Merger dialogue with UB continues

By Frank Mastromonnini
Editor-in-Chief

Dialogue between Sacred Heart University officials and University of Bridgeport administrators continue in a joint effort between the two schools geared towards reviving UB.

Sacred Heart’s original proposal of a “flexible transfer policy” for UB students has since escalated in proportion.

In a written proposal, Sacred Heart has expressed considerable interest in the law school as well as other UB programs. Included in the proposal was SHU’s interest in taking over the law school and other university programs while leaving them based at UB’s South End campus.

According to James P. Lyddy, SHU’s Vice President for Institutional Advancement, people have aided the merger efforts. “We’re pleased things have reached this point,” he said, “and we appreciate the opportunity to play an important role as the spring semester gets under way.”

Sacred Heart University’s merger with UB would be a final attempt to halt the school’s deteriorating enrollment and continued financial problems. UB reached crisis levels when twice they entered court for permission to free restricted endowment money to meet its payroll. Efforts to tighten its budget, the school has since laid off close to 100 employees and has eliminated 31 academic programs.

Upon elimination of these various departments, an onslaught of defecting UB students to SHU was expected but never materialized. According to SHU Director of Admission Bill Jenkins, “3 or 6 full time students have transferred from UB for spring 1992.”

UB is relying on a loan from a consortium of local banks to keep its doors open.

According to UB spokesman Walter Wager, told to the Bridgeport Post, “the banks are looking for more financial information before making their decision.” He added that, “the bank consortium, which loaned UB $12.7 million in 1989, talked with UB and SHU about their plans for a partnership.”

“They want to see a joint venture that would in reasonably short order lead to a positive balance sheet as opposed to a deficit every year,” Wager said.

Providing the bank loan goes through, UB would likely announce the linking of the two universities. The loan would make a permanent partnership obtainable by September 1992.

The Arnold Bernhard Arts and Humanities Center, on the campus of the University of Bridgeport, may become a component of Sacred Heart University by the fall of 1992 if a proposed affiliation between the two schools goes through.

According to James Lyddy, plans call for SHU’s continuation of most of UB’s programs.

This plan would allow UB programs already existing at SHU to be combined and UB programs not offered at SHU to be incorporated.

The attempted takeover of UB’s law school has led to much debate.

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Sacred Heart debate team takes on the world

By Philip Trahan
Editor-in-Chief

Six SHU Debate Society members travelled to Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland to participate in the annual World University Parliamentary Debating Championships, held between January 1 and 7, 1992.

“I’ll definitely dance a jig,” said Kate Keegan of Fairfield. Accompanying Miss Keegan were Stratford residents Matt Brovander and Rick Jackson, Tyra Johnson, Shane Medeika of Westport and Paul Perille of Trumbull.

With excitement about attending the Worlds, Mr. Perille stated; “We’ll be meeting with the prime Minister of Ireland, and the mayor of Dublin, plus having an intellectual exchange and socializing with top students from around the world. This is not a field trip. This is tantamount to the SHU basketball team going to the Division II finals.”

After their return, Mr. Perille told The Spectrum that he was “it took a day to get used to the form of debating used, but we had fun. However, I was amazed at the amount of American bashing we saw. They even burned our flag!”

The trip to Ireland, funded by the Debate Society Booster Club and the university, was the seventh World meet for SHU debaters. Debate coach Dr. Gary L. Rose, PhD., associate professor of Political Science founded the debate society in 1983.

About Dr. Rose, Kate Keegan said: “He not only makes you learn, but he makes you think.”

Of her own debate experience, Keegan states: “I fell in love with debating as soon as I got involved. As a debater, you become more in touch with what’s going on in the world...politically, philosophically, economically. You read more widely, and in depth, and instead of just knowing that there is high unemployment, you pay attention to why and what can fix it.”

Of debating, Tyra Johnson, the president of SHU Debate Society said: “I even do it at home,” I kind of spark up family discussions. But that’s good. Instead of letting everything go by, everyone has input into what’s happening,”

Johnson continued: “In debates you sometimes have to defend an issue you don’t believe in and that helps you look at the other person’s point of view instead of having a closed mind and one judgment.”

While admitting to being a big talker, with anyone, at anytime, Matt Brovander emphasizes that listening is a big part of parliamentary debate. “By listening carefully, you learn how to flow,” he said, “which means to be alert to the key points made by the opposition, to write them down and then be able to get up and build a case against them.” A debater can use notes at the podium, said Brovander, who served as a judge at the Worlds.

Also serving as a judge at the 1992 Worlds, will be Shane Medeika who agrees about the importance of a flow sheet but noted that at a recent tournament a blind debater, unable to see the writing technique, had performed admirably and won her match.

“She listened and retaliated very well.”

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NEWS BRIEFS

RAP WITH A REP.
Rep. Christopher Shays (R-4) will be on campus on Thurs-
day, January 16, 1992 between 11:00 am and Noon, in the
Community Room of the Campus Center. This event is being
sponsored by The College Republicans. All students are urged to
attend.

PILGRIMAGE PLANNED
A pilgrimage to the Holy Land is planned for June 18-July 10,
1992 through the Chasidic Renewal Office. This pilgrimage
will visit Jerusalem, Cena, Nazareth, Gethsemane, Mt. Tabor,
and several other biblical sites. Features include a boat ride prayer service on the Sea of Galilee, 3-meals/day. First Class Hotels and many extras. The all inclusive price is $2490.00. Deadline for the $500.00 deposit is February 28, 1992. Five further information write or call: Chasidic Office, 238 Jewett Ave, Bridgeport, CT, 06606. (203) 372-4301, ext. 359.

SEILERS' ADDS ENTRIES
Starting January 20, 1992, Seliers' will begin serving Watchers Lunches in the Hot Entree Area. This use in conjunction
with the "GETTING IN SHAPE" program which is now being formed in conjunction with the Jewish Community
Center. Participating students will have access to locker rooms, swimming pool, weight room, racquet ball and squash courts. This special membership will be subsidized by the University. Membership from Feb. 1 to June 30, 1992, will cost SHU students $50.00.

For more information stop by in front of the cafe between
January 21 to January 23, 1992 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Mitch Holmes, the Coordinator of Advisement stated that there is a 100 student minimum. It is hope many will show interest.

1992 LEGISLATIVE OUTLOOK
A symposium sponsored by The Center for Policy Issues of
SHU will be held on campus on Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1992 between
4:00 and 6:30 pm, in the Community Room of the Campus
Center. Participants include State Senator Georgejpg
and Mrs. B. Jackson. The program will be moderated by Dr. Gary L. Rose, Ph.D. Associate Professor of
Political Science, at SHU. For more information, and to reserve a
place, call 371-7751.

SENATE MEETING SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED
The schedule for this semester's Faculty Senate Meeting is
provided below. Meetings will be held from 11:00 am to 12:30
pm in Room A until further notice. Please mark your calendars.
- January 28, 1992
- February 11 and 18, 1992
- March 17 and 24, 1992
- April 14 and 21, 1992
- May (TBA).

SPECTRUM DEADLINES
The Following is a list of deadlines for the remainder of the
semester Spectrum issues.
- ISSUES
- January 23, 1992
- January 30, 1992
- February 6, 1992
- February 13, 1992
- February 20, 1992
- February 27, 1992
- March 6, 1992
- April 1, 1992
- April 9, 1992
- April 23, 1992

Stamford campus continues to grow

Two years ago, the administration made the decision to move
the Stamford Campus from Westhill High School to the
University's own facilities at a former St. Basil's High School.
Since then, the small campus which served as coed campus in
Fall 1990, and only offered selected courses, has grown by leaps
and bounds.

In November 1990, Dr. Rich-
ard Farmer, Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Educa-
tion, hired Michael A. Arnold
to direct the Stamford campus. Mr. Arnold has served as an
adjunct instructor of English for SHU since 1984, and was Dean of
Continuing Education at Albertus Magnus in New Ha-
ven. During the Spring of 1991, the University applied for, and
was awarded a grant to fully fund a full A.A. and B.S. degree pro-
gram in Stamford.

Dr. Farmer, through the efforts of Mr. Joe Sladek of the Accounting Department, Mr. Arnold, and Dr. Farmer, the Stamford campus is being formed in conjunction with the Jewish Community Center. This event is being
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controversy. Area universities, local politicians and city business
leaders have all joined in on the controversy.

The Stamford campus serves as home to 8 individuals infected with the HIV virus which can result in AIDS. Ms. Kathy Majersky and Ms. Celia Lobozza chaired this event which featured a full holiday meal
with all the traditional favorites. The Continuing Education
Student Council assisted with funding which helped the group purchase gifts for the residents.

In addition, Stamford campus students and faculty donated money, food, and gifts to add to the holiday cheer. Michael Arnold, Director of the Stamford Campus commented: "Our students share Dr. Cemera's active interest in community service. We think we all agree that a college extends beyond the class-

room. Our students need to learn tolerance, understanding, and compassion as part of their educational program."

Both Ms. Majersky and Ms. Lobozza also expressed that they hoped this activity helped educate their fellow students on the plight of peoples with AIDS.

The Stamford campus plans to make this annual event with the assistance of the Continuing Education Student Council.

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of Bridgeport's law school Terrence H. Benbow has repeatedly
suggested that the law school would opt towards a merger with Quinnipiac College rather than
SHU. Recently Quinnipiac has raised its offer for the law school to $6 million.

At press time, negotiations be-
 tween all parties were still ongo-
ing. A permanent solution to the ongoing problem is still being worked on. Any further developments will be re-
ported in The Spectrum.

Debate: Blarney valiantly tossed in Ireland

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Medeika credited debate for helping him in his school sub-
jects. He had already given an oral report about Saudi Arabia and
the professor commented to the class, "This is the type of speech I want you from you." He meant that students should look at the audience in-
stead of reading from their written text," explained Medeika. "In a big debate, we learn that eye contact is a big factor." Rick Jackson said that debating

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skills are good tools to have and the sooner you learn them the bet-
ter prepared you'll be. "I'll admit that a novice debater can suffer

cracking voice, sweaty palms and butterflies but usually it can be

handled after awhile. Now I can talk in front of anyone." Jackson continued: "Debate experience also helps you be more vocal in class. You're not afraid to raise your hand and ask a question or participate in discus-
sion. The support we get from each other in the Debate Society builds that kind of confidence. We

win, lose and grow together." "Debating is an excellent thing to do in a combat zone," commented Paul Perillo. "You have to be sure of the facts, state them in the right order and don't let your opponent slow you down. Back up and hammer you. I love it!"

Dr. Gary Rose, Ph.D., the coach of the Debate Society said: "In addition to the benefits of com-
peting among the world's best, members of the Debate Society have been extremely engaged in a rich cultural experi-
ence. In my view that is the true benefit of the World Debate Tournament."
Club Happenings

Club Happenings is available for use by all clubs on campus. To get in your club's listing, drop off all pertinent information to the Spectrum office. The deadline for all notices is the Wednesday before the publication date of the desired issue. All submissions will appear on a space available basis and will be given attention in order of receipt and timeliness.

Historical Simulation Society

On Saturday, Jan. 18, the HSS will be hosting a gaming convention in conjunction with the Connecticut Gaming Club in the SHU cafeteria. Gaming will begin at noon and will end at midnight.

The games to be featured will be Axis & Allies, Civilization, Diplomacy, and Risk/Castle Risk, among others. War miniatures may also be present and anyone wishing to participate is welcome to bring their own games also.

This event is free and is open to all SHU students, faculty, staff and their guests. Those from HSS in attendance will be more than happy to try to answer any questions that a novice war/strategy gamer may have, and no one need be an expert at these types of games to participate.

A competitive tournament may be held with respect to one particular game at the event. If this happens, a nominal fee for entrance into that particular game may be charged to cover the cost of the trophy. These tournaments are the exception, not the rule, so participation in them is entirely optional. All other game participation is free of charge.

I anyone expects to stay late, it is recommended that he brings food or money for dinner. For more information, contact Ritch Flynn at 361-1480.

Spectrum Newspaper

It's the beginning of a spring-fresh semester, and everyone's excited to be back in school! Why not celebrate the new semester by joining the Spectrum newspaper staff! Anyone in the SHU community is welcome to hop aboard our ship of journalists and set sail with one of the most recognized, awarded college newspapers in New England.

Many positions are open, including writers for sports, news, features, arts and entertainment, ad representatives, and editorial positions. There is no excuse not to join the Spectrum staff.

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Features

Observations from a Broad

By J. Broad

Columnist

As usual, I was merely at

tempting to improve my mind.

I was reading a local paper, catch-

ing up on current events and kill-

ning time before "This Week with

David Brinkley" came on. I, like

many college students, spend my

weekends keeping abreast of

world news, and consider it my

civic duty to be well informed —

as long as it doesn’t involve get-

ting up before noon or missing the

football game.

This particular morning I was

reading a heavily technical, in-

depth article on the resurgence of

plaid in the fashion world, when a

large red box in the lower left

corner of the page caught my at-

tention: the personal ads.

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One-hundred twenty days

Mark your calendars. Between Jan. 16 and graduation on May 16 there are only 120 days.

Don’t let this semester slip by without helping to make a mark on SHU while you’re here. In the 120 days that are left, have some fun, and watch for the countdown in each issue of the Spectrum.

Be able to say, “I’m glad I did,” instead of “I wish I had.”

New Dorm Newsletter

The No-Name Newsletter, as it’s temporarily titled, started publication on the last Tuesday of the fall semester, and will continue a weekly publication this spring.

The newsletter, as its slogan states, is “the voice of the dormitories at Sacred Heart University.” It serves mainly as a journalistic communication for the dormitory students, but will probably be of interest to everyone on campus.

Dean Connors, the founding editor-in-chief, printed a breakdown of the new newsletter in the first issue.

The most commendable idea is the “Heart to Heart” section, an editorial arena where students can write to the administration to express criticism.

Hopes are high that the administration will respond to letters published in the newsletter, for any attempt to improve communication is a step in the right direction.

The No-Name Newsletter, soon to be renamed through a contest (how about the Curfew Courier?), promises to be a welcome and profitable addition to the SHU community, and we at the Spectrum wish it unlimited success.

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The University Must Be a Safe Environment, Free of Verbal Intimidation!

AND IF SOME DON’T AGREE?

Intimidate Them Into Silence.

by, Philip Trahan, Editor-in-Chief

Was It Slander?

Is the written word dead? Is our society becoming functionally illiterate through the usage of audio-visual devices? Have we, as a society, lost the concept of how important the written word really is, or has it passed into oblivion?

With today’s scholastic statistics dropping for those completing high school, and for that matter college, it is very important that the current media trend that is in progress continue to urge students who dropped out to complete their basic education at least through high school.

Nonetheless, the issue of television’s and the importance of completing one’s education is nothing new. This has been an issue which has been advocated by both the media and the American public. It has been the focus of many political and educational campaigns. An example would be the portrayal of George Bush to be “the education president.” It was a crucial issue for the 1988 presidential campaign, and it will continue through the school day and year to total 270 days. We are far behind our counterparts in the knowledge of basic math and language skills. This might mean the institution of core curriculum (such as that on the collegiate level) to broaden the knowledge of the next, and of slander, I offer as my sources: Religious News Service, Catholic News Service, an article from The Danbury News-Times dated October 5, 1991, and an eyewitness account which appears in the student publication in the editor section in this issue.

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by, Tom DePietris, future, generations.

Americans can no longer afford to let any students fall through the cracks of the educational system. We must meet the needs of our students, whether this means preparing the students for college, or the work place.

To further supplement this cause, the appearance of many actors on T.V. addressing this issue, along with notoriety given to special volunteers who have contributed their efforts to this cause, has begun the slow elimination of functional illiteracy. We still have a long way to go in addressing this problem.

So how does one remedy the situation?

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Dear Editor:

I am an eyewitness to the atrocities that have been taken against the Orthodox Church, particularly in Slovakia.

To be brutally frank, Fr. Keleher would state that Greek Catholics are puzzeled, dismayed and gravely hurt because, in truth, their identity as Catholics has been compromised.

I have had the privilege to talk with the towns of Czechov, Mihalovec, Sariske Jastribre and Kleinov, were embarrassed at the way their own Greek Catholic Church was behaving towards the Orthodox.

Things have changed a great deal since Fr. Keleher went there in 1988. There has been a revolution, new leadership, new economic policies, in fact the Iron Curtain of communism, as we know it, has fallen. Shame on you Fr. Keleher, for not even following up on the most recent events and changes that have taken place in Czechoslovakia. Should you have decided to continue your efforts for turning a deaf ear to the cries of help that the Orthodox Church has tried to bring to the West.

The Orthodox Church has no quarrel with the return of property to the Uniate Church. After all, Fr. Keleher's visits were forcibly taken from them, and given to the Orthodox, by the communist government. However, to-day the orderly transfer of property must be observed, and the rights of both sides must be respected. This was not done under the communist regime. Just because this was not observed by the communists is no reason that it should not be observed now. For example, the Uniate Church, in 1950 was not the Orthodox Church, as many imply, but rather the communist government.

Facts are these facts. Prior to 1946, most Slovaks and Rusins were Orthodox. Only after suffering for many years under extreme political and economic persecutions by the Catholic nobility did some Orthodox Churches leader gather together and agree to a Union.

The reason Cyril and Methodius went to Rome was because the Latin Rite Germaine Catholic nobility were directly persecuting, and interfering with, their missionary efforts. They were not a Catholic, one was told, to tell these zealots Catholic to stop interfering with their missionary efforts.

The reason that the Orthodox were in such a small number after 1646 is simply because if one was not a Catholic, one was treated as a second class citizen. Do I need to tell of the incident in the city of Skopjev? This naturally, the property was given to the Uniate Church.

However, this property was not how the transfer of property occurred. In the spring of 1991, the Uniate priests began to impede other parishioners to enter the church and remove all icons, candle stands, and everything that was Orthodox. Several items were dragged to the rectory of the Orthodox priest, Fr. Cuper. The people broke into the rectory and threw everything into its hall-way. What could not fit into the rectory they left in the alley way.

After this, the Illampi Uniate priest proceeded to the tabernacle where he removed the consecrated reserved sacrament and threw it into the hallway. Even the Uniate faithful were horrified at his actions because it was from this very same tabernacle that they, only a month before, had received the Eucharist. The priest stated that it "(the Eucharist) was unholy things now.

How do we know this? Because we were told by both Greek Catholic and Orthodox eyewitnesses.

Do I need to show you the photographs I took of the icons and candle stands that were thrown into the rectory? Do I need to show the other picture of how Latinized this church has become since this Basillian Uniate priest was placed there by the Greek Catholic Bishop of Presov, Jan Hirka?

Tell me, why is it that the Uniate priests are allowed to enter Eastern Europe in many places, but not in America? Why are the priests in Czechoslovakia kept in the dark about the enforced celibacy here in the United States? The Uniate priest in Klimov could not believe that the Uniate priests here in the United States are prohibited from marrying?

Is it that the Uniate, and Catholic Churches, portray the Orthodox Church as a Christian sect? Why are Sts. Cyril and Methodius, enshrined in the Greek Catholic Uniate Church s, you Fr. Keleher, as a Christian priest in their sermons? Do we, as Orthodox, portray the Catholic Church of the Uniates because of its collaboration with the Nazis?

As two churches who supposedly profess the teachings of Jesus Christ, what kind of a witness do you think we make for the many millions of people coming out of communism in Eastern Europe? How do they hear about our two faiths is our bickering and fighting over church property?

Let us move on and get to work preaching and teaching the Gospel of salvation to the many millions who need it.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Fr. Luke Mihaly Holy Trinity Orthodox Church.
Major Bluegrass concert series to open at SHU Theatre

By Chris Nicholson
Associate Editor

"So scared the thrill will be gone/But I'm the one who keeps the pressure on." So sings Richard Marx in his autobiographical song "I Get No Sleep," from his third album, Rush Street. The song expresses the feelings Marx has experienced since he ended his Repeat Offender tour in Aug. 1990, when he decided he would take a break from recording before working on his next album. That schedule would have put the release date for his new album in early summer of 1992, but due to the pressures within himself to keep his fans interested, the album Rush Street was released last Nov. 26.

The songs on Rush Street are easily sorted into two groups: there are some fabulous, innovative new sounds from Marx, and there are a group of songs that sound almost exactly like his previous albums. The sound-splits are good songs, it's just that they don't sound any different than what he's already done in the past.

One of the highlights of the album is its array of guest artists. Luther Vandross' voice as a back-up vocalist on a few tracks, including the first single off the album, "Keep Coming Back," a slow, interesting mix of jazz and rock, a song that finds the singer wondering why he keeps returning to the same girl, despite the pain she causes him. Billy Joel plays a mean piano part for "I Get No Sleep" and Morley Crue's Tommy Lee bangs out the percussion on "Streets of Pain." The most innovative song on the album is "Hazard," a unique listener through the song along with the subtle, simple backbeat of the drums. The musical composition alone stirs emotions of fear, love, and pity, all at the same time, and combined with the chilling lyrics, it makes a fantastic piece of art.

A. J. Ciesielski (SHU)

The award is not surprising — some of the most popular and winning albums in recent years. In 1991, the award is given at the IBMA, the industry's principal trade organization. Doyle Lawson won Song of the Year honors for "Little Mountain Church House" (from the album I Heard the Angels Singing). Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver are: Doyle Lawson, lead and tenor vocals and guitar. Del McCoury, also performing on the album is a must-buy for the die-hard fans, and the true fans won't be disappointed. However, his casual listeners may be bored by the lack of change in his style. Rush Street is a must-buy for the die-hard fans, but anybody else should listen to a friend's copy before committing themselves to a purchase.

Major Bluegrass concert series to open at SHU Theatre

By Michael Champagne

The Student Voice

What do you think of the proposed affiliation between Sacred Heart and UB?

Akshay Barikh (UB) Masters Management-Engineering

"Basically SHU is not an accredited college and we'll have a problem when we get a degree from here (UB) when looking for a job." Although SHU is not a accred­

Brian Kears (SHU) English Sophomore

"It would be interesting to see whether we would take over their sports programs or whether they would remain intact at UB." A jovial, lively youth.

Olga Digby (UB) Computer Science first year

"I really don't follow what's going on much. I just started here today. I had heard of their situation and it didn't sway me any." An enthusiastic noise.

A. J. Cieslenski (SHU) Student Government President Political Science

"If the flexible transfer program goes well as proposed, in the long run it can only benefit the students of SHU and UB. The acquisition of the law school by SHU could be the piece that completes the puzzle (of SHU's five year master plan)."

Eileen Branigan (SHU) Accounting Sophomore

"I think it's great, but I think the timing is wrong. I don't think we are strong enough financially to carry all the UB programs and attempt a purchase of the law school. It's too much, too soon."
Lady Cagers fighting to hold their own

By Diana Catala Sports Writer

Do you remember the old saying, "You can't have your cake and eat it too"? Well that saying still holds true today, especially when talking about the SHU Women's Basketball team. Over the semester about the SHU Women's Basketball program, Coach Ed Swanson couldn't ask for more, the girls played with heart and soul and never gave up, no matter what the score board said. It was no help to the Lady Pioneers; that starting forward Karen Bell and her back-up Theresa Delfippo were sidelined with injuries.

The new year proved to be different for the Lady Cagers. Karen Bell at home Jan. 9. The Pioneers got the tip off and started a 8-0 run to take an early lead. But St. Anselm battled back and took the ladies by surprise, tying the game. Unfortunately the see-saw match didn't end there. The Lady Pioneers took the lead again and with 8:24 left in the first half they were up 22-17.

But St. Anselm came back. With all guns, firing shots with rarely a miss. They managed to gain a 14 point lead by half time and the rest of the game they were able to sustain that lead, only allowing SHU to get as close as 11 points, the losing margin.

Finally, Jan. 11 was the game the Ladies were waiting for, Brooklyn College. This was SHU's chance to redeem themselves from the devastating loss they suffered at the beginning of the season. Brooklyn came in chanting their warm up cheer, as to intimidate the Pioneers. The Ladies came out quietly with a look of intensity and concentration.

The game opened with the Pioneers up by 2 pts. But throughout the game, Brooklyn remained strong and battled to keep the game close. With only 8:00 minutes left in the game Elaine Agosti was fouled and went to the strip to shoot two. But for Agosti these were not just any ordinary foul shots. She sank the first one and the crowd stood on their feet and began to clap. Elaine had just hit her 1000th point. She has too be the NECC's most underrated player.

New York baseball fans have to be excited about their team's moves so far in the off-season. With the Mets adding Bobby Bonilla, Eddie Murray, Brent Saberhagen and Willie Randolph, they are in a great position to make a run for the NL East crown, but hold off on those playoff tickets or the Doe Gooden's arm isn't up in strength.

And let's not forget the Pittsburgh Pirates, who still have the best rotation in the NL East, and a formidable line-up.

Yanke fans should be happy too. The addition of Danny Tartabull, Mike Gallego, Meldo Perez, Charlie Hayes and more to come have the Yankee fans pointed in the right direction.

But don't made you think yet, the World Series is still a few weeks away. Just one memo to all these Dallas Cowboy front-runners (No, I don't mean the ones who have stood by them during the low years, but the ones who jumped on the bandwagon this year): BACK IN THE CLOSET! 38 - 6! 38 - 6!

The New York Knicks are looking more and more like the Knicks of last year. Losing to the Birdies, McHaleless Celtics in Boston (103 - 110), those Birdies, McHaleless, and Parishless team by only four points. Pitiful. As pitiful fan, I sure hope Sherman Douglas is ready soon. John Bagley has got to be the worst point guard.

Next week, the Prognosticator's Super Bowl outlook.

PROGNOSTICATIONS FROM A PIONEER

Greetings from the Great Pioneers. Well, it looks like maybe the great one, but a prognosticator nonetheless.

Dave Vogt has certainly been a dominant force for the Pioneers this season. Averaging nearly 40 points per game, he has been a surprise to many this season. Unfortunately was not in SHU's favor, as he had 9 points on 9-for-23 shooting, but Wally Gadsden was also among the national leaders with his 1000 career points, as well as a team-high 14 assists in a game Bike described as "disgusting." Gadsden was also impressive, adding 23 points and 8 rebounds, while Burke matched his season-high of 12 assists and had 7 rebounds. Freshman Mike Kiniec, who started the game, proved himself to be worthy, as he had 9 points on 3-for-3 shooting from 3-point range. His ball-handling and shooting skills have made him an asset to the team. The Pioneers returned home to face Assumption, but came up short, with an 88-74 loss. Robinson scored a very quiet 29 points on 9-for-23 shooting, but he also had 10 rebounds. Howard played well, contributing 15 points (4-for-8 from 3-point range), while Gadsden added 12 points and 8 rebounds. The problem? "The chemistry could have been better," admits Bike. Another factor was that Robinson's mind seemed to be anywhere but in the game, as his defense was severely lacking, and his shots were off-target. Robinson admits to not feeling well that night, which may have affected his playing.

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handed. The first night featured an 81-78 loss to host St. Michael's Bridgeport, despite 39 points from Darrin and 17 from Theo. Robinson was held to a season-low 28 points. (For many, that would be a season-high.) Gadsden added 14 points and Burke had 9 assists in a game Bike described as "disgusting." Sacred Heart bounced back, though, and trounced Bryant College 96-54. Mr. Robinson was amazing, with 44 points (29 in the first half), 7 rebounds, and an array of fancy, off-balanced shots. If he had played the entire game, Robinson may have broken his own record. Gadsden was also impressive, adding 23 points and 8 rebounds, while Burke matched his season-high of 12 assists and had 7 rebounds.

Review: first TD pass among best memories of season

Passes for 446 yards.

Dave Vogt, named ECAC Rookie of the Week for his 6-for-11, 116-yard, one-touchdown passing against Assumption. All six of his completions generated 66 - 61. Photo by Michael Champagne

Karen Bell who scored a layup to put SHU ahead of Assumption 86-85, winning the game.

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For more info. 

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Robinson, Pioneers head into NECC Action

By Amy Madison
Sports Writer

At 7-6, the Sacred Heart Men's Basketball team enters league play as a "middle of the road" team, as Head Coach Dave Bike put it. However, something else has brought much attention to the Pioneers and is causing opposing coaches and players to approach SHU with some caution. This distraction is known as Darrin Robinson.

The 6-2 guard leads the nation in scoring by nearly a six point margin and has been chosen as NEC Player of the Week four times so far this season. His name has been all over the media, and he has been swarmed by reporters and photographers. As of last week, Robinson was averaging 38 points per game, with his lowest being 28 points in one game. People flock to the SHU Box, which has been unofficially renamed "Mr. Robinson's Neighborhood", just to see the legend in action.

The highlight of the season for Robinson occurred during the "Barker's Classic. He broke Hector Olivencia's school record of 51 points in one game, by scoring 55 points in a 102-96 victory over Husson College. The next night was just as glorious for Robinson when he scored the 1000th point of his college career in a 94-83 triumph over Teikyo Post College. He also just missed earning Sports Illustrated's Small College Athlete of the Week honors that same week.

Upon hearing this, several questions may come to mind. Is the rest of the team feeling jealous of Robinson's head? Is the entire team playing well, for the most part? Bike pointed out that after a 97-80 victory over Stonehill College, in which Robinson "only" had 38 points, several coaches who attended the game commended the Pioneers on their team effort. "Everyone knew their roles," said Bike.

As far as the other questions, Bike is well aware that in a situation such as this one, jealousy may occur, but he is pleased to say that so far, there has not been a problem. Nor has he seen any problem with Robinson's ego, so far.

Because of his reputation, Robinson should expect to be double-teamed most of the time. Bike sees this as an opportunity for the other players to excel. So far, the Pioneers have taken advantage of this opportunity only some of the time. However, a number of the past several games were quite disappointing.

Since the beginning of December, the team has gone 5-4. In their first home game on Dec. 4th, the Pioneers suffered a heart-wrenching 96-95 overtime loss to Southhampton University. Aside from Robinson's 41 points and 8 rebounds, sophomore Theo Gadeden had 22 points and 6 boards. Sophomore Damon Ferguson came off the bench to score 12 points and grab 9 rebounds.

Sacred Heart fared well in the annual Banker's Classic at the University of Bridgeport with the victories over Husson and Teikyo Post. Despite Robinson's 55 points in the first game, the score remained close for almost the entire contest. Gadeden added 18 points and led the boards with 9 rebounds. On the second night, Robinson had 44 points and 8 rebounds. Senior captain Phil Howard added 14 points of 5-for-6 shooting, while freshman Brian Johnson chipped in with 8 rebounds.

The Pioneers then returned home to post a 90-82 victory over St. Anselm College, who had humiliated SHU last year in a 43-point slaughter. Robinson's 38 points and 8 rebounds were joined by Gadeden's 19 point, 9 rebound effort and Howard's 13 points.

The Heart began a four game road trip with an impressive 97-80 win over Stonehill. You know how hard that is to do, and how hard it is to get 3 points. Freshman Johnny Burkette added 14 points and 9 assists, while Gadeden had 10 points and 9 rebounds. Freshmen Johnson and Adam Brown each added 11 points for SHU.

Next, the Pioneers traveled to Vermont for the Doc Jacobs Classic and came away empty-handed. See NEC pg. 7.