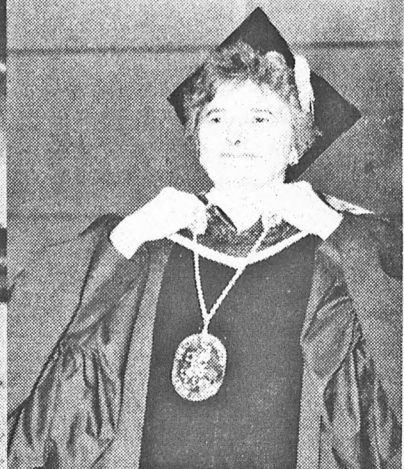
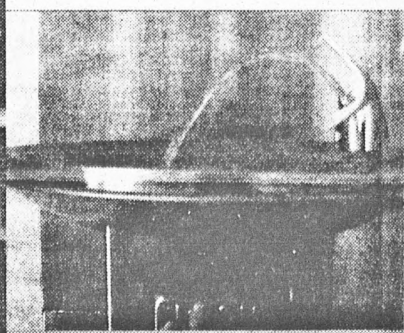
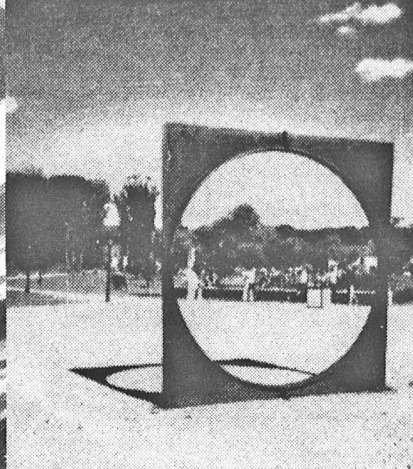
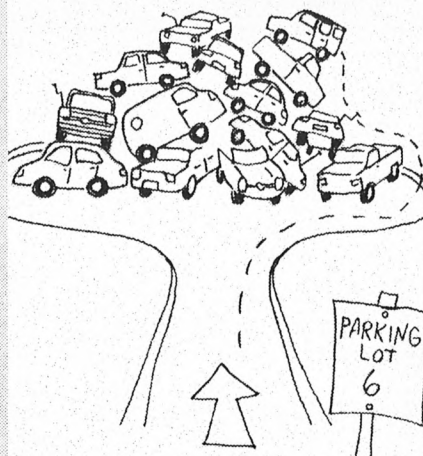


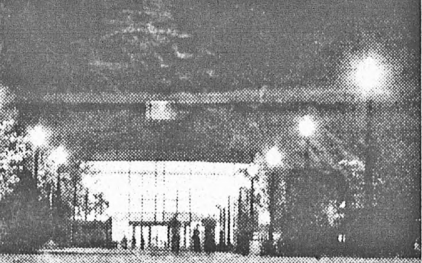
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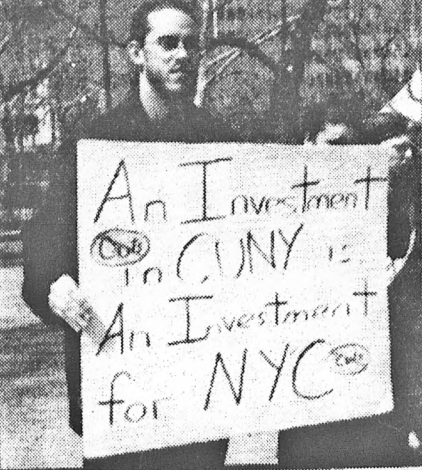


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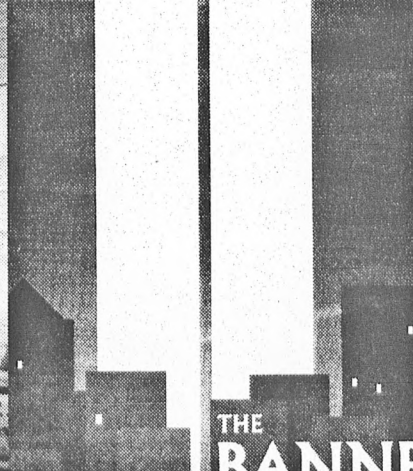
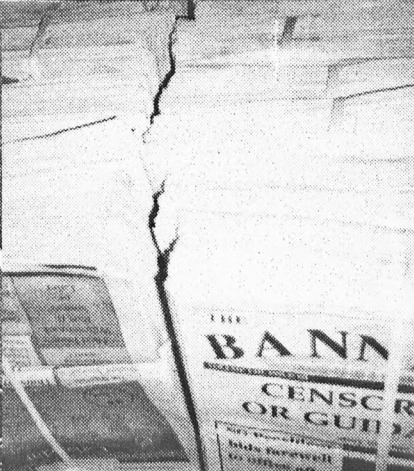
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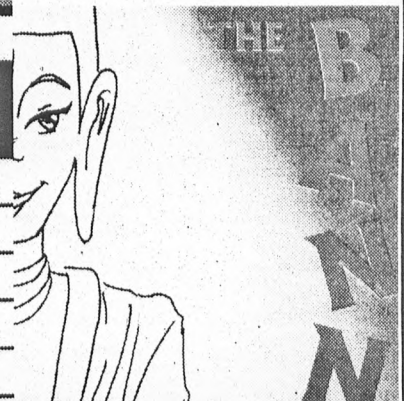
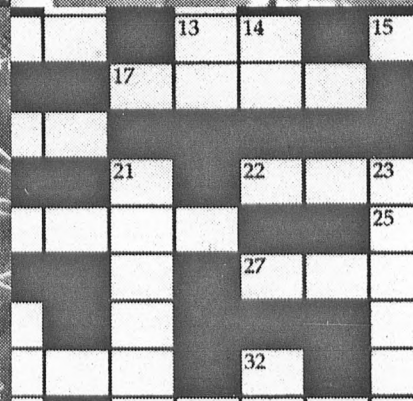
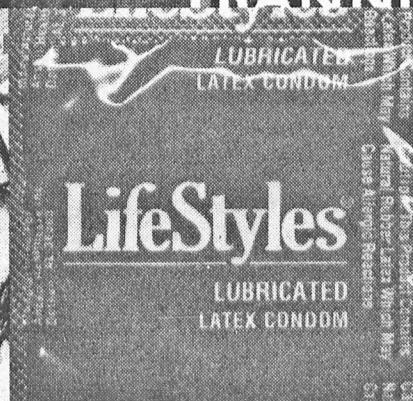


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...and let's raise our glasses for the chief, *el jefe*, Francis Duffy; no one deserves a degree more than this guy. About 90% of the improvements made to this publication have been due to Mr. Duffy; I'll take credit for the other 10%. It took a tremendous amount of work to publish a newspaper every three weeks. Actually, when Frank suggested the idea I thought he was joking. But this is the last issue, Frank (well, the last one we get credit for).

But don't worry kids, we left the best man possible in charge of the operation. Pay no attention to the bad hairdo, Kris LoPresto has successfully rearranged the office furniture over a dozen times this semester, leaving the staff in utter confusion every time they enter the room.

And of course, there is the rest of our staff. In addition to Mr. Duffy, graduating this semester is Scott Axelrod. If anyone has seen Scott please let us know. This month's cover is due to the magic of our Art Director, Katy Troiano, who is most recognized by her black framed glasses. Irene Goodman, one of our most talented writers, is ending her career at The Banner to get a paying job. As the summer arrives, Kim DeLese will turn back into a mermaid: working both as a lifeguard and the coach of a diving team. And let's not forget the new staff members who have graced us with their delightful personalities over the last few months: Karin Kempert, Enrique Inocente and Paul Cantor are just a few.

On a serious note, the semester is over and I can't help but look back at a school year that has been difficult for all of us. It is easy to get angry, upset, frustrated and confused about things that are beyond our control.

However, if we can learn anything from misfortune it is the realization that we are all mortal, we are all victims, we are all vulnerable. It may sound pessimistic, dreary—even existentialist—but I have been enlightened to the fact that life is not a competition. It's not about money, status, cars or clothes. What it all comes down to is that we have a lifetime of options ahead of us and you can play the game anyway you want.

So, it's closing time and before you leave don't forget to tip the bartender, shake the owner's hand, get that girl's phone number or better yet ask her to marry you. This is college, this is just the beginning and your autobiography has not yet been written.

*-Joe Tacopino
Co-editor-in Chief*

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Black Mold & Vermin

Francis Duffy

April 30th - Two members of Local 78, an asbestos, lead and hazardous waste union responsible for cleaning up Ground Zero, inflated a twenty-foot, red-eyed rat at the college's Victory Boulevard entrance in protest of CSI's refusal to hire union workers to handle the school's mold remediation.

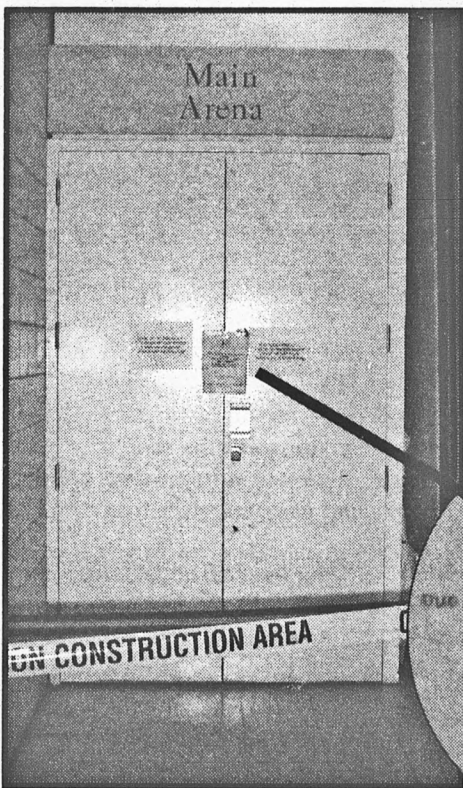
contract negotiations gone their way. Instead, they passed out fliers to pedestrians and coaxed honks and beeps from student and faculty motorists.

"This can only look bad for the college," said Doscher. "It's a shame. We had a good faith deal, but the Administration backed out."

But which administration is he referring to?

According to both CSI officials and a Local 78 main office union rep, the contract was awarded by the New York State Dormitory Authority.

"Unfortunately, these individuals are passing out misinformation and innuendo," said John Hudacs, CSI's Vice President of Finance and Administration. "This process is being performed by an experienced contractor."



Due to repair of the main gym floor BOTH Main and Auxiliary Gyms will BE CLOSED BEGINNING APRIL 22, 2002 FOR APPROXIMATELY 4 WEEKS.

Fliers circulating the campus tell both sides of the story. Those provided by Local 78

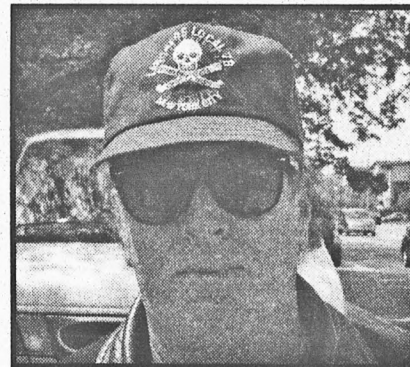
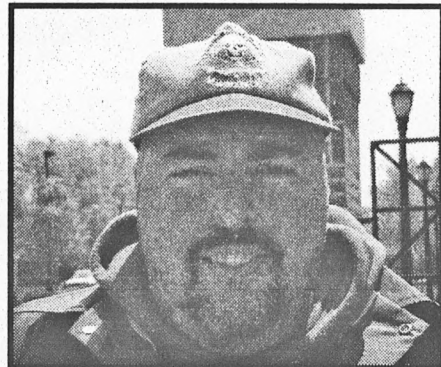
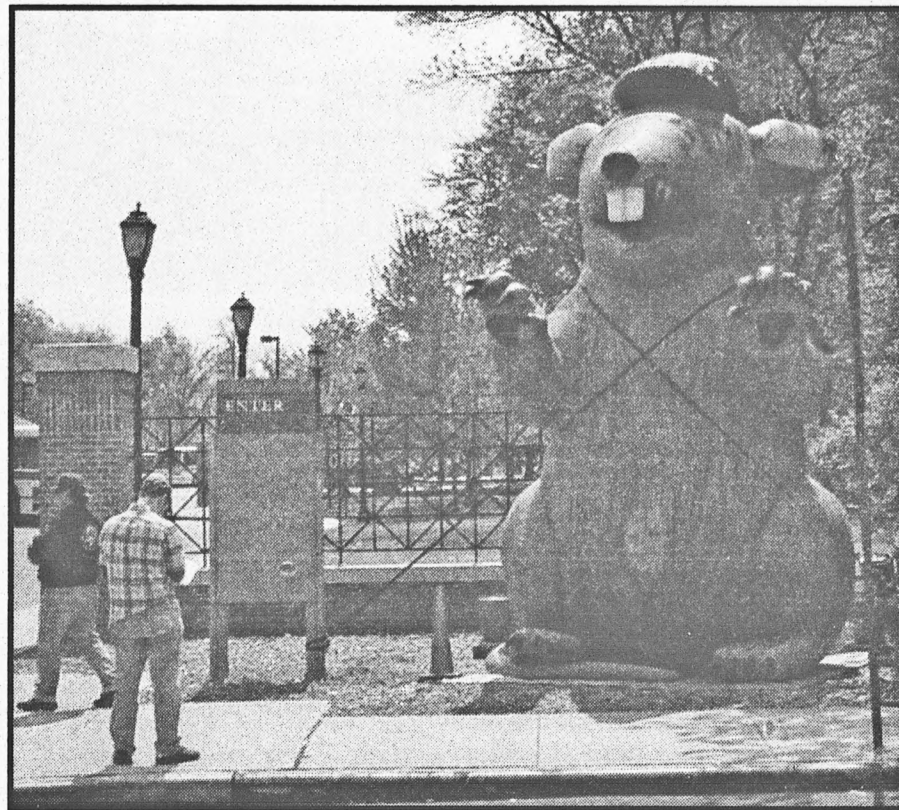
"We intend to be here for the rest of the week," said Bill Doscher and Scott Mahling, union organizers. "Maybe longer."

They would have been here last week dressed like astronauts, cleaning the gym floor - where water damage has caused mold to form - had

read, "AWL Industries Inc. is a company with no experience in this field ... You deserve better!"

A mass fax/e-mail from Hudacs' office responded, "Beware of misrepresentation of the facts."

Hudacs' flier arrived to members of the college community as an unsigned letter that cited the credentials of the



BIG MEN ON CAMPUS? Union organizers Scott Mahling (left) and Bill Doscher (right) have protested the New York State Dormitory Authority's decision to award a contract to AWL Industries, Inc., instead of Local 78.

two organizations hired to clean up. "The process is being conducted under the supervision of Professional Services Industries Inc. (PSI), a nationally recognized environmental specialist in this matter, and in compliance with applicable mold remediation requirements and guidelines," read the flier.

Mahling countered, "We're environmental specialists. I don't know who these guys are or what they know." The process involves removing sections of the gym floor, extracting the mold and checking other areas that may have been water-damaged. Hudacs was quick to assure that the process would be completed soon.

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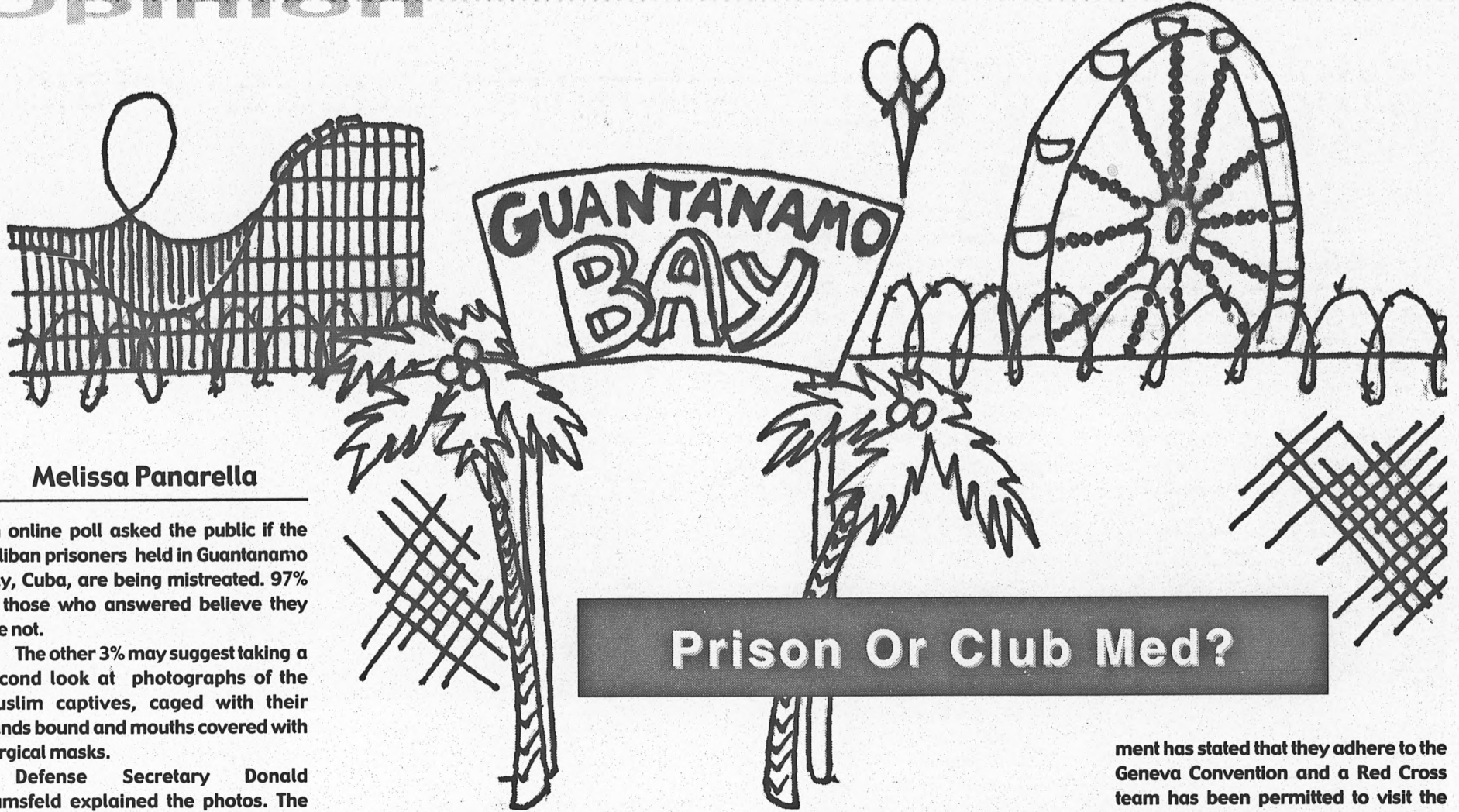
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Toni-Anne Fischetti: for enchanting us with your astrological knowledge.
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Camel Lights Cigarettes: For letting us have 20 minutes away from Frank Duffy.
Leslie Whitaker: For being patient.
Irene Goodman: For sleeping with the enemy.
John Palermo: For sleeping with the coaches.
Michael Winfield: For never saying an unkind word.
Che Royer: For never giving up.
Pamela Brady: For giving us twenty minutes away from Frank Duffy.
Chris Sorrentino: For modifying a classic.
Enrique Inocente: For not holding a grudge.
Frank Duffy and Joe Tacopino: Two for a dime, three for a quarter.



Melissa Panarella

An online poll asked the public if the Taliban prisoners held in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, are being mistreated. 97% of those who answered believe they are not.

The other 3% may suggest taking a second look at photographs of the Muslim captives, caged with their hands bound and mouths covered with surgical masks.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld explained the photos. The restraints had been put on the prisoners when they were being transported from Afghanistan to Cuba to ensure security. When security measurements were not so stringent at Qaeda and Taliban prisoners at a fortress at Mazar-e Sharif in northern Afghanistan had the ability to sneak in weapons, ultimately costing the US the life of a CIA operative. These prisoners want to kill Americans. They share the same views as those who carried out the heinous acts of six months ago. The restraints were removed when they arrived at the detention facility—after the pictures were taken. What are we supposed to do? Hold their hands as we walk them to their jail cell?

Prison Or Club Med?

Helen Thomas, a journalist from the Hearst Newspapers in Seattle, wrote, "We of all nations, should be concerned about the rights of the so-called 'detainees,' the word that the Pentagon uses instead of prisoners of war."

Has the memory of September 11th already begun to fade? Has the memory of Daniel Pearl also faded?

Daniel Pearl was another victim doing his job when he was lured, captured and then murdered in Pakistan by people who share the same beliefs as those being detained. His murderers did not give a damn about his human rights. Where is Thomas' concern towards him—a fellow American journalist? Why does she focus her sympathy towards people who have the same radical views as Pearl's killers?

Attorney General John Ashcroft refers to the Taliban prisoners as "war criminals" and has branded them as terrorists. We are currently fighting a war on terrorism. Regardless of whether or not the prisoners ever put on a uniform and fought in an organized army, they are still a threat to innocent civilians. If these people are dangerous to this country and other free countries they should be imprisoned to prevent further destruction and tragedy.

Bradley Graham of The Washington Post reported that the United States govern-

ment has stated that they adhere to the Geneva Convention and a Red Cross team has been permitted to visit the camp. The detainees are reported to be receiving warm showers, clean clothes, appropriate meals, prayer mats, exercise equipment, medical care, and frequent visits from the Red Cross.

Not too bad considering their living conditions in Afghanistan.

It amazes me how some Americans are sympathetic towards these people. If the tables were turned, I could guarantee the people they defend would put a bullet in their head without a second thought about their human rights. I do not advocate malicious punishment, but I do support the war on terrorism and the tactics taken to prevent another 9-11.

Israeli Student Voices His Opinion

Yaniv Amar

I am a student at CSI. I am Jewish American, and Israeli. I am a patriotic person. I have strong faith in government.

I have lived in America for the past thirteen years, and have known one thing for certain. I am free from hatred and terrorism. Recently freedom has been shaken. We as American people have rights and liberties that most people take for granted.

I see Israel as a democratic capitalistic country, much like America, a country that wants peace and prosperity. Since the creation of Israel more than fifty years ago, its neighbors have tried to extinguish its flame. In war, the Israeli people took heavy losses, and gained the West Bank and Gaza strip, which were strategic points from where Israel could protect itself.

Peace was established and a large piece of land taken from Egypt was given back. Peace and mutual respect still exist between Egypt and Israel.

Today, Israel is being destroyed and placed in a corner by terrorism. Yasser Arafat, the head of the government, is a terrorist and the only one to

Oslo agreements Israel signed away 98 percent of the lands to the Palestinian people, the same land that they claimed they are fighting for now. Arafat's refusal to sign shows that the Palestinian government is not after the West Bank or Gaza. They are after Tel Aviv, as Benjamin Netan-Yahu stated.

themselves. If a child is hurling Molotov Cocktails at soldiers, the child would be shot by rubber bullets. What would an American soldier do? Israel is trying to save their nation. In Somalia, helicopter gun ships shot and killed hundreds of women and children because women and children



YANIV AMAR, Israeli-born CSI student

"In Somalia, helicopter gunships shot and killed hundreds of women and children because a woman or a child with a gun or a Molotov cocktail can do the same damage as an adult."

blame for the violence.

The argument that Palestinians are blowing themselves up in cafes because Israel has the Palestinians locked down and pinned to the wall, is ridiculous. Lets not forget that in the

Arafat called for a million bombings a day, yet he says he wants peace.

Some people say Israel is killing women and children. Israel doesn't target children or women. Israeli soldiers, like all soldiers, need to defend

with guns or Molotov cocktails kill indiscriminately.

Unless Palestinians show through their actions that they want peace and are ready to give up their weapons, peace cannot be achieved.

Ethan Hawke Tears Down the Chelsea Walls

Jessica Mendez

Ethan Hawke is nervous. He is rearranging cocktail napkins on the white linen into stairs, diamonds, and other assorted fun square shapes. When that gets tiring, he fiddles with his gold wedding band or does the ever-so-popular running-his-hands-through-his-hair move that has given him his patented look. Then again, who can blame the guy? Hawke's directorial debut, an independent flick titled "Chelsea Walls" is hitting theaters in New York and Los Angeles, the indie film litmus test.

Then again, Hawke's not one for box-office numbers "The box office battle is not one I'm engaged in," he says, waving a dismissive hand. "I wanted to make a movie that was a little bit more specialized...it might not be for everybody." Lucky for Hawke, since the film, a complex series of intercut vignettes, which put the lives of several fictitious residents of the real Chelsea Hotel on display, does not scream "Box Office Smash!"

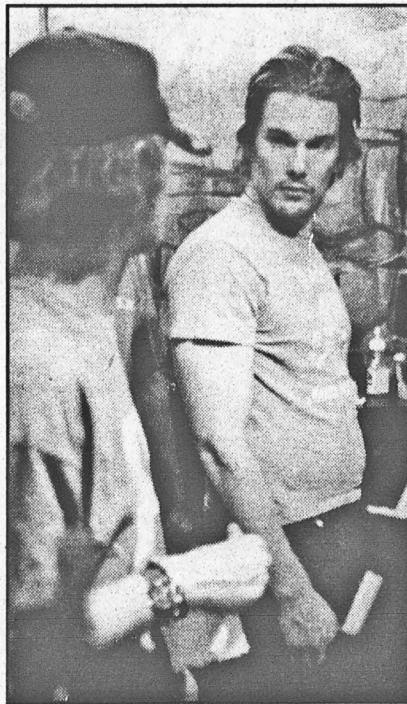
It does, however, say that Hawke is smart and modest enough to make a complex film in an experimental

medium for a meager budget sans the dreaded over inflated ego. "Chelsea Walls," based on a play by writer (and friend of Hawke) Nicole Burdette, follows the lives of fictitious tenants of the legendary Chelsea Hotel, as they deal with the staples of tortured artistic life: dysfunctional romance, substance abuse and, of course, loneliness. "Time is just blurring together inside there," Hawke says. "Uma's is all hippied-out. Remember, her rooms got all the—"

"— beads!" Hawke and I exclaim at the same time, laughing and nodding enthusiastically.

"—so that's like the 70s...Bob and Steve is all the 90s...you're not really sure what year it is." "Chelsea Walls" was filmed on a mere \$100,000 budget.

The film itself reads like a guest



WHAT'S FLABBIER?

The script or the director?

at all, though he did take an uncredited role as the voice of Grace's boyfriend Sam. "I thought if anybody didn't show up, then I could cover," he laughs.

list to one of Hawke's birthday parties. Besides Burdette, the cast includes Thurman as lovelorn poet Grace, and best friends Leonard and Steve Zahn as tortured-soul musicians Terry and Ross.

Hawke chuckles when he talks about directing his wife. "My wife, of course, has no patience for it, so the only way to do it is just not be bossy and let her do whatever she wants to do."

Hawke didn't want to cast himself in the movie

Hawke knew that it would be a difficult film to digest and so he utilized camera style, music, and color to help him unite the vignettes. Wilco's Jeff Tweedy scored the entire film, and Wilco is a prominent feature in the film. "The voice for the building would be the music," Hawke says. "Jeff wrote all the music that Bob and Steve play in the movie."

The entire movie flows together like a stream of consciousness which is perfect for those of you, who, like Hawke, have a short attention span. "I wanted to do a movie that had more of a kind of rhythm and sensibility of a jazz piece rather than a narrative song...nothing real, but associative and a little ADD. [That's how] my brain works, like 'Look, that relates to that,'" Hawke says dazedly. It is moving art, a digital palette of emotions contained in this one building who holds the stories of over a century's worth of artistic anguish. It is a film whose ambiguity is not only fitting but necessary. If you want easy answers, you're not going to find them here. You'll have to figure it out yourself. Hawke has his own theories. "Sometimes I would think that they were all ghosts."

St. George is Back in Business

Karin Kempert

Just a month ago, the inside of the legendary St. George theater sat lifeless, the carpeting speckled with broken plaster and garbage. Beautiful mosaics and marble fountains silently collected years. Ornate woodwork, tarnished brass fixtures and murals of bullfighters slept, undisturbed by appreciative eyes. The theater sighed like an old man, its breath musty, waiting for redemption. It would not have to wait long.

Stephanie Gilmore, a 24-year-old actress, had recently signed a lease for the historic building. "It's absolutely beautiful," says the Washington native who has been committed to the theater's extensive repair and restoration. "It's a big job," she admits, "but the building is worth it."

So what kind of performances can we expect from the new theater? "Any and all types of events," says Gilmore. "We want something here for everyone." She is also working on initiating an "Opportunities Program" to help local writers, producers, filmmakers



and artists.

Although the official opening date is anticipated for some time mid-May, the first scheduled show will take place on Monday, May 27th. A benefit for U.S. Troops overseas in cooperation with the Veteran's Action Coalition, the evening will feature performances from local bands White Lightning, Lava, and Johnny B. & The Blues Blazers, and a Junior ROTC drill team demonstration.

So what can you do to be a part of the St. George Theater's fantastic renaissance? Plenty! Here's a broom.

"It's not glamorous, but it needs to be done," Gilmore says. That includes vacuuming, mopping, sweeping and polishing, all skills well within your reach. Volunteer Cleaning Weekends are held on Saturdays starting at 9 am and are open to everyone who wants to lend a hand.

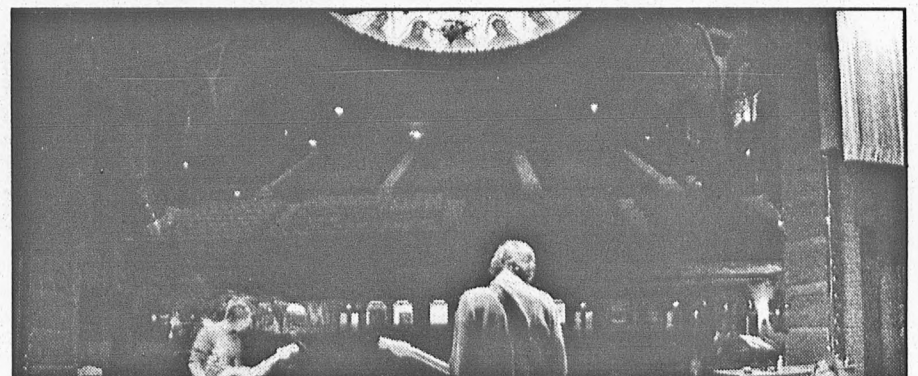
"I'd love to see CSI students come by and help out," Gilmore adds. In the near future, bartenders, carpenters, and anyone with good organizational skills will also be needed to volunteer. In addition, there will be positions open for Volunteer Tour Guides, who will be trained in the entire history of the theater in order to lead tours of visitors through the building. Volunteer Ushers will get to see shows

for free in exchange for their help.

Anyone interested in volunteering, donating, or helping in any way is welcome to stop by the theater (25 Hyatt Street) on Saturdays. It's a minute's walk from the Ferry Terminal.

Another way to get involved is to e-mail. Gilmore at stgeorgetheatre@hotmail.com. She checks her e-mail daily, and gets back to everyone who writes.

Despite the immensity of the undertaking, Ms. Gilmore remains confident and focused. "There's so much to do here, we're never going to run out of stuff. We finally have the chance to do it right."



Photos by: Dan Chilton

The Third Eye

By Madame Toni Ann Fischetti

Aries: The Ram
March 21-April 19

Things are looking bright for you; I'd go so far as to say Magical. You will be seeking and finding a plethora of cool events- and it's goes beyond making a Fall schedule with classes you not only need, but fit properly over the course of the week. Also, put yourself first in the arena of life this summer and you will have a following.



Taurus: The Bull
April 20 - May 20

If family and friends have been proving to be less than helpful, fear not Taurus, they're about to do a 180. This is the summer of new beginnings! New and exciting opportunities await you. Take advantage- before you know it, it's fall again and so starts a new semester of responsibilities.



Gemini: The Twins
May 21 - June 21

Either you just downed half a bottle of Stacker 2's or you're the center of a cosmic burst of energy. After months of down time, the world is ready to give you a step up to success this summer. And who said you wouldn't get that lifeguard job just because you never learned to swim?



Cancer: The Crab
June 22 - July 22

You'll be doing a lot of soul searching this summer, but don't worry! Your friends will reach out and be super-helpful in helping discover whatever is important to you. You'll make some new friends too and I predict they'll be around for awhile- so much for "Summer Love".



Leo: The Lion
July 23- August 22

"Think, think, think," Pooh Bear would say. You'll find yourself muttering those same words, as you feel plagued by something you forgot to do. Walk the dog? Skim the pool? Pick Junior up from day camp? Whatever it is, don't worry, all is well.



Virgo: The Virgin
August 23 - September 22

You're undergoing some changes in your attitude and as a result, you're feeling a lot of tension. This should last until the end of the month but once it passes, the Pearly Gates of a heavenly summer are opened for you.



Libra: The Scales
September 23 - October 23

I smell Love! I smell Success! I smell Freedom! No really- it's not rancid summer armpits- it's the real deal. They're all working in harmony for you but it may require a bit more responsibility on your part. It's time to own up and be a leader.



Scorpio: The Scorpion
October 24 - November 21

If you're anything like me, your checkbook hasn't been balanced since Christmas, credit card bills are piling up and you have all of \$3.62 in your savings account. It is time to take action. Fix all those pesky grown-up problems, so you can have a relaxing summer free and clear of collection agents and bank officials ringing your phone off the hook, nearly demanding blood!



Sagittarius: The Archer
November 22 - December 21

This is it, Sag. Your time has come. Get ready to stand up and announce you are now in the running as CEO and President of your own life (and it's about time). Take the reins and take control and I guarantee good things will come to you. Do you hear me (especially Lauren Lazaro, who is graduating next week)? This is your time now- enjoy it.



Capricorn: The Goat
December 22 - January 19

Your mission, if you choose to accept it: Log on to Expedia.com, book a flight to sunny Acapulco, pack your bags, grab a couple of friends and go! I know Mother Nature is playing tricks on us and we can't really discern the seasons, but it's June already. Let go of the winter blues and resolve to have a satisfying summer full of adventure.



Aquarius: The Water Carrier
January 20-February 18

With all the advice and help you'll be dishing out this month, you may consider changing your major to Psychology. Your inimitable insights will enable you to help others recover some lost self-esteem. You'll feel god about what you're doing and so will your friends, especially since it doesn't involve electro-shock therapy.



Pisces: The Fish
February 19 - March 20

You may wonder if there's any point to anything any more, as the trials and tribulations of life bear down on you. There is a point and here's what you have to do: turn the tension and worries of those who surround you into a realization that you must wake up and smell the roses. Perhaps its time to move on. With summer steadily approaching, it's the perfect opportunity to spread your wings and expand your horizons.



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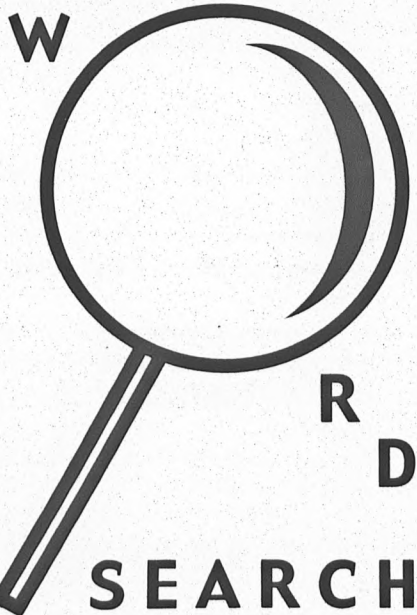
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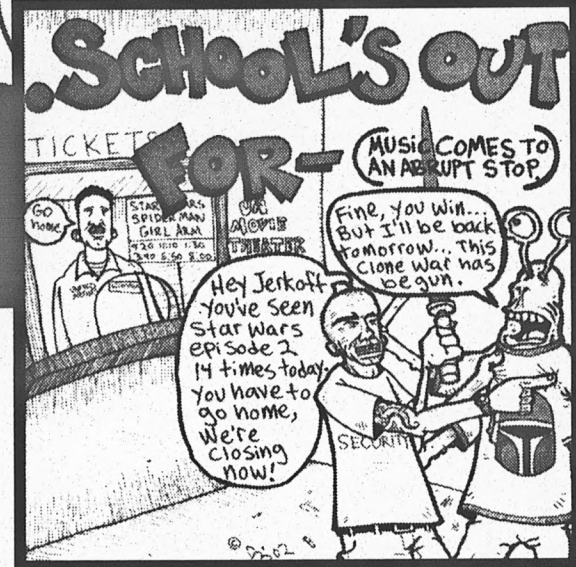
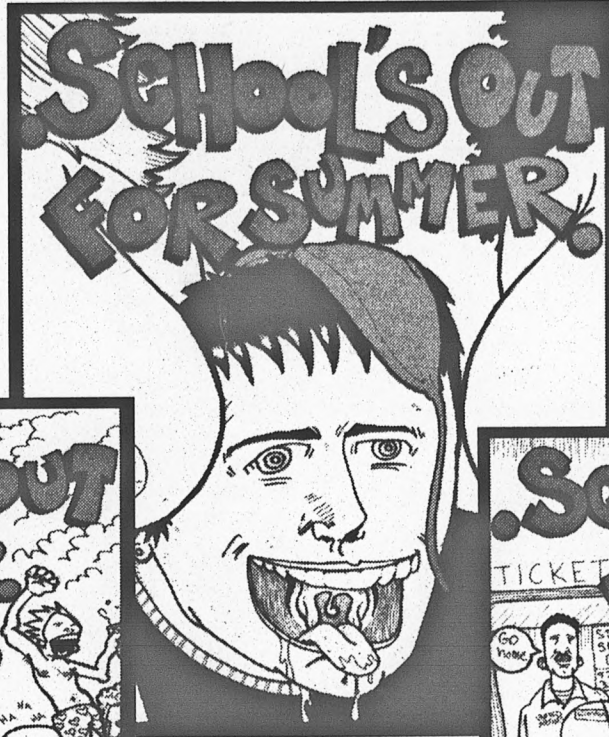
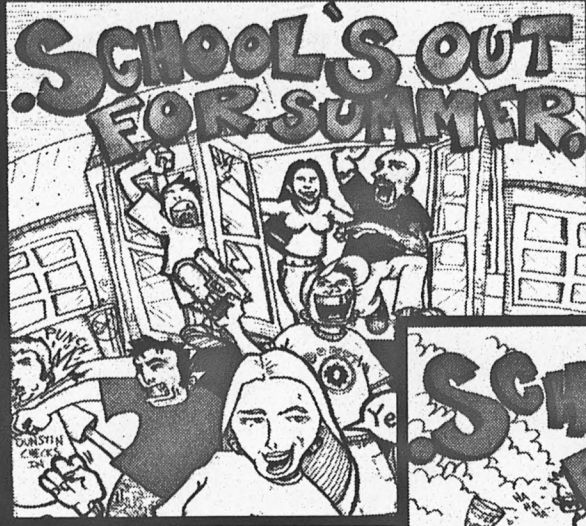
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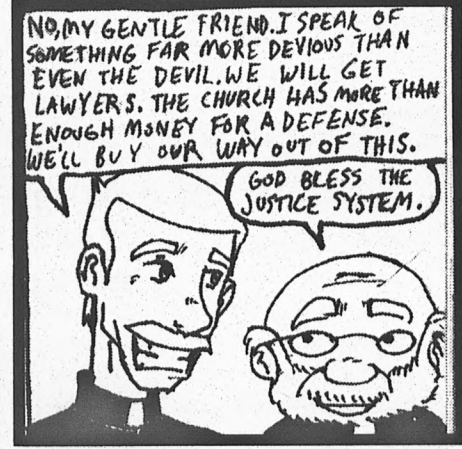
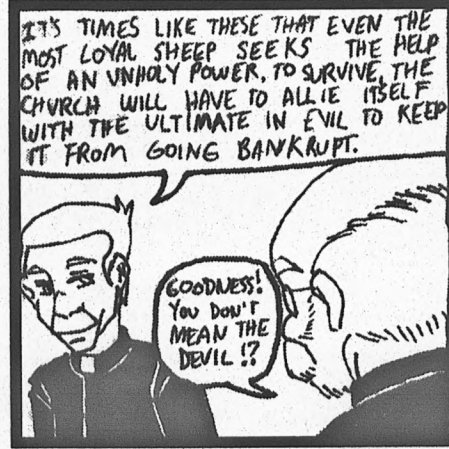
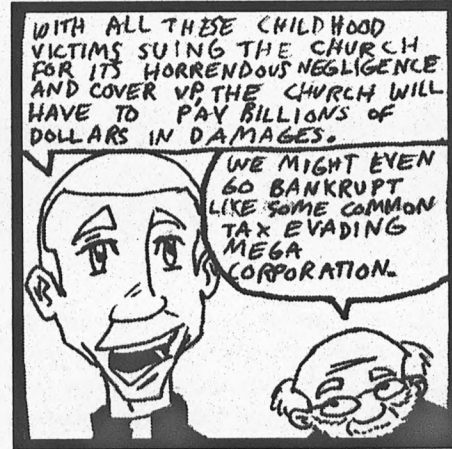
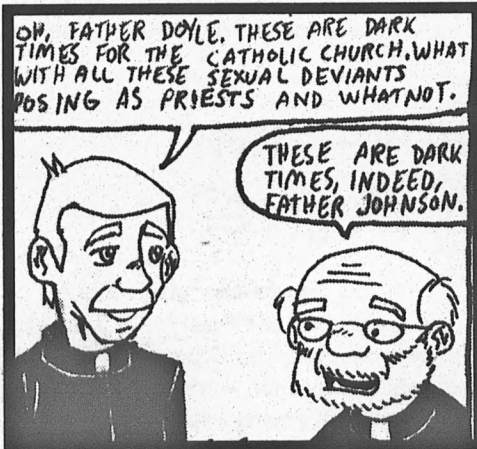
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Finals and Papers and Tests, Oh My!

Melissa Panarella

Stop chewing your pencils and don't brew another pot of coffee. There is help, and it's a lot closer than you think.

Get a tutor.

The Learning Assistance Resource Center (1L-117) offers tutoring in various subject areas. For *anatomophiles*, The Biology Tutorial Center, located in 6S-136, assists students in the analysis of biological sciences. The center uses educational aids such as charts, models, videotapes, and computer software. Microscopes and slides are also available.

The English Learning Center, which draws the most students, is in 2S-216. The program is designed to tutor all levels of reading, writing and speaking. "We tutor from pre-freshmen to graduates," said the head of the center, Professor Gail Wood. "We even tutor some members of the faculty." The tutoring sessions vary. One can call for a regular weekly appointment, participate in small groups, or study for one class period a week. Limited individual tutoring is available. Usually students attend voluntarily, are recommended by professors, or are needed as a course co-requisite. Computer programs are also available for this tutorial.

A walk-in tutorial session takes place in 1S-214. *Calculuphobics* are urged not to delay their visit during finals. The most widely covered areas are remedial math, 100- and 200-level courses, and CMAT preparation studies. There are always two or more tutors on duty who work either on a one-on-one basis or in small groups. The program also provides a small library of math tutorial videos.

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ROM programs and CD-ROM dictionaries that are accessible to the students on an individual basis or in group sessions.

Justine Sweeney, a student who participated in these study sessions during winter break, praised the tutors and the curriculum. "I was so worried that I would fail the CMAT again," she confessed. "Those sessions are the reason I finally passed. The tutors paid attention to me and helped me with the problems I had."

The clock is ticking and those finals are right around the corner. Now that you know about it, do something about it! Drop in to the Instructional Services office. It's free and there is no appointment necessary. Call Dr.

Allyson Straker-Banks, the director of the program, or Mr. Richard Vento at 982-3963 or go to 1L-117.



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From Graduation to Unemployment: What Will You Do With Your Degree?

Irene Goodman

June 6, 2002, Graduation Day. The world is yours...♦

Three months later. September 6, 2002. You find yourself standing in line at 1141 Hylan Boulevard, the unemployment office.

Yes, recent college graduates are finding it hard to break into the job market. According to a new survey of over 1,500 employers nationwide conducted by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), college hiring has fallen dramatically.

The survey asked employers to compare the number of new college grads they hired in 2000-2001 to those they expect to hire in 2001-2002. Overall, they estimate a 36.4% drop in hiring, 39% in the Northeast.

According to Carol Watkins, Director of Placement at CSI, "Participation at the college's job fairs are the same. Where I am noticing a drop is in the number of jobs that have

come in. And of course it's all based on field. Ironically the area that has been hit hardest is computers. That's the field which, for the past 3 to 4 years, has had the highest starting salaries, most plentiful jobs, and where students were placed immediately. Now they're very hard to fill. But, Education hiring is booming as is Accounting, and Finance."

As a matter of fact, according to the NACE survey, Accounting majors are getting offered the most jobs and at the highest salaries.

So as a student, what can you do to better prepare you for today's stiff job market?

"For students graduating next year, they should be interning. There, they are getting more job relevant skills, they are more marketable", says Watkins.

Several students were asked about vocational plans. Here's what you had to say.

IG - What are you planning to do

with your degree after graduation?

Natalie, Biology - "I want to become either an Urban Park Ranger doing restoration work on the remaining natural environment, working with NYPIRG, or do bird research."

Mattia, Accounting - "I plan on sitting for the CPA exam and becoming an Auditor."

IG - What do you think are your prospects for finding a job in your field?

Natalie - "Very good. I just completed an internship with AmeriCorps working with the Urban Park Rangers. I also work as a volunteer with NYPIRG so with the wide variety of experience that I have, I think I have a very good chance of getting a good job."

Mattia - "Oh there's a very good chance."

So get your butts in gear and get a job. For those of you graduating this year, its time to get your job search underway. If you have not done so, get your resume critiqued at the Career Placement Office. The hours are 9-5 and the number is 982-2330.

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What a Boy Wants, What a Boy Needs

John Coyle

Men only want blondes with big breasts, no brain cells, and the sex drive of a poodle in heat. At least that's what women think. Here's some news for all you ladies: A lot of men are looking for what you're looking for.

Some guys are searching for qualities other than cleavage in their significant others. A woman doesn't need to be on the cover of *Cosmo* in order to grab a man's attention. After all, it really isn't about T & A. It might sound like a

cliché, but it's the sacred truth. A woman can melt a man's eyes with her good looks, but if that's all she's got, a man immediately loses interest.

What about a woman's inner beauty? What makes her marriage material? There are many parts to a lady's persona that can make her something special.

A girl's mind is definitely a terrible thing to waste. Her intelligence and sense of humor are vital pieces to the "Miss Right" puzzle. That doesn't mean she should be able to explain the theory

of relativity, it just means that a smart and happy girl is better than a stupid girl.

The whole thing about a man wanting someone like his mother? It's true. A man does want someone who's always there for him, even when he's bad. He wants someone to take care of him when he's sick. A grown up boy likes from time to time to feel like that little tike he was back in the day. A girl who makes him feel young and good about himself is a keeper.

Money is a huge issue when it comes to choosing the right girl. If a man feels like he's paying for everything, chances are, he is. That's a problem. A good woman should understand that a man works just as hard as she does for a paycheck, and needs to have enough money in his life to make ends meet.

A bad woman is someone who takes the role of receiver for granted, and shows no thoughtfulness for her man's generosity. If you're the "Bill Gates" type, disregard the last paragraph, because you're a man who people feel sorry for. Everyone says, "Yeah he's rich, but that's the only reason women come around." All that loveless sex and all the money to boot. We all know that gets old very fast. Love is what guys really want for the

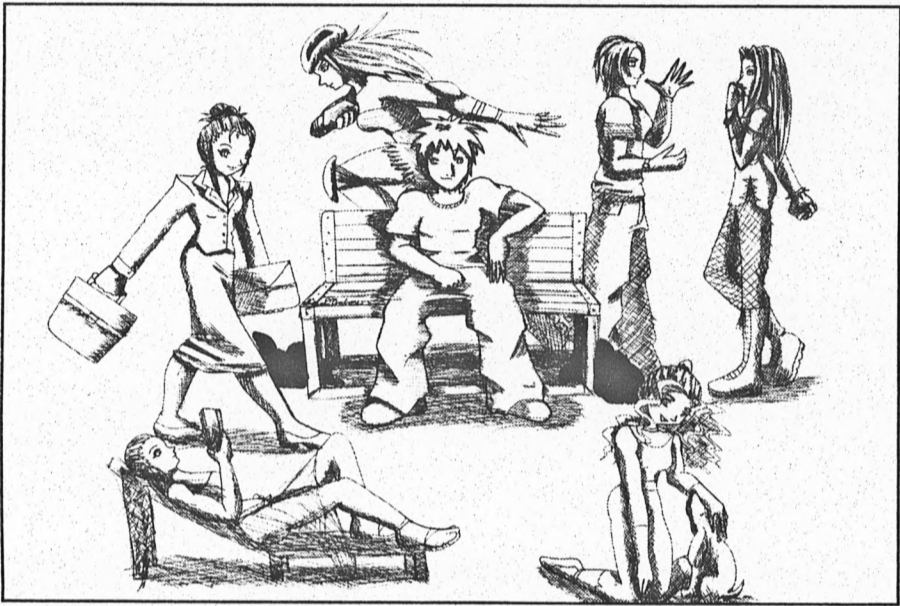
Is She Ms. Right?

- When the bill comes, what does she do?
 - She ignores it.
 - She goes to the ladies room.
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- When your girl is approached by one of her "boyfriends," what does she do?
 - Introduces you to him.
 - Talks to the boy — and ignores you.
 - She starts making out with him.
- During sex whose name does she scream?
 - Her brother's
 - Yours
 - Your mother's

Answers:
1. B
2. A
3. C

long haul.

Of course, all men have different tastes when it comes to the opposite sex. Sure, there are a lot of guys who are just looking to have sex. But for many men, a girl with the total package doesn't mean one with big breasts, nice legs, and nice buns. This particular package consists of a big heart and a nice personality. After all, a man doesn't want to have a relationship with the promiscuous type. He wants a lover, a companion, and a best friend.



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What is DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection is a form of birth control that is given as an intramuscular injection (a shot) in the buttock or upper arm once every 3 months (13 weeks). To continue your contraceptive protection, you must return for your next injection promptly at the end of 3 months (13 weeks). DEPO-PROVERA contains medroxyprogesterone acetate, a chemical similar to (but not the same as) the natural hormone progesterone, which is produced by your ovaries during the second half of your menstrual cycle. DEPO-PROVERA acts by preventing your egg cells from ripening. If an egg is not released from the ovaries during your menstrual cycle, it cannot become fertilized by sperm and result in pregnancy. DEPO-PROVERA also causes changes in the lining of your uterus that make it less likely for pregnancy to occur.

How effective is DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

The efficacy of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection depends on following the recommended dosage schedule exactly (see "How often do I get my shot of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?"). To make sure you are not pregnant when you first get DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection, your first injection must be given **ONLY** during the first 5 days of a normal menstrual period; **ONLY** within the first 5 days after childbirth if not breast-feeding; and, if exclusively breast-feeding, **ONLY** at the sixth week after childbirth. It is a long-term injectable contraceptive when administered at 3-month (13-week) intervals. DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection is over 99% effective, making it one of the most reliable methods of birth control available. This means that the average annual pregnancy rate is less than one for every 100 women who use DEPO-PROVERA. The effectiveness of most contraceptive methods depends in part on how reliably each woman uses the method. The effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA depends only on the patient returning every 3 months (13 weeks) for her next injection. Your health-care provider will help you compare DEPO-PROVERA with other contraceptive methods and give you the information you need in order to decide which contraceptive method is the right choice for you.

The following table shows the percent of women who got pregnant while using different kinds of contraceptive methods. It gives both the lowest expected rate of pregnancy (the rate expected in women who use each method exactly as it should be used) and the typical rate of pregnancy (which includes women who became pregnant because they forgot to use their birth control or because they did not follow the directions exactly).

Percent of Women Experiencing an Accidental Pregnancy in the First Year of Continuous Use

Method	Lowest Expected	Typical
DEPO-PROVERA	0.3	0.3
Implants (Norplant)	0.2*	0.2*
Female sterilization	0.2	0.4
Male sterilization	0.1	0.15
Oral contraceptive (pill)		3
Combined	0.1	
Progestogen only	0.5	
IUD		3
Progestasert	2.0	
Copper-T 380A	0.8	
Condom (without spermicide)	2	12
Diaphragm (with spermicide)	6	18
Cervical cap	6	18
Withdrawal	4	16
Periodic abstinence	1.9	20
Spermicide alone	3	21
Vaginal Sponges		21
used before childbirth	6	18
used after childbirth	9	28
No method	85	85

Source: Trussell et al. *Obstet Gynecol* 1990;75:558-567

*From Norplant[®] package insert.

Who should not use DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

Not all women should use DEPO-PROVERA. You should not use DEPO-PROVERA if you have any of the following conditions:

- if you think you might be pregnant
- if you have any vaginal bleeding without a known reason

- if you have had cancer of the breast
- if you have had a stroke
- if you have or have had blood clots (phlebitis) in your legs
- if you have problems with your liver or liver disease
- if you are allergic to DEPO-PROVERA (medroxyprogesterone acetate or any of its other ingredients)

What other things should I consider before using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

You will have a physical examination before your doctor prescribes DEPO-PROVERA. It is important to tell your health-care provider if you have any of the following:

- a family history of breast cancer
- an abnormal mammogram (breast x-ray), fibrocystic breast disease, breast nodules or lumps, or bleeding from your nipples
- kidney disease
- irregular or scanty menstrual periods
- high blood pressure
- migraine headaches
- asthma
- epilepsy (convulsions or seizures)
- diabetes or a family history of diabetes
- a history of depression
- if you are taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications

This product is intended to prevent pregnancy. It does not protect against transmission of HIV (AIDS) and other sexually transmitted diseases such as chlamydia, genital herpes, genital warts, gonorrhea, hepatitis B, and syphilis.

What if I want to become pregnant after using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

Because DEPO-PROVERA is a long-acting birth control method, it takes some time after your last injection for its effect to wear off. Based on the results from a large study done in the United States, for women who stop using DEPO-PROVERA in order to become pregnant, it is expected that about half of those who become pregnant will do so in about 10 months after their last injection, about two thirds of those who become pregnant will do so in about 12 months, about 83% of those who become pregnant will do so in about 15 months, and about 93% of those who become pregnant will do so in about 18 months after their last injection. The length of time you use DEPO-PROVERA has no effect on how long it takes you to become pregnant after you stop using it.

What are the risks of using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

1. Irregular Menstrual Bleeding
The side effect reported most frequently by women who use DEPO-PROVERA for contraception is a change in their normal menstrual cycle. During the first year of using DEPO-PROVERA, you might have one or more of the following changes: irregular or unpredictable bleeding or spotting, an increase or decrease in menstrual bleeding, or no bleeding at all. Unusually heavy or continuous bleeding, however, is not a usual effect of DEPO-PROVERA; and if this happens, you should see your health-care provider right away. With continued use of DEPO-PROVERA, bleeding usually decreases, and many women stop having periods completely. In clinical studies of DEPO-PROVERA, 55% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding (amenorrhea) after 1 year of use, and 68% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding after 2 years of use. The reason that your periods stop is because DEPO-PROVERA causes a resting state in your ovaries. When your ovaries do not release an egg monthly, the regular growth of the lining of your uterus does not occur and, therefore, the bleeding that comes with your normal menstruation does not take place. When you stop using DEPO-PROVERA your menstrual period will usually, in time, return to its normal cycle.

2. Bone Mineral Changes
Use of DEPO-PROVERA may be associated with a decrease in the amount of mineral stored in your bones. This could increase your risk of developing bone fractures. The rate of bone mineral loss is greatest in the early years of DEPO-PROVERA use, but after that, it begins to resemble the normal rate of age-related bone mineral loss.

3. Cancer
Studies of women who have used different forms of contraception found that women who used DEPO-PROVERA for contraception had no increased overall risk of developing cancer of the breast, ovary, uterus, cervix, or liver. However, women under 35 years of age whose first exposure to DEPO-PROVERA was within the previous 4 to 5 years may have a slightly increased risk of developing breast cancer similar to that seen with oral contraceptives. You should discuss this with your health-care provider.

4. Unexpected Pregnancy
Because DEPO-PROVERA is such an effective contraceptive method, the risk of accidental pregnancy for women who get their shots regularly (every 3 months (13 weeks)) is very low. While there have been reports of an increased risk of low birth weight and neonatal infant death or other health problems in infants conceived close to the time of injection, such pregnancies are uncommon. If you think you may have become pregnant while using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception, see your health-care provider as soon as possible.

Some women using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection have reported severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reactions known as anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid reactions. Symptoms include the sudden onset of hives or swelling and itching of the skin, breathing difficulties, and a drop in blood pressure.

Other Risks

Women who use hormone-based contraceptives may have an increased risk of blood clots or stroke. Also, if a contraceptive method fails, there is a possibility that the fertilized egg will begin to develop outside of the uterus (ectopic pregnancy). While these events are rare, you should tell your health-care provider if you have any of the problems listed in the next section.

What symptoms may signal problems while using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

Call your health-care provider immediately if any of these problems occur following an injection of DEPO-PROVERA:

- sharp chest pain, coughing up of blood, or sudden shortness of breath (indicating a possible clot in the lung)
- sudden severe headache or vomiting, dizziness or fainting, problems with your eyesight or speech, weakness or numbness in an arm or leg (indicating a possible stroke)
- severe pain or swelling in the calf (indicating a possible clot in the leg)
- unusually heavy vaginal bleeding
- severe pain or tenderness in the lower abdominal area
- persistent pain, pus, or bleeding at the injection site

What are the possible side effects of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

1. Weight Gain
You may experience a weight gain while you are using DEPO-PROVERA. About two thirds of the women who used DEPO-PROVERA in clinical trials reported a weight gain of about 5 pounds during the first year of use. You may continue to gain weight after the first year. Women in one large study who used DEPO-PROVERA for 2 years gained an average total of 8.1 pounds over those 2 years, or approximately 4 pounds per year. Women who continued for 4 years gained an average total of 13.8 pounds over those 4 years, or approximately 3.5 pounds per year. Women who continued for 6 years gained an average total of 16.5 pounds over those 6 years, or approximately 2.75 pounds per year.

2. Other Side Effects

In a clinical study of over 3,900 women who used DEPO-PROVERA for up to 7 years, some women reported the following effects that may or may not have been related to their use of DEPO-PROVERA: irregular menstrual bleeding, amenorrhea, headache, nervousness, abdominal cramps, dizziness, weakness or fatigue, decreased sexual desire, leg cramps, nausea, vaginal discharge or irritation, breast swelling and tenderness, bloating, swelling of the hands or feet, backache, depression, insomnia, acne, pelvic pain, no hair growth or excessive hair loss, rash, hot flashes, and joint pain. Other problems were reported by very few of the women in the clinical trials but some of these could be serious. These include convulsions, jaundice, urinary tract infections, allergic reactions, fainting, paralysis, osteoporosis, lack of return to fertility, deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolus, breast cancer, or cervical cancer. If these or any other problems occur during your use of DEPO-PROVERA, discuss them with your health-care provider.

3. What precautions be followed during use of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

1. Missed Periods
During the time you are using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception, you may skip a period, or your periods may stop completely. If you have been receiving your DEPO-PROVERA injections regularly every 3 months (13 weeks), then you are probably not pregnant. However, if you think that you may be pregnant, see your health-care provider.

2. Laboratory Test Interactions
If you are scheduled for any laboratory tests, tell your health-care provider that you are using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception. Certain blood tests are affected by hormones such as DEPO-PROVERA.

3. Drug Interactions
Cytadren (aminoglutethimide) is an anticancer drug that may significantly decrease the effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA if the two drugs are given during the same time.

4. Nursing Mothers
Although DEPO-PROVERA can be passed to the nursing infant in the breast milk, no harmful effects have been found in these children. DEPO-PROVERA does not prevent the breasts from producing milk, so it can be used by nursing mothers. However, to minimize the amount of DEPO-PROVERA that is passed to the infant in the first 6 weeks after birth, you should wait until 6 weeks after childbirth before you start using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception.

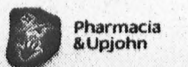
How often do I get my shot of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

The recommended dose of DEPO-PROVERA is 150 mg every 3 months (13 weeks) given in a single intramuscular injection in the buttock or upper arm. To make sure that you are not pregnant at the time of the first injection, it is essential that the injection be given **ONLY** during the first 5 days of a normal menstrual period. If used following the delivery of a child, the first injection of DEPO-PROVERA **MUST** be given within 5 days after childbirth if you are not breast-feeding or 6 weeks after childbirth if you are exclusively breast-feeding. If you wait longer than 3 months (13 weeks) between injections, or longer than 6 weeks after delivery your health-care provider should determine that you are not pregnant before giving you your injection of DEPO-PROVERA.

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WSIA Elects New Program Director

Kris Lo Presto

April 25th—WSIA elected Lucas Garber the new Program Director. Garber has been a DJ for four years and the engineering director for the past two years.

"Lucas cares very much for the future of WSIA and he is always eager to train new employees at the station," said Scott Axelrod, former Program Director of WSIA, in a phone interview.

As it always is with new Programming Directors, Lucas' first focus will need to be on recruitment, and of course, on-air content. Anything that makes it on air must be approved by him.

WSIA employees also elected Maggie May Promotions Director and Elaina Lovascio as the News Director both for the second year in a row.

Tenured employees — those there for longer than a year — were allowed to vote. WSIA is recruiting non-stop. For more information please visit them at building 1C-108 or visit them on the web at www.wsia.fm. WSIA is Staten Island's only radio station and can be heard on 88.9 FM on your radio dial.

Spring Dance 2002

Karin Kempert

The Spring Dance Concert went off without a hitch in the Williamson Theatre in 1P on Wednesday, May 8th. The concert featured different elements, including dances to music from Mary J. Blige, Craig David, and Britney Spears. The 2nd part of the program, "African Suite," involved African tribal dance interpretations of village scenes against the backdrop of fierce rhythms from guest musicians. The performance was directed by Prof. Charles Thomas and Prof. Niambi Keyes.

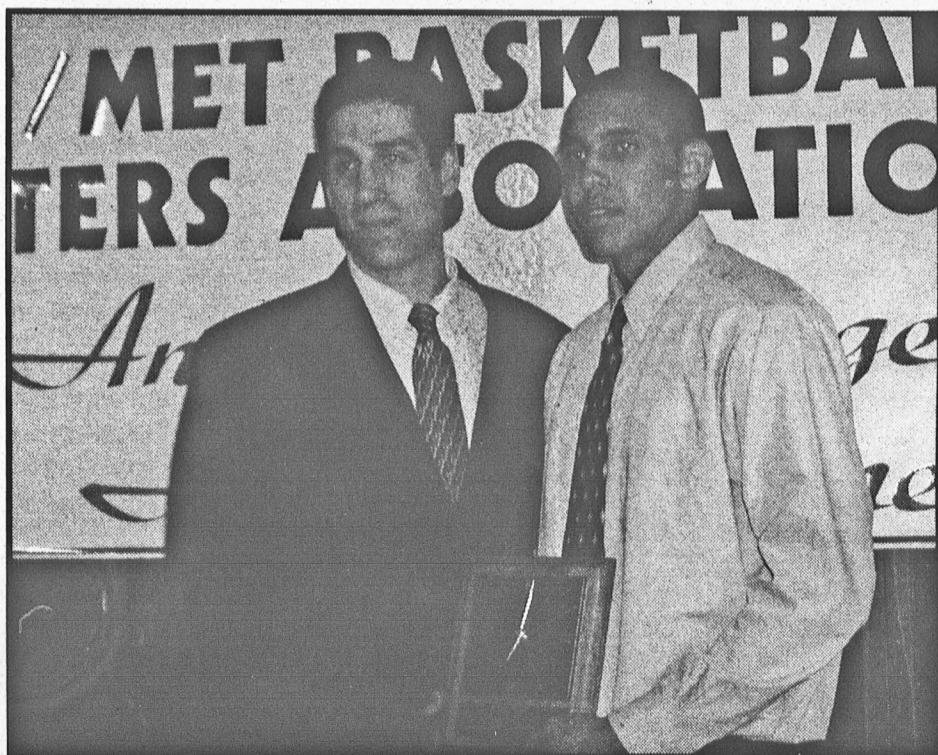
Student Body Elects NYPIRG Board

Peter Lang, Jaime Bialer and Natalie Shaya were elected to the NYPIRG Board of Directors.

"It's actually kind of pathetic that only 229 people voted in a two day election," says new Board member Peter Lang.

The NYPIRG Board of Directors consists of 46 voted delegates and meets six times a year.

CSI Senior Forward David Paul Wins Metro Player-of-the-Year



After four strong years with the dolphins David Paul was named Metropolitan Division III MVP on April 24th at the Meadowlands Sports Complex. Of all the players in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, The Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association voted Paul the best.

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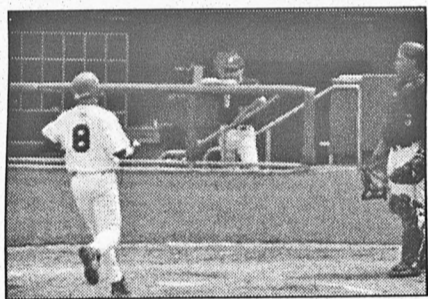
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Dolphins Fall in Knickerbocker Championship

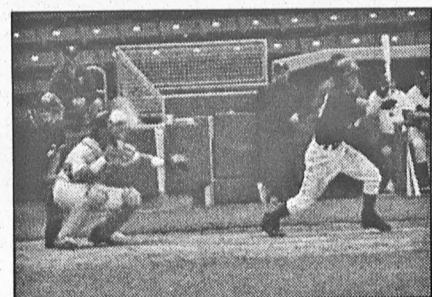
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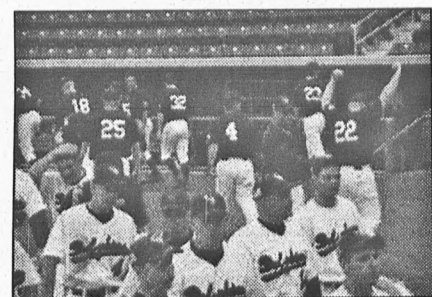
HEY - BATTER - BATTER - BATTER: Dolphins' third-baseman Joseph Ruiz steps into action.



KEEP ON TRUCKIN: Andrew Fraschilla scores the Dolphins' only run in the loss to the Stevens Tech Ducks.



SLUGGER: Tom Sobe, Ducks' third-baseman, knocks in the go-ahead run in the top of the 4th inning.



MAYBE NEXT YEAR: Dolphins keep their chins up and hopes high for next year.

Kimberly DeLese

May 7—A beautiful day at Richmond County Bank Ballpark ended in disappointment for CSI's men's baseball. The Dolphins were canned 3-1.

Winning the schools first championship in its 96-year history, the Ducks earned an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Playoffs. The Ducks are enjoying a successful post-season despite their 21-20 regular season record.

Losing the championship for the third time in four years is, unfortunately, a familiar feeling for the CSI players.

"It's devastating," said senior co-captain Tom Consolmango. "We really believed this was our year, and to fall short hurts."

"We just couldn't get the big hit," said CSI Head Coach Bill Cali. "And when we did get good wood on the ball, it kept going right to their guys."

CSI managed one run on Tom Wohlfi's sacrifice fly to center. That was the last time CSI challenged freshman pitcher Kevin Suders of the Ducks, the eventual game MVP. Suders threw eight strong innings and was relieved by senior David Riley who earned his fifth save with a 1-2-3 ninth.

CSI's defense did its job, even while trailing 3-1. Center fielder Eric Zinke did not give up. In the sixth he caught a fly and threw a bullet to catcher, Russell Stefanski, who tagged the Ducks base runner at the plate for a rally-killing double play. The following inning Zinke made an impressive play on a hard hit ball, sliding on his stomach to make the catch.

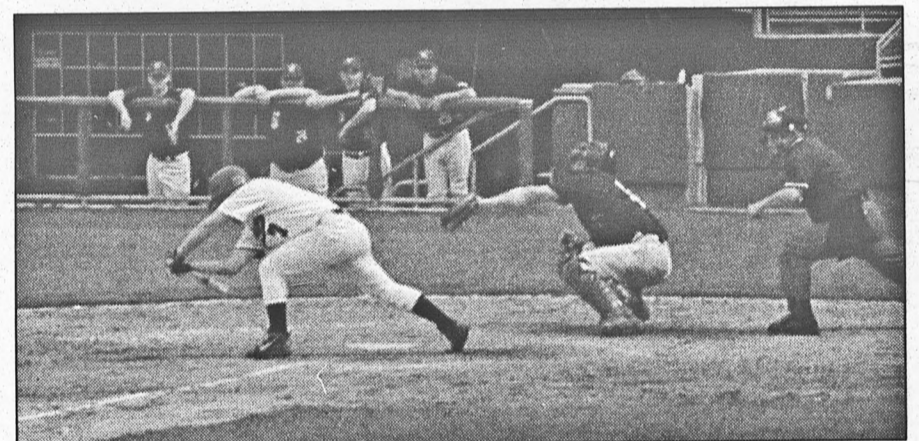
The CSI pitching staff did an admirable job as starter A.J. Parrino gave up only three runs over six innings.

"Our kids worked so hard for this," said Cali. "It came down to one game and today they were the better team."

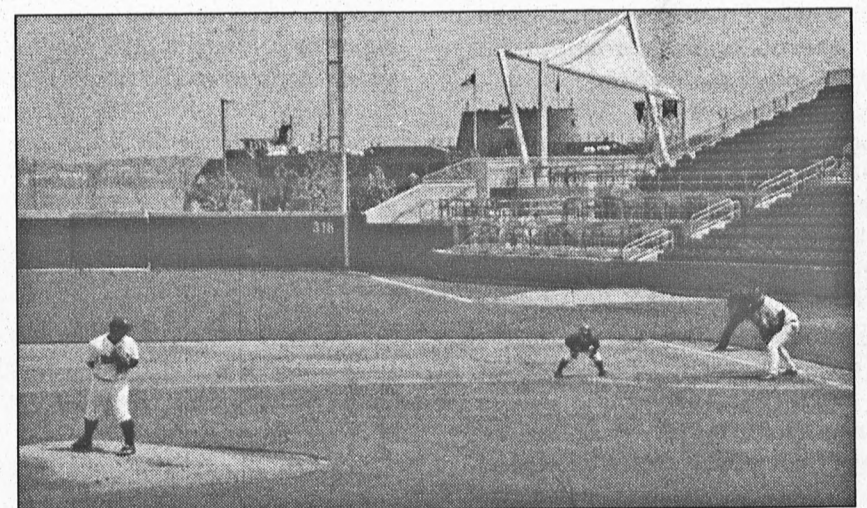
It is said that pitching and defense is the way to win championships, CSI had both, and yet walked away with nothing.



THERE'S NO CRYING IN BASEBALL: Ducks catcher Marlin Genao gets spanked by a foul ball.



YOU MAKE THE CALL: With a runner on second and one out, Dolphins' Chris Hemmis is called out on this check swing and moments later is ejected from the game.



CHECK YO' NECK: Pitcher Andrew Parrino checks the runner on first as the ferry boats bring more Manhattan fans to the stadium.

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