**SOTUA elicits strong student reactions**

By Lori Singer  
Contributing Writer

SHU hosted the third annual State of the University Address last Wednesday. Anthony Cemera, president of SHU, along with a panel of various distinguished Sacred Heart vice presidents, deans and department heads were all on hand to respond to students' queries. It is a tradition at Sacred Heart to hold these forums in an effort to solicit feedback from the students revealing their concerns and their reaction to the new initiatives that have been undertaken recently.

Although the students' questions were vivid and varied, three main themes surfaced throughout the evening. A reoccurring mantra, "what am I getting for my money?" was issued as a challenge to the administration. It came in the form of tuition costs, FLIK costs, and the inevitable housing shortage.

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By Audrey Marrone  
Contributing Writer

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Approximately 30 cars, most belonging to SHU students were vandalized at Avalon Gates on Monday. The incident was first reported to Trumbull police officer Weir early Monday morning. An anonymous resident discovered her 1998 Saturn shattered and door lock damaged. She called the Trumbull police, who came to lock damaged. She called the

Many students feel the suspect acted out of vengeance towards SHU students.

Out of the 30 cars damaged, the majority belonged to SHU students or residents with out of state license plates. This might lead many to think they were cars owned by SHU students.

Weir said, "...the crime occurred somewhere between the hours of 4:30 to 5:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 4. Of these 30 vehicles vandalized, both back and front windows were shattered, the interiors ransacked and stereo pulled out and

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### Christmas Week 2000 in Full Swing

By Erica Bealieu  
Staff Writer

Last Thursday, kicked off Christmas Week at SHU. The Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony is the official start of the week of festivities.

Following the tree lighting, students made their way into The Mahogany Room for a SHU classic, Bingo.

Tracy Summers was one of the students attending Bingo Monday evening. "Bingo was fun and they had great prizes, and I wished I won something! Maybe next time."

The prizes included gift certificates to Old Navy, Abercrombie and Finch and the grand prize a CD player/stereo and FYE gift certificate.

The festivities extend until Monday night the band Mercy Creek opened for acoustic comedian Dave Binder in the Mahogany Room at 10pm. Both were a hit last year and were brought back by popular demand for this year.

Wednesday was Pub night in the Outpost. This evening, get ready for Family Feud. Teams of five will try their luck at trivia to win cash prizes in the Mahogany Room. Friday night there is a mystery event. Get together a team of 2-5 of your friends to meet in the Outpost at 8 p.m.

All events are free for students with a SHU ID.

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**Schedule of events...**

- International Holiday Cafe, 7:30 p.m., tonight, Mahogany Room.
- Family Feud, 10:10 p.m., tonight, Mahogany Room.
- Mystery Event, 8 p.m., Friday, Outpost.
- Helping Hands Party, noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, Pitt Center.
- Semi Formal, 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Villa Blanca.
- Jingleball, 11 p.m., Sunday, West Hall Great Room.
- SHU Players play, 8 p.m., Monday, Theater.
- Midnight Breakfast, 11 p.m., Monday, Flik.

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**2000 in full swing**

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**Italian Club cooking pasta**

By Amy Zanlungo
Contributing Writer

Pasta is an important part of Sacred Heart University. Why, you ask? Well, first of all, there are a lot of SHU students with Italian heritage, so they should understand the influence pasta has had on Italians, and more recently, Americans. Second of all, Circolo Italiano just recently hosted a homemade pasta making event, where we were all able to enjoy the benefits of homemade pasta (not from the box).

On Nov. 6 from noon to 5 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, Circolo Italiano had a wonderful turnout of approximately 20 people, who came and helped make fresh pasta all day. Almost 30 pounds of pasta was made, with an excellent salsa de pomodoro made by Italian Club Vice President John Fuoco.

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What is used in cooking the pasta can often reveal the region the cook comes from. For example, Tuscany is associated with basil, oregano for Naples, chili pepper for Romans, and saffron for Sicilians.

Despite the ingredients, most Italians still manage to find a way to stay thin, though pasta is thought of by some in the United States as being heavy and fattening.

**The Distinguished Gentlemen of Omega Phi Kappa Fraternity**

Wish you and your family Happy Holidays
Vandalism: Tighter security to be taken

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Service was another dominating focus of the address. From problems with registering for classes to late billing and financial aid packages being misplaced, the question of how these departments handled these situations was brought to the table. Each department defended their position and proposed future solutions.

Specifically, the University Registrar Douglas Bohn said that 15 sections were added in the last couple days to those required courses, which were initially closed. Registering online was introduced as an option for the future to make the process go smoother.

A representative from the Billing Department explained that "bills go out every month by the 15th, giving students and their parents ample time to meet the due date." She did add that she was working on getting a notice out, prior to registration, to "alert students" parents that registration is coming up, so they are not caught off guard.

The heads of the Financial Aid Department acknowledged, "document collection is a major concern in our office." They are trying to improve the efficiency of this process, but they just recently became fully staffed. Going forward, they encouraged students to personally hand them their documents, so that they can place them in the student's file immediately.

Overall, Cemera said, "we are trying to do a lot of staff training with staff people around the issue of customer service." He welcomed any suggestions that students might make to improve this vital area.

At the end of the evening, two petitions were handed to Cemera. One was a proposal by the members of Greek Life to have the rocks moved from where they are presently, back to their original location. Cemera said he would consider the request.

The other was presented by the SHU players, who noted that they were offended that Cemera failed to attend their production of Robin Hood. He responded that the advertising for the play in the Spectrum (specifically, the reference to sexual innuendo), made him question whether he would even be comfortable attending the play, or if he would feel obligated to shut it down.

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This car was another victim of the break in Monday.

Dean of Students Larry Wielk said, "The Trumbull police are aware along with public safety. Public safety has agreed to have an officer patrol the grounds late evening and early morning, with hopes of diminishing these problems."

"Avalon Gates Management has also agreed to add more cameras to the grounds in some unidentified areas. With these changes, we hope to instill back into the community a sense of safety," added Wielk.

Public Safety Releases

Incident report from Nov. 19 to Dec. 1

Nov. 19: 5:30 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a resident has a sore shoulder. Public Safety Officer gave resident an ice pack. Resident declined any other medical attention.

Nov. 20: 3:04 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a fire alarm. Public Safety Officers responded. Alarm was activated from burn food.

9:14 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a complaint about a theft of clothing. Public Safety Officer responded and filed a report.

2:48 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report about a theft of computer equipment. Public Safety Officer responded and is investigating.

3:53 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a complaint that a resident was receiving harassing emails. Public Safety Officer responded and filed a report. Public Safety Officers spoke with responsible resident and Residential Life is taken care of it.

4:10 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a resident was having chest pains. Public Safety responded. Resident declined any medical illness.

4:53 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a resident's door was vandalized. Public Safety Officer responded. Informing Building and Grounds and they fixed the door.

Nov. 21: 12:55 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a complaint that a resident was not feeling well. Public Safety Officer responded. Resident was transported to St. Vincent's Hospital via a friend.

Nov. 21: 1:06 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a resident was not feeling well. Public Safety Officer responded. Resident declined any medical attention and will see health services.

12:15 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a student was disorderly. Public Safety Officers and Fairfield Police responded. Staff member was escorted off campus and informed never to return.

1:50 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a person was trespassing. Public Safety Officers and Trumbull Police responded. Person was escorted off property.

1:50 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a person was trespassing. Public Safety Officers responded. Individual left without incident.

3:01 p.m. - The Public Safety Officer received a complaint that a VCR was taken. Public Safety Officers and Fairfield Police responded and are investigating.

Nov. 22: 12:09 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a complaint of stolen clothes. Public Safety Officer responded and is investigating.

1:34 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report of a suspicious person walking around. Public Safety Officers were dispatched. Person was not found on campus.

Nov. 23: 11:53 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a fire alarm. Public Safety Officers and Bridgeport Fire department responded. Alarm was activated by accident.

Nov. 24: 10:12 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a fire alarm. Public Safety Officers and Bridgeport Fire department responded. Alarm was activated by accident.

Nov. 24: 10:41 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a fire alarm. Public Safety Officers responded. Alarm was activated from a malfunction.

Nov. 29: 4:25 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a complaint that room was vandalized. Public Safety Officer responded and filed a report. Public Safety Officer responded.

1:45 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report of a motor vehicle accident. No injuries.

5:30 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report of suspicious activity. Public Safety Officers responded and investigation is pending.

7:46 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report of a motor vehicle accident. No injuries. Public Safety Officers and Bridgeport Police responded and filed a report.

Nov. 30: 4:22 p.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a student was having chest pains. Public Safety Officers, Fairfield Fire Department, and AMR responded. Resident's chest was hurting from taking diet pills. Student declined transport to hospital.

Dec. 1: 1:09 a.m. - The Public Safety Office received a report that a resident was not feeling well. Public Safety Officers responded. Resident declined any medical attention and RA's stated they would take care of the resident.

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Editorials

Remember the Holidays are a time for giving

No matter what religious holiday you are celebrating this time of year, we should all be thankful for the opportunities we have. Not many people in the world can afford a 20-plus thousand dollar a year education, but we can for the most part. We don’t expect the student body to all of a sudden stop complaining about their various gripes about SHU, but it’d be nice for the few weeks leading up to Christmas time.

SHU students don’t realize how good they have it. The average student doesn’t have to worry about paying for rent, food or their education. The biggest dilemma facing many is which bar or club to go to on the weekend.

We’re not saying the lives of SHU students are not without problems that deserve sympathy, but many so-called issues that students complain about really aren’t that bad if you look at the big picture. For the most part, we don’t have the real world pressures that those around us do.

College is our last stop before the real world hits us in the face. Chances are, our lives won’t get any easier, so we should live in the moment and enjoy what our lives have to offer.

Can Cernera really shut down a play?

One of the issues from the State of the University Address we found disturbing was Anthony Cernera’s, president of SHU, comments about the play ‘Robin Hood’ and why he did not attend.

He said that due in part to the advertising of the play in the Spectrum, which mentioned the sexual nature of the play, he could not attend. If he were to attend and find it offensive, he said he would be forced to shut it down.

We realize that SHU is a private institution and the First Amendment doesn’t hold the weight it does at public universities, but come on, Dr. Cernera. The play was lighthearted, funny and very tame in sexual nature. Much tamer than many of the films shown in the Schine. When was the last time you threatened to shut down any of those films?

The SHU Players bust their collective humps year in and year out to entertain the SHU community with their work and comments like that about a play you didn’t bother to attend is unfair and uncalled for.

Living off campus can be beneficial

I currently live in an off campus, and it has been an experience thus far that I know will not only make me a more responsible person, but one that I know can be beneficial to all SHU students.

First and foremost, living off campus builds character. The article talks about how they are responsible for ensuring toilet paper in the bathroom and dishwashing liquid near the sink. Guess what, come graduation, there is no housekeeper, and there is no machine that will change your toilet paper for you.

Developing healthy lifestyles in college can only introduce students to the real world. One that involves cleaning up after yourself and supplying your own toilet paper.

Secondly, the general cost of a person to live off campus, in a 12 month lease, is roughly $375 per month. If you do the math and multiply this by 12 months in a year, you come up with less than the amount of a full time resident student.

The bills alone are a definite expense, but phone, cable, electric and oil averages out to be about $60 per month. Figure that one out; it’s still less than the room and board fees at SHU, or any other university for that matter.

The most influential reason as to why a student might opt to move off campus is the entire residential life housing process. I am lucky enough to have never gone through this process.

However, the negative feedback from my fellow peers is easy to detect. It causes trouble among friends, it’s stressful, it takes a long time, it’s not fair, and most of all, it’s down right annoying.

I am not saying that it is better to live off campus, and that I will have a better college experience because I have done so.

I am merely challenging the writer of this article to get the facts straight before expressing an opinion like this. Landlord problems aren’t the facts straight before expressing an opinion like this. Landlord problems aren’t the facts straight before expressing an opinion like this. Landlord problems aren’t just that one out; it’s still less than the room and board fees at SHU, or any other university for that matter.
Letters/Op-Ed

Equestrian team deserves coverage

Dear Editor,

I do not understand why the equestrian team is never covered as a regular sports article. The team also does not get covered for Unsung Hero or SHU Athlete of the Week.

I have never once seen a Spectrum come out to a show to cover it. Instead, the Spectrum asks an Equestrian Team member to summarize how the team is doing for a Sports Brief.

Almost every other team gets coverage, but the Equestrian Team does not. Not many people know that SHU has an Equestrian Team.

Equestrian is considered and emerging sport in the NCAA. They practice once a week at a barn located off campus and are required to work out in the gym twice a week.

On weekends, the team travels from Connecticut to Long Island for horse shows that run from the fall to spring.

The Equestrian Team is as unique and dedicated as any other team. They should have an equal opportunity to make it in the Spectrum.

The second issue I believe deserves some space in the Spectrum.

Rugby coverage and Flik deserve attention

Dear Editor,

There are two topics in particular I feel deserve more attention in the Spectrum. The first would have to be the food situation. I know that it is a topic that has been raised before, but I feel there has never been any satisfactory answers. I know from friends and other students that the food here is sub-par. Personally, I feel the students at SHU deserve a definitive answer on the whole food situation.

The Spectrum wants to wish our Business Manager Andy Erhartic a very happy 22nd birthday from his friends and co-workers!!!

CHERRIES!!!!!!

The Weather Corner

Friday
Partly Sunny
Hi 45 Lo 30

Saturday
Cloudy
Hi 44 Lo 31

Sunday
Sunny
Hi 42 Lo 33

Congratulations from CCO to the following

CCO Representative of the Month- Amanda Veautour
CCO Club of the Month- Women's Rugby
CCO Program of the Month- Blood Drive
Greek Organization of the Month- Beta Delta Phi
Greek Council Representative of the Month- Lauren Pacello
Senator of the Month- Dave Parkin

Parking still tight

Dear Editor,

It’s cold, it’s wet and it’s far. These are the thoughts that go through my head when I step out of my car outside Parkridge. I say the word outside, because that’s where I am, outside. I didn’t have enough credits to receive a parking spot in the Jewish Community Center, and I sure didn’t have enough credits to receive a parking spot at Parkridge.

Thinking that this year wouldn’t be so bad because I wouldn’t have to pay for parking and I could just park on the road across from the Townhouses, I wasn’t so unhappy about the situation.

Then one morning, I went to my car and found a ticket placed under my windshield wiper. This wasn’t a ticket from public safety; this was a ticket from the Bridgeport Police Department.

Andy works hard... and plays harder.

The Spectrum wishes to congratulate the following:

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The Power of Art

By Keysha Whitaker
Features Editor

For the past ten years Sophia Gevas, Director of The Gallery of Contemporary Art, has been dedicated to heightening the Sacred Heart community’s appreciation for the arts. Gevas has played an instrumental role in initiating programs to serve the SHU community through The Gallery of Contemporary Art. The Voluntary Percent for Art Program, The Collection, and Art Walk and Sculpture on the Grounds, are three examples.

According to Gevas, The Voluntary Percent for Art “is something that was started when Dr. Cenera first came and we started to build more buildings.”

Gevas explained the State of Connecticut has a program called Percent for Art and how SHU decided to participate.

“A lot of states across the U.S. have this program, but not all do,” said Gevas. “The state’s program says that one percent of construction costs of any public building, whether it’s a police station, courthouse, public library or university, must be set aside for artwork.”

“The artwork may be found inside the university, or outside. Since we aren’t a state school we weren’t required to be a part of this. But the willingness of the university to set aside money to voluntarily take part in the program was a testament to the university’s belief that the arts are a very important part of a liberal arts education.”

Gevas intended to incorporate art into every aspect of construction of new buildings at SHU. Renowned artists David Phillips and Helene Brandt contributed to this.

“Our idea was to have something that people could sit on or lounge on as well. For example between South and West Hall, the arches created by Helen Brandt could be sat on, or used for people to meet there.”

Starting the collection depended primarily on donations. Gevas worked to begin an investment for the University.

“I thought that if I could talk to enough collectors or dealers, we could make a case for people to donate art works for the university art collection to enhance the hallways and enable people to view contemporary art on a daily basis,” Gevas said.

Gevas compared viewing art in the hallway to taking an art history class. “When you take an art history class, you usually view the on slides, everything is the same size. Experiencing art in its actual size brings a whole new perspective.”

Though it is not an easy task to acquire artwork, various factors may influence an individuals’ or corporation to support the collection.

“People donate for various reasons. They may like the University and want to do something nice for us, collectors may have run out of space and need to make room for new pieces, or the artist may like to have their own work featured in our collection,” said Gevas.

How does the former SHU teacher develop ideas?

“I try to think of what would have been a great resource as a teacher. Some of these things include The Collection in the hallway, or The Gallery that you could refer to when teaching, or the lectures that benefit campus and community members.”

Gevas reflected on her eleven years with The Gallery of Contemporary Art.

“I started The Gallery and we were able to develop it over the years. I would say that in spite of difficulties, having great support from the administration to create the programs that I think are important has been rewarding.”

By Kristin Lee
Contributing Writer
Community Profile

Everyday students walk the halls of Sacred Heart amongst members of faculty and staff. Though, these individuals may be our professors, advisors, and coaches, there is still so much about them that we do not know.

There are many members of the Sacred Heart community who have done something exciting or interesting in their lives. Alvin Clinkscales, Special Assistant to the Dean of Student Financial Assistance, played for the Harlem Globetrotters for three years in the early sixties.

“We traveled to 48 states, most of Canada and parts of Mexico,” said Clinkscales. “We visited and entertained some of the biggest prisons in the country, played football stadiums like the Orange Bowl and in arenas made entirely out of corn in the Midwest.”

Clinkscales was recruited by the University of Bridgeport, by talent scouts from the Globetrotters.

“I got to meet all kinds of different people, see different places, and play with guys who are now life-long friends,” said Clinkscales. “The experience changed my whole life and put me on a path in life that allowed me to end up at Sacred Heart University.”

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First year, field hockey coach, Tara Jelley has also taken her athleticism on the road.

A 1994 graduate of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, Jelley has played field hockey at both the national and international level.

She has trained with the United States field hockey team for the past four years. She competed with the team in 1998 and 2000, and was a reserve team member in 1999. In 2000, the team failed to qualify for the Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia when they placed sixth at the qualifying tournament in Milton Keynes, England.

Besides representing the United States, Jelley has also played with both the Pinoke Hockey Club in Amsterdam, Netherlands in 1997 and the St. Albans Hockey Club in St. Albans, England in 1999. After spending two years as an assistant coach for the University of Connecticut, Jelley has brought her talents to Sacred Heart and taken over the reign of head coach.

Clinkscales and Jelley are examples of some of the extraordinary men and women at Sacred Heart University.

Students who take the time to know faculty and staff may be surprised at the facts they learn.
remembrance: remembering as a child

by Brandon M. Graham

nothing being more interesting than meeting a stranger
nothing being more comforting than receiving the chill from a familiar pillow
and lying in the warmth of your own bed

nothing being more enjoyable than having sleepovers
nothing being more saddening than watching friends and neighbors move

nothing being more heartbreakng than the loss of an uncle
nothing being more confusing than inoperable cancer and the definition of terminal illness

nothing being more intriguing than death itself, and the attendign of funerals

nothing being more valuable than family

nothing being more secure than resting on the shoulders of a father
nothing being more unstable than...

nothing being quite so unstable as i remember as a child

nothing being more disappointing than the fact that we all were living in Projects

nothing being more challenging than those youthful years

when i was searching for a way out of the ghetto

nothing being more persistence than bill collectors (lights had been turn off, phone disconnected)
nothing being more constant than the sight of liquor stores on every corner

nothing being more agonizing than seeing the emptiness that lay in my mother's eyes
nothing being more rough than the collapsed hands of a working father

nothing being more complex than the reasoning behind the question: if God is omnipresent, then where does evil exist?
nothing being more essential than two older brothers who continuously raise the bar opposed to just sitting in one

nothing being more divided than time, simply just growing up
nothing being more wrong than hating differences

nothing being more hurtful than the day i was called a nigger on the playground
nothing being more harsh than the reality of racism... my first not my only encounter

nothing being more distant than adulthood

nothing being more troublesome than simply remembering as a child

Nothing being more agonizing than the emptiness that lay in my mother's eyes.
Jim Carrey just continues to outdo himself time and time again. Each character he portrays on the silver screen becomes more and more difficult to grasp a hold of.

Carrey has won two straight years at the Golden Globe awards for best actor for his roles as Truman Burbank in “The Truman Show” and as Andy Kaufman slash Tony Clifton in “Man on the Moon”, the story of the life of Andy Kaufman. And just this past summer Carrey played Charlie and Hank, a man with multiple personalities in the latest Farrelly brothers known for “There’s Something About Mary” and Dumb and Dumber”, hit comedy “Me, Myself and Irene.”

But in the Thanksgiving mountain landscape where the Grinch resides, both were done with great detail and both added great depth to how well the film was completed.

As for the story, just a tiny bit of exaggeration was added to the story. We now find out why the Grinch became what he is known for “a grumpy, unfriendly Christmas thief.”

By John Ruggiero
Staff Writer
Film Review

Godsmack releases new album to delight of its hardcore fans

By Keith Zdroiowy
Contributing Writer
CD Review

October 31 was filled with ghouls and ghosts, candy and parties. It also saw the release of GODSMACK’s new album, ‘Awake.’ This highly-anticipated from the album four-member rock band is certainly not going to disappoint any fans. The all male group has filled this CD with heavy guitar riffs and heavy, fast paced drum beats. When compared to their last CD, they have created a heavier sound for themselves, as evident in songs such as “Awake,” and “Sick of Life.”

Though GODSMACK has created a heavier sound, they still include some melodic tracks, with a slower beat, and some bongos. In track 11, “Spiral,” the main percussion instrument is a bongo set and a rattler. Another slower track, almost hypnotic in its notes is entitled, “The Journey.” It features the sound of a piano, only playing about six notes in the higher octave very slowly.

The four members of GODSMACK are all believers in the religion Wicca. Wicca is of course the belief in witches and magic. Many members of this religion view halloween as a sort of holy day. This would be the reason for the October 31 release date. There practice of Wicca has also greatly influenced their songs. Songs like, “Bad Magic,” and “Vampires,” are direct evidence of the Wicca influence.

An added feature on this CD that is good for computer users is interactive program on the CD. After inserting the CD into the CD-ROM on your computer, a little window pops up.

The goodies inside this Program are a series of interviews. The user can click on a songs title, and the band tells some of their feelings about the particular song. This is a must for any real fan. The interviews are video clips, taken in the recording studio during the recording process.

Over all the CD is an A+. From the lyrics, to the music, and the added features for the computer user, this CD is a well-rounded package.

By Allison Shaughnessy
Contributing Writer

WHRT- Straight from the heart

“I am disappointed because I feel as though my efforts to entertain the school are unappreciated and go unnoticed,” said Keri Nastri, a sophomore from Ocean-side, NY about her position as a disc jockey on WHRT 91.5fm.

WHRT 91.5fm is Sacred Heart University’s student run radio station. Nastri, a Media Studies major and thought that the student DJs need to keep up the station serious.

Terry Walden, a senior from Bridgeport agrees. He believes the university should support WHRT 91.5fm more so, but also said that the student DJs need to approach the privilege of disc jockeying with more responsibility. He suggested workshops be held to teach and enforce the standards that are expected but often not kept for the student DJs.

There has been talk of moving the transmitter from the top of Curtis hall to the top of East Hall, which would enable WHRT to be received with in a three mile radius. As of now, WHRT can only be received in the Aademic building and in both South and West halls.

Sophomore form White Plains, NY, Ali Dunkley said that she would listen to WHRT if it could be reached in East Hall. “I enjoy the music in the hallways though,” said Dunkley.Although WHRT is a university station, it must follow Federal Communication Commission (FCC) rules and regulations, which means that with a wider radius, DJs must conform to certain station expectations, such as no foul or demeaning language.

WHRT’s station manager, Justin Lear, a senior from Jefferson, NJ said that the transmitter will be moved to East Hall only if it is wireless. Although the station managers are pushing hard for a larger radius, the decision is left in the hands of Buildings and Grounds.

Lear said the station is in the process of upgrading itself with a new switchboard and CD player to allow the station to preform as well as a real station.
Big things going on for SHU Players

By Danielle Moreau
Staff Writer

Though the Fall 2000 semester is coming to a close and most people are running out of wind, the SHU Players have just received a big breath of fresh air.

Paul Newman, at the suggestion of Darice Wirth in honor of her niece June Krumholz, recently sent the SHU Players a contribution of $5000.

The check was sent to us with good wishes for continued success in our endeavors.

And on to our next endeavor... How SHU Stole Christmas! Two great nights of one act plays and holiday songs are coming your way this Monday and Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Both shows are free admission, and Tuesday’s show will be out in plenty of time for Midnight Breakfast!

Take a quick study break, or enjoy yourself a bit before you begin your studying.

So come one, come all, to the SHU Players final show of the year 2000: How SHU Stole Christmas!

Ski and Snowboard club ready for action and snow

By Jason Reid
Contributing Writer

The Weather has turned cold, so this means it’s time to sharpen the skis and wax the snowboard and join Sacredheart’s Ski and Snowboard club.

The first trip of the year was held on Sunday, December 3, 2000, at Mt. Killington in Vermont.

It might be hard to believe but Mt. Killington was packed with powder snow and has been open for more than a month now.

The Ski and Snowboard club meets every other Tuesday night in East Hall and is run by sophomore president Carrie Hills from Southington. Hill's states, “We run fundraisers, and do community service to keep the club running.”

One fundraiser that is currently going on is called ‘When Will It Snow?’

For a dollar you pick a date and if that date is when we receive our first inch of snow, you will win a gift certificate to Abercrombie.

The club also runs bake sales here at SHU functions. To remain a club and receive money from the school the active members must participate in community service.

Sophomore Brian Jennings from Montvale who is a member of the club states, “I enjoy doing the community service as a group, it looks good for the school, and the club.”

Another item is the spring fundraiser that is currently going on is called ‘When Will It Snow?’

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The Ski and Snowboard club has many events including skiing at various mountains, also lessons are given by professionals.

The semi Formal will take place at 7 p.m. on Dec. 9 at Villa Bianca. Mandatory bus for everyone attending.

SciFi kickin’ old and new school

By Brian Corasaniti
Editor-in-Chief
CD Review

Many times I hear that if SHU students were to have MTV and top-40 radio taken away from them, they would never hear music again.

I am convinced if an artist is not Billboard-ranked, then they will never be discovered by our student population.

Luckily, we have some local bands that provide a much needed breather from the trapings of commercial music.

SciFi Lullaby is one of those groups of talented musicians. After playing for the past few years in the Northeast, these Connecticut (and Staten Island in one case) natives have released their debut full-length album, The Drying Pole. The album mixes a great blend of rock, with some cool violin riffs and even some hip hop stylings courtesy of vocalist and MC Jaime Herman.

The album moves from the upbeat to the mellow to the straight up funky. The highlight of the album is “Worst Nightmare,” a rap infused rock track with one of the catchiest choruses I’ve heard in any song.

To learn more about these guys, log onto http://www.ctbands.com and check out more about the Northeast’s best kept secret.

SHU Players’ Spotlight

As the Fall 2000 semester winds down, the SHU Players are still going strong. Currently the student theater group is working on their final show of the semester: “How SHU Stole Christmas.” This show will be a collection of ten minute one act plays, along with many Christmas melodies for all to enjoy.

“How SHU Stole Christmas” will take center stage on Monday, December 11 and Tuesday, December 12. Both shows will be at 8PM, and admission is free of charge. Donations will be accepted. So, take a break before finals, and get ready to close out the semester with a fun night of music and acting brought to you by your SHU Players!

Danielle Moreau
The men’s ice hockey team is back on track after tying Fairfield (2-2) on Saturday and beating Bentley (5-3) on Sunday. Sacred Heart is now undefeated in its last four games and they have one remaining before the break.

The Pioneers played Holy Cross this past Tuesday and Fairfield at home tomorrow night at 7PM. It is a non-conference game and the next MAAC game will be on January 5 against the United States Military Academy at West Point.

"After the loss to Quinnipiac, we set a team goal to go unbeaten until the break," said sophomore Jesse Saltmarsh. "We need to make up some ground in the MAAC standings."

The Pioneers have been successful so far, and gained three points over the weekend.

Sacred Heart wrestling takes tough loss as Millersville wins 24-17 last Sunday

By Keri Blair
Sports Editor

Millersville defeated SHU, 24-17 this past Sunday, winning six of 10 matches in both teams’ dual meet debut.

Millersville won the three of the first four matches to mount an 11-3 lead.

A technical fall by sophomore Anthony Reynolds, Berlin, over Bud Punman in the 184 match gave the Pioneers a boost, as they trailed 8-1. Reynolds improved his record to 8-3 on the year.

Shawn Reynolds, Berlin, at 157 pounds defeated Bryand Hardtred, 10-4, to up his record to 8-3 as well.

SHU was down 8-24 and was mathematically eliminated from winning. 133-pounder Jason Cucolo, Milford, and freshman 141 Tommy Howe, Danbury, still out wrestled their opponents to end the match just seven points behind.

"Millersville is a good school with a great program," said Anthony Reynolds.

"Last year they beat us on our pretty good winning 43-3. This year we really closed the gap and showed them what
Women’s ice hockey wins four straight games

By Kristin Lee
Staff Writer

The women’s ice hockey team has won four straight games as they have posted a 5-3 record (3-1 conference) so far this season.

Both Wesleyan and Conn College were blanked this past weekend in 4-0 and 6-0 losses at the hands of the Pioneers.

Sophomore Kristin Dudenbostel (Fairfax Station, Va.) started the scoring off just five minutes into the game with the assists going to sophomores Rori Jean (Peabody, Mass.) and Angela Vahs (East Lyme, Conn.).

That is all the Pioneers would need, but not all they would get. Six minutes later, senior Sarah Bergin (Keene, N.H.) took off down the ice to score an unassisted goal putting SHU on top 2-0 to end the first period.

Fourteen minutes into the second period Jean Knocked one in off a pass from Vahs. Then just four minutes later, freshman Annie Katz (M.N.) tallied an unassisted goal off a pass from Yuhas.

That wasn’t good enough for the Pioneers as they doubled the score in the third period off goals from Dudenbostel, Bergin and Jean.

Freshman goalie, Taryn Catania (Wood-Ridge, N.J.) recorded her first career shutout as she stopped 17 shots.

“We are constantly improving,” said Derleth. “We are going to use these wins and head to Middlebury this weekend."

Interview: Coach Bike tells his plans for this season

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Q: What are some challenges this team will face?
A: It is a win-or-lose situation in sports and we just need to get over the hump. We have changed the attitude of the team from last year and we are not as fragile. We have more confidence in ourselves as a team, in our individual skills and in our

Sacred Heart given three of 2000 NEC football major awards

By Keri Blair
Sports Editor

Sacred Heart University’s football has received recognition for its unbelievable turnaround season.

SHU received three NEC major football awards as well as naming three players to the All-NEC first team and seven to the All-NEC second team.

Sacred Heart University’s football head coach Jim Fleming has been named Northeast Conference’s “Coach of the Year” as well as the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Region 1, Division I-AA “Coach of the Year” this past Monday.

Fleming executed the country’s best turnaround this season, improving the Pioneers to a 10-1 record overall and a second place finish in the Northeast Conference.

The NEC honored him twice this season as Rookie of the Week, in October and on Nov. 20.

Junior tailback Marvin Royal (Pleasantville, N.J.) was named NEC Defensive Player of the Week, on Sept. 18, for his 13 tackles against Central Conn.

First-year student Brian Pawlowski (Branchburg, N.J.) was named Defensive “Rookie of the Year.”

Pawlowski has been one of the reasons the Pioneers finished second in the nation in scoring defense, with a 13.4 ppg.

Two times this season Pawlowski returned fumbles for a touchdown, including a 70-yard return against St. John’s and a 35-yard return against Monmouth.

Pawlowski finished the year with 78 tackles, two tackles for a loss, two sacks, five pass breakups, four interceptions, one fumble recovery and two fumble recoveries.

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Junior tailback Marvin Royal (Pleasantville, N.J.) was named first team All-NEC and is featured in the Nov. 20 issue of Sports Illustrated, in the

Face of the Crowd, section. Against Iona College on Oct 28, Royal made his mark in the SHU record book as he led the way with 302 yards rushing and four touchdowns.

In that game Royal broke the mark for yards gained in a game, set back in 1992. He also set school-record, for rushing touchdowns, in a game and yards of total offense.

For his efforts he was named the Northeast Conference Offensive Player of the week, for the second consecutive week.

The week before, he amassed 136 yards and two touchdowns, including the game winning TD in overtime, over Albany. He was also ECAC Offensive Player of the Week, and Don Hansen’s Weekly Gazette co-offensive Player of the Week kudos.

Royal has become the single-season rushing leader with 1,025 yards on 208 carries.

Junior Kibembe Cowan (Woodbridge, N.J.) was also named to first team All-NEC.

After leading the Pioneers in rushing the last two seasons Cowan changed to defensive back.

Cowan contributed to the team’s success on defense and special teams recording 47 tackles, one tackle for a loss, six pass breakups, three interceptions, three caused fumbles, and two fumble recoveries. He also led the Pioneers in kickoff returns with 25 returns for 568 yards and one touchdown.

Cowan named to second team All-NEC were junior wide-out DeVeren Johnson, junior offensive lineman Chris Hevey, sophomore defensive lineman Shaun Halburd, sophomore defensive lineman Kyle St. George, sophomore kicker Tim Redican and junior punter Mike Kraft.

SHU Athlete of the Week

Paquet’s hat trick lifted Pioneers to a 5-3 victory over Bentley Sunday

Sophomore Martin Paquet, St. Catherine, Quebec, scored three goals this past Sunday in the 5-3 victory over Bentley.

For the 2000-2001 season, Paquet was selected to the pre-season second-team All-MAAC team.

In the 1999-2000 season Paquet was named MAAC Offensive “Rookie of the Year.”

Nominate an Athletic Unsung Hero

I am looking to recognize the athletic “Unsung Heroes” which grace our campus.

I briefly define an “Unsung Hero” as an athlete who is found on the field before anyone has arrived and remains long after all have gone.

It is this athlete whom the coach and players rely on. For the players this athlete is somebody who can play when they cannot.

This athlete holds the character of a genuine competitor, ultimately hoping to help their team win.

They create something to be a part of, something to take pride in.

Anyone can nominate an athlete who they feel is an “Unsung Hero.” You can email suggestions through campus email to Keri Blair.

Sports Schedule for December 7-14

Saturday

Women’s Basketball
@ Wagner
1:30 p.m.

Men’s Basketball
@ St. Francis
7 p.m.

Wrestling
@ Binghamton
10 a.m.

Tuesday

Women’s Ice Hockey
@ Manhattanville
7 p.m.
SHU men's basketball struggling for wins

By Keri Blair
Sports Editor

The Sacred Heart men's basketball team looks to step forward as they head into their second season in the NCAA D-I conference.

The Pioneers will look to leading contributions from 6-foot co-captain senior point guard Kurt Reis, who averaged 5.7 points and a team-high 4.4 assists last season, along with 6-foot 10 junior center and co-captain Tim Welch, who had 11.2 points and team high 8.3 rebounds.

This season head coach Dave Bike is looking to senior swingman Marijus Kovaliukas and junior forward Andrew Hunter, "who has been impressive in preseason," said Bike.

Kovaliukas scored 26 points in SHU's preseason matchup with the BBC Stars. He was 8 of 14 on the evening, including 5 of 7 from behind the 3-point line.

The team will also look to a class of six freshman to help better the team and program.

On Nov 27 the Pioneers fell to Rider 85-63. SHU led by one point, 17-16 with 11:02 left in the first period, but Rider was able to take the jump for good.

Reis passed a milestone in his career, reaching his 300 assist on a jumper by Kovaliukas. He ended the game with 301. Reis ranks third among current NEC players in career assists.

On Nov. 30, SHU hosted Monmouth and had several season firsts in the game. It was the first time this season that the Pioneers had played a Northeast Conference opponent, the first time a team member has a double-double, and the first time the team had the lead at the half.

Unfortunately they couldn't come up with their first win of the season, as Monmouth won, 68-54.

Hunter shot 7 of 15 from the field for his season's first double-double, 16 points and 14 rebounds.

Kovaliukas has 16 points and four fouls to end the night. This past Saturday SHU fell 74-73 to Fairleigh Dickinson, at the William H. Pitt Center.

Hunter led the Pioneers with a gamehigh 23 points, including 17 in the second half.

Hunter also pulled down 10 rebounds, to earn the double-double.

Kovaliukas posted 13 points including 3 of 4 from behind the 3-point arc.

Sacred Heart is next in action tonight when they begin a two game swing with Robert Morris at 7:30 p.m. and St. Francis on Sunday at 7 p.m.

On Monday night at the William H. Pitt Center, a crowd of 603 saw one of the best basketball game they were likely to see as the women's team took on top team Georgetown.

The Pioneers led 27-25 at the half after both teams struggled to produce offensively.

The Hoyas were able to come back and lead the second half scoring 45-25.

Georgetown made just 9 of 25 field goals for the half, while Sacred Heart was 11 of 36.

The teams combined were 22 of 37 on free throw shooting for the evening.

The Pioneers were led by sophomore forward Brook Rutnik (Albany, N.Y.) who had 15 points and eight rebounds on the night.

Center Tara Brady (Wescosville, P.A.) gathered 12 points and six rebounds, and senior forward Heather Coonradt (Interlaken, N.Y.) ended with 10 points.

Head coach Ed Swanson has turned around the program since taking over in 1999.

The women's team looks to senior co-captain Abby Crotty who returns to the point guard position along with senior forward and co-captain Heather Coonradt as their second year contending in D-I unfolds.

Other key players the Pioneers will look to are forwards junior Leslie Newhard and 1999-2000 All-NEC newcomer Brooke Kelly.

Sophomore forward Brooke Rutnik will also make an impact with her well-balanced attack.

The center positions will be handled by sophomore Tara Brady who averaged 6.7 points and three rebounds per contest last season and 6 foot 3 newcomer Rachel Andreas.

The Pioneers are 2-4 and will open its conference schedule this Saturday with a 1:30 p.m. game at Wagner College.