUSE, “TANGO AROUND THE WORLD”
Variations of the tango from Argentina to Europe are showcased by international artist, Antonella. Live band accompaniment. Refreshments and gourmet coffee served. FREE for students w/id. $8/General Public.
7:30 PM, FACULTY LOUNGE

Friday, October 15th
PINATA BREAKING
Try your hand at breaking a pinata - a papermache craft decorated with crepe paper and filled with candy and prizes. FREE
12:30 PM, DINING HALL

Sunday, October 17th
BILINGUAL MASS
Join us for a celebration of mass during Latino Heritage Month.
9:00 PM, OLD GYM

Tuesday, October 19th
Latino Film Series - 3rd in a series of four movies
“LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE”
A film about the struggle for love in a traditional Mexican family. (Spanish w/English subtitles)
12:00 NOON, HAWLEY LOUNGE

Sunday, October 24th
YOUTH CONFERENCE: “IMPROVING RACE RELATIONS”
A conference to cultivate positive relations across the divisions of race, religious affiliation and municipality. Join us for a chance to meet students from other universities and high schools to discuss issues on race and solutions. Dinner served. Participation is by reservation only. Please contact Sister Margaret Palliser at 371-7840
Coordinated by the Council of Churches.
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM, FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY (OAK ROOM)

Tuesday, October 26th
Latino Film Series - Final film
“THE FREAK”
Stand up comedy act by John Leguizamo. A monologue on growing up with strong Latin roots
12:00 NOON, HAWLEY LOUNGE

Friday, October 29th
A GRAND PERFORMANCE BY 25 MEMBERS FROM THE LATIN SCHOOL OF MUSIC WILL SWEEP YOU OFF YOUR FEET!
A variety show highlighting performances ranging from songs to dances like the merengue, salsa, and hip-hop.
FREE for SHU students w/id. $5/General Public, $3/students (non-SHU).
TIME: 7:30 PM, UNIVERSITY THEATRE

Saturday, November 6th
ANNUAL SEMIFORMAL, “NOCHE TROPICAL”
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Fall theater season starting

By Betania Magalhaes
Contributing Writer

Last week, well over sixty students gathered in the Schine Auditorium to audition for SHU’s fall theater production, “Critical Mass.”

Audition turn out was by far, the largest audition turn out to date. Theater veterans competed against a crowd of fresh newcomers for parts in the night of one-act play and music.

Eventually, a cast of fifty was selected, a SHU fall production record. Nine more students are involved as directors and production managers. As of now, there is no set in students produced, and a number of plays are directed by theater professors.

But it was a good day for the students. The invited guests of SHU’s theater were prepared for the students by the students. Be prepared for a night of side-splitting comedy and toe-tapping music.

In the spirit of student involvement in the theater, the Student Appreciation Night at “Critical Mass,” will be at 8 p.m. on Nov. 17.

If people cannot make this free Wednesday-night show, a weekend performance will be held. They are at 8 p.m. on Nov. 12, 13, 19 and 20, and at 3 p.m. on Nov. 21.

Carrot Top fires up SHU

By Matt Duda
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Last Thursday’s comedy act in the Pitt Center started with a bang, literally.

Carrot Top, the famed comedian/inventor, took the stage after a deafening explosion knocked the 700 in attendance.

The fire-headed comic held energy constant throughout the night. With elementary writing, I don’t want to spoil the surprise, after a violent physical altercation, Carrot Top assumed a new identity. "Fake beer? That’s no fun," Carrot Top complained.

"Maybe I’ll get into a fake fight later." Judging from the roars of laughter throughout the performance and the standing ovation at the end, it’s doubtful that many went home disappointed. "It rocked. I haven’t laughed that hard in a long time," said Cheryl Janus, a junior from Clark, N.J.

Shannon Pine, a Trumbull native and senior at Southern Connecticut State, said the $7 admission was well worth it. "I’ll get into a fake fight later."

The highlight of the night was a humorous finale that had Carrot Top dancing around the stage while dressing up like rock stars. While a collage of music blared, Carrot Top donned wigs and costumes while parodying Aerosmith, Pink Floyd, and other bands.

The only disappointment on the night was low attendance. "Emotionally Yours" and "Keep On Lovin' Me" can be seen at the Palace Theater in Stamford tomorrow night at 8 p.m. Tickets are $40.

At the Rich Forum, the Obie Award-winning new play "Dinner with Friends" will take center stage. This pre-Broadway production is about two couples losing and then finding each other.

For information on these events, contact the box office at 325-4466.

New movie is in jeopardy of losing viewers

By Frances Moore
A&E Editor

When I first saw the previews for “Double Jeopardy,” a film which is currently playing in theaters everywhere, I thought that it looked (excuse my bluntness) dumb.

Despite my reservations, however, I went to see it last week. I was not surprised to find that predictions were correct. I completely hated the movie.

I mean, come on, how many times are we going to see the story of how Tommi Lee Jones in this type of Fugitive-esque roll? His character is an ex-law professor, and current parole officer/alcoholic. He plays our hard-boiled hero, who puts his career on the line to help a wrongly accused felon, played by Ashley Judd.

Judd portrays a woman, wrongly convicted of killing her husband, whose main goal now is to get her son back. Though her character suffers unimaginable tragedies, her acting style could only be called dead-pun (an attribute that is wonderful (an attribute that is wonderful)

But it wasn’t the acting, or the actors themselves that I found so upsetting. Rather, it was the plot. It won’t seem to be in the perfect marriage, has the perfect best friend and perfect child.

This is only an illusion. Her husband organizes a plan to fake his own murder, and run off with his new love. He frames his wife so that their child will inherit the insurance money, and he and his love interest (which is, surprise, surprise, the best friend) leave town with the kid in tow.

Though sentenced to something like 30 years in prison, Judd’s character gets out on parole in just six years. She has figured out what happened, and is working on anything to get her son back.

She has learned from her new prison buddies that she can get away with murder, and without getting in trouble, since she has already been convicted of that crime, hence the title, “Double Jeopardy.”

After prison, she has to live in a housing complex for women who are out of jail or parole.

And you’ll never guess who the parole officer is. That’s right, Tommi Lee Jones, known in the film as “Layman.”

Right away they have a connection. She feels sorry for him after she hears of his hard life, and he secretly admires her strength, and believes that she is innocent.

She manages to escape from Layman, who is, apparently, the only officer of the law concerned with the recapture of this convicted murderer.

Layman’s pursuit of her leads him to New Orleans, where Judd has found her husband, who is living under an assumed name.

I don’t want to spoil the ending for those of you who are interested in seeing the film, but you can probably figure it out yourself. I will tell you, though, and I’m sure you’ll be surprised, after a violent physical struggle between husband, wife and parole officer, there is a happy ending.

With elementary writing, and mediocre acting, “Double Jeopardy” impressed me very much.

On the other hand, however, if you saw the previews, and thought it looked like a film you might like, then you’ll probably like it. But for me, my expectations were unchanged.
Community museum sponsors amalga of activities

Ridgefield's Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art is holding a variety of events this fall for the enjoyment of the community. All proceeds from these events benefit the cultural programs at the Aldrich Museum.

Art exhibit: "Faith: The impact of Judeo-Christian Religion on Art of the Millennium," opens tomorrow. The exhibit will explore the complex relationship of contemporary art to Judaism and Christianity. It will also highlight recent tendencies in art that are often ignored in the current art discourse because of prohibitions in the largely secular art world. The museum will present a symposium addressing the exhibition's theme at 6 p.m. tomorrow night, at The Drawing Center in New York City.

Apples and Art—What could be lovelier than a crisp, fall day at the beautiful Buckhorn estate in Pound Ridge? Bring your family, friends and a basket for all the apples you can pick in one of the area's loveliest sculpture gardens. The festivities begin at 12:30 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 9. Cider will be on tap with cookies and light refreshments. A personal tour will begin at 3 p.m. by the estate owners, giving artistic insight to their gorgeous outdoor contemporary sculpture collection.

Open-Mic Nights—New on the agenda this fall. "Rhymin' and Reason" will, for the first time, offer a series of open-mic evenings for poets. The first scheduled evening will be Oct. 15. The poetry open-mic nights are a great opportunity to open up the floor to everyone. Call a friend, and bring the page of your most recent work, and enjoy the evening of poetry open-mic talent.

Time Warp Films—Come for a fun journey beyond the storyline and into the implied, subtle work of the director. It's about a Saturday night out. Join host Peter Concilio Oct. 16 for the showing of the film "The Graduate." The show begins at 7 p.m., doors at 6 p.m. on Oct. 9. Cider will be on tap with cookies and light refreshments. A personal tour will begin at 3 p.m. by the estate owners, giving artistic insight to their gorgeous outdoor contemporary sculpture collection.

Tori Amos provides a blend of old and new songs in her most recent album, "to venus and back." The album opens with the turbulent "Bliss," a dissection of the complexities inherent in the relationship between a father and a daughter. Glistening with liquid synths, "1,000 Oceans" is a simple and beautiful love song, while "Glory of the 80's" chronicles Amos' halcyon days on the Sunset Strip, a time of big hair, baroque and a daughter.

One of the album's most powerful moments comes with "Juarez," a song born after Amos read an article in "The Guardian" (UK) in early 1998 about the infamous Mexican border town where several hundred women have been raped and murdered in unsolved incidents over the last decade.

As Amos and her band toured through Texas, the songwriter felt the psychic pull of the desert. "The voices were loud and clear," she recalls, "and they haunted me until I finished writing it." For the songwriter, "Juarez" serves as somewhat of a corollary to her timeless "Me and a Gun." Amos chose to write the song from a point of view of the desert because "the desert heard the last breaths these young women took. The desert heard the breathing of the killers as well. It's an antithesis to 'Me and a Gun' because the song was very much about the girl's perspective, and this is coming from a perspective that saw both sides."

"venus live. still orbiting," the second half of Amos' latest sonic excursion, collects an eclectic and mesmerizing assortment of Amos songs captured during 1998's "Plugged" world tour. Rather than a Greatest Hits in-concert souvenir, "venus live. still orbiting," compiles what Tori and her mates feel are the most special musical moments of their year-long trek around the globe.
By Ed Bourget
Contributing Writer

The Pioneer hockey season began last Friday night at the Milford Ice Pavilion. The third annual Red-White scrimmage was held to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Head coach Shaun Hannah not only used the game to solidify his roster for the upcoming season, but it served as a dual cause to raise money for charity.

Football: St. Francis edges Pioneers in waning moments

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The Pioneers will have many new faces this year. Making the squad were 12 freshmen. Seven forwards, four defenders, and one goalie. The freshmen have been working hard so far this year,” said junior Eric Drake.

“Hopefully they will improve our team so we can win some more games this year.”

Guarnieri: Junior goalie leads ECAC

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Fallon admits that Guarnieri hadn’t had to improve much from her freshman year.

“She’s always been good,” said Fallon. “She’s really quick, maybe her quickness has improved a little. Her confidence has also improved a little.”

“According to Fallon, it takes a certain type of person to play the position, and Guarnieri fits the profile.

“If it takes a certain type of person, the mental ability,” said Fallon. “She’s that type of person... she’s nuts.”

“She’ll come into the office, mild mannered. Then on the field she’s all attitude changes. She’s got that drive to win. She’s got that drive. She’s got that drive to win.

Fallon will look forward to not just finishing the season with the star, but having her around for one more year. “Good goalkeepers are hard to find,” said Fallon.

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By Matt Duda
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Last season Sacred Heart edged Northeast Conference foe St. Francis (Pa.) on a last-second field goal to give the Pioneers their first and only league win. The Pioneers found themselves in another nail-biter with the Red Flash last Saturday at Campus Field, but this time it was the opponent winning on a late score. St. Francis edged SHU 24-23 in front of 1,750 fans on Homecoming Weekend.

The Red Flash (1-4, 1-1 NEC) won their first NEC game ever after suffering defeat in 14 previous league contests. St. Francis had not earned a win since 1997.

"We had numerous chances to put the game away," said senior tight end Chris Wilkinson, of New Hartford, N.Y. "We’ve got to play 60 minutes of football." A nagging leg injury sidelined star tailback Khilene Cowan, forcing Wilkinson and sophomore Brandon Graham to lead the offense. Wilkinson scored two touchdowns, catching seven passes for 114 yards. Graham, of Waterbury, rushed 35 times for 113 yards.

Freshman Eric Hernandez started in place of Cowan. The White Plains, N.Y., native finished with 27 yards on 14 carries.

Senior Steve Ladd started at quarterback for the first time since suffering an injury in the Pioneers’ (1-4, 0-3 NEC) second game of the season.

Ladd, who hails from Newburyport, Mass., won 8-of-18 for 120 yards with two touchdowns and an interception.

SHU lit up the scoreboard first on a 3-yard touchdown run by Graham. The Pioneer defense responded with an interception by freshman cornerback Doug Geoffrey on the very next play from scrimmage.

Geoffrey, who had two picks in the game, returned the ball to the 10-yard line, setting up a Wilkinson touchdown and SHU’s leading rusher, #29 Khilene Cowan, didn’t play against St. Francis because of an injury.

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The field hockey team can’t quite catch up to its opponents this season.

Field hockey falls to Siena

By Kelly-Ann Franklin
Sports Editor

Down 2-0 to Northeast Conference opponent Siena College early in the first half, the Lady Pioneers found themselves in a familiar position. However, just before the break, Sarah Morris (senior, Augusta, Maine) launched the ball past Saints goalkeeper Nora Flasburg to lift her team up and give SHU some momentum for the second half.

But Siena took advantage of the Pioneers’ inability to capitalize on opportunities and was able to hold on in the end, coming out on top, 3-2.

"I think we played hard, and I think we dominated for the good part of the game," said assistant coach Mary Ellen Falcone. "We’re just having trouble putting the ball in the net right now."

That trouble can be seen from just looking at the statistics in this game alone.

Sacred Heart outshot Siena 18-13 and controlled penalty corners in the game, finishing the game with 16 while the Saints only had five.

"We had a lot of chances, I think the kids were hanging in there and trying hard," said Falcone. "But they just weren’t falling for us."

At least two goals were taken away from the Lady Pioneers when the penalty corner shot sailed high into the corner of the box. According to the rules, the shot off a corner must hit the 18 inch lower portion of the box to score.