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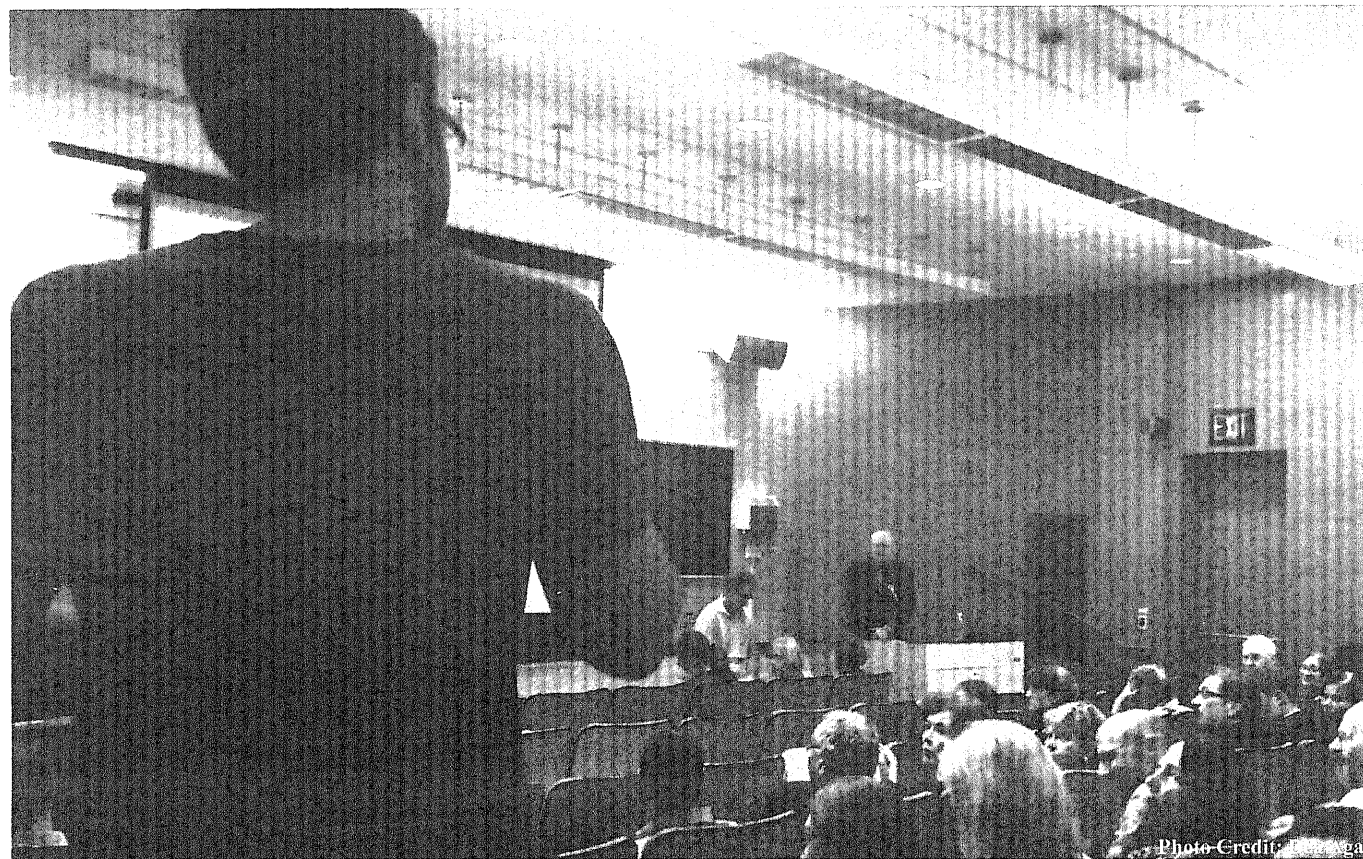
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College Council Seeks Answers to President's Recent Decisions



Blerim Cukovic, a junior at CSI, questioned why the president wasn't concerned about candidates who were guilty of cheating in the past were currently running in the SG elections

BY VICTORIA PRIOLA

Former Student Government senators confronted President Fritz about the thrown out SG elections and former Vice President Dr. Ramona Brown's resignation in the company of CSI's College Council on September 17.

During the questioning portion of the meeting, CSI Senior Bayron Torres asked Fritz why the SG election results were discarded after SERC, the Student Election Review Committee, verified them.

Fritz mentioned a letter that he wrote in regards to the spring elections that was not distributed to the public.

"There were a number of things problematic about the spring elections," said Fritz. "There was misinformation and some of it was our fault."

Students who were elected did not meet the requirements of the Board of Trustees, according to Fritz. They needed to be registered for six credit hours to serve as a senator-forms said three credits.

Fritz said the best way forward was to redo the election in its entirety so all would

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be aware of the proper requirements.

Blerim Cukovic, a junior at CSI, responded to Fritz, questioning why the president wasn't concerned about candidates who were guilty of cheating in the past were currently running in the SG elections.

Cukovic also mentioned that since the election results were ruled "illegitimate," the items voted on, including the referendums, the Transportation Fee, which students have currently pay, should have been thrown out with the elections.

Fritz responded that the elections and Transportation Fee were two separate issues, and personnel decisions were what was needed to be rectified.

Fritz also mentioned that there was nothing controversial brought up about elections in the past.

Cukovic interrupted the president and repeated that evidence has been found of candidates cheating and soliciting vote. The moderator said Cukovic's interruption halted Fritz's response and ordered to move on to other business.

RJ Mohammad, a senior, asked Fritz why Brown was forced to resign from the VP position when the budget couldn't afford a proper committee to replace her.

Fritz called Brown's retirement a personnel issue that was not appropriate to speak about at the time of the meeting.

SG has been under surveillance for the past year with regards to their budgeting decisions and conduct.

Senators successfully used student funds to finance a private trip to Dublin, Ireland for 23 business students and senators last May.

During the previous election, candi-

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Residence Hall Association Returns to CSI

DIRECTOR PLANS TO IMPROVE DOLPHIN COVE EXPERIENCE

BY GISELLE BALCACER

Dolphin Cove, the residence halls at CSI, is in the process of bringing back the Residence Hall Association to CSI after a two year absence.

Dolphin Cove held elections to launch the Residents Hall Association in the 2014-15 academic year.

It also failed to gain a foothold in the 2013-14 academic year, the year Dolphin Cove opened to students, due to not enough students applying.

The association is now making a comeback with hopes of giving residence the "real" dorm experience.

Gabriela Donato, Dolphin Cove's Resident Director, emphasized the theme of community within Dolphin Cove and wants students to feel like it is their second home.

Donato believes that RHA will succeed in giving the residents a homely experience that all college students want when they live on campus.

"The goal of the resident life is to build a community where we all feel like home," said Donato.

RHA is an organization for students living on campus to learn how to use different leadership positions to plan events and programs as well as find other ways to get students involved with the school. Residents in the program will be able to plan community, health, financial, and academic events.

Donato hopes that RHA will put on events to engage the community, like the student three-on-three "Welcome Week Basketball Tournament" held earlier in the year.

The association is also a place where students can go to address any issues they may have, whether it be personal grievances, concerns about Dolphin Cove management and

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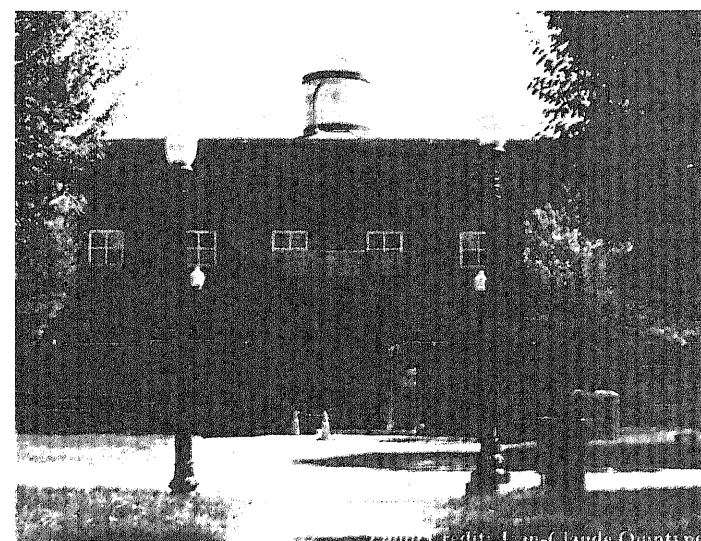
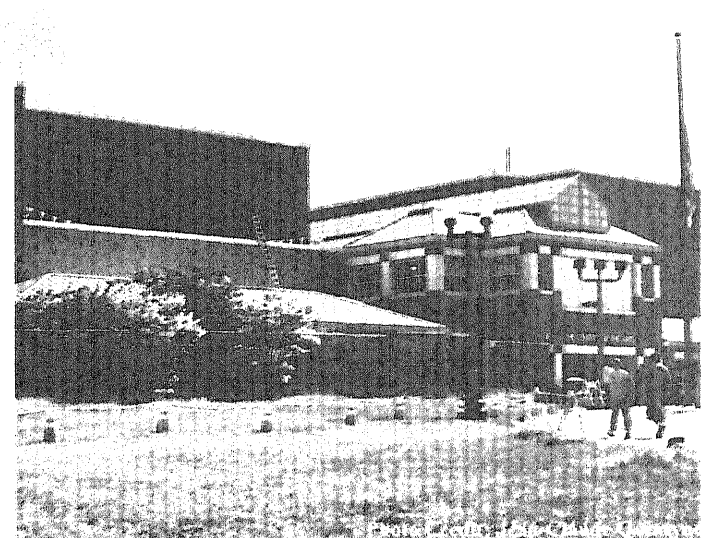
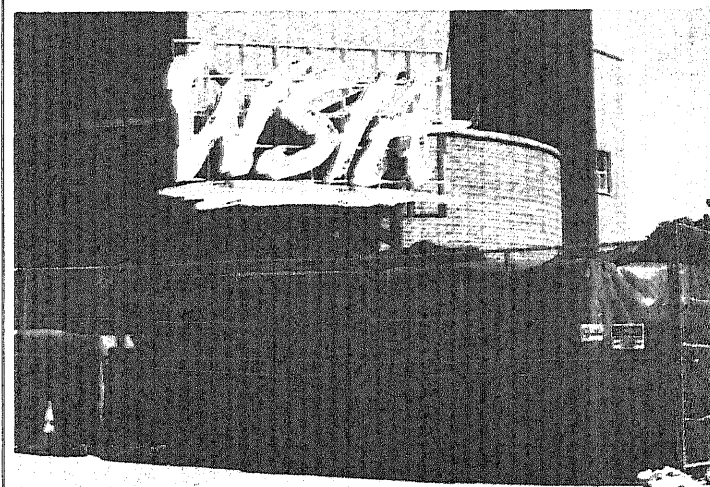
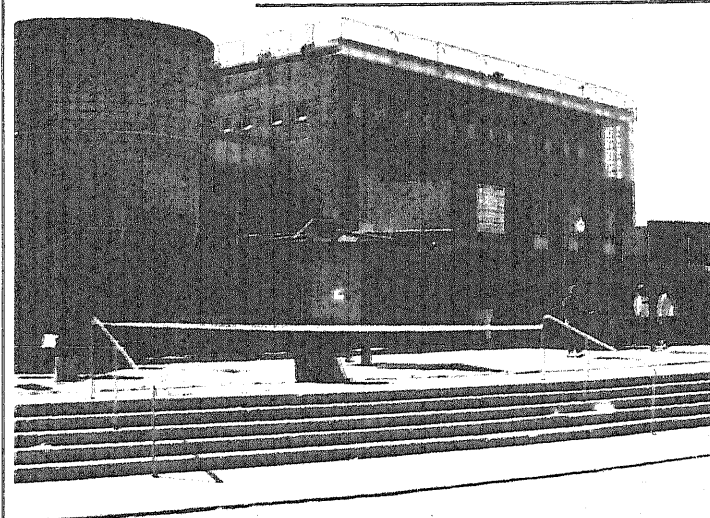
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Campus Repairs Long Overdue

BY JÉAN-CLAUDE QUINTYNE



A construction project to repair the roofs of the Library, Campus Center, and Center for the Arts has been ongoing since the middle of the summer. The roofs are notorious for their unreliability during heavy rain and snow storms, with the only solution up to this point being precisely-placed buckets and garbage cans. There has been no word from campus security or administration on when repairs will be complete

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BANNER POLITICS

Approaching the Europe Refugee Crisis

World's Attention on Displaced Migrants

BY CLIFFORD MICHEL

Photos of a dead Syrian toddler washed up on a Turkish beach has focused the world's attention on Europe's refugee crisis.

Many of the refugees are escaping war-torn countries in the Middle East and parts of Africa, the worst offender, by far, is Syria. Since the country broke into civil war in 2011, four million have left the country.

President Bashar al-Assad has unapologetically used chemical weapons on civilians and has given many other reasons for citizens to be afraid beyond the trivial dangers of war.

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria has also gained a significant foothold on the country, committing murders, various forms of torture, crucifixions, and sexual slavery.

Many Syrian refugees have settled in encampments around neighboring countries, but many have decided to take the trip to Europe in order to start a new life for themselves and for their families.

But while Syria is the largest causality to seek asylum in Europe, there are also millions of refugees in other countries, including 2.59 million refugees from Afghanistan and 1.1 million from Somalia.

Both of these crises have longer and deeper historical roots to them than the Syrian issue.

African countries such as Myanmar, which has conducted a savage ethnic cleansing of Muslims, and some Central American countries are also in play.

The United Nations suggested that \$5.5 billion be pledged to supply refugee encampments, but the European Union, United States, and Kuwait combined have only pledged \$2.3 billion. This has partially sparked the march to Europe that so many families have taken.

While they aren't united in reasoning, one general theme that connects many migrants is the Arab Spring of 2011.

So now hundreds of thousands of refugees have embarked on the journey to Europe, many on boats that are far from safe. As a result, some estimates have shown that 2,500 people have died.

Many European countries have tried their hardest to skirt regulations and take in the bare minimum amount of refugees, taking extreme political measures, ranging

from axing search and rescue missions that saved refugees at sea to insisting on calling incomers "migrants" due to the legal ramifications that the term "refugee" has. (Countries are usually forced to take in refugees).

The United Nations "Convention on the Rights of Migrants" proposes that "the term 'migrant'...[covers] all cases where the decision to migrate is taken freely by the individual concerned, for reasons of 'personal

100,000 refugees.

"This step is in keeping with America's best tradition as a land of second chances and a beacon of hope," said Secretary of State John F. Kerry.

Kerry also said that the United States is focused on taking in more refugees but will have to ask a stagnant Congress to allot more money towards the issue.

Due to the expensive cost of bringing

arms to refugees is starting to show strains of its generosity.

Some estimate that as many as 1 million refugees will take the trip to Germany this year alone.

"Germany is willing to help. But it is not just a German challenge, but one for all of Europe," Merkel said in late September. "Europe must act together and take on responsibility. Germany can't shoulder this task alone."

"We are a big country. We are a strong country. But to make out as if we alone can solve all the social problems of the world would not be realistic," said Merkel.

Other liberal European nations have offered to take in refugees to support Germany, but they have been extremely modest in comparison.

For example, France quickly followed Germany's lead and said it would take in immigrants as well "This is a crisis, and it is a grave and dramatic one. It can be brought under control and it will be," said France's President Francois Hollande.

But the country was only prepared to take in 24,000 refugees, not nearly enough to solve the entire crisis.

Other countries have become more hostile towards the refugees.

Hungary, in early September, has taken to meeting the travelers at their borders with pepper spray, tear gas, and water cannons. Those who got past initial defenses were beat down with batons.

The Washington Post reported the chaotic scene, which blocked a key route to Germany: "Nearby, children screamed for their missing parents. Water cannons sprayed crowds on the Serbian side, forcing refugees to retreat to a squalid squatters' camp that took root just after Hungary closed the border."

The issue has also renewed conversations about international laws and refugee rights, such as ones in Europe about whether or not asylum can be denied to refugees.

The short answer is yes, just not very easily. The refugees have to demonstrate during a hearing that they had an appropriate fear of persecution. For war-torn countries, this should prove easy for many migrants to prove. Though if they cannot, they face deportation.



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convenience' and without intervention of an external compelling factor."

In contrast, refugees are defined as "someone who's forced to leave her country due to persecution based on her 'race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion,'" Vox reported in early September based on the 1951 Geneva Convention.

Though being declared a refugee is more difficult than being declared a migrant, as refugees must be deemed by a high office, such as the United Nations, or a country.

The United States has contributed to taking in refugees, but just barely, committing to a 15,000 increase this fiscal year, bringing the country's total commitment to

in refugees—it costs \$1.1 billion to bring in 70,000 refugees due to the United States' extensive background checks—it is highly unlikely that Congress will take action.

Recently, the European Union decided on a plan to take in 120,000 migrants and distribute them across Europe on orders to ease the paths of refugees who have been refused from the borders of rich wealthy countries. Still, the plan is seen as a baby step for many as 120,000 roughly translates to the amount of immigrants who've come to Europe in only the past three weeks.

Also, many wonder what will become of those migrants as countries who don't want them are now forced to become their hosts.

Germany, the first country to open its

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Pres. Pushes for Hire of Jennifer Rubain of Brooklyn College

BY CLIFFORD MICHEL

Professors clashed with CSI President William Fritz over his decision to waive a national search for the position of Vice President for Student and Enrollment Services at a recent College Council meeting.

Professors from CSI's Executive Committee of the College Council and Faculty Senate, who share governance power with Fritz, voiced their opposition to the appointment, saying that CSI needed an administrator with more experience.

"If I tried to list this candidate as an 'A' when she's really a 'D,'" said one professor. "My committee wouldn't have been able to bring her to CSI let alone offer her a job."

"Jennifer Rubain, with no disrespect because I know her personally, does not have one year of experience in student affairs, she does not have one year of experience in enrollment services and she's going to be the Vice President?" said Professor George Sanchez, CSI Chair of PSC-CUNY, a union that represents CUNY faculty and staff. "To do that now, on this campus at this time—to do a permanent appointment, to do a waiver request, was a very risky decision."

Fritz countered, saying that a national search would take too long and that the College needed someone to start shaping CSI's new strategic plan as the current plan ("Many Voices, One Vision") is set to expire in 2016.

"I consider this to be one of those rare exceptions," said Fritz.

"I think this is a critical area for the college and I think there are areas that need not interim leadership, but immediate leadership before we move forward with enrollment issues and the service issues that we're talking about."

National searches are used in the world of academia to attract top-tier administrators to college campuses.

Recently, President Fritz requested a waiver from the CUNY Board of Trustees to skip a national search and make an immediate hire: Jennifer Rubain.

Rubain worked as a senior level administrator at Brooklyn College for a decade and has worked in CUNY's central office, but has no direct experience in the VP position at hand.

During his rebuttal, Fritz defended Rubain's record.

"I think Jennifer brings a unique and valued set of skills and experience to the College of Staten Island, strategic planning, diversi-

Lecturer from Queens University Crashes Coffee Hour

Dr. Kevin Brown Announces Study Abroad Opportunity at Belfast

BY KRISTINA VERDUGO

The International Coffee Hour received a surprise visit from Dr. Kevin Brown, Lecturer in Law from Queen's University, in Belfast, who presented the details of a new study abroad opportunity for CSI students, on September 10.

Dr. Brown made the visit after an informal discussion on the United Kingdom's legal system in IP, where he set up a table with a display of information about QUB's postgraduate School of Law.

QUB is currently ranked 134th in US News' Top World University Rankings, and 38th in the UK Sunday Times Good University Guide.

In 2013, their School of Law was ranked eighth in the both Sunday Times and The Guardian University Guide's top ten schools for legal education.

"It was fortuitous that Dr. Brown visited us on a day when we had a coffee hour, but that was by pure chance," said Dr. Stephen Ferst, executive director of CSI's Center for International Service.

"Whenever we can suggest a visitor to join us for our Coffee Hour, we try to make those arrangements."

"QUB is a large and comprehensive institution that offers classes to students in all disciplines."

ty and requirement, her experience with the central office," said Fritz. "Jennifer is well thought of and highly regarded as a seasoned administrator, not only be the people of central office but by the people in the campuses where she worked."

Fritz also noted that the College is conducting at least five searches this year: three

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deans, two associate provosts, and a director of auxiliary services.

During questioning, students also accused CSI administration of forcing the former Vice President of Student Affairs (which is now titled "VP of Student and Enrollment

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The QUB study abroad program will be open to any CSI student who is in good academic standing and meets the minimum 2.75 GPA requirement.

It is also open to any major, as QUB is a large and comprehensive institution that offers classes to students in all disciplines, Dr. Ferst explained.

"We are looking to recruit all students

"The emergence of Islamic State and the ever-present threat of terrorism has highlighted the role of international law."

who are interested in studying abroad at our school in Belfast," explained Dr. Brown. He then described the benefits of studying abroad, especially for postgraduate education, using the example, "An

Services") Ramona Brown to resign. "I think Vice President Brown announced her retirement and I think that is a personnel issue that I don't think is prudent to discuss at this time," said Fritz.

The Executive Committees of the College Council and Faculty Senate sent a letter to Fritz earlier in the year expressing their

grievances and arguing that a national search allows the entire campus to be involved in the decision-making process.

"The executive committees of the College Council and Faculty Senate do not support the request to seek a waiver for the

international law degree will take your career further than an American law degree would."

An article on TheGuardian.com states that "The emergence of Islamic State and the ever-present threat of terrorism has highlighted the role of international law...Studying international law allows students to develop insights into the global legal system and its influence on both national and international policies."

CSI's International Coffee Hour is held on the second Thursday of every month for any international students, study abroad participants, or CSI members who are interested in International Studies.

"Next Coffee Hour we will be hosting another visitor from QUB," said Ferst, mentioning the popularity of the event this semester. "Susan McCleary, the program officer responsible for Study Abroad at QUB, will be our guest that day."

"We hope that she too can stay for the Coffee Hour, but we will also be arranging for a time for her to meet with interested students from across the campus."

purpose of hiring a new VP of Student Affairs without initiating a national search," the letter read. "The committee has a well-established process, along with temporary acting appointments. The Vice President of Student Affairs position is an intricate and important one at a public urban university and thus all stake holders at the college will need to lend their voice in any permanent appointment.

"We strongly urge you to rescind the request for a waiver, that an announcement of a national search to fill the position be made, and that there be an interim appointment until said search concludes."

Despite the opposition, President Fritz seems adamant in his commitment to his new hire.

"I think this is one of the points where we may have to agree to disagree," said Fritz.

"For the stability of the campus at this time I feel that this was the appropriate decision to make."

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dates were accused of approaching students past the electioneering boundary, including entering the residence halls with their personal laptops to get votes, when election rules state that no campaigning is allowed near any computer laboratories.

Sources told *The Banner* that these accusations are true.

"There's an unfortunate environment that has been created over the past few years" said Donald Hudec, CSI's SG Coordinator.

Without SG, clubs like the Campus

"Residence Hall Association Returns" Continued from Front Page

systematic issues within the housing facility.

"[I hope] to get more students involved and then to offer those programs to other residents so that it gives them an alternative to going out and getting into trouble," said Donato

The program's resurrection has been promoted heavily through flyers in the dormitory and emails from Donato, though not everyone is eligible for the available positions. Residents must have at least a 2.5 GPA and have no judicial conduct incidents in their record.

Seven positions are currently available: president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, public relations officer, and north and south building representatives.

Students who have applied will be notified soon and campaigning will begin within the next few weeks.

Residents told *The Banner* that they're unsure about the association's arrival because the organization has tried to bring community to the dorms before and it was unsuccessful.

CSI to Renovate Track and Field with \$1 Million from State Legislators Repairs to Have Field Meet NCAA Standards

BY CLIFFORD MICHEL

CSI administrators and Assemblyman Michael Cusick announced \$1 million in funding to upgrade the College's track and field facilities. The renovations will allow CSI's Athletics Department to eventually add official men and women's track and field teams to their ranks.

The current track and field was constructed in 1994 and sports cracks and holes along its pavement.

While it remains a popular destination for members of the CSI community to jog, its lack of key facilities and unseemly state has prevented CSI from creating track and field teams.

"You may think we have a facility here, but I'm told at best we have a jogging track that really isn't up to NCAA standards," said CSI President William J. Fritz, alongside more than 20 student athletes at a press conference on September 14.

"So the entire complex needs to be redone so that we can compete at the Division III NCAA level. Additionally, the improved

Activities Board, are not getting the proper funding they need to function.

CAB needs a budget of roughly \$200,000 to set up events.

SG did not approve CAB's budget last year, but they expected to get approved by candidates over the summer.

For the fall 2015 elections, the college has taken to conducting voting in vintage polls instead of online.

Two booths were set up in the Campus Center for a week so students could vote in the old fashioned way, eliminating any risk of cheating. Results for the election are to be released soon.

ful, so they're unsure if it'll work this time.

"Maybe the new students will join, since they're new, they are more optimistic, but not me," said one resident, who spoke to *The Banner* on the condition of anonymity because they didn't want to upset Dolphin Cove management.

Others associated with Dolphin Cove believe that the Residents Hall Association is what Dolphin Cove needs in order to succeed.

SanQuin Caldwell, a desk assistant at the residence hall, believes that resident assistants, students who help to manage the residence halls, had to pick up the slack while the Residence Hall Association was gone and organize events for residents.

Caldwell argued that resident assistants will be able to go back to just focusing on the residents.

Caldwell added that the resident assistants do not always know what is going on, so the association could be another means of communication for the residents.

"I just want to see what they're about, what they are going to do," said Caldwell.

College and the community to exercise and to improve health and wellness, something that I think is fitting giving our outdoor campus."

The oval circle of grass within the track will be reconfigured to include shot put, discus, hammer throw, long jump, triple jump, and high jump. The entire surface of the track will also be completely repaved and bleacher

"The entire complex needs to be redone so that we can compete at the Division III NCAA level."

seats to accommodate up to 500 more spectators will be added.

Cusick, who ran track in both high school and college, said that he uses the track on a regular basis but that the facility is far behind what a college needs to support athletes and the campus community.

"The track is a focal point of the campus when you drive up, as it is for any athletic facility. So the need for rehabbing it is big,"



Photo Credit: Dea Yu



Photo Credit: Jean-Laurie Quintyne

Donato, who helped organize events as a resident assistant at her alma mater SUNY Oneonta, has high hopes for RHA and for those who are interested in joining. She plans on having it up and running by the beginning of October.

Once students begin campaigning they will only be allowed to post fliers approved

by Donato around the residence halls. These fliers can include what they are running for, why they are running, information about themselves, and more.

Once students are elected they are required to meet once a week to discuss any concerns and plan two programs or events for the residents every month.

Cusick, told *The Banner*. "And we also want to encourage a track and field team at the College; one that can be able to compete on its home turf."

The funds were allocated from a slice of New York State's discretionary budget given to Staten Island state lawmakers for projects in their communities.

Cusick told *The Banner* that a decision of

how to use funds for the College was decided during an annual legislative breakfast hosted by CSI every January, where administrators advocated for funding for the track.

"This isn't the only need, there are many capital needs on the campus," said Cusick. "But this is a need that I would be able to fill as immediately as possible so that's the one that our office chose."

There is currently no estimated timeline

for the track's renovation. Other College projects funded by government, such as a Media Culture screening room, have been held up in the past.

"This is something that we've thought for a long time that we have a resource here but it's just not equipped to host NCAA meets," said Charles Gomes, CSI's Athletic Director. "And we were hoping that if we were able to do that we can increase our number of competitive NCAA teams from 14 to 16."

The announced renovations come on the heels of the New York City Council announcing funds to renovate the College's soccer complex.

Gomes said that the next goal for the college's athletic department is to convert all of its outdoor properties to turf.

"We have a lot of projects we want to do at the college, ideally we would like to turf everything because it's much easier to maintain," said Gomes. "When there's bad weather, it's much easier to make the field playable quickly as opposed to if we get rain now we can't make it playable for two or three days."

BANNER LIFESTYLES

The Flavor of the Season Makes for a Great Look for a Night Out

Pumpkin, Spice, and Everything Nice!

BY BRIELLE SPARACINO

As is indicated by the massive amount of leaves falling off of the trees, Autumn is rapidly approaching. And when people hear that word, they instantly think of chilly weather and cozy sweaters.

When women hear that word, however, they think: "Pumpkin Spice-scented everything!"

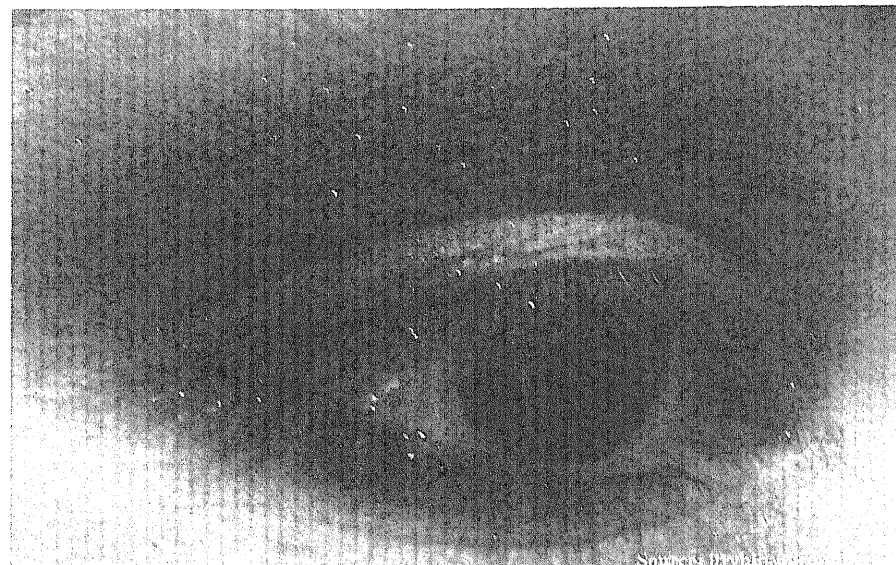
Whether it's the return of the Pumpkin Spice Latte at Starbucks or a Pumpkin Spice candle from Yankee Candle, the scent is highly addictive and a must-have for the season in any form.

This time around, inspired by this fantastic fragrance, a Pumpkin Spice makeup look has been created. The best part? Every product that features the scent is under twenty dollars.

To prime your face, check out e.l.f. Cosmetics' Studio Blemish Control Primer (\$6). The green tint in the primer helps cancel any redness in your face, especially the redness from unexpected blemishes. After priming your face, try the Sephora Collection Bright Future Gel Serum Concealer (\$14).

You should use a concealer that complements your skin's natural undertones to conceal your under-eye area as well as any blemishes, including scars from old ones. Sephora's newest line of liquid concealers are amazing. They give noticeable coverage but don't feel heavy on your skin.

After using the foundation of your choice, use e.l.f. Studio High Definition Set-



ting Powder (\$6) to set your foundation and the concealer under your eyes. This ensures that the makeup will not settle into any fine lines you may have around your eyes.

Next, you may want to use a bronzer to warm your face up a bit. NYC Sun 'n Bronze Bronzing Powder (\$5) is a great buy, guaranteeing you a sun-kissed glow even if the sun isn't out as often as it was during the summer. This powder also works for contouring your face, although that doesn't have to be a necessary step in your personal makeup routine.

After using your bronzer, you can add a blush and a touch of highlighter to bring some color back into your cheeks, and e.l.f. Studio Blush (\$3) combined with L'Oreal Paris True Match Lumi Liquid Glow Illuminator (\$11) are a perfect pair.

While the opacity of the blush promises a

natural flush (if it's used sparingly), the subtle shimmer in the liquid illuminator adds a lovely dewy finish to skin.

For the Pumpkin Spice-inspired eye look, prime your eyes with e.l.f. Studio Eye-shadow Primer (\$3) and pick up the Pixi by Petra Mesmerizing Mineral Palette in Copper Peach (\$12). This adorably packaged palette is full of warm neutrals and excellent highlight shades that are perfect for the look.

Begin by taking the matte-brown shade in the palette and, using a fluffy crease brush, disperse the shadow on the outer corner of your eye and work your way inward to the middle of your eye. Remember to blend the shadow; that way, you won't have any harsh lines.

Next, use a flat shadow brush to pick up some of the shimmery, rust-colored shadow

and pat a bit onto the middle of your eye. Make sure to use the same fluffy crease brush from earlier to blend the matte-brown and rust-colored shades where they meet to create the ombré effect you want.

After you finish this step, put some of the light-brown shadow (which is the first shade in the palette if viewed from left-to-right) on the unused side of the flat shadow brush and dab a bit on the innermost part of your eye.

Again, you want to blend the colors a bit where they meet so there are no noticeably harsh lines. Once these steps are completed, use your ring finger to pick up a bit of the peach shadow and the soft pink shadow and dab the combination of colors in the inner corner of your eye, right near your tear duct.

By doing this, you'll brighten up your eyes and really make them pop, no matter what your natural eye color is. The lightest shadow, located on the farthest end of the eye palette, is light enough that it can be placed on the brow bone to act as your highlight shade without looking too bold.

Finally, finish off your entire look with a great mascara, such as NYC Big Bold Curl Mascara (\$5), and a brown liquid liner like the Sonia Kashuk Liquid Line Precision Liner (\$8).

This look, paired with the bold brows that are now back in style, are sure to be a hit with any outfit and at any function, whether you're wearing it to school or formal events. Make sure to check out all of the products mentioned, because they are definitely worth a second glance.

The Sneaker That Will Get You Through Anything

Versatile, Comfy, and Trendy, You'll Always Rely on Converse

BY LAUREN ROSEN

No matter the season, outfit, your age, or gender, Converse is the most versatile shoe in the world.

The Converse Chuck Taylor All Star, better known as "chucks" are always in style. For over 83 years, Converse has stuck to its vintage design and has no intent to change.

Chucks were often worn by players in basketball players in the 70s, soon made their way to the feet of rock bands in the 80s, the rebellious youth of the 90s, and are still popular today.

"I have 12 different pairs of converse, and I match my shoes with whatever outfit I'm wearing that day," said Megan Thompson, a CSI student.

"Converse are, hands down, the most comfortable shoe I've ever worn and will ever wear."

They dry within 10 minutes if they get wet while other shoes, like Jordan's, don't dry that quickly, if at all.

Other shoes just get ruined. Chucks can concur anything.



It's hard to not find someone who hasn't owned a pair of Converse at least once in their life.

Converse was originally made to be an athletic shoe. Over time, people wore them for everyday purposes, and have even been made into rain boots. Converse shoes were never intended to be "punk shoes."

The Chuck II, the newest line of Converse, came out in late July. The shoes added extra padding, as well as arch support.

"Converse are comfy, cute and trendy,"

said Taylor Gerald, a student at CSI. "I just throw them on and walk out the door. I feel as though it pulls my outfit together."

"I wear white high top converse in the summer and black low top converse in the winter," said Ashley Prudent, CSI student. "In the fall and spring, I wear my green, purple, blue, pink, grey and even clear Converse!"

Converse fit perfectly and will last for years. They usually cost \$50 and can be found in any shoe store.

The Air Jordan 13, with a price range of \$170-\$200, have people walking like a duck to make sure their sneakers don't get dirty or wrinkled.

With Converse, you don't have to worry about the shoe getting messed up. They're durable and affordable while being cute.

Die-hard fans of Converse post in-depth videos of their collection on Youtube or share their trendy photos on the many social media platforms.

It's hard to not find someone who hasn't owned a pair of Converse at least once in their life. Converse have always been, and most likely always will be trendy.

"Chucks are like a blank canvas. It's as though you can build an outfit based on the color and type of Converse you have on," said Mike Gonzales.

"I work, play sports, go to class, hang out with friends and practically do anything and everything wearing my chucks!"

BANNER LIFESTYLES

Must Have Meal Deals for CSI Students

Free Food is Always the Best Food

BY LUCIA ROSSI

Let's get real. CSI's tuition is getting more expensive and we students are not making nearly enough money to compensate for the change. However, we can forget, and most importantly, combat, our financial troubles with the comfort of finding food at an affordable price.

Luckily, college teaches us valuable lessons that we now need to exercise in order to survive in this economy. These valuable lessons include taking the initiative to do things yourself and cheating the system.

Here are a few ways to get virtually free meals whenever you're hungry.

Let's start with methods of obtaining valuable coupons. Start with buying the Sunday newspaper and taking out the coupons in the comics section. It's not much of a discount, but it will help you get in the habit of collecting them. You can get restaurant coupons for places like Olive Garden, McDonald's, Burger King, Boston Market, and Friday's.

Another option is buying an Entertainment book. The book costs about \$20, but the amount of savings you get will make up for that really quick.

The only catch is that you have to read the fine print to see exactly what restaurant locations accept them.

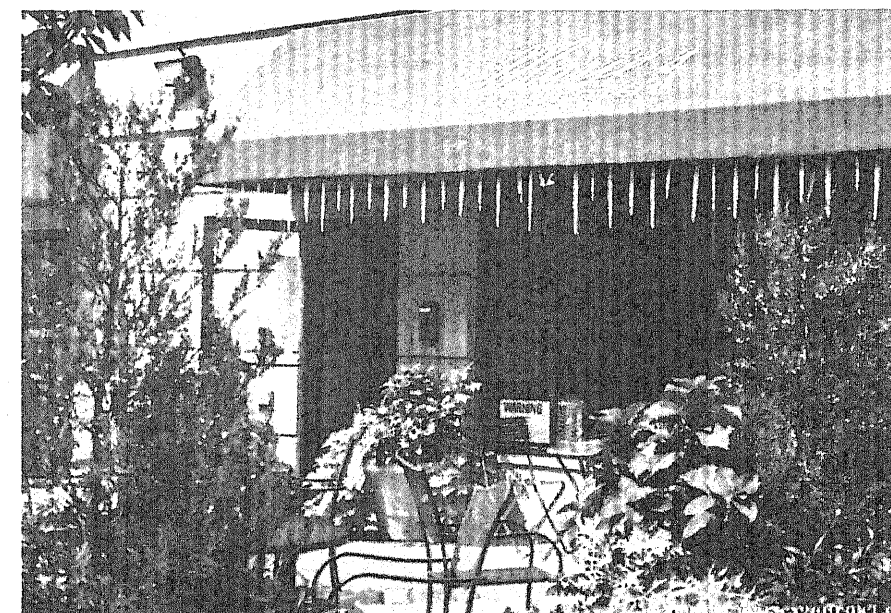
You can save on local restaurants by signing up for Valpak. Valpak sends you coupons in the mail every month for local places like Wing World, Village Maria Pizzeria, New Dakota Diner, Goodfella's, Hibachi Grill Supreme Buffet, and more. Deals like these are really great for dates and going on group outings.

Get yourself acquainted with RetailMeNot online. This should be your go-to tool for online codes when shopping and is a good way to get filled in on new and current meal deals for restaurants.

If you want to stay ahead on new restaurant specials, then keep yourself updated with Eat Drink Deals and Deal News.

Something better than coupons are gift certificates. The two best places to buy gift certificates and vouchers are Groupon and Restaurant.com. Groupon is great when you're willing to eat double the amount of food you normally would or when you go out with friends. The amount of food you get for the value is amazing, plus they really support local privately owned places. I love buying the Groupon for O'Neil's which you pay \$20 for \$40 worth of food.

Restaurant.com is similar, but allows you to pay insanely cheap prices for gift certificates. For instance, I love Towne Deli & Pizzeria in Tottenville. Every time I go, I buy a \$10 voucher for \$4. And when I went to Desert Rose Bar & Restaurant in Eltingville I brought a \$15 voucher that I bought for \$6. There are also \$25 vouchers available for



Now onto reward programs. Big companies like Jimmy Max, Joe Broadway's, Nucci's, Burrito Bar, Marie's Gourmet, and Campana. You earn five percent cash back from your bill by using the credit or debit card that you link on the website and you can also link your loyalty cards for drugstores and supermarkets for extra points, too.

There are so many programs out there, but you should belong to local ones like



Swagbucks, and mPoints.

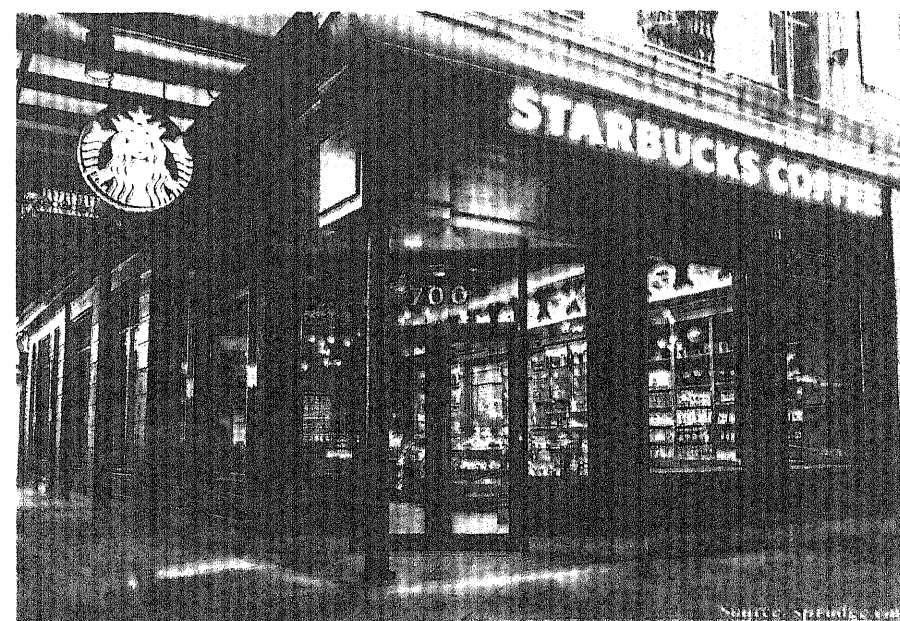
Lucktastic is only for people with Apple devices. All you do is use scratch-off cards every day to get points. They have gift card payouts for places like Burger King, Restaurant.com, Dominos, Papa John's, Applebee's, IHop, Chili's and select movie theaters.

Media Insiders is an app you can access on any device that allows scientists to monitor what you do on social media. They are studying how people use digital devices. They never share your personal information and you literally do nothing to earn points every week. Just forget that you have it, check on it months later, and you'll see the thousands of points you racked up to spend on restaurant gift cards.

Swagbucks is an app where you do things online, like surveys, watching videos, and playing games to earn points. These points get you gift cards to Starbucks, Burger King, Panera Bread, Dominos, Applebee's, Restaurant.com, Buffalo Wild Wings, Outback Steakhouse, and many more.

Lastly, there's mPoints. You get mPoints by downloading really silly and simple video game apps which allow you to accumulate points just by using them. Do this, and you can quickly earn points for Starbucks, Buffalo Wild Wings, Cold Stone, IHOP, Papa John's, Chili's and other places.

Could saving money, making money, and getting free meals take time and patience? Yes. Is it worth it? Absolutely.



BANNER ARTS

Destiny DLC Download Ups Its Game

The Most Downloaded Game in Playstation History

BY MATTHEW MCKENNA

It's been one year since Bungie's latest game "Destiny" was released, and there have been mixed opinions about the game. With the release of its third DLC, "The Taken King," Bungie wants to completely change the game for fans and those who are just starting.

"The Taken King" DLC is focused on Oryx, father the Hive God Crota, who the players slay in the raid Crota's End in Destiny's first DLC, "The Dark Below." Oryx is now out for vengeance and his intent is to destroy the Light and the Guardian, the player, who killed his son.

For Oryx to complete his goal, he creates a new type of enemy known as Taken. The Taken are foes that are from the original game, but their wills are taken away, replaced by new abilities, which make them more powerful and more challenging to defeat for players.

Once complete with the main quest, many side quests are offered to continue with new strikes.

The Guardian is given new subclasses to help defeat the ancient threat. The new subclasses are known as Sunbreaker for the titan, Stormcaller for the warlock, and Nightstalker for the hunter.

The Sunbreaker wields a flaming hammer that can be thrown many times and explode on impact. The Stormcaller can shoot chains of lightning at multiple foes at once and gives the player a feeling of what it's like to be Darth Sidious from the "Star Wars" franchise.

The Nightstalker is more of a support class and they fire a void bow that does dam-



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age to an enemy, and any enemy near the shot are pulled towards the arrow, slowing them down.

Players are also given a new story and location, including new quests, weapons, armor, and gorgeous cinematic cut-scenes that are eye opening. The new raid will also require players to dedicate many hours out of their day to complete it.

As for the upgrade, the gameplay has been vastly changed, making "Destiny" feel the same, but very different.

Quests are easier to understand as they provide information on how far players have until completing it. Players level up as normal until you reach the max level of 40, and is no longer determined by Light. However, Light now determines how much damage you inflict on enemies and take from them.

Light increases as the player equips stronger armor and weapons to their character. The player can also change the color of Ghost's shell and can purchase armor through the new legendary marks.

Fans disliked the new casting of the voice actor of Ghost, who previously received life from "Game of Thrones" Peter Dinklage. Bungie swapped Dinklage's voice with veteran voice actor Nolan North, stating in an interview that they gave Nolan a test run, liked it, and only gave it to him because he is much more accessible than Dinklage.

Switching the voice of Ghost has been on the fence between fans. Some enjoy North's sarcastic attempt at the character while others prefer Dinklage's voice otherwise known as Dinklebot to most fans.

In the Tower, there are now places where

you can view the items you have such as vehicles, color markers, and emblems. Players can also access blueprints for exotic equipment and once collected, players can make them over and over.

With the new DLC and upgrade, there are good things and bad things about it.

Leveling up feels easier and less frustrating than having to find gear with Light on them so that you can survive different quests.

The story has improved so much. In the original, you were given a goal but the main character didn't develop over time.

Now, characters are more involved in the story and show off their personalities as they deal with different scenarios. Cayde-6, voiced by Nathan Fillion, is the most enjoyable to hear and elicits laughs every time he speaks. It would be nice for Bungie to make a game where you play as him the entire time.

Oryx is an enjoyable villain, in terms of design, voice, personality, and gameplay. However, you'll find yourself wishing there was more of him in the game. A way they could have done this is show his side of things like how Bungie's "Halo 2" did when showing both sides of the story.

The new multi-player game types Rift and Mayhem are fun and intense. Mayhem allows players to use their abilities often and Rift provides a capture-the-flag type of gameplay.

One mistake "Destiny" makes with its latest content is that it seems to ignore the first year and wants players to get right in on the action with "The Taken King."

Overall, obtaining the DLC either in the marketplace or by purchasing the Legendary Edition, which contains all the DLC on disk, is worth it.

What's App With Kylie Jenner at Number One?

Discover the Celebrity Lifestyle for \$2.99/Month

BY KRISTINA VERDUGO

Fans raved over the launch of the new Jenner apps that took "Keeping up with the Kardashians" to a new level on September 14.

After only 24 hours, the sisters dominated the top grossing apps in the "Entertainment" category of the iPhone App Store. Currently, the youngest sister, Kylie Jenner, is at number one, with Khloé Kardashian at four, Kim West at five, and Kendall Jenner at eight.

The apps have revolutionized the way fans interact with them, allowing in-depth ways of exploring their personal lives—but only after paying a \$2.99 per month for each app. Yes, that means \$12 per month to have all the Kardashians at your fingertips, until Kourtney releases her app, which would make it \$15. That's more expensive than a gym membership at Planet Fitness.

Once you've downloaded it, tap the icon and a black screen with the name, "KYLIE," in teal, pops-up before you're offered to subscribe—the first week is free—or logging in.

There is also a video of Jenner describing the app, saying that she has "spent so much time trying to make this the dopest place" for her fans to come and observe her latest fashion choices, make-up tutorials, and behind the scenes moments. The video is supposed to encourage users to subscribe and once you click the subscribe button, you are automatically forced to create an account by entering a name, e-mail and password.

After entering your information, the subscription terms remind you that after a seven-day free trial, you will be paying \$2.99 per month to observe the content. A cute notification, "You've unlocked my world," follows the agreement, and the first thing you see afterward is none other than Jenner's booty. Shocking.

Navigating the app is pretty simple, you can swipe left or right for content and swipe down for the menu. The first thing you come across is an exclusive behind-the-scenes video of her shoot with Sasha Samsonova. The video, about a minute long, opens with trap music as Jenner poses for the camera with

the words "Kylie Runs Shit," flashing across the screen, along with, "Who's the Baddest of Them All." This could be riveting entertainment for any die-hard fans, but for others, not so much.

Next up, is her OOTD (outfit of the day) section, labeled "Cop My Style: Stud of the Night," and with a quick swipe up, Jenner shows how you can copy her Norma Kamali studded bathing suit and jeans look for "less."

She displays a plain, cotton body suit, that looks nothing like the Kamali one she wore, for \$26, a pair of black jeans for \$65, and Steve Madden Raela Pumps for \$110. These could be considered less expensive, but for some college students, young girls, or avid Forever 21 shoppers, they could be a little out of your price range.

Fans on Twitter and Instagram seem to be most excited about Jenner's make-up tutorials. One is titled, "My Sexy 18th Birthday Look," done by her make-up artist. These tutorials are very useful for girls who want to learn easy tricks to perfectly apply eye make-up and contour. Girls want the "Kardashian

look," and the step-by-step instructions are easy to follow.

Perhaps the most entertaining features of the app are the parts in which Jenner shares basic facts about herself, and, not to mention, details about her new \$2.7 million house in "All About my Crib." Did you know that Jenner's favorite room is her "glam room cuz it's where I spend most of my time?" Or that her favorite piece of art is a huge photo of her lips, which she will use for her new Kylie Lip Kit. She also keeps her house at a comfortable 72 degrees. Other favorite household items she shares are her \$27 furry pillows, \$35 LED light bulbs, and \$80 candles.

In the App Store, the app has earned three out of five stars, probably because of that hasn't deterred fans. The app should succeed amongst super-fans, but this is not one of the usual "must have" apps such as Instagram, Twitter, or Snapchat.

The usefulness of Jenner's app will only take you so far until you decide to cancel your subscription.

BANNER ARTS

"Black Mass" Makes a Cold-Blooded Entrance into Cinema

The Mafia Movie of 2015

BY EMILY ZODA

An advanced screening of "Black Mass," followed by a Q&A session with Director-Producer Scott Cooper and other cast members was held at the School of Visual Arts Theatre, presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences on September 10.

The movie follows the chronological events of James "Whitey" Bulger's (Johnny Depp) gang as they talk about what went on during the federal investigation of the killings and smuggling of guns and drugs in and out of South Boston—acts that made Bulger one of FBI's ten most wanted. He was found guilty on charges of murder, federal racketeering, extortion, and conspiracy.

In the 70s, FBI agent John Connolly becomes a catalyst in Whitey's efforts to bring down the Italian mafia in Boston. Whitey's brother, William Bulger (Benedict Cumberbatch), becomes a powerful Massachusetts Senator and lends him a helping hand.

Connolly was childhood friends with Whitey and Billy, and as an agent, led them into the takedown of the Italian mob after years of turf wars. He let the FBI take the Italian mob's leader, leaving Whitey with a clean record and away from future federal trouble.



Whitey was known for his winter-white skin and piercing blue eyes, as described by accurate accounts, an appearance that suggests a darker, brooding character, which is the complete opposite of Depp's usual fun characters such as Captain Jack Sparrow of "Pirates of the Caribbean" and the Mad Hatter.

In the movie's opening, you think he's the worst that he can be, but he hasn't quite snapped yet.

Character development was incredibly strong and crept up on the faint of heart,

like when Depp's character stopped using firearms and choked his victims to death.

Producers Cooper and John Leshner even tried to contact the real James Bulger, who was caught in 2011 and currently is serving two consecutive life sentences in prison, to get a more in-depth analysis for Depp. Bulger wanted nothing to do with the film.

"I wanted to tell a story about humans who wanted to be criminals," said Leshner. He wanted to present this in a flinching matter without romanticizing the victims and their unfortunate outcomes. They wanted to

produce their version of a true story.

Egerton sometimes struggled speaking with the people of Boston who claimed to see Bulger in person. He would often have to block out their perceptions of Bulger while preparing for his controversial role as Connolly.

"He [was] really distilled," said Egerton on Depp's performance. "From what I heard Whitey...was a coiled snake."

Julianne Nicholson believed her role as Connolly's wife was encouraging to play because of the strong part she had in a masculine film such as "Black Mass."

She said it was a great opportunity to play with the boys for once and it was "a thrill to get in there."

As Whitey's wife in the movie, Dakota Johnson said that Depp was a loving character towards his family until a pivotal moment in the film that coincided with the climax. "His energy blast through me," said Johnson, who claimed to have never seen Depp without makeup on the set.

"Black Mass" felt far from the typical mafia movie with a predetermined soundtrack. With blood, guns, and watching people suffer at the hands of Whitey Bulger and the Winter Hill gang, it's more of a horror movie than a dramatization.

Make Sure You Get Your "Cooties" Shot

Something is Seriously Wrong With the Chicken Nuggets

BY LUCIA ROSSI

The limited release of "Cooties" began after its world premiere at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2014 earlier this month.

This independent horror comedy only made \$33,000 in the box office and did not receive fabulous reviews from critics and fans. Horror comedy may not be the best or the most enjoyable genre, but with a great cast, "Cooties" was definitely worth the watch.

It all started with the Happy Poultry Company—an ironic name for a place that slaughters chickens—where chicken nuggets are made and distributed for countless organizations and schools.

Early on in the film, nuggets with black spots on them were given to students at Fort Chicken Elementary School, where children were infected with a virus that turned them into undead cannibals.

The virus then spread across America. Clint Hadson (Elijah Wood), a new substitute teacher and wannabe horror author, seeks to reconnect with his childhood friend and colleague, Lucy McCormick (Alison Pill), who is dating the PE teacher, Wade Johnson (Raiin Wilson).

Trying to navigate the love triangle, the three teachers work with four other teachers, two students, a mushroom-obsessed crossing guard, and a kung fu-fighting janitor.

The virus's origin is unknown, and only



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affects pre-pubescent children. If someone who went through puberty gets bitten or scratched, they will only get stomach flu-like symptoms.

The savage zombie children are smart enough to keep scratching other students so that the number of zombies grows and they can overwhelm adults with ease.

It was very surprising and terrifying to see how smart the zombie children are.

They laugh, run, play with toys (using intestines as a jump rope), know how to cut off electricity, open doors, can signal to each other, and plan surprise attacks.

While these are probably the most efficient zombies you will ever see, they still can't talk.

The teachers held their own much better than expected. Although it was difficult to be brave, they used whatever they could find in the janitor's closet and gym to create weapons—I'm talking musical instruments and gym equipment.

This led into one of the most epic brawls of the film where it was the teachers verses fifty zombie students.

Raiin Wilson's character was by far the funniest and the most badass in the entire

film. He fired baseballs and used a water gun filled with gasoline to set the little monsters on fire. He really took one for the team.

Because the film uses chicken as a motif, the references and jokes are endless.

The elementary school's mascot are the Fighting Roosters, for instance, which is symbolic because the characters are actually fighting. It could also be a symbol for the chickens that were slaughtered and are, through infection, fighting back.

From a symbolic point of view, I believe this is a chicken and children rebellion story.

The chicken are metaphorically rising up against their human oppressors and murderers who eat them by turning children into murderers who eat other humans.

This works for children exclusively because they are rising against their oppressors, adults. I'll stop there.

What's great about the film is the amount of creepiness as well as the good laughs, though you'll find the best jokes towards the end of the film. The group of teachers are very diverse in personality and all had something valuable to contribute.

If you like zombie outbreak stories, like the new "Fear The Walking Dead," this is very similar to that, except it's funnier.

You can see "Cooties" at the AMC Empire 25 theatre in Manhattan, since that is literally the only theatre showing the film in New York.

BANNER OPINIONS

Using Your "Foot Long" With Minors Is Wrong

Jared Fogle Will Enjoy His Meals in Prison For A While

BY FRANCESCA MICELI

Jared Fogle was once a highly recognized figure for the well-established Subway food chain, but now, he is at the bottom of the food chain for creating and distributing child pornography as well as paying minors for sex.

According to the *New York Times*, "Fogle faces a maximum of 12 and a half years in prison with no cap on how much supervision he will have once he is released."

A 12 and a half year sentence isn't long enough for someone who endlessly and deliberately enjoyed exploiting young children.

The *New York Times* also explains that Fogle did not single-handedly run this operation. He partnered up with Mr. Taylor, and the two men produced videos right in his home office in Indianapolis, where police retrieved 400 videos of child pornography.

The very manipulative Fogle convinced young girls—barley physically, emotionally, and mentally developed—to give their mind and body to him for his own sadistic pleasures.



The little girls, as young as 12 years old and as old as 17, are someone's daughters, granddaughter, or niece. It is odd that a person like Fogle disregarded the idea that his own children could be taken advantage of in a similarly cruel way.

How would a man with such low morality and values feel if someone was to hurt his kin? His livelihood? His family?

Getting money and fame from shedding off 200 pounds by committing to a Subway diet, creating a family of his own, and regaining his confidence back apparently was not enough for Fogle. The gig with Subway gave him an opportunity to become widely recognized and it seems this recognition may have been a gift and a curse.

His reputation with Subway must have evoked hate from some people. Allegedly, someone who knew of Fogle and what he was doing—though it has not been confirmed what this person's relationship to Fogle is—tipped off police about his taste in children.

Given the short amount of time he faces in prison for the unforgivable and disgusting

crimes committed for years, a much heavier penalty and imprisonment would better suffice. But is that enough? He will be back on the streets and probably try to take advantage of children again. Some would have it that Fogle is the ideal candidate for the death penalty; deserving no comfort at all. It seems that there is still too much freedom ahead of him, even locked up in prison.

While living within the confines of his newly unfurnished cement walls and bars, he will still be given three meals a day, commissary, recreational time outside to walk around, and engage in sports and conversation with other inmates. He will also have access to showers.

Although it is not an ideal life, many have adjusted to it and grew comfortably numb until their release date, if they have one.

Joe Feralano sternly and angrily states "I have a daughter and if I was to ever find the man who hurt my little girl or took sexual advantage of her, if they don't give him the death penalty, I would kill him myself."

On the other hand, some people feel that although Fogle has committed such a repulsive crime he does not necessarily deserve the death penalty.

Nicholas Browne, while disgusted by Fogle's actions, explains from a very logical standpoint that "In order to take someone's life, he must first have taken the life from another."

"Although he is not getting the death penalty I'm sure he's gonna wish he did after some of the other inmates give him their foot long," Browne added with a smirk.

He explained that if one innocent man loses their life to the death penalty form a flaw in the justice system or wrong information given in a case, he believes that this should ultimately be discarded as a form of punishment and justice. There are still 19 states that reject the idea of the death penalty. Though it seems fitting in some situations, there are others where it was wrongly administered based on incorrect information.

It is hard to say whether Fogle deserves the death penalty or not.

Examining Josh Duggar's Downfall

Was His Clean, Wholesome Image Just a Cover?

BY DENNISE DEJESUS

Josh Duggar of the hit reality television show "19 Kids and Counting" was put under fire recently after the media acquired reports of him molesting five young girls in his youth. Along with these allegations, it was revealed that four of the molested girls are his sisters.

Duggar is the eldest of 19 children. He served as executive director of FRC Action, a subdivision of the Christian lobbying group Family Research Council. The group has been known for promoting fundamental Christian values such as traditional family life, anti-LGBT views, anti-divorce, and anti-pornography.

The scandal broke out on InTouch Weekly. According to the magazine, then 15 year old Duggar confessed to his father, Jim Bob, that he molested girls on three different occasions. A police report revealed he performed seven. The report also says that one of the sisters he molested was five years old. When I first glanced at this news, I found this to be completely ironic. I watched "19 Kids



and Counting" and was in awe of the "clean" Christian family that exquisitely portrayed their morals and values to the world.

Considering the position Josh Duggar held in FRC, I found it hypocritical that he promoted messages that he did not follow himself. While reading many articles about him, I feel that he built himself on lies just to illustrate what a perfect son in a Christian family should be in order to cover up his acts of adultery and sexual abuse.

In response to the scandal, TLC pulled "19 Kids and Counting" off the air. Though the Duggars' televised appearances ended with the canceling of the show, it was not the end of their media appearances.

Two of the victims, Jessa Seewald and Jill Dillard, who were nine and 12, respectively, during the time they were molested, were interviewed by FOX News reporter Megyn Kelly.

The youngest Duggar sisters both expressed their sadness about how the issue was blown out of proportion. Jill and Jessa defended their brother against the accusations of him being a pedophile and rapist but,

admitted that what he did was wrong. The sisters were not aware of being touched inappropriately, since they were asleep during the incidents, until Josh's confession. Though the sisters were shocked and angry of the events that occurred, Josh asked his sisters to forgive him.

Duggar was sent away for the events that happened. But, under technicalities, he was not sent to jail because of the investigation's license expiration. As a result, there are many criticisms of Josh not being sent for proper rehabilitation.

In his defense, Jim Bob Duggar quoted that he did not put his son in these facilities due to advisement from a friend that their success rate was very low. But the sisters claim that their brother was a changed person upon his return home.

I find the handling of this situation outrageous. First, Josh Duggar should have been brought to a proper facility. Instead, his parents chose a rather Christian approach, with the forgiveness of sisters capping things off. Brothers don't have thoughts and feelings

about touching his sisters inappropriately. It disgusts me that this happened at all.

Five years after the molestation, the Duggar family started their tv show, then called "17 Kids and Counting" on TLC. In 2008, Josh Duggar married his wife Anna Keller after a courtship. They currently have four children with one daughter, who was recently born.

After the accusations of the molestation were revealed, another bomb dropped on Duggar. During the hack of cheating website Ashley Madison in July 2015, it was discovered that Josh Duggar had two accounts on the site.

Along with that, a report from InTouch weekly showed that Duggar paid Danica Dillon, an adult dancer, roughly \$2,500 in services. The website activity and interaction with the dancer all occurred when his wife Anna was pregnant with their fourth child.

The mask that is the perfection of the Duggar family will crack. While all seems well, the family will probably have more controversy to deal with in the future.

SEX AND THE ISLAND

Why Hating Your Partner's Ex Is A Waste of Time

You're His Girlfriend Now, Make the Most of It

BY VICTORIA PRIOLA

It was prom night in high school. My last hoorah. I asked a guy I was dating for a couple of months to go with me and I was excited to create a night to remember. But before it began, I saw my boyfriend's last girlfriend, who didn't even go to my school but somehow made her way to my prom. My night was ruined.

It's safe to say that your boyfriend's ex has the ability to ruin a lot of things. It's okay to hate her, we've all been there.

It's like women are genetically programmed to be territorial, and any woman that got to our man before we did is automatically on our "shit list." She could be Mother Theresa and we'd still find something wrong with her.

When getting into a new relationship, I always do my research. The first thing I look for is the roster of ladies my new partner was with before we met.

Thanks to social media, finding his history is usually a breeze.

After a track record of getting cheated on and lied to, knowing what I'm getting into early on is my only defense.

Most women dislike their boyfriend's ex because they see her as a threat to their new relationship.

I was like that with my past relationships. I became so determined to not let their exes come between us that I ultimately become one.

Now that I'm in a stable relationship I finally see how much time

I wasted on women that were a part of my partner's past. Granted, it took me a long time, and a few crappy boyfriends, but I found a way to not let past, or even present, influences affect our future. I recommend practicing the art of "letting go."

You're making their past relationship your problem: Your boyfriend and his ex had their time. No matter how things ended, remember that they did. Your relationship and their's are two very different things.

Whatever they had has nothing to do with you. Their issues shouldn't become yours. If you can't handle the truth, don't ask.

Just stop talking about her and, maybe, she'll go away: Keeping his ex



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an active presence in conversation will do nothing but cause tension between you two.

It's common for men to not under-



stand why women get so fixated on their ex-girlfriend, so they take it as an attack toward them as a partner.

When you're both on the defense, nothing will be amended and bigger problems arise.

don't exist: As bizarre as this may sound, she's probably a really nice person.

Heartbreak changes people—the sooner you recognize that, the easier it will be to let go of your aggression towards her.

Her "master plan" to steal your boyfriend away from you may exist only in your imagination, and she may just be trying to heal. Under different circumstances, you guys might have hit it off as friends.

Hating her will do nothing but make you look bitter: While it may be a fun subject to talk about with your girl friends, it's not worth wasting your breath. If she constantly says negative things about you and your relationship, let her.

Her jabs will make her look petty and not fighting back will prove that you're mature enough to not let it get to you. Ultimately, she'll get over it and realize she's not getting a rise out of you. "Kill them with kindness."

You're his girlfriend now, game over: Don't mess that up over nothing. He chose to date you for a reason.

Instead of putting so much energy in keeping his ex out of his life, focus on keeping him in yours. Trust that he will be with you no matter how many exes you both have.

She may not be your favorite person, but don't forget that she is one. You guys don't have to become best friends, but being cordial toward her proves that you're confident in who you are and your relationship.

You're creating situations that



SPORTS

Dolphins Beat Gothic Knights in Dominating Fashion Men's Soccer Gets Their First Win of the Season

BY FRANK COSTAGLIOLA

Despite the Dolphins' struggles this season, they dominated the Gothic Knights on Wednesday, ending their six-game losing streak with a 6-1 victory.

The CSI Men's Soccer team punished the Gothic Knights, taking advantage of a sloppy defense, which led to goals from six players.

The game's first goal came in the 15th minute, after Brayan Evo capitalized on an error, by a NJCU defenseman. Evo was able to create space and found himself one-on-one with NJCU's John Riggs.

Evo buried the ball in the far post, setting the tone for the Dolphins, and was also his first goal of the season.

Shortly after, Vasyi Fedortsi scored the second goal at the 25th minute mark.

Fedortsi ripped a shot from 35 yards out, settling into the back of the net. This goal was a beauty and was a treat for the 84 fans in attendance. The Dolphin's third goal of the half came from Tarek Emam.

Emam received a great pass from Marcin Kim and found himself one-on-one. Emam took full advantage of the situation and made the shot.

The Dolphins were prepared to take a four goal lead at the end of the half, but a shot by Philip Lefkowitz was just shy of the



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net, sailing just above the post.

Despite, failing to capitalize on the goal, the Dolphins were in the driver's seat after the first half of play.

Their constant pressure on NJCU's side of the field and high intensity set them up nicely for the second half.

This was the best half the Dolphin's played all season, scoring more goals during this half than they did in any of their previous games.

The Dolphins were also very efficient, scoring three goals on six shot attempts.



The Dolphins continued right where they left off after play resumed, with their fourth goal coming three minutes into the second half.

The goal came off an assist by Fedortsi who set up Marcin Klim with an easy tap in goal.

The Gothic Knights' window for victory shrank rapidly at this point in the game.

NJCU's defense struggled to keep up with CSI's solid ball movement.

When the Knights had possession of the ball they couldn't hold onto it long enough to create a decent scoring opportunity.

CSI kept the goals coming in the second half. Nicholas Bacarella scored the game's fifth goal, giving the Dolphins a commanding 5-0 lead. Bacarella's goal came from a pass by Dardan Nika.

NJCU finally got a point on the board after Kevin Cavalcanti's corner kick was scored by Reggie Nyema.

The corner kick was a beauty, but would be the Knights' only goal.

The Knights' struggles continued as the Dolphins' scored their sixth and final goal as time was coming to an end.

Dardan Nika was able to take the ball away from a NJCU defender and scored an easy goal.

The Dolphins looked like a different team, efficiently maintaining control over the ball, executing an aggressive defense, and making smart shot selection.

The New York Giants Cant Pull Off a Win Big Blue is Looking Kind of Small

BY FRANCESCA MICELI

Starting off the 2015-16 NFL season can be a stressful thing for any football team.

But so far, this season has been particularly tough for the New York Giants and their two time Super Bowl winning quarterback Eli Manning.

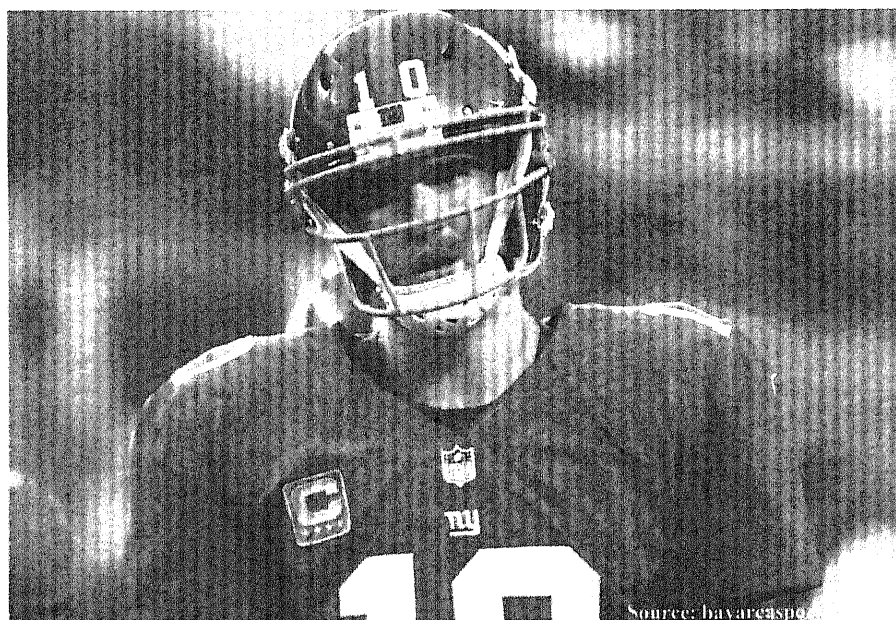
In recent years, he gave the Giants two reasons to celebrate in just one decade, leading them to two championships.

Eli, younger brother of Peyton Manning—also a quarterback in the NFL for the Denver Broncos—became widely recognized after his two Super Bowl victories in 2007 and 2011.

This year however, things have not been going well for him.

As of now, Manning and the Giants have managed to lose both games they've played in the young season, with a sparkling 0-2 record.

During the first and second quarter of



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the opening game against the Dallas Cowboys, the Giants managed a field goal in the first quarter and scored ten more points in the second quarter, giving them the lead.

But Eli threw two interceptions, giving the Cowboys an opportunity to spark up.

The Cowboys went on to win the game

27-26.

The second loss was just as upsetting to both Eli and his teammates.

The Giants were scoreless through the first two quarters against the Atlanta Falcons.

In the second and third quarters, Big

Blue scored 20 points, taking a 20-10 lead.

What looked like an easy win and a game in the bag turned out to be another disappointing mess for the Giants.

The Falcons put up 14 points in the fourth quarter, crushing any chance for the giants to come back, with a final of 24-20.

At least Manning was able to keep himself from throwing any interceptions in that outing.

Eli and the Giants still have some time to pull themselves together and string together some wins before week 5, when they'll clash with last year's Super Bowl Champions, the New England Patriots.

The two Super Bowls Manning won with Big Blue were against Tom Brady and the Patriots.

If Manning continues to be shaky, then this season for Big Blue will be pretty grim. Luckily for him, there are still 14 games to play, which is a lot of time to refocus and begin executing the winning game plans that we all know him for.