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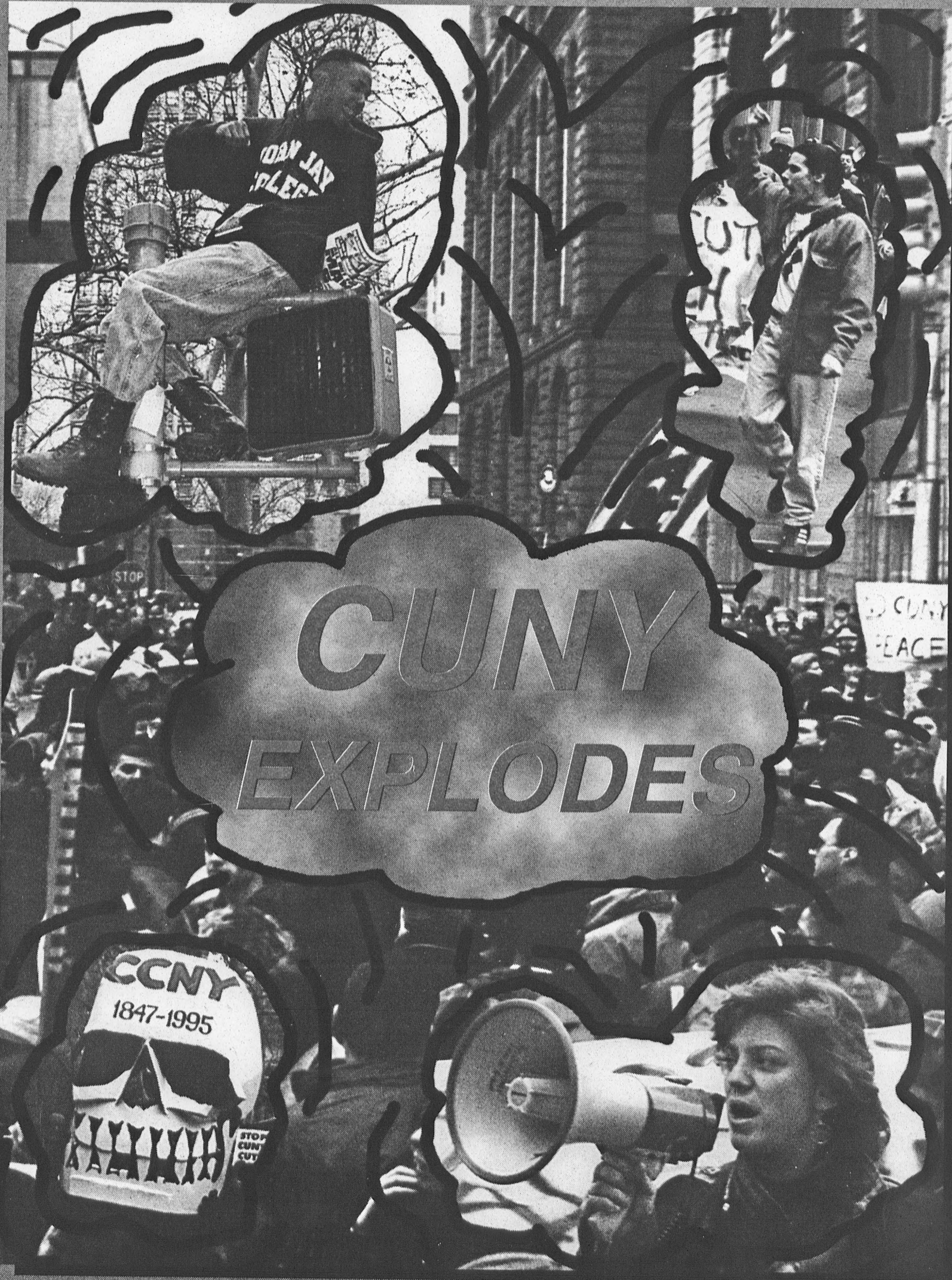
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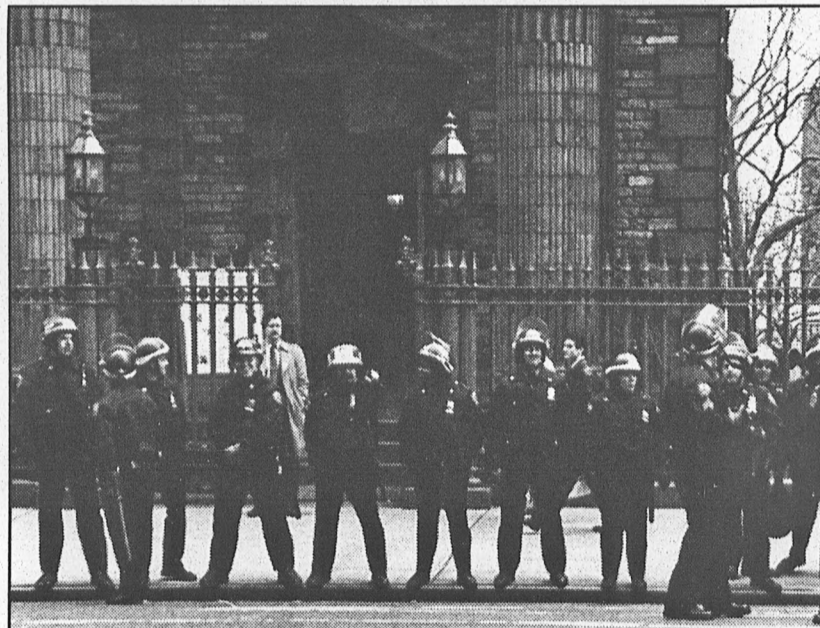
John Paul Patafio give a friendly wave to a police officer while on route to the rally

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Police prepare for war with barricade...

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...and large numbers

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Demonstration Turned Disasterous

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Thursday, March 30, 1995

By Michael Garofalo

Thousands of CUNY students protested in a citywide rally last Thursday, March 23, in an effort to stop Pataki's proposed 25% cut in funding towards education. The demonstration became violent when demonstrators clashed with cops.

Scores of students were arrested and issued summonses after the brutal battle with the police was over. Demonstrator Marco Sainte states, "Everybody thinks the students started it [the fight], but when the cops moved in is when it got ugly."

Police with mace and billy-clubs pushed students back, 11 police officers hospitalized for injuries and nine for students. Demonstrator Steve J. Pauzolis comments, "During the fight, for the

most part, I was carrying people who were maced back to the stage."

The demonstration was generally peaceful until students decided to march on Wall Street. Matters became worse when communication with the crowd ceased; microphones on the mobile stage blew out. The last message heard was, "Don't march...Don't march..."

"We wanted to march on Wall Street because that is the center of political and economical power," states Protester John Paul Patafio. Patafio was issued a summons for possessing an amplification device at the rally.

Governor George Pataki, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and CUNY officials all deny any responsibility for the violence that occurred at the rally.

Giuliani states, "They're supposed to be in school today."

President Marlene Springer states, "Though I know students' concerns are valid the march and rally last Thursday was not sponsored by the College or the University and our students were not encouraged to leave classes to attend this rally."

With an increase of tuition of \$1,000, the largest increase ever, and budget cuts that would eliminate programs such as SEEK, students were highly motivated to protest.

President of Student Government Lori Seggio replies, "If these cuts go through it will be very bad for CUNY next year. We're underfunded as it is."

TO COMBAT CUTS



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**Statement By Governor
George E. Pataki**

New York is facing a \$5 billion budget deficit for the upcoming fiscal year. We must close this deficit and bring desperately needed fiscal sanity to the budget process.

In my budget proposal, I asked SUNY and CUNY to help the taxpayers close this deficit by cutting their bureaucracy and instituting a number of sensible reforms. Unfortunately, they chose to wage a diverse campaign of fear-mongering and distortion to scare both students and parents.

Professors have cancelled classes so students could participate in protest rallies. Administrators have used their taxpayer-funded resources to engage in partisan politics during working hours. It is an outrage to observe such unprofessional and partisan political behavior by professors and administrators who should know better.

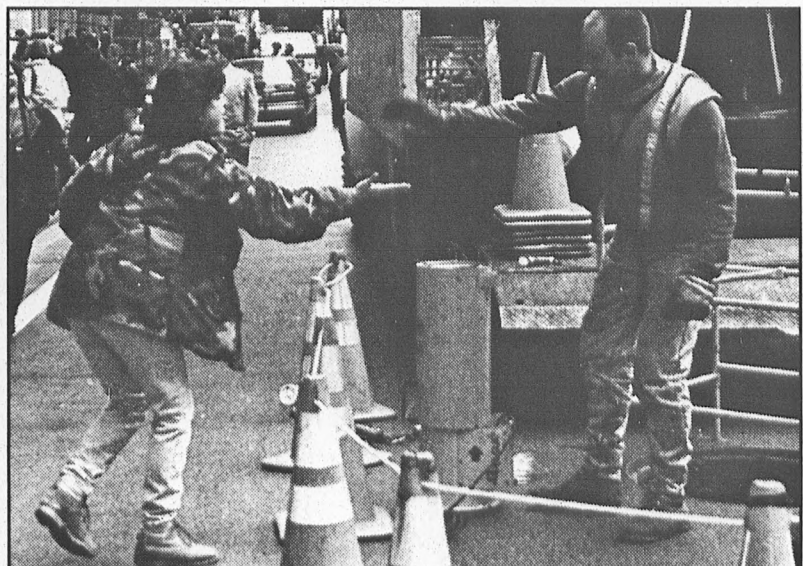
If SUNY and CUNY increased their student-faculty ratio by one student, to 20.5 to one, it would save taxpayers \$18 million a year. If professors increased their average teaching load by a mere one hour to 15.5 hours a week, it would save taxpayers \$25 million a year. If sabbatical leave for faculty were eliminated, taxpayers would save \$17 million a year.

I have suggested specific steps that can be taken by SUNY and CUNY to help New York get its fiscal house in order. I hope they will make a good faith effort to help our taxpayers and forego the type of behavior that poisons the climate for an honest debate.

Student brought many signs with them denouncing Pataki



"Great day to rob a bank," says spectator while looking at all the police.



"Students and workers unite...Fight! Fight! Fight!"

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SEEKING RESTORATION IN ALBANY

By Jennifer Valle

Over 2,500 Seek students and faculty from various CUNY and SUNY campuses travelled to the legislative office building and Capitol at Albany in order to rally and lobby against George Pataki's budget cuts, on March 14th. SEEK paid for the buses that shuttled the students to the sight.

Professor and SEEK Advisor, Charlotte McPherson, stated, "The students were very articulate and were able to bring the point across." Angry students shouted in protest such things as "Hey Hey! Ho Ho!, Pataki's cuts have got to go" as they swarmed on the front steps of the capitol. Other student and faculty lobbyists spoke with Assembly members, Senators and Representatives about the effect that the elimination of the SEEK program would have on them.

The budget proposed by Pataki, if passed, will result in the complete loss of SEEK, as well as Graduate Tap and Aid for part time study (APTS), and leave Financial Aid drastically cut. College funding for CUNY will be decreased by 27.5% (\$158.1 million), funding for SUNY decreased by 32% (\$289.5 million) and Independent colleges decrease by 4% (\$6 million). If the budgets go through as planned, it would result in the loss of thousands of jobs for SEEK advisors throughout CUNY and SUNY, roughly half of the adjunct teachers, and CUNY colleges will be forced to raise tuition by \$1,000 in order to make up for the cuts (SUNY to raise tuition approximately \$1,500), leaving no choice but for SEEK and working class students to take out loans or drop college.

SEEK Advisor Eugene Dudley commented, "This (the proposed budget) has served as a wake up call to the people, we have to tell the story of SEEK and remind Seek students that this is a political program." He continued, "People are so overwhelmed with a sense of powerlessness (at the sight of these cuts), but we will teach them, they will learn. You guys (students) have the power."

Spokespersons explained to lobbying students that cuts will most certainly be made but also commented, "we will try to soften the blows of these cuts."

At a press conference on March 16th, Chancellor W. Ann Reynolds explained, "We are pushing to save SEEK, it is an excellent program which helps thousands of our students throughout CUNY. I don't think the SEEK program will be eliminated, I am quite confident that there will be SEEK restoration." She further commented, "It is funny how in the midst of all of these rallies, the Governor has found an extra \$300 million dollars within the budget."

Students were told by Spokeswoman Ms. Weinberg that Ms. Connelley will try her very best to soften these cuts but it looks like budget cuts will still be made." She explained, "A lot of Republicans like the budget and they are going to vote for it as is."

The rally outside continued as the students waved banners in protest and shouted in protest against the tremendous cuts.

CSI student and SEEK recipient Liz N. George expressed "I depend on SEEK to help me economically and academically. If SEEK gets cut, it would not only affect me but a lot of SEEK students and faculty. I also think it is the best program that helps students academically because the staff, faculty and tutors are always there for the students."

Representative Mr. Jaffe did mention afterward that Mr. Marchi was one of the founders of SEEK in the early 1960's and confided, "Senator Marchi will do all he can for SEEK." He concluded "we will try to soften the cuts and make the situation more equitable to the contingency." Chancellor Reynolds commented, "The legislatures and assemblymembers have been thoroughly impressed by our students." Professor McPherson commented that the fight wasn't over yet stating, "We should continue to keep the pressure on until we get restoration to CUNY."

SOLIDARITY AT MANHATTAN

by Jennifer Valle

Solidarity was the key at the March 16th rally as approximately 10,000 students swamped the streets and caused a forty-five minute traffic jam in the streets of Manhattan in hopes to get restoration for CUNY and SUNY. The rally began outside of Lehman College and Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC).

Thousands of students from Lehman, LaGuardia, and other CUNY schools chanted, "Pataki says 'cut back' we say 'fight back'," as they marched towards BMCC where they joined with another rally already in progress at BMCC. Hundreds of police officers lined the streets in 'fence formation' as the students marched down Chambers street towards Liberty Avenue and Trinity Avenue. "If they (the ralliers) get out of line, (we will) lock 'em up" stated Police Officer Alomar as he watched for any signs of rioting.

As the ralliers stopped marching at Liberty Avenue, USS Chairman Anthony Giordano addressed the students from a makeshift podium, congratulating them and encouraging them to "keep up the fight." Giordano then handed the microphone over to Assemblyman Perry who commented on the proposed cuts, "The only person who could support these cuts is someone who lives at home and has no heart." He continued, "These budgets are being pushed by people with blindfolds on."

The ralliers, blanketing approximately five blocks, shouted in agreement as the Honorable Larry Seabrook took the mike and shouted, "We're fired up, we can't take no more." He persisted, "Today we show a sense of unity... but we also show a sense of solidarity. We protest peacefully but we will also show that we have a right to protest. We are all from different countries... we may have come here on different ships but we're on the same boat now." Honorable Seabrook spoke of the one hundred students who were

arrested from Hunter College on March 15th stating, "We will stand up for those students of Hunter. They didn't go to jail for selling drugs, they went to jail for standing up for education." Students cheered as they continued to rally for three hours.

At a town meeting on March 15th, President Springer explained, "If the budget cuts go through, we are going to have to cut about 500 sections, we are going to have to lay off 65 - 70 faculty, 65 - 75 staff, about half of our adjunct teachers will be laid off." Although summer school looks grim at the face of these cuts, President Springer commented, "We will try our best to save summer school."

In light of the drastic cuts, The President has set up a Retrenchment committee in order to review the classes and the budget. The committee will decide, along with Springer, which programs and sections from CSI will have to be cut. She explained, "We (the retrenchment committee) will put everything on the table and look at all the programs. The budget will be released on April 1st, and we need to have a retrenchment plan completed by June 30th." She continued, "I will consult as widely as I can but the bottom line is that my name will be on the bottom of that page (the budget plan for next semester)."

In a press conference on March 16th, Chancellor Reynolds commended the students rallying stating, "Our students have been polite, well behaved, and informative. Everyone I have spoken to has been very impressed with our students, but we have to keep this up. The real target right now is the legislature."

The rally began to break up at 5:00 pm as students returned to classes. Irwin Polishook from the Professional Staff Congress/CUNY Union of Professional Staff commented, "When he (Pataki) restored capital punishment, we didn't think he wanted a death sentence for us. We won't stand for it."

These budgets are being pushed by people with blindfolds on.

In CSI News...

MOCK BAKE SALE LEAVES PATAKI PROPOSAL LOOKING "HALF-BAKED"

By Jennifer Valle

Approximately five students from CSI held a mock bake sale in front of Senator Marchi's district office on March 16th in order to mock Governor Pataki's request that CUNY students seek private funding sources to make up for the 25% state aid cut which he proposed.

The sale, featuring CSI cookies for \$5 million dollars a piece and CUNY cake for \$10 million dollars a slice went well considering the fact that none of the baked goods were purchased. "Maybe we should try again on pay day," stated student John Kim as he sarcastically continued, "Without a successful bake sale to offset the governor's cuts, CUNY may be forced to fire hundreds of tenured faculty and raise tuition by \$1,000."

Project leader with the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPiRG) and CSI student Laura Milling commented, "The Pataki plan for CUNY really seems half-baked. The Governor should know that the ingredients of a college education cannot be tuition, tuition, and more tuition. This is not a recipe that the working poor and middle class students of CUNY can easily swallow."

SECURITY LEARNS SIGN LANGUAGE

Security has been working in conjunction with the Resource Center for the Deaf to train peace officers to communicate with deaf and hearing impaired students and faculty on campus. "This is our second session of sign language" explained Director of Security Eugene Martinez. He continued, "We began the training last semester. We discussed this with Carol Lazorisak and we felt that this training will help the peace officers communicate a lot better with the students who are deaf and hard of hearing."

With approximately 60 students on campus who are hearing impaired and an expected double of that number in September, arrangements were made for Faculty member Gina DiBart to train security officers in two-fifteen minute sessions once each week. Martinez commented, "With this training, we will be able to service the students even more."

FUNERAL HELD FOR CUNY

Approximately 20 students held a mock funeral for CUNY on Monday, March 20th. Students gathered at noon in front of the campus center with cardboard tombstones and a makeshift black coffin. They immediately assembled into "funeral procession" style and proceeded to "grieve" the loss of CUNY

by the hand of Pataki and his proposed budget. "I'm going to really be affected with the financial aid cuts. I'm getting low Tap assistance now and now it's going to be gone." She continued, "There's nothing else for me. I'm supporting this funeral procession in hopes to save my education."

The mourners, dressed in black, carried the coffin to the front of the library where a short ceremony was held. Student Government President Lori Seggio commented, "It's appropriate that the funeral be held in front of a building that symbolizes the quest for knowledge." Seggio then called for a moment of silence.

Director of the SEEK program, Gloria Garcia, commended the students for making the truth about the cuts known. NYPiRG Project Coordinator Michelle Gibbons commented, "This tragedy can still be prevented. The State Legislature still has the power to restore the cuts." Mourner and CSI student Stephanie Rogers commented, "there's no reason for high school students to stay in school when they know there won't be a college to go to." Gibbons ended the ceremony by encouraging students to call their Assemblypersons and Representatives stating, "There is still hope for the life of CUNY. We must keep calling on legislature to restore cuts so that we won't have to bury our education."

WSIA: BIG SIGN... BIG PROBLEMS

WSIA suffered a broken neon sign when 3 students were playing football in front of the campus center and accidentally hit the yellow neon tubing with the ball on Thursday, March 16. Director of Campus Center Mike Daniels expressed, "We are calling local people to get estimates in order to make the repairs."

Although no one is sure as to the cost to fix the sign, Director for Student Services Allan DiBiase commented, "Why should students play football there (in front of the campus center) when they could injure someone." He continued, "It was irresponsible behavior and I strongly feel that the students responsible should pay for the damages."

For now, the WSIA sign still is operable although it is missing an entire line of yellow neon within the red lining under the letters 'WSIA.' Greg Adamo offered an idea to prevent further damage stating, "We will be looking into plexiglass." DiBiase further commented on the situation stating, "You broke it, you pay for it."

MULTIPLE CAR THEFTS / BREAK-INS TIGHTENS SECURITY

Along with major parking problems on campus, a rash of car break-ins and car thefts have occurred since January, five incidents of which occurred in the month of March.

Within the third week of March (3/20 - 3/22) two cars were stolen and another three were broken into on the Willowbrook campus. According to reports, one 1986

Monte Carlo was damaged on March 20th. Afterwards, on the same day, another 1986 Monte Carlo was stolen from parking lot #1. Following these two incidents, another car was tampered with in parking lot #6 on March 21st which left the auto lock broken. A few hours afterwards, another car was stolen from the loop road. One car was taken from parking lot #4 and deposited in parking lot #6 minus the car radio on March 22nd.

Security personnel Robert Yurman commented on the issue stating, "All of our patrols are currently concentrating on the parking lots." Yurman further explained, "Security is looking into The Police Department Anti Car Theft Unit. We are just waiting for the 'okay' from President Springer." If implemented, the Anti Car Theft Unit would feature plain clothes police officers on campus to patrol the parking lots and look for suspicious activity. In addition to these thefts, Head of Security Eugene Martinez urges all students to be alert for any suspicious activity in parking lots and report any such activity immediately. In a letter to the CSI Community, Martinez says, "Staten Island has the highest rates for stolen autos in New York City... In recent weeks, we have experienced a marked increase in reported auto thefts at our Willowbrook campus." Martinez further announced, "The Campus Security Department is taking certain steps to reduce the risk of auto thefts on campus."

Among the constant patrolling of parking lots and awaiting approval for police back-up, security personnel Dennis Casey stood at the front gate on March 24th, randomly checking cars for marks of tampering. Yurman concluded, "We've made the parking lots our number one priority."

PEER SUPPORT: DO DROP IN

Over 50 students and staff members gathered at the Park Cafe when the Peer Drop-In Center held a reception to celebrate the opening of the new support center at 4:00 pm on March 22nd. First started February 6, 1995, the program began "slow, but has been picking up" explained Supervisor of the Peer Group and Wellness Coordinator Carol Brower.

"This is a way for students to give back something to the school" explained Ms. Brower. With 16 students already trained as "peer educators" and participating in the program, the support center is open for calls from students who need information, referral to support agencies, or a person to talk to. "All of the peer educators took 2 days of training in January and each of them voluntarily work 3 hours each week," explained Brower. She continued, "The phone calls are all confidential and students are welcomed to come to the center to speak to our educators." The Peer office, located in 1C-112F, is open from 9 am - 5 pm from Monday - Friday, with the exception of Wednesdays when the office is open until 6:30 pm. All students seeking a friendly voice and support are encouraged to call the group at 982-3123.

SORRY 'BOUT THAT

In the BANNER Volume II Issue X, I made a mistake and reported that Loop Bus #190 sprung a gas tank leak. Upon further investigation, it was found that the Loop Bus actually had a fuel filter leak. Upon recognizing the source of the problem, the bus was immediately repaired by Gateway Personnel.

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Abortion Training Debated at Medical Schools

By Marco Buscaglia
College Press Service

CHICAGO — Medical student Gillian Herald says she's become familiar with a variety of medical terms and procedures during lectures at the University of Illinois-Chicago. But the second-year student has noticed one topic that never seems to come up in class.

"We hardly ever hear anything about abortion. Sometimes we talk about birth control and other subjects, and the conversation seems like it would naturally progress to abortion, but it never does. It's always avoided," says Herald. "What we have received, we've received because we asked for it."

Most medical school administrators, however, would say specific training for abortion is no more a part of the first two years of medical school than would be learning techniques for brain surgery.

"Major training for spontaneous or elective abortions occur in the OB-GYN residency programs," says Patty O'Shea, spokesperson for the American Association of Medical Colleges. "In medical school, they're trying to address the broad information needs of all students. You get more detailed information in your residency program."

Still, as the demographics of medical school shift — a record-high 18,968 women enrolled last fall — new concerns are being raised about abortion training.

Last month, the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) unanimously approved a revision of the Program Requirements for Residency Education in Obstetrics. Effective Jan. 1, 1996, the revised statement says that OB/GYN programs must provide "a structured didactic and clinical training experience in all methods of family planning, including methods of contraception, including natural methods, as well as sterilization....Experience with induced abortion must be a part of residency training, except for residents with moral or religious objections....Experience with management of complications of abortion must be provided to all residents."

Institutions, such as Catholic hospitals, that have a moral or religious objection to abortion must comply with the requirement by offering experience in performing abortions at another institution.

The new requirement, which applies only to students planning to be obstetricians and gynecologists, must be followed by hospitals with residency programs in order to qualify for federal funding.

The policy was backed by numerous medical organizations, including the American Hospital Association, the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the American Medical Association.

"for the safety of the patients, it is essential that physicians providing abortion services are trained and competent," said a released statement from the AMA. "Therefore, the AMA believes that this requirement is necessary for the health and benefit of patients."

The ACGME ruling has met with outrage from many anti-abortion and religious groups, including the Catholic Church. "Coercing people and institutions to participate in the destruction of innocent life is a great evil," said Cardinal Roger Mayhony of Los Angeles, chairman of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee for Pro-Life Activities.

A study at Columbia University of 216 of the 271 residency programs in U.S. indicates that 47% of graduating residents in obstetrics and gynecology have never performed an abortion. A similar study out of the University of California at Davis revealed that residency programs offering first trimester abortion training dropped to 12% in 1992 from 23% in 1985. Training for second trimester

doctors necessary in each geographic region. "There are areas of the country where there are no abortion providers," says Herald. "If someone drives hundreds of miles to get an abortion, then comes home, has complications and has to go to the nearest hospital, she would expect that a doctor on duty would know what those complications may be and what are the best ways to treat them."

pushing for increased abortion training. Last year, Planned Parenthood of New York City began a training program for doctors, teaching safe abortions practices to interested physicians at their own clinics. So far, the organization has trained more than 45 physicians.

The American Medical Women's Association is sponsoring the Reproductive Health Initiative, a program focused on medical students concerned about abortion training. After getting input from schools, students and doctors, the AMWA will create a prototype for a fourth-year elective which will give interested students training in abortion.

Students on both sides of the issue fear that hospitals interviewing for residents may use abortion as a litmus test for their applicants.

"So much what you do in the last two years of medical school and during your residency are based on recommendation and approval of others,"

says Buss. "There may be students who are coerced into doing things they may not want to do, especially something as dramatic as perform an abortion, because they're receiving pressure from people who have power over them."

Risha O'Connor, a second-year student at Northwestern University Medical School, worries that hospitals fearing controversy may avoid certain residents. "Residency interviewers may screen people out, using the new accreditation policy as the reason," O'Connor says. "OB-GYN people should be trained in abortion but if students say they want it, hospitals may use that as a way to avoid accepting that student."

Despite concerns about limiting students, Teri Wolf, a first-year student at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, thinks the ACGME ruling will ultimately benefit students. "I'm hoping the accreditation will have a trickle-down effect," Wolf says. "We should start talking about issues we haven't talked about before. Regardless of what you believe, these are issues that need to be discussed, and how it still seems like they're being avoided whenever we're in the classroom."

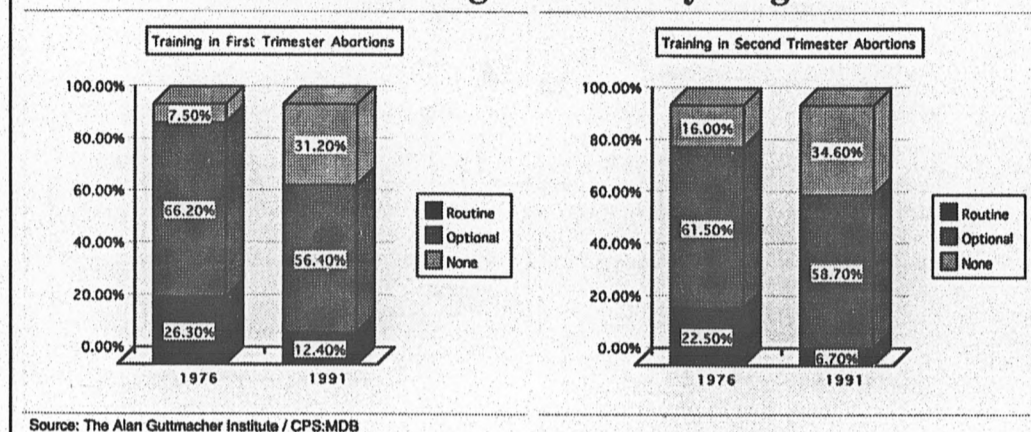
Ku says medical students have a responsibility to ask for lectures on abortion, even during their first and second years. "It's a tough subject to talk about but it needs to be done," she says. "Our curriculum is crowded enough as it is, so sometimes it's probably easier not to talk about abortion during the first two years. The school figures we'll get it in our clinicals. If they don't do it, we have to demand it."

Alison Abreu, a second-year student at the University of Iowa Medical School, says her classmates are probably as exposed to lectures on abortion as any medical students in the nation because of the proximity of three abortion clinics in Iowa City, including one that is run by the medical school.

Abreu says that doctors at the school clinic serve as instructors at the school, and OB/GYN students can do rotations at the facility. "I think that it's been helpful for medical students to get exposed to abortion as part of their curriculum," she says. "If we hadn't been exposed to it, we may never even consider it."

"It's important because abortion is a legal right for women. If people aren't willing or taught to provide it, it won't matter if it's legal or not."

Abortion Training in Residency Programs



abortions fell to 7% from 23% during the same time period.

Dr. John Gienapp, executive director of the ACGME, says that as abortions switched from hospitals to clinics, fewer residents were exposed to the proper procedures. "There has always been expectation that were explanations and teaching in family planning, but this the first time the requirement is this explicit," Gienapp said. "Residents who are being trained in hospitals may not have the exposure to abortions they once may have had. We need to ensure that they're receiving the proper training."

Michele Arocha Allen, spokesperson for National Right to Life, disagrees. "The accreditation is a political move. They're trying to put abortion on the same level as other medical procedures so people will think it's like anything else," Arocha Allen says. "Students who would choose to opt out of learning abortion will feel pressure from their decision by school officials who have been told to make sure it's part of the curriculum. It's outrageous that people can be coerced into something that is not a healing art."

Currently, obstetricians and gynecologists do have to be trained in performing abortions to get licensed. Some medical students say that abortion techniques are so similar to dilation and curettage procedures, or D & C's, in which the walls of the uterus are scraped after a spontaneous abortion, that specific training is unnecessary.

Others, however, welcome the training that will stem from the new requirement.

"The ACGME is recognizing that abortion is an important medical technique. Doctors should know the accurate techniques of an abortion just like they should know counseling options for patients who are looking for some information on contraception," says Jen Schroeder, a third-year medical student at Wright State University. "It's something that people don't like to deal with, but we still need to know the procedures."

Phyllidia Ku, a second-year medical student at Brown University, agrees. "It's important to know because physicians should be able to give patients the full range of their options," Ku says. "You need to deal with your own ethical issues first, but then you are obligated to provide your patient with the proper perspective."

UIC's Herald says differing laws in abortion make knowledgeable

But some students felt that the new requirement may infringe on their religious beliefs. "It seems like the accreditation council is trying to mainstream abortion. To some people who are pro-choice, abortion training should be almost mandatory, but I don't feel like I have to perform abortions to be a competent doctor," says Mary Buss, a second-year student at Georgetown's School of Medicine. "I think the ruling could cause damage because it's infringing on the religious beliefs of the schools and the students. It potentially forces them to do something they may not believe is morally right."

Gienapp maintains that students opposed to abortion will not have to perform any in order to receive certification. "We're not forcing any person or hospital to perform or allow abortions if it's against their moral or religious beliefs," he says. "We have no intention of doing that."

Laura, a third-year student at St. Louis University Medical School who wishes to be identified by her first name only, says that the ruling will drive a division between students in OB/GYN rotations and residencies. "It's like saying we're not as competent as doctors because we don't do abortions," she said. "That infuriates me. If anything, I see myself as the better doctor because I practice medicine to save lives, not destroy them."

About 30% of the nation's hospitals are affiliated with religious groups and do not perform abortions. Administrators from these hospitals are currently looking at how the ruling may affect them.

Mike Maggio, spokesperson for Loyola Medical Center in suburban Chicago, says there may be options that will work within the center's present day-to-day operations. "As a Catholic hospital, we don't perform abortions, but there are similar procedures that are performed," Maggio says. "If a fetus dies in the womb, then the effort to remove that fetus is the same procedure as an abortion. We deal with medical situations in OB-GYN that are appropriate for a Catholic hospital."

Gienapp says religious hospitals have options, including not to train anyone in obstetrics or gynecology or to accept only those residents who are opposed to abortion and have no intention of seeking the appropriate training. Religious hospitals also can allow their residents to get the training at other hospitals.

Already, organizations are

COLLEGE NEWS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE

By College Press Service

Here's a round-up of what's happening on campuses across the world:

Student Editor Jailed Over Editorial in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (CPS)—The editor of a Cambodian newspaper for college students was sentenced to a one-year prison sentence for publishing "false and defamatory" news.

Chan Rotana, editor of the "Voice of Khmer Youth," published a cartoon and editorial critical of the nation's co-premiers, Ranariddh and Hun Sen. In the cartoon, Hun Sen stood armed with a sword behind Ranariddh; Ranariddh was pictured balancing a bag of money on his head. An accompanying editorial stated that Ranariddh was "three times more stupid" than Hun Sen.

Rotana was sentenced for violating Article 62 of U.N. Administrative law, which calls for penalties for the publication of news that is "false, fabricated, falsified or untruthfully attributed to a third person." He also was fined five million riels (\$2000).

The judge asked Rotana if he had any proof that Ranariddh was three times as stupid as his governmental counterpart. Rotana responded that he believed this to be true but had no concrete proof.

Gingrich Quits Teaching Class

By College Press Service

WALESKA, Ga.— With only one class left in the quarter, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich announced his decision to stop teaching a weekly college history class at Reinhardt College in his home state of Georgia.

Gingrich has come under fire for teaching the course, which most recently has become the subject of investigation by a congressional ethics committee.

Democrats have charged the speaker with accepting free air time worth up to \$200,000 from a cable television firm to air the class. Former U.S. Congressman Ben Jones also filed a complaint with the House Ethics Committee, accusing Gingrich of using the course as a forum to recruit Republicans.

Although Gingrich has been teaching "Renewing American Civilization" for the past three years, he said his duties as Speaker of the House have taken up more time than he realized.

"Between being speaker and maybe taking a little bit of personal time off, I'm going to postpone teaching for a couple of years," Gingrich said in announcing his decision.

The Republican representative and author of the GOP's Contract with America said that his wife urged him to relinquish his teaching responsibilities.

Gingrich formerly taught the 10-week course for two hours each Saturday morning at Reinhardt College. The Lecture was taped and distributed to radio and television stations across the nation by the Progress and Freedom Foundation, a conservative organization based in Washington.

Faculty Office Stripped of Nude Paintings

LONDON (CPS)—Southampton University has succumbed to pressure from a faculty member and removed a series of nude paintings from the school's social sciences department.

The three paintings by artist Larry Wakefield, one of Adam and Eve and the other of two women, had been on display in the department's office for 12 years. But Maire Ni Bhrolcain, a new social statistician, said the paintings were offensive and asked that they be removed.

After asking other faculty members their opinions, Southampton officials decided to move the oil paintings to a private collection.

French Student Protesters Take Over Toll Bridge

PARIS (CPS) — After a flurry of protests from university students, the French government has canceled a number of proposed initiatives for public universities.

In response to proposals for higher university fees and the transformation of education grants to loans, students took over toll booths on the Normandy Bridge and asked motorists to contribute their toll money to an education fund. Students also staged protests in Grenoble, Paris, Pau and Dijon, numbering 5,000 and more at each protest.

The plan, proposed by Higher Education Minister Francois Fillon, also included tougher requirements for technology students who wished to further their education after two years of study. If enacted, it could have cut short the studies of as many as 100,000 students.

Japanese Students Sets Record for Reciting Pi

TOKYO (CPS) — A Japanese student from Keio University in Tokyo recently set the world record for pi(π) recitation by proclaiming the value of the number to 42,194 decimal places.

Hirofumi Goto, 21, recited the number on Feb. 18, taking more than nine hours to do so. It was his second attempt at the record. (Last year, he stopped after 17,000 figures.)

The previous record was set in 1987 by Japanese student Hideaki Tomoyori, who gave 40,000 figures. Tomoyori set his record in 17 hours, more than twice the time it took Goto.

Thai Students Fed Exam Answers in Underwear

BANGKOK, Thailand (CPS) — Police in Bangkok halted an elaborate electronic scheme last month, arresting 75 students who kept radio receivers in their underwear to help them cheat on an army college entrance exam.

After learning of the operation, police entered classrooms at Ramkhamheang University, where the exam was taking place. They found 75 students wearing the specially designed receivers in their underwear.

The students said they paid a police officer 50,000 baht (\$2,000) for the radio devices, who signaled in the correct answers as the exam was taking place.

The officer and the students face up to two years in prison if convicted.

Algerian Gunman Injure College Students

TUNIS, Algeria — Three female college students were wounded when Algerian gunmen opened fire on the entrance to their school in Tunis.

The students were walking to class at Mohamed Boudiaf College when members of the Islamic Armed Group (GIA) began shooting, critically injuring two students and slightly wounding the other.

The GIA, one of Algeria's most radical fundamentalist groups, warned students to stay home, according to Algerian newspapers, "otherwise the death penalty will be carried out." The GIA believes schools are unIslamic and supportive of the Algerian republic.

Last year, Moslem fundamentalists killed 101 teachers and 69 students in Algeria.

Former Student Robs Bank to Pay Loans

By College Press Service

CHICAGO—There are a lot of college students who are frustrated by their student loan debt. Few, however go to the extreme Russell Nash did to try and pay them back.

Nash, a former student at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, was arrested after trying to rob a suburban Chicago bank last week. He told police he planned on taking just enough money to pay back his debts—\$3000 for the school and \$3000 for his federal loan.

On March 2, Nash, 22, took a bus

to Oak Park, walked into bank with a .32 caliber revolver and handed a teller note demanding money. As Nash was leaving with the cash, the teller alerted a security guard.

Nash ran to a nearby intersection to catch a bus home but was tripped by a bystander, who heard the security guard's warning. When Nash stood up, he surrendered to the guard, who had his gun drawn.

Police say Nash had \$4,418 in cash on him when he was arrested.

Nash graduated from high school

in 1991. He planned on following in the footsteps of his two brothers and sister, all of whom had earned college degrees. But after two years at Indiana State, Nash returned home because he owed the school money.

After quitting his part-time job in December, Nash says he planned on getting a new job and transferring his credit to a school in Chicago.

He has been charged with armed robbery and released on a \$10,000 recognizance bond.

NU Professor Shot by Former Assistant

By College Press Service

EVANSTON, Ill.—Shouting "You ruined my life," a former research associate shot and wounded a Northwestern University professor after confronting him in a campus parking lot.

A day later, the gunman shot himself, police said. Mario Ruggiero, 51, a NU professor of hearing sciences, was walking to class between 9:30 am and 10 am March 9 when he was met by John Arthur Costalupes, 45, a former research associate of Ruggiero's at the University of Minnesota.

According to Evanston police, Costalupes shouted at Ruggiero and fired three shots, hitting Ruggiero in

the pelvis, right leg and right wrist. The professor was listed in critical condition a day after the shooting.

Several NU students reported hearing the gunshots and described Costalupes and his vehicle to the police. Meanwhile, police guarded all entrances to the hospital in which Ruggiero was treated after a caller contacted the hospital, threatening to "Finish the job" and kill the professor, said a police spokesman.

On March 10, Costalupes entered the Mayo Building on the University of Minnesota campus. When confronted by a campus police officer, Costalupes tried to flee the building. While struggling with the

officer, Costalupes drew a gun and shot himself in the head.

Minnesota police said they provided extra security on campus after receiving a call from a hotel clerk, who said she recognized a recent guest as Costalupes.

Ruggiero and Costalupes worked together at the University of Minnesota in the 1980's. Costalupes was fired in 1987 and blamed Ruggiero for his dismissal, police said. In 1993, Ruggiero left UM and joined the faculty at Northwestern.

A NU spokesperson said the Ruggiero never mentioned that his life had been threatened and had not requested police protection.

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Has Morality Died, And, Can It Be Resurrected?

By Alisa A. Hemmer

Lately, I have been noticing just how messed up the world is. People have little respect for each other. There are few of us who have good morals. We need a reality check! Some of us have forgotten that morals and good values are learned. Parents need to raise their standards and teach their children right from wrong as soon as their offspring learn how to walk. Some parents do not want to be bothered taking the time to talk to a child about problems he or she might have, or just to find out what is on their son's or daughter's mind. This has got to stop; our children are our future.

Environment plays a major role in children's lives. They learn from

their surroundings; children are very impressionable, they're like sponges; they soak up everything around them. If youngsters are taught morality from an early age, they will grow up with morals, therefore becoming well rounded adults. I do not believe anyone is born bad. I think that people learn how to be born bad. In society today there are too many of us who are irresponsible and have no code of ethics. It's a shame, but in my opinion lying and cheating have become a way of life for a lot of people. Why can't we just be honest? Most of us are decent hard working people who are just trying to live our lives and get by the best we can.

We should all try to be a little kinder to each other. All you have to do to make someone feel good is to

smile at him or her or say a kind word. A little wave or a simple "Hello, how are you?" can make a person's day a little brighter. There is no reason to call people names or poke fun at those who are a little bit different from us. The world would be such a calmer, friendlier place if we would all try to be a little nicer and try to respect each other.

It really alarms me the way racism and prejudice have taken such prevalence in our society. A person should not be judged by the color of his skin or his religious preference/beliefs. After all, we are all human beings. We are all born the same way, and we all bleed the same. Treat people the way you want to be treated. Don't be selfish, listen to what other people have to say, and they will

thank you for being a good listener.

Be a good citizen. Do not break the law; not only are you hurting yourself, but you are also hurting innocent people who don't deserve to be punished for your foolishness. There are a lot of people out there. Just live one day at a time, respect yourself and those around you, and be happy.

Teaching young people how to be responsible for their actions is a very valuable lesson; if you aren't responsible for yourself, then how are you going to take on the challenge of raising your own children. Let's all try to make the world a better place to live. Just smiling at someone can make their day. Peace.

Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor-In-Chief,

I must say that was a very evasive response to my letter. I mean that, I had expected a more lively rebuttal however you conducted yourself in a professional manner, calm, cool, and I hope honest with the exception of the AGAIN which appeared in bold print whose intention was probably to annoy me. Well that's fine I laughed when I saw it, besides it reflects some character and cañones on your part, which I respect.

Now down to business. I see nothing wrong or too offensive in the last two issues of the Banner so I have Nothing to say about it. Keep in mind that if I didn't like the Banner I would not even bother to communicate with it at all, take that for what it's worth. However in your March 6 issue you asked for a response to the new SAFE Program so here it is. I think that this whole idea of SAFE is a bit much at least for this campus. It is, I think, overkill and over-reaction especially at CSI. I can understand the desire of the administration to maintain order within CSI, that's understandable. However, not for nothing it seems like we have a surplus of campus security here. I mean a classic example was the way the college handled security for Chancellor Reynolds and her visit. I mean her car was driven up to 1C with a security escort (jeep) as if a wild gunman was on a roof and was going to shoot at her. I mean that's ridiculous I can't drive my car up to 1C why should she. In addition a security patrol escorted her on to and off the campus. What the hell, she's not the President of the United States. Also there were about twenty uniformed guards outside the Campus Center and a whole bunch of security in plain clothes inside the cafeteria. I suppose this was her secret service right. In your photo in the March 6 ed. of the Banner there is Borough Hall and you can clearly see the large number of protesters fighting the budget cuts and there is 10, 20, 30, or 40 cops guarding it only two. Now if two cops is enough to block a doorway for Guy Molinari all the security for Reynolds was unwarranted. Oh by the way she came on a Friday morning, on Fridays there is like not a soul to be found on campus. Good thing she didn't come on a busy day like Monday, who knows we might have had to call out the National Guard for her.

As for this new unit and the liberal policy which has been adopted in who may summon it well I just have this to say. The unit may quell the protests against budget cuts however it does the people that have requested them to subdue us students are just hurting the effort to secure our education and their lame asses. So you see they'll suffer just as much as we will.

As Always, W.Y.L.T.K.

PS. I'm changing W.Y.L.T.K. to J.P. next letter since the pseudonym is not appropriate.

Well it looks as if the Banner has set-up an elaborate penpal system. But hey, if you keep writing letters we'll keep printing them. We also appreciate you taking the time to do so. But as you say...down to business.

There is not much I can say to your letter except, I agree. Reynolds came down to CSI to show her support of CUNY and that she was against the cuts. Why would she need to separate herself from students if she's fighting for them? If there was a protest outside, (This is why there was so much security, because a protest was expected.) I would join in if I was the chancellor.

This is why I respect our college's president. You will see Springer eat lunch in the Campus Center like anyone else. And no, security is not positioning themselves along the rotunda to secure the president from a possible uprising.

As for the borough hall rally, there were 10-15 police officers for 50 to 80 protesters, depending on which newspaper you read. Since I was at both events I think it's safe to say, you dramatized the scenarios a little bit. Although, I feel that I have to agree with you on the fact that Reynolds' appearance was paralleled with a security overkill. Guy Molinari quietly left for the day using the back entrance with none of the protesters aware of that fact till it was too late. -ed.

3/20/95

To the Editor:

This letter is a response to the meeting that Dr. Springer held the night of last Wednesday, 3/15.

Dr. Springer and her staff expressed their deep compassion and professional concern about the proposed budget cuts to CSI and the way it will hurt the College's mission, and of course the students.

My class, at Professor Robbin's request attended Dr. Springer's lecture and I am glad that he did, since Professor Robbin's is one of our finest instructors, bar none.

The one comment that disturbed was one made by Dr. Jackson, College Vice President about prohibiting Student organizations to hold off campus meetings since she assumed that alcoholic consumption would happen and was echoed by a staff member sitting in the audience named Alan?

My point: the last time I read the Bill of Rights that to assemble peaceably was not be interfered with by any official or agency within the US.

My concern, which was expressed earlier by Dr. Springer, was a reactionary trend towards limiting freedoms within America.

This reaction has manifested before by the cashiering of Dr. Volpe, the harassment of Dr. Jeffries and the implementation of the new CUNY police force, all by Dr. Reynolds.

I know that CSI's staff are distracted by the possible dissolving of CUNY, those first principles that this country was founded upon.

That restricting the peaceable assembly of adult citizens is at best, reprehensible and should not be permitted.

Sincerely,

Patrick M. Shaw

What you have to ask yourself is: "What sticks out more in a person's mind; stu-

dents sharing a peaceful afternoon playing a pleasant game of pool, or the game of pool where a fight breaks out and someone gets stabbed in the eye with a cue?" Sound a bit abstract? Well, let me explain.

Back at Sunnyside, pool was played like a religion. One day non-students came on campus to get a game. One thing led to another and a fight broke out. I don't know the exact details (it's before my time), however I do know no one was stabbed in the eye. But if you mention getting a pool table back on campus, staff will refer to the incident as if this occurred. Regardless of the fact that students were not directly responsible for what occurred, pool lovers are now made to suffer for the past.

One might say, "why do we have ping pong tables and not a pool table?" If some got chopped in the neck with a paddle in a ping pong brawl, that game would be phased out as well.

What I'm trying to say is that Carol Jackson and Allan DiBiase, Director of Student Activities are looking out for the safety of the college and avoid potential law suits. When something goes wrong at an event, who do you think gets a call? This is why our administrators are a bit 'shell shocked' when you say off-campus event. No matter what precautions are taken, the college is almost always liable if something goes astray. Even if no legal action occurs, who do you think the parents call if there son or daughter was found dead from an alcoholic overdose. They look for someone to blame. A school is an easy target.

You have freedom to assemble and go where ever you want with your friends, but when you use the school name things become more complicated. Does this mean we as students should give up holding off-campus events? No, but anyone who does want an off campus event with the school should be aware that there is a set of rules and a trail of paperwork to follow. As long as you don't get discouraged in filling out forms and following the rules, you will see that campus staff overall does want to help you with your event. -Ed.



What do you think?
Was the CUNY-WIDE rally beneficial to our cause?
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SIMPSON'S EMPIRE A JOKING MATTER FOR CREATOR GROENING

By David Baiz
College Press Service

It's a bit ironic that an avowed underground cartoonist — a self-described product of a youth misspent watching hours of mindless television sitcoms — has found himself manipulating a runaway merchandising behemoth estimated at a quarter of a billion dollars.

Yet with his vast and endless supply of satirical wit, cartoonist Matt Groening regularly brings his brand of irreverence to mainstream television America, and in the process, has made his cult creation "The Simpsons" a weekly prime-time hit and a fertile cash cow.

Groening, undeniably the Grand Pooh-Bah of ancillaries, continues to supply retailers with an endless array of pinball and video games, trading cards, CD's, Simpson-ized clothing, and hundreds of other goods that seemingly reach here to Siberia.

One of his latest attempts at bringing his slanted vision of the world into mainstream culture is the publishing enterprise Bongo Comics. Inaugurated in early 1994, Bongo since has carved its own niche with a broad and diverse readership.

"The majority of comics now out on the newsstands are intentionally grim and solemn," explains Groening. "The humor market is pretty dried out, and I want to get funny books back on the street"

The result is a clever line of titles that are jammed with inside jokes and collegiate gags that often require more than a marginal degree of astuteness (the clueless need not subscribe). Of course, the dysfunctional cartoon characters give the uneasy impression that Groening is a little too observant of society's foibles.

According to Jason Grode, Bongo's managing editor, this type of corkscrew view of our culture is the key to the success of the comic line. "We're looking at this venture as more of a personal crusade and not a means of selling out. We've got strong story lines, a need to laugh at ourselves, and most importantly, we don't fear push-

ing the envelope."

The theme of 1960's rebellion is a palatable one in all Bongo titles, such as Simpson Comics, Itchy & Scratchy, Bartman and Radioactiveman.

While most adults will be hard pressed to admit enjoying these illustrated tomes, even the surliest reader might snicker at the magazine's savvy underlying pokes at society, often taking liberties with some entrenched institutions. One recent "Krusty Comic" contained a foldout "Krustyland" that undoubtedly caused Walt to roll over in his cryogenic crypt. "Krusty Comics" is one of the latest of

the three installments hitting the streets through April, in addition to a special "Lisa Comics" coming this spring.

Grode and Groening seem particularly proud of "Lisa Comics." According to the pair, this line is especially geared toward girls, a segment of the audience heretofore ignored within the comic book industry. "We have tried to be the comic book equivalent of the TV show," states Groening, "and if you're a Lisa fan, you'll understand that there's considerable substance to her character."

Substance is of particular concern to Groening, and he works hard at retaining a high degree of creative control to maintain high standards of low-brow, albeit insightful humor. Contemporaries, co-workers, studio executives and friends seem to agree

that Groening has calculated his ascent in the entertainment and publishing business, against stiff odds. Despite his craving to fire salvos at propriety through his comics, and despite his Bohemian lifestyle and unconventional take on business, Groening has not been pigeonholed into penning his characters for a minutiae group of cult followers. Instead, say associates, the cartoonist has fastidiously checklisted a set of goals he intended to attain, including hitting it big on television.

A suburbanite product of the 50's and 60's Groening absorbed the literary nuances of "Mad Magazine" and doodled incessantly. Other extracurricular activities found him putting on puppet shows, creating student films and generally living a pint-sized Walter Mitty existence. One might assume parental pleading and maturity should have tempered his "relaxed lifestyle," but his college years were much the same.

As a student of Evergreen State College, a school of higher learning that gave no grades and had no required courses, Groening rubbed elbows with "every creative oddball of the Pacific Northwest." Nonetheless, the school was a prime learning locale for what he terms as "the independently motivated." After graduation, Groening moved to Los Angeles to begin the pre-requisite lifestyle as a starving artist.

In 1977, while continuing to draw characters for alternative news-

papers, he created "Life in Hell," a weekly strip that featured Binky, Sheba and Bongo rabbits — Bongo being the one-eared variety — that twisted and skewed pop culture, and invariably had readers scratching their heads in bemused awe. Throughout the 80's, "Life in Hell" enjoyed success as a welcome thorn in the side of the straight laced.

After joining up with fellow cartoonist Steve Vance, Groening set out to meet a few of his goals head-on. It was in 1987 that "The Simpsons" made their first appearance nationally as 30-second filler for "The Tracy Ullman Show." The yellow-tinted, blue-haired characters premiered in their own series, complete with their own set of family values, on Jan. 14, 1990.

With an immediate hit under his belt, Groening could lay claim, calling the shots at Fox and mingling with the corporate "suits." Surprisingly though, he still envisions himself as a guerrilla counter-voice to the establishment — an anomaly that hasn't stopped him from blueprinting ways to expand Bart's sphere of influence.

As for the future, Groening still has some aces up his sleeve. Coming up this summer is an alternative offshoot of Bongo, entitled Zongo, with illustrated underground kettler-stirrer Gary Patner as chief artist. "Zongo will be geared toward the 18 and over set," explains Grode, who also will oversee the magazine's editorial, "and readers can expect a 'Life in Hell' style of comics."

And on television, expect another bizarre season with Bart, Homer and the rest of the family. "There'll be a cliffhanger wherein Mr. Burns gets shot," hints Groening, "and if you videotape that last episode of the season and freeze-frame it, there will be clues to the mystery which be revealed in the fall.

"We've got a lot more ideas, and our characters are still a hit, but we're not going to run them into the ground. When people get tired of seeing the show or reading the comic books, that's the time I'll cap the inkwell."



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The College of Staten Island
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Dear Student:

Please allow this to serve as an open letter to the many hundreds of you who took the time to write to me voicing your concerns regarding the future of special programs such as SEEK. It was impossible to answer you individually, as I would have liked to have done.

I agree, the cuts as proposed in Governor Pataki's budget for higher education will have a negative impact on many students. Please bear in mind, this is not my proposal!

I have always been supportive of the SEEK Program and other services provided by CUNY. Many legislators in the New York State Assembly, including myself, are working diligently to restore these programs. We are doing all we can to prevent such dramatic reductions.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Connelly
Elizabeth A. Connelly

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WELLNESS CORNER

The beginning of this semester marked the start of a new program in The Department of Student Services. The Peer Drop-In Center opened up its doors on Feb. 6, 1995, and is a place for students to come to talk, get information on wellness issues, or get referrals to on or off campus services. The Drop-In Center was developed because it is understood that very often students feel more comfortable speaking with a peer than with a professor, counselor, or other professional. The Center is part of the Wellness Program, and is supervised by Carol Brower, Wellness Coordinator. It is located in the Health Services Office, in room 112F of the Campus Center. While it may be a little difficult finding it, the effort is worth it. The Center is a small, but pleasant room that is inviting and comfortable. It is filled with materials on topics such as HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, stress management, self-esteem, quitting smoking, women's and men's health, and much more. If you need information on a wellness issue that isn't in stock, an effort will be made to get it for you. Sometimes a student may need services that the Drop-In Center can not provide. If that is the case, a referral can be made to on or off campus services. There is also a TV/VCR and video tapes on wellness issues that can be viewed at any time. As part of the Center's promotion of safer sex, free condoms are also available.

The main reason the Center is such a comfortable place, is that it is staffed by a terrific group of students who have been trained as Peer Educators. There are 16 Peer Educators, each staffing the Center at different times, and each one has their own unique strengths that they bring to their job. You can get to know these students by

stopping by the Drop-In Center, or attending any Wellness Program event, where they often help out. Be assured that whenever you speak with a Peer Educator, your interaction will be totally confidential. No records are kept of who comes to the Center. You don't even have to give your name.

The Drop-In Center is open Monday through Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm, with Wednesday hours extending to 6:30pm. All students are encouraged to stop by, even if you don't want anything specific, just to see what the Center has to offer. If you have any questions or want further information, call 982-3123. Hope to see you soon!

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The Jesus and Mary Chain: Rock's Most Overlooked Band

By Bill Spurge

Every time rock n' roll goes through a prolific phase, certain artists get lost in the shuffle. In the last few years, we have seen rock achieve new heights with the birth of grunge and the growth of alternative music, which is now so popular, it is no longer "alternative."

The Jesus and Mary Chain are a prime example of a band that has not been able to cross the threshold and enter the mainstream. A couple of years ago, this group was one of a large number of acts that had a distinct alternative sound. Most of the others who have either made it big or fell by the wayside deserved their fates. However, the Chain's lack of air play and sales makes no sense.

To begin with, their music is quite accessible and catchy. They are your basic guitars and drums band, which is the style of today. The vocals are solid (courtesy of Jim Reid), and the lyrics, though often depressing, are worthy. The guitar work of William Reid (Jim's brother) is tuneful. The band has a unique ability to sound suicidal and fun at the same time.

The group's latest release, *Stoned and Dethroned*, has 17 songs, most of which are solid. The mysterious lack of air play of this album is reflected in the fact that a song like "Sometimes/Always" is never heard on mainstream rock stations. I thought this was one of the best songs of 1994, yet it will go down as another "lost classic." The vocals of the song are shared by Jim Reid and Hope Sandoval of Mazzy Star, who sings convincingly. They take turns on the lead, as the man hopes to get his woman back, while she is reluctant. Reid's songs are depressing, but realistic. Other songs on this album, like "She" and "Dirty Water," also show this despair.

The Jesus and Mary Chain scored big on the alternative charts in 1992 with *Honey's Dead*, which had more of a techno-beat sound. The most notable song on the album was "Far Gone and Out," done

never get the recognition of many of their contemporaries.

There have been other artists notable in their absence on mainstream radio in the past few years. One that comes to mind is Matthew Sweet, who had a very strong effort in 1992 entitled *Girlfriend*. Songs such as "I've Been Waiting," and the title track, are examples of a powerful combination of dueling guitars and heavy drum beats.

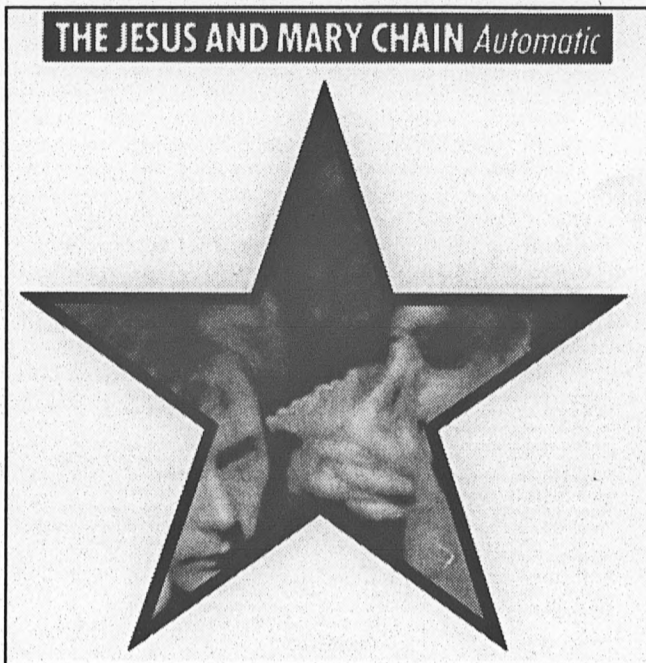
The Soup Dragons had an overlooked album in 1992 called *Hotwired*. It included one of the 90's finest songs "Divine Thing." 1992 was also the year that Cracker released their first album, called *Cracker Brand*. Though "Teen Angst (What the World Needs Now)" received attention, other excellent songs such as "Cracker Soul" and "Happy Birthday To Me" were overlooked. God, these guys remind me of The Kinks - a major compliment.

An excellent album from 1991 was *School of Fish*, by the band of the same name. "3 Strange Days" and "Rose Colored Glasses" show a side of psychedelic pop going back to the late 60's.

Concrete Blonde put out a solid effort in 1992 (there's that year again) when they released *Walking In London*. Songs deserving of radio attention were "City Screaming," "Someday," and "Why Don't You See Me."

Any number of albums by The Cure can be considered as lost in the shuffle, as they consistently put out poignant and meaningful records. *Wish* (1992) and *Disintegration* (1989) are examples.

There are quite a few artists who defined alternative rock a few years back who would have made it bigger had they struck now. Which proves that in music, like in most things, timing is everything.

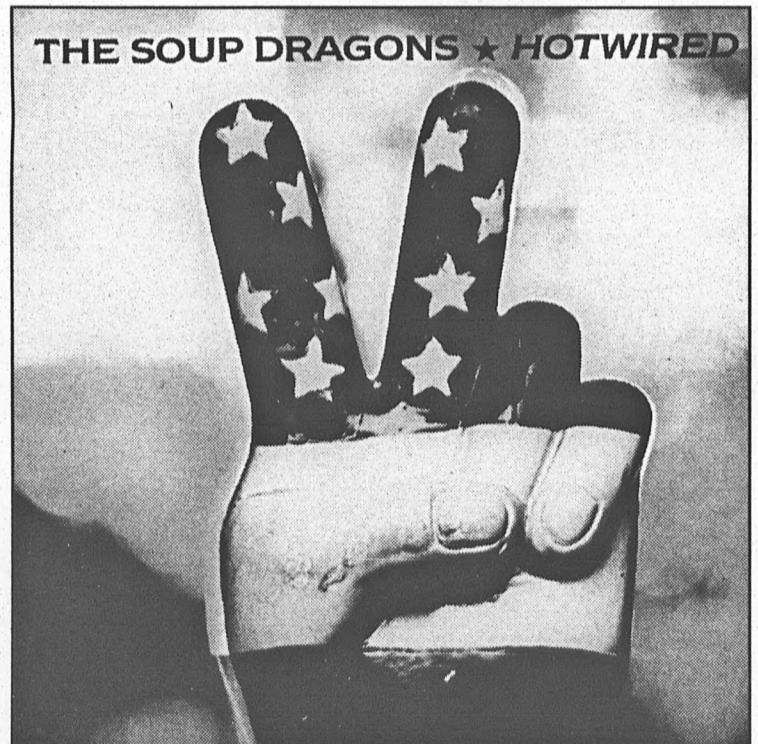
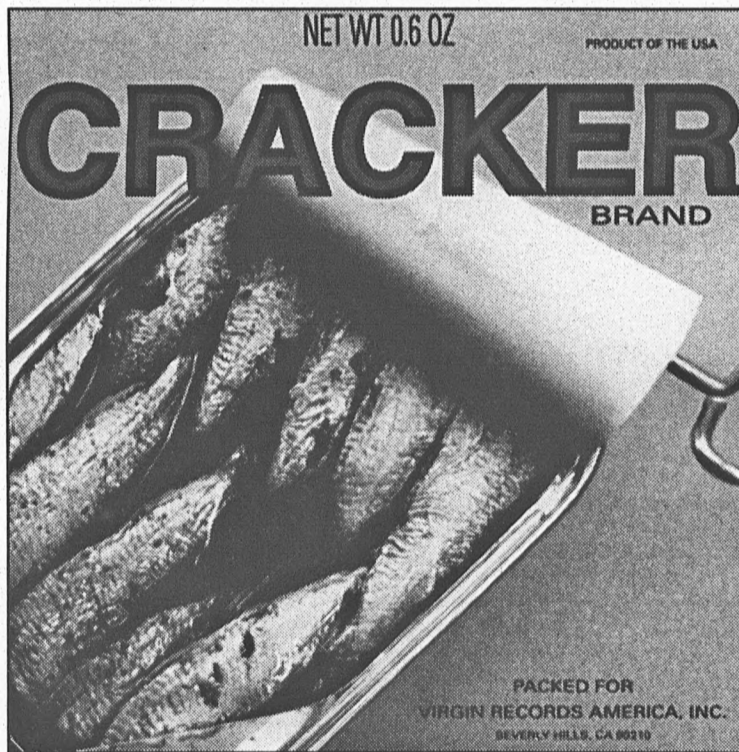


powerfully in less than three minutes, which is the usual length of their songs. "Sugar Ray" was a kick-ass effort, and the opening of the song was recently used in a Budweiser commercial. The group is obscure enough that no one noticed.

One of the band's earliest efforts that is worth a listen is *Automatic* (1989). This was more

or less straight ahead rock. It contains everyone's favorite song at Chain's concerts - "Head On." Like the rest of the record, it is best heard on the highway.

Though the Jesus and Mary Chain have been compared in sound as a mix of the Velvet Underground (Lou Reed) and the Beach Boys, I think you can hear a bit of T. Rex, Iggy Pop, and Alice Cooper, as well. It's unfortunate, however, that quality bands such as the Chain may



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The Brides Are Back

By: Yvonne Villa and Valery Rodolico

Yes, girls and boys, we're back; and this time, we are not hiding behind our pseudonyms. Once again, we're PISSED OFF! So, screw the therapy. Now, it's time to tell people just what we think.

Women who complain that their boyfriends cheated on them...he cheated on his ex-girlfriend for you — What did you expect? Women who complain that their lover doesn't spend enough time with them...could it be because he has a wife and 2 kids waiting for him at home? When your so-called best friend suddenly decides to show an interest in the one person who you happen to be romantically involved with...that's just mean, bad, nasty and wrong — FRIEND!

When you answer your boyfriend's phone, and a woman asks, "Who the hell are you?"... "He's my boyfriend. Who the f*ck are you?" When you get a woman singing "Oh, me so horny" on your boyfriend's answering machine. When your mate uses the "I was drunk" excuse to justify a one night stand...just tell us the truth or we might be forced to use toothpicks. (People who don't understand the toothpick torture...just take a man and use your imagination.) Men who brag about what they've gone down on...there are just certain things we don't want to know. Men who are proud of the fact that they are dating four women at the same time and getting sex from all of them...just wait till the day your d*ck falls off. When someone tells you that he can't pay back the \$150 dollars that he owes you, and then you see him at a bar with two of his four girlfriends getting them drunk with your money. When you are at your ex-boyfriend's engagement party and he tells you that he never should have let you go; then,

you find out a month later that his fiancée is the one who he was f*cking behind your back while you were dating him. Jealous ex-boyfriends who say that we'll come running back to them...Oh yeah, just watch the sweat drip from our foreheads while we gasp for air. When men start laughing while you are talking...just put it in so we could start laughing.

When, while hangin' with your friends at a park, somebody looks in a parked car with fogged windows...jealous 'cause you ain't getting any, or are you just a sick, perverted f*ck? When you hear people talk about how good or bad their various 'lays' were...we're sure those past partners are laughing over how bad they were too. When men won't hang out with you because they're scared of your father...he'll only crush you if you hurt us, so what's the problem? People who play "Gotch yer nose" — it just upsets the natural balance of the boogies, so stop! Having a lighter and no cigarette. Having a cigarette and a broken lighter. Not having either one. Not having a loaded shotgun. Having a loaded shotgun and getting caught using it... "But I'm happy now!" People who bark orders at you during sex... "Don't you know I like an arched back in my lay?!" People who assume that women who dress provocatively are easy. And why are there people who still believe that a woman with a high position probably "slept her way to the top"... Are those people jealous because she meets the work requirements and they don't, or does having a female boss affect their pathetic egos?

We hope we didn't offend anybody, we'll repent. Not because we care, but because the MAN would make us.

Signs You Might Have A Problem:

By Rich Arroyo and Chris Zeyer

Since we have been told by our esteemed (sarcasm here) editors that Pissed Off is getting "stale", we decided to do a new concept for this issue of The Banner. DO NOT PANIC... Pissed Off will be coming back. It just has some problems. You know you have a problem when...

When your lighter can't heat up your spoon. When the local drug dealer says to you, "the usual?" When that cold sore won't go away. When you don't get the new music; when you can only get it stoned. When your hand doesn't want to touch you. When the voices in your head block out the voices of your imaginary friends. When your girlfriend has a foot fetish. When your girlfriend says "Guess what today is?" When someone starts a conversation with "you gotta pretty mouth." When sex is only a rumor. When a politician says "We must tighten our belts." When your doctor brings you your test results while whistling the death march. When your girlfriend wants you to put on a condom so you appear bigger. When you actually give a shit about O.J.. When the highlight of your Saturday night is "Rocky Horror". When the high-light of your Saturday night is masturbating with your other hand. When you say a politically incorrect joke at a N.A.A.C.P. meeting. When you don't at a Klan rally. When your date asks you, "Do you remember that scene from The Crying Game?" When you think Courtney Love is attractive... wouldn't you blow your head off if you were married to that. When hookers say no to you and their pimps agree. When you scream out the wrong name. When she screams out the same name too. When the sperm bank sends yours back as defective. When your a pork distributor in a Jewish neighbor-

hood. When you ask your girlfriend for sex and she says "take a number." When vultures circle around you. When you are awakened from a drunken night by a friend saying, "Do you know what you did?" When you can relate to the blues. When you reach the 13th step. When she tells you the stick is blue. When you can relate to Al Bundy. When your biggest problem is whether to sniff or inject. When you're on the S.I. ferry and you have to go to the Bathroom (ferry go-ers will understand that one). When that annoying song you hear in the morning won't get out of your head. When you live on Staten Island and you'd rather breathe second-hand smoke. When people no longer laugh with you. When you talk about your girlfriend and everyone says "yeah, been there, done that." When Mike Garofalo says to you "Welcome to The Banner." When your girlfriend says, " Hold my pocket-book... I'll be out in 20 minutes." When your mom starts to look good. When you get cxxxored. When you pay \$20 for a Magic card. When Zed says, "Bring out the Gimp." When you understand Nirvana lyrics. When Rupa Paul is your guidance counselor. When Dad takes out life insurance on you. When God can no longer grant you the serenity. When your professor says, "Can I speak with you after class." When your spelcheker doesn't work. When Republicans take over and Newt starts making sense to you. When Pataki speaks (PERIOD). When GOD says, "Judgment day today... why the hell not?"

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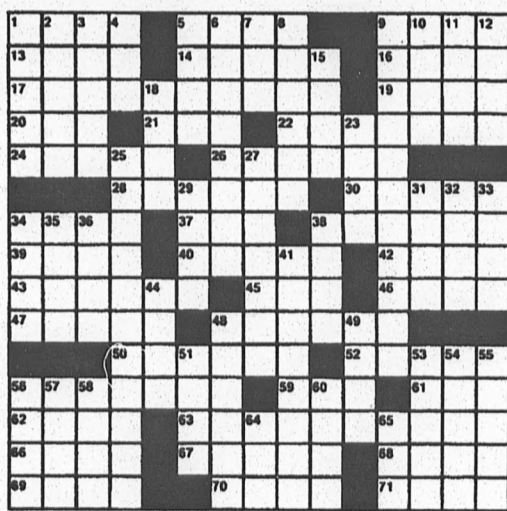
The pain of losing a friend will pass eventually but you will always have the memories of the once good times.

Look forward to the new friendships you will make because they will heal the wounds of old

-Author Unknown

THE Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Cotton package
 - 5 Pursuer of Moby Dick
 - 9 Injure
 - 13 Extent
 - 14 It, city
 - 16 To shelter
 - 17 Hair salon worker
 - 19 Course
 - 20 Nav. off.
 - 21 Writing fluid
 - 22 Frighten
 - 24 Shaping machine
 - 26 Recently
 - 28 Vintage actor George —
 - 30 Shop
 - 34 Roseanne of TV
 - 37 Once — blue moon
 - 38 Classifier
 - 39 Winglike
 - 40 Heron
 - 42 Indians
 - 43 Woodland gods of myth
 - 45 Front of cycle or corn
 - 46 Undercover agent
 - 47 Watery swelling
 - 48 Swanson of old movies
 - 50 One who complies
 - 52 Start
 - 56 More alarming
 - 59 Pad
 - 61 Golf score
 - 62 Droop
 - 63 Testing place
 - 66 Arm bone
 - 67 Play a banjo
 - 68 Vases
 - 69 Govt. agent
 - 70 Simple
 - 71 Finest



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ANSWERS

- 5 Opposed to: dial.
- 6 Badgering (a performer)
- 7 Black cuckoo
- 8 Brags
- 9 US president
- 10 Thanks —!
- 11 True
- 12 Persian
- 15 Poker money
- 18 Row
- 23 And
- 25 Col. Potter on "MASH"
- 27 Generally
- 29 Fibs
- 31 Preminger
- 32 Spool
- 33 Gaelic
- 34 Vile
- 35 "When I was —..."
- 36 Appraise
- 38 Bustle
- 41 Very big
- 44 Nobel physicist
- 48 Spin
- 49 Tiny amount
- 51 Moray and lamprey
- 53 Seed
- 54 Deserves
- 55 Rendezvous
- 56 Close down
- 57 Serene
- 58 King of Siam's friend
- 60 Fighting group
- 64 Bikini top
- 65 Washing place

My Epic

Tell me a story
make it a bedtime story
so that I can rest.

Weave a fantasy out of
the fabric of your words
And me.

Play on my aspirations
hopes, whims and fancy
like you would me.

Take me where I've been
before
but make it different
with you.

Tug at heartstrings
play to me
the rich sensation
of my own crying.

In passion
recreate the awe I felt
when I first knew
I was truly alive.

Bring me up
so high
that hubris precedes
every step.

Then take away
my dignity
that in truth, lies
despair.

Bring a hero
into the fray
Betwixt admirers
and the hated.

Make that hero me
give me a cause
that I may give it my
heart.

Before it's over
make it beautiful
and take care
to make it beautiful.

For nothing is so
fragile as a dream
than the dreamer.

Time is a ghost,
a shattered fractal on a
demon wind.
Lost are the roadways and
dizzying chains
that bound you together
through seventeen years.

Blood drips down your
ancient claw
as you haunt the reeking
alleyways
of your private ascension.
Old hells
yawn in the vivid maw of
your past,
vomiting bleakness over
earth and sky.

In metal you store your
newborn soul,
investing the currency of
spirit in steel.
God grows in the chains
you wear, and time
is held at bay by a circle of
light.

— Eric Minton

I once had a cat named
Snowball,
She died, she died
My mother told me she was
sleeping,
She lied, she lied
Now that my poor cat is
dead,
Couldn't that Chrysler have
hit me instead.

-Lisa Simpson
(From Matt Groening's T.V.
Sitcom "The Simpsons")

Slowly my eye opens
looking at a barren waste-
land
my eye flinches
as a grain of sand
stabs my lens
My nose twitches
The smell grows stronger
lifeless images lie around
me
as the light reflects off
a metal object
I realize as my eye slowly
closes
we are not given a second
chance

-Eric N. Castillo

-THE MAXX

DOLPHIN SOFTBALL: A START OF A NEW SEASON

By Philip Alsworth

The CSI women's Softball team with seven excellent returnees from last year's team and a dozen promising new players on the roster is looking forward to a successful 1995 season. The goals are regaining the CUNY Softball championship, last won by CSI in 1992, a trip to the New York State Women's Collegiate Softball Tournament, and maybe, if the won-lost record is outstanding, a trip to the Division III National Tournament. Coach Sonny Grasso, in his first season as softball coach after many years coaching baseball, has expressed his enthusiasm about the team.

"The young women have been great. . .they're motivated and always ready to learn," Grasso said.

The team has played two pre-season exhibition games against Division I Wagner, winning 5-4 after losing 12-2, before opening the regular season with a double-header loss (22-6 and 16-1) to Molloy College, one of the top Division II teams in the nation. Last Wednesday CSI lost, 8-3.

to perennial Division III power Jersey City State, despite outhitting them

8-5, and leading most of the game.

"Despite the loss, I'm encouraged," Coach Grasso said, "We're going to be all right."

Looking at the prospects for the 1995 season, Coach Grasso analyzed the team's defense, offense and pitching.

"Our team's strength is in the defense. If our pitchers get the ball over the plate, we'll be in every game because defensively the players are great," he said.

The defense in the middle of the diamond is anchored by three outstanding returning players, Sophomore and CUNY All-star Catcher Michelle Cialino, the quick hands person who can return the double play, Senior Nicole Garguilo, returning for her fourth season, at second base, and Sophomore Andrea Saporito at shortstop; and a fleetfooted newcomer, Junior Lynn Saunders, in centerfield.

Third season Junior Keri, who can handle anything hit in her direction, will play third base. Freshman Danielle Fisher will play first when she is not pitching. Backup infielders are Juniors Michelle Monahan, (who can also play the outfield), Domenica Fratto who can play first base, both third year players, and Freshman Chris Anne Lindley. The other outfielders are Freshmen Lynn Addington, who is expected to play left field after recovering from a hand injury, and Soulinda Galindez, who will play right field, along with a group of new players including Freshman Alicia Bursor and Sharmine Spearman and Sophomores Danielle Engel, Stacy Guilliano, Jeanette McKeon, and Genee Parker.

Coach Grasso expects that the team's offense will improve as the season progresses.

"The lineup isn't quite as strong offensively as defensively, but just about everyone keeps the ball in play and Cialino, Saunders, Saporito, and Fisher not only hit, they hit with power. "We'll score runs," Coach Grasso said.

Cialino, who batted .455 last year with 23 runs batted in, and a .495 on base percentage, Saunders and Saporito, on base at a .444 clip last year, are expected to hit third, fourth and fifth. Their runs batted in productively

will in part depend on the ability of leadoff hitter O'Brien and Garguilo, batting second, to get on base. Both have shown they can be productive hitters. Garguilo, the only remaining player from the 1992 championship season, batted .375 as a sophomore and had a .479 on base percentage last year.

Fisher, the only left handed hitter on the team, will hit sixth, while Galindez, Fratto, and Monahan, are expected to provide the offense in the lower third of the batting order.

Coach Grasso is working hard to develop a pitching staff. With only one experienced pitcher, third year player Kristen Scarangelo, on the roster, one or two of the newcomers will have to develop consistency if CSI is to have a winning season. Scarangelo, who had a 4-3 record for last years 12-13 team could be the ace of the pitching staff.

In the first three games of the season, Freshman righthander Tricia Bereza and lefthander Fisher have handled most of the pitching. Saporito pitched briefly against Molloy. In the Jersey City game Bereza and Fisher showed considerable improvement.

"Pitching is the key," Coach Grasso said. "I'm certain that it will improve as the season goes along."

Coach Grasso and the players encourage faculty, staff, and students to attend home games at ASA which is an eight minute drive from campus.

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CSI Over Jersey City State, 9-6

by J.C. Castro

"The team played very well," said Coach Bill Call about the Dolphins' defeat of Jersey City's Gothic Knights. "They hit the ball very well. Our coaching staff is very happy."

The Dolphins (2-3) kept the game close until the seventh inning, when John Testa (2-3, 3 RBI) smacked a bases loaded double, scoring all three runs to widen their 6-3 lead. Paul Amberus (2-3, 2 RBI) drove in a run in the first and the third, and Bobby Campbell (2-4, 1 RBI) drove one in also, as did Bobby Marolla and Billy Loschiavo.

Chris Kelly (1-1, 3.60) threw a ten-hitter through seven, striking out five, walking three and giving up three earned runs. Rich Gordon got the save, his first of the season.

But errors hurt CSI; several of them late in the game gave Kelly and Gordon a bit of trouble. A single by J.C.S.'s Jason Pennaro, followed by two errors, a sac fly and a couple of walks brought in a pair for the opposition. Still, it was a good outing for the Dolphins.

The Dolphins trailed in the first before walks given up by J.C.S. starter Joe Devine to Joe Coniglio and Tom D'Angelo were followed by a game-tying single by Amberus. Although Jersey City would get another in the top of the second, CSI tied it with Marolla's sacrifice fly. The Dolphins took the lead after Amberus' single drove in D'Angelo, and a couple of wild pitches paved the way for Loschiavo's own sac fly. The Gothic Knights kept close until Testa's three run double in the seventh broke open the game.

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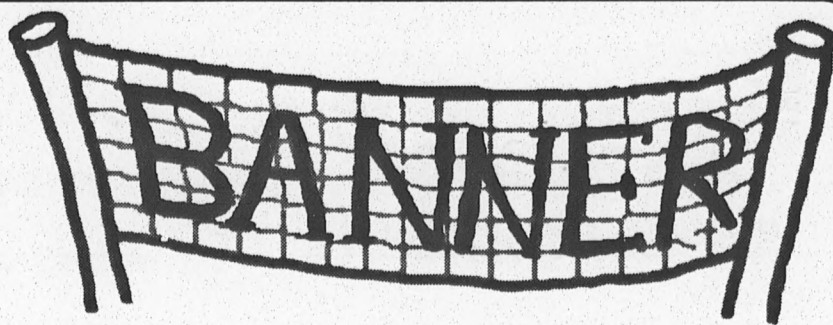
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BASEBALL STRIKE DISRUPTS CULTURAL PATTERNS, SAYS PROF.

By Chicago Press Service

ATLANTA-Many baseball fans say they don't care whether the strike disrupts another season. After all, it's just a game, a pastime.

The first anthropologist to present a detailed analysis of baseball-its game and ritual-actually helps provide patterns to help navigate American society.

The first anthropologist to present a detailed analysis of baseball's role as a cultural model, Shore says the game reflects how Americans think about and experience the world.

"Baseball provides us with a powerful cultural model, or set of patterns, that reinforces experiences we share as Americans," says Shore.

When Shore watches baseball, he looks at its rules, orchestration of social relations and the way the game structures space and time.

Shore says baseball is a simple model in which Americans can relate the struggle between self and society: team vs. team, batter vs. field, batter vs. pitcher, batter vs. ball and players vs.

all players (individual statistics).

He stresses that baseball is different from other field sports in that it organizes time and space asymmetrically. Baseball has a

precise beginning time, but the game theoretically can go on forever.

the same is true of baseball space, says Shore. Baseball, he explains, is the only field sport in which the field is not a symmetrical rectangle but has an ever-receding outfield that varies in size from park to park. The infield, on the other hand, is precisely measured, coming to a point at home plate.

Shore also says fans should consider baseball's love of odd numbers: a team of nine players, a game that lasts nine innings with a seventh-inning stretch, and, of course, there are three strikes and three outs. This pervasive asymmetry, argues Shores, "models" a larger cultural theme of individual versus society.

Not convinced? Shore points out how the sport allows a lone individual (at bat) to confront a community of players (in the field). When he gets a hit, the lone batter races through a circuit of hostile territory and attempts to return safely "home".

"Just like theater, games have the power to crystallize for us certain ways we think about and experience the world," says Shore.

Like it or not, it's something to think about while watching replacement players this season.

THE DOLPHIN TANK

Inside CSI athletics By Terry Small

1994-1995 Basketball Year in Review

While the CSI men's basketball team enjoyed its finest season in six years - posting a 20-6 record enroute to the NCAA Division III Tournament, the women's team continued on their road of rebuilding. Here is a look at both the men's and women's season in review:

BEST GAME

(M) A79-74 victory over NJIT at Sunnyside. This CSI victory would be NJIT's only regular season loss and coach Tony Petosa would later characterize it as the best victory of his coaching career.

(W) A 36-35 victory over their arch rival York in the second round of the Skidmore Tournament in Saratoga Springs. Despite not having starting point guard Lilly Ann Sciametta, forward Melissa Perez, or Center Soulinda Galindez, CSI produced a gritty defensive effort that held the Cardinals to 35 points on 24.6 percent shooting.

TEAM MVP

(M) Rommel Santos. Besides leading the team in scoring at 20.1 ppg, Santos also led in three point fg% (.456), assists(141), and steals(52).

(F) Lynn Saunders. Like Santos, Saunders led her team in just about every offensive category including scoring(11.7 ppg), rebounding(10.3), and steals (67).

BEST NEWCOMER

(M) Chris Kelly. Kelly was impressive from day one of the team's conditioning workouts with his attitude and hustle. That attitude won him the starting center job as a newcomer, a rarity for a Petosa-coached team.

(W) Tie Soulinda Galindez and Stephanie Bird. Galindez earned the starting center job halfway through the year, and provided rebounding and interior defense. Bird broke the starting lineup late in the season when Gerry Mosley went to a three guard lineup and provided consistent play at the point and good on-the-ball defense.

MOST ASKED QUESTION DURING THE SEASON

(M) Is Coach Petosa single? (followed by 'How old is he?' and 'does he have a girlfriend?').

(F) Is Stephanie Bird related to Larry Bird?

BEST MOMENT

(M) Senior night ceremony. CSI's emotional goodbye to Seniors Terence Aiken, Fred Blaskovich, Rick Maida, Rommel Santos, and Kirk Staine. "These guys are very special to me," Tony Petosa said after the Dolphins were eliminated from the NCAA Tournament at the hands of Jersey City State. "Each one will be remembered for helping us get this program going in the right direction."

(W) The end of a convincing 51-42 victory over Centenary at Sunnyside. The win gave CSI a three game winning streak and inspired facility assistant Ed Buttle's cheer of, "Heave, Ho, Three-in-a-Row."

STANGEST MOMENT

(M) The closing seconds of a 73-71 overtime victory over Lehman on February *, 1995. With time running down at the end of regulation, the horn accidentally went off, interrupting Lehman's trip down the court for a possible game-winning shot.

(W) An improbable comeback on the road at Hunter. With Hunter's sportsplex filled to capacity due to their homecoming, CSI rallied from a 25 point deficit only to lose on a last second hunter three-point jumper at the buzzer.

CONGRATS, RUMORS AND OTHER THINGS IN SPORTS

By Jason Castro

A late congratulations goes out to Steve Larmer of the New York Rangers who recently surpassed the 1,000 point mark. Steve who had two goals and two assists including the game winner against the Devils. Larmer scored point numbers 999, 1,000, 1,001, and 1,002. Steve humbly accepted congratulations from his teammates and Ranger fans by being the competitor he is and continuing to play the game and not celebrate. Also, Washington Capitals Rookie Sensation Jim Carey, [Yes Jim Carey, and No, he is not the actor.] continues to be great in goal. Carey has not lost a game he has started so far this year and has been nicknamed Ace. Hey, he can play net, save Snowflake and get Dan Marino back in time for the Super Bowl.

In basketball, unless you have been living in prison or a closet the last two weeks you heard of Michael Jordan's rumored return to basketball and the Bulls. Although Jordan the Bulls and the N.B.A. have denied the rumors of his return. The media has reported that Jordan in fact has been practicing with the Bulls and he should be returning very shortly. This is great for The Bulls who at the present time are just playing at 500. It is also great for basketball, which has some what lost its glitter since Jordan's retirement. Jordan was the N.B.A.'s trade mark player but his unexpected early retirement left a void in that position. It was expected that Shaq would eventually take over as the N.B.A. trade mark player. However, he has not played long enough to earn that position. Being a Knicks fan I always hated when Jordan and the Bulls beat the Knicks. However being a basketball fan, I respected and admired Jordan's play and consider him the greatest basketball

player of all time. I would love to see him return to the court. I also feel he was wise in leaving baseball, if I was him I would have left earlier. There is too much garbage going on in baseball that is most likely the main reason why he left. Hey, if you 1) were not good enough to replace a pro or 2) respected the Major League players and said you would not replace them but were constantly being pressured to do so, Would n't you quit? Hey Mike, good choice.

In Football, the spring meetings are under way. The topic of the meetings are free agency, the new expansion teams, team salary, the college draft and if the Rams will stay in Los Angeles or will be moving to St. Louis. This is the main topic of discussion along with the rumors that several draft picks have allegedly tested positive for drugs. At this time the names of the players have not been released.

In Baseball Labor Talks between players and owners have been on and off. So an arbitrator, the Pres. and an President appointed arbitrator have yet to settle the strike. Each side blames each other for no progress in talks thus replacement players continue to play games. The start of the season is less than 18 games away and it looks like we will be seeing replacement baseball in April. In other news in baseball the Major League Baseball announced that two new franchises will be added to the league. Tampa Bay will receive a team which at the present time will be called the Devil Rays. Arizona will be receiving the other franchise which at the present time is called the Diamondbacks. This news brought some excitement to the league, its fans and players which has been clouded by the strike. Well, that's it from around the world of sports, see you around.

DOLPHIN NOTES

CSI Athletic Director Professor Joseph Barresi has announced his retirement after 24 years at CSI... Barresi will continue to teach in the school's physical education department... New head baseball coach Bill Cali was victorious in his first career game, a 14-2 victory over Baruch... New Head softball coach Sonny Grasso was defeated in his first game a 22-6 loss to division II Molloy ... Rommel Santos was named to the Prestigious ECAC men's basketball first team All-Star team ... Santos and teammate Kirk Staine were both named 1st-Team all CUNY while Santos was also named 1st team All-Skyline and teammates Staine and Maida were named 2nd team All-Skyline... Tony Petosa was named Coach of the Year, an honor he shared last season with Hunter coach Ray Amalbert.

BEST QUOTE

(M) Senior forward Fred Blaskovich on his basketball experience at CSI: "I've learned that basketball is like life - they both have their ups and downs. Over the years we've struggled, but this year we've put it all together. The guys on this team . . . we've laughed together, we've cried together, we've won together, we've lost together. But everyone on this team knows that if anybody would need anything from me for the rest of their lives, I'll be there for them."

(W) Head Coach Gerry Mosley on the closeness of the CSI players: "We're like a family, and like all families, we've had our ups and downs. We've gone through some good times and bad, but we've managed to stay together, and I'm very proud of that fact."

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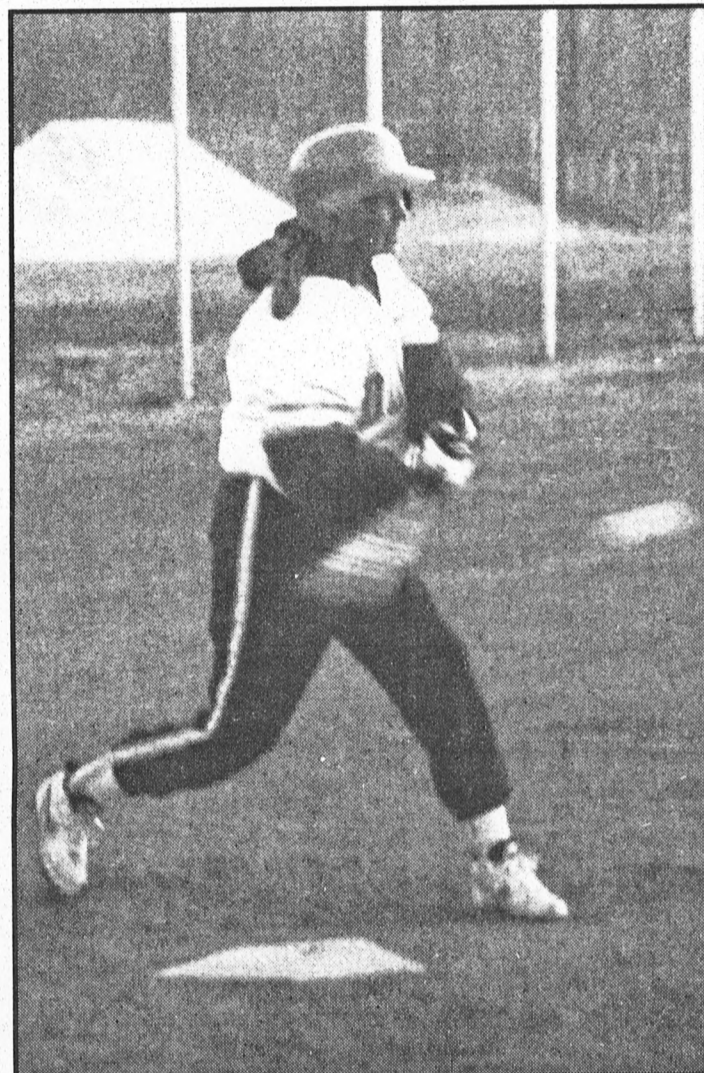
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1995 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
SCHEDULE (APRIL)**

SAT. APR. 1	Vs.	NOON
GEORGIAN COURT		
WED. APR. 5	Vs.	4:00
HUNTER		
SAT. APR. 8	AT	NOON
MANHATTANVILLE		
SUN. APR. 9	AT	1:00
MOUNT SAINT MARY		
WED. APR. 12	AT	3:30
JOHN JAY		
SAT. APR. 15	AT	NOON
SUNY-STONYBROOK		
SAT. APR. 17	Vs.	4:00
LEHMAN		
THU. APR. 20	Vs.	4:00
MOUNT ST. VINCENT		
SUN. APR. 23	Vs.	NOON
ST. JOSEPH'S BROOKLYN		
WED. APR. 26	AT	4:00
SUNY-OLD WESTBURY		
FRI. APR. 28	Vs.	4:00
N.Y.U.		
SUN. APR. 30	Vs.	NOON
SUNY NEW PALTZ		

THE COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND 1995 MEN'S TENNIS SCHEDULE

SAT. APR. 1	AT	JERSEY CITY STATE	1:00
SUN APR. 2	AT	MANHATTANVILLE TOURNAMENT	TBA
WED. APR. 5	V.	WAGNER	3:30
SUN. APR. 9	V.	MOUNT SAINT MARY	3:30
WED. APR. 12	V.	MANHATTANVILLE	4:00
FRI. APR. 14	AT	YORK	3:30
SAT. APR. 15	V.	JOHN JAY	1:00
WED. APR. 19	AT	CCNY	3:30
FRI. APR. 21	AT	SUNY-OLD WESTBURY	4:00
SAT. APR. 22	V.	USMMA-KINGSPPOINT	1:00
MON. APR. 24	V.	BARUCH	3:30
WED. APR. 26	AT	RAMAPO	4:00
THU. APR. 27	V.	PRATT INSTITUTE	3:30

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1995 MEN'S BASEBALL
SCHEDULE**

Sat. Apr. 1	vs.	Noon
New Jersey Tech		
Sat. Apr. 1	vs.	TBA
New Jersey Tech		
Tue. Apr. 4	vs.	3:30
John Jay		
Wed. Apr. 5	vs.	3:30
Drew		
Sat. Apr. 8	at	Noon
Manhattanville		
Sat. Apr. 8	at	TBA
Manhattanville		
Sun. Apr. 9	at	Noon
SUNY-Stony Brook		
Sun. Apr. 9	at	TBA
SUNY-Stony Brook		
Tue. Apr. 11	at	3:30
Trenton State		
Thu. Apr. 13	vs.	3:30
Lehman		
Sat. Apr. 15	at	1:00
Western Connecticut		
Sat. Apr. 22	at	TBA
Western Connecticut		
Tue. Apr. 18	vs.	3:30
CCNY		
Sat. Apr. 22	at	1:00
Mount St. Mary		
Sat. Apr. 22	at	TBA
Mount St. Mary		
Sun. Apr. 23	vs.	Noon
USMMA-Kingsport		
Sun. Apr. 23	vs.	TBA
USMMA-Kingsport		
Tue. Apr. 25	at	3:30
Lehman		
Wed. Apr. 26	vs.	3:30
William Patterson		
Sun. Apr. 30	at	TBA
CUNYAC's		

