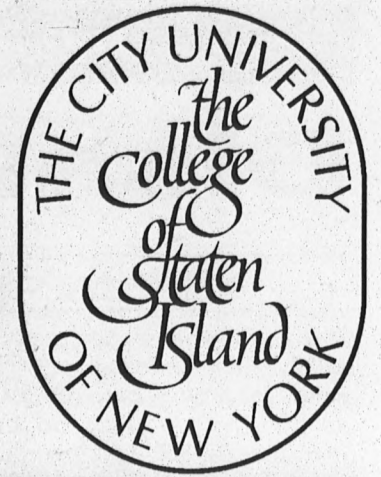


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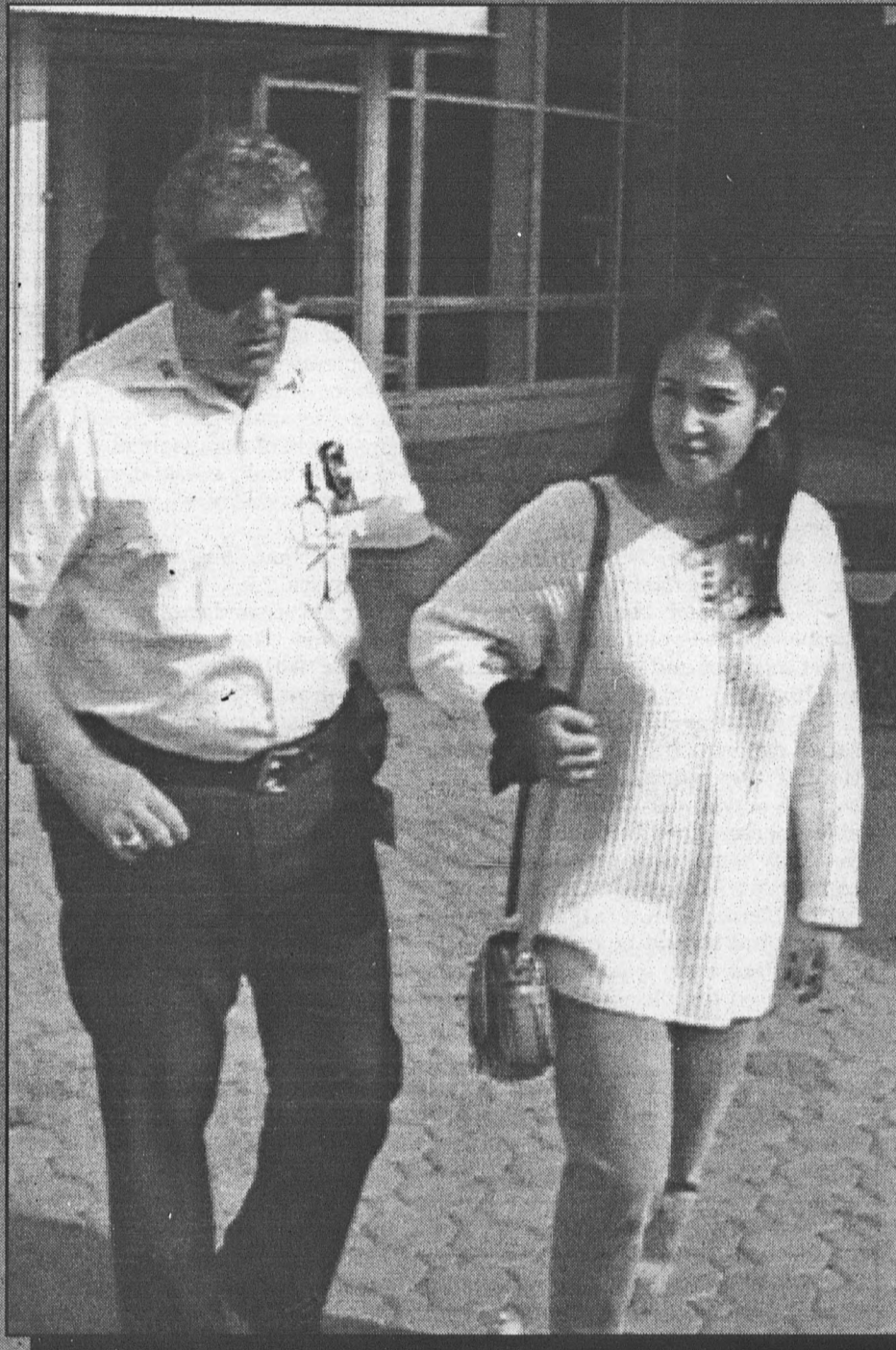
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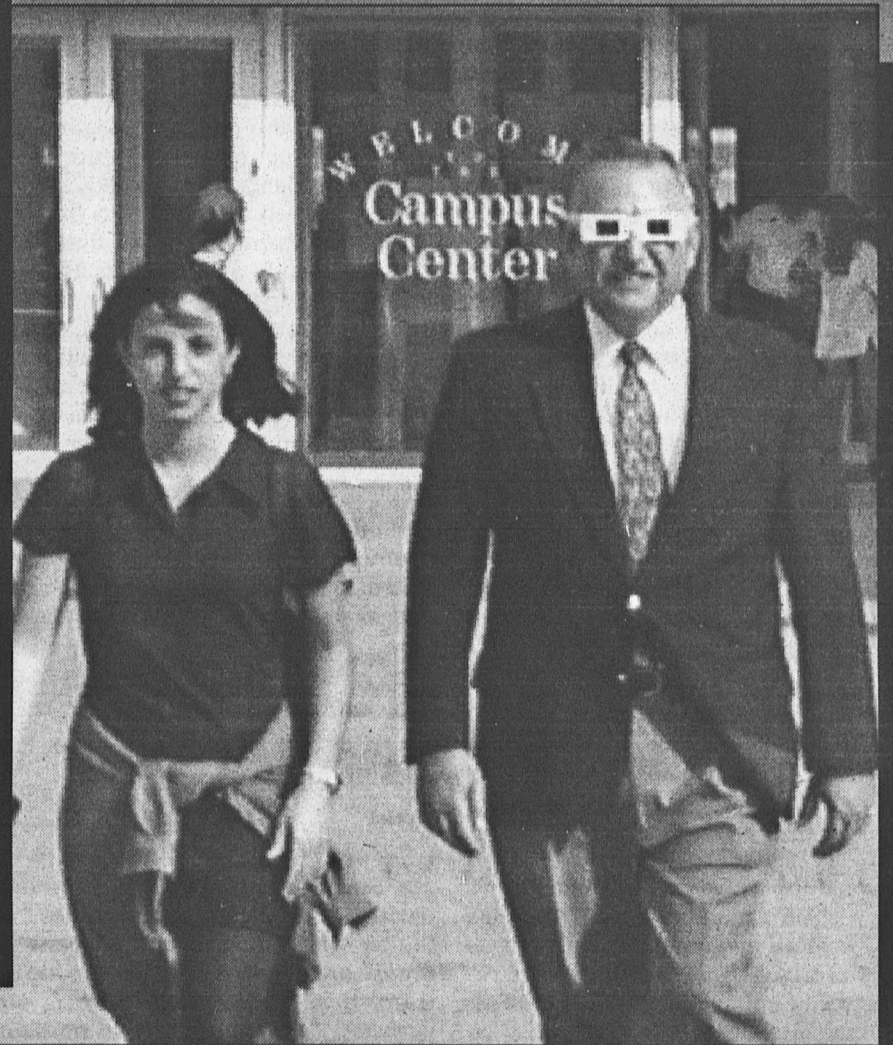


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Disability Awareness Day

By Christopher Zeyer

Disability Services held an exercise last Wednesday to show problems the campus has. Volunteers such as President Marlene Springer, Vice President Carol Jackson, and Chief Financial Officer Michael Bloomberg, were asked to see what it was like to get around campus and do work as a person with a disability. As The Banner found out, this was an enlightening experience for all the participants.

The exercise was broken up into sections. One part dealt with sight, one with being in a wheelchair, and the other with hearing.

Mr. Bloomberg was asked to walk around campus wearing glasses that made him see as a person with "tunnel vision." He stated, "It's difficult not having full vision." and "You have to watch out for poles."

Officer Mallon was asked to walk around campus as a blind person would. He stated, "You think it's easy, it's not." Officer Mallon said that you don't realize how large the campus is when you have no sight. He also complained about the way the library was built. The library is round and a blind person might have a problem trying to find where he or she is going.

The library was also a complaint of the Dean of Human and Social Studies on campus, Joan Hartman. She was asked to do the "tunnel vision" exercise. She stated, "I learned how badly the library is set up." She said she knew how to find things in the library, but with the sight restraint, it was much more difficult. Ms. Hartman said that if you have a sight problem, you'll have difficulty with the computer screens. Also, she said the library needs "better lighting" because with the sight restrictions,

you can't see the numbers or letters on the books. At the end of her exercise she stated, "It's very nice to take the glasses off." But she realizes that some people can't.

The wheelchair exercise also brought complaints about the library. President Springer did this exercise. She complained that the reference desks are rounded which makes it difficult for a person in a wheelchair to get the attention of a librarian. Most of the desks where CUNY-PLUS computers are have a wooden shelf running underneath them. A person in a wheelchair can't bring their chair in to do research. The library wasn't President Springer's only complaint.

She found out that the bathrooms present a problem. On the floor of the doorway to almost all the bathrooms on campus are things called "saddles". These saddles are a buffer between the door and the floor. President Springer found first hand that a person in a wheelchair has great difficulty in trying to get over the saddle. President Springer did not approve of the saddles and TDX Construction has agreed to take care of them. They are not going to get rid of them, but TDX are going to put "reducer strips" down to alleviate the problem.

Vice President Carol Jackson and others were a part of a simulation deafness exercise. The volunteers were asked to see what it is like to be deaf. The exercise went as follows: the vol-

unteer was asked to pretend to be deaf and try to do simple tasks without talking or hearing. A deaf person went with each volunteer to act as an interpreter. They were asked to use TTY system to make a phone call. TTY is a type of phone for deaf people to use. It's a system in which a call is made and the conversation is written on a keyboard. Problems such as, what if a person you call doesn't own or use a

TTY system arose. The call has to be bounced to an operator that has the system and then act as go-between for the two people. That could become complicated and time consuming. (Sidenote: The college has such phones and the operators are equipped with the system to help places on campus that don't. Vice President Jackson

said she ordered more, but they haven't come yet.) Vice President Jackson stated that "patience is required" being deaf on campus.

After all the exercises were completed, the volunteers were asked to get together and join in a seminar in building 1P.

Professor Luchow of the education department started the meeting. He said the reason for the exercises was, "A person can't know what a disabled person goes through." This was to show some of the problems. Also coming to a college with all the physical problems "shows reasonable motivation" and should be encouraged. He then moved away from the main focus and started to talk about a new topic.

He said, "Disabilities are not only going around (campus), but in the classroom as well." He stressed, "A student with a learning disability wants to learn." He then gave out packets to show examples of what he was talking about.

On the cover of the packet were four optical illusions. These were to show how things can be seen differently. Inside were examples of how a person with a learning disability would read or see something. This was to reinforce the optical illusions and to make another point: that a student with a learning disability has to take extra time and effort to do his or her work.

After the packet part of the meeting, other speakers came up and began a discussion about the exercises. The volunteers were asked to speak about the experience and what they learned. The Banner asked what the school should do about some of the problems. It was given five ideas:

- There should be more exercises like these to make more people aware of the needs of the disabled.

- There should be a better reporting system for security when someone is in need.

- The school should re-examine the walkways.

- The library and campus center should be made easier to get around in for people with disabilities.

- The library should have color contrasting so a person with a sight problem would have an easier time.

Carol Jackson wanted to make it clear that the president is aware of the problems and "is very concerned." She said, "There was an effort when the campus was built" to make it more accessible to everyone. (This was even before President Springer was hired.) "I feel I've tried to advocate [better policy]."

A person can't know what a disabled person goes through.

ASLC MARCH FOR AWARENESS

By Jennifer Valle

The American Sign Language Club held an awareness march across campus in celebration of deaf awareness week September 28th at 6:30 PM. Marchers shouted and signed 'ASL' as they gave out hand shaped cookies. Member of the group Tara Kandel commented, "We are supporting Deaf Awareness Week and we are trying to get people to join the deaf and hard of hearing community."

ASLC was set up because many people were unaware of the American Sign Language programs offered at the college. Ms. Kandel explained, "People didn't know what ASL was, so we set up a club to try to encourage people to learn sign language."

ASL student and member of the club Jennifer Smith stated, "We want people to know the issues related to deaf students at CSI. The most important are multimedia, closed captioning, and TTY, the deaf telephone." The TTY phones are located in the

campus center and in the library but Ms Smith commented, "The phones usually break down a lot of times."

Other issues that concern the group are interpreters for the nearly thirty deaf and hard of hearing students on campus. "We need note takers, and we have tutorial needs that need to be met," explained Smith.

Director of the ASL at CSI, Carole Lazorisak expressed, "The idea behind this group is that we want people to know about sign language and what a beautiful language it is. Sign language is different from other languages like English, Italian or French. All other languages are linear but American Sign Language is visual." She continued, "You see the language as a whole language which uses facial expressions, body language, and space. You feel everything. If people learn this language, it's a plus for them."

All students interested in learning sign language should contact the ASL at building 2A -201.

WSIA: ONLINE... FOR NOW!

By Jennifer Valle

WSIA, the College of Staten Island's radio station, suffered yet another blow to its system. After an entire summer of being off the air, WSIA was able to get itself back on line September 18th... until another tragedy struck. After two days of broadcasting, its processor went down September 20th, causing its once again to go off the air.

Director Greg Adamo commented, "We had been hit by lightning in the summer and we had to replace the equipment that was damaged. We decided to put up a much better grounding system to avoid this problem in the future." He continued, "We were suppose to go back on the air the first week of school and the work was about 90% done but then our engineer got sick." Engineer John Ladley had been putting up grounding in order to protect from further lightning burnout, but he suddenly fell ill and could not complete the work. WSIA was forced to call in a new engineer

and was unable to broadcast until the 18th of September at 7:00 PM. Mr Adamo continued, "Two days after we were back on, the processor failed and we went off the air again at 2:30 PM September 20th."

WSIA went back on line September 26th when its processor came back from the shop. Ladley commented, "We're back on and I feel better now. One of the reasons we spent so much time off the air was to help prevent any more stalling time by putting up the grounding in case lightning strikes. Within upcoming months, WSIA will be louder, clearer, and have an overall better sound quality." He continued, "Ever since we got to this campus, we have been held back by obstacles but we've come to the light at the end of the tunnel."

Underwriting Director Raul Torres commented, "It's about time the frigg'n' thing was fixed."

Adamo explained, "Right now we're okay. We're on for now, but something else can always go wrong."

Senate Committee Proposes \$10 Billion In Education Cuts

By Elissa Leibowitz
College Press Service

WASHINGTON—Senate Democrats failed Sept. 26 to block Republican efforts to curb direct lending and institute a fee on universities, but they vowed to continue the fight on the Senate floor.

The Republican proposal to trim education spending in the federal budget is a setback for supporters of direct lending and of a post-graduation grace period to pay back loans. Democrats are calling it the greatest cut in higher education in history.

"This is extremism in its worst form," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., the ranking Democrat on the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources. "The real danger is in making college for the elite alone."

The Republican proposal, which passed a 8-7 committee vote along party lines, would charge colleges and universities for the amount of loans their students take out from the government. It also would limit the number of colleges and universities allowed to participate in the direct lending program and would eliminate the post-graduation grace period for paying interest on student loans.

Republicans said they were sympathetic to the concerns of students, but they said the changes will not effect students while they are in school. Sen. Nancy Landon Kassebaum, R-Kansas,

who chairs the committee, emphasized that her top priority in designing the reconciliation package was to "minimize costs to students."

"It is inaccurate and unfair to suggest, as some have, that this proposal cuts the neediest students out of education," she told senators and the audience, which was packed with more than 200 college students, many of whom came to Washington for the mark-up meeting. Students included members of the United States Student Association and the newly formed Alliance to Save Student Aid.

The Republican-majority mandate to cut \$10.8 billion from education over the next seven years "has been a difficult task," Kassebaum explained, "but I have attempted to do so in a way which keeps the interest of students foremost in mind and which applies spending reductions to everyone involved with student loans."

Lawrence Gladieux, the College Board's executive director for policy analysis, said the \$10 billion figure seems a little far-fetched.

"I don't get \$10 billion out of this program without hurting students," he said. "We favor savings that don't cut into what students are able to rely on."

The proposal that now will go to the Senate floor for debate would institute a 0.85% "fee" on all new loan volume at each university. Colleges would pay the federal government that percent-

age of the total amount of loans students take out.

The measure could cost large public institutions close to \$500,000 a year, said Tim McDonough, vice president of public affairs for the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU).

"It's the first time the federal government would impose a tax like this," said McDonough. "It's like charging supermarkets for accepting food stamps."

But Kassebaum said the "origination fee" is "not a cut in education" and that it would average less than an additional \$20 per student. At the University of Kansas, for example, it would be an average fee of \$13.10 per student, or a total of \$650,000 annually. "I would contend that there is room for post-secondary institutions to take a hard look at their own costs," she said.

The loan payment proposal stipulates that schools cannot raise tuition or fees to supplement the new loan costs.

Yet McDonough said that it's impossible to track where schools tack on fees. "If your budget is tight as it is, you really don't have a lot of places to go to cut the money," McDonough said. "Schools will have to cut programs or scholarships to save the money."

"I don't think they understand the ramifications," Sparaco said.

Another part of the proposal would limit the number of universities allowed to participate in President Clinton's student loan program to 20 percent. Currently, more than 1,300 schools or 40 percent of the loan volume. The U.S. Department of Education stated this summer that four out of every five schools reported the program was successful.

Simon cited several of the many letters he received praising the program. At the University of Missouri-Columbia, for example, the number of temporary loans needed to bridge a gap in money decreased 78%. Ohio University's financial aid office received 52% fewer telephone calls from students wondering when their loans would be dispersed. And Indiana University cited 90% less paperwork with direct lending.

All these cuts, said Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., come at a time when more students than ever before are seeking a college degree. "If the demand were abating somewhat, I could understand [the cuts]," he said.

But Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind., reminded the students that under this proposal "no one is going to be denied a loan, no terms will change for those who are in school," and the federal government will continue to fund 75% of all student aid.

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Once Banned, Underground Groups Illegally Recruit New Pledges

By Lesley Rogers
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DEKALB, Ill. (U-Wire)—Despite having been banned from NIU, underground fraternities and sororities are still illegally recruiting new pledges, including Chicago street gang members.

Larry Bolles, director of the judicial office, said members of the indefinitely banned Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, members of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, banned until 2000 and members of Kappa Alpha Psi, which is not allowed to pledge new members until January 1996, have been recruiting students illegally.

"If you pledge underground, you are going to get expelled—both the pledgers and the pledgees. If these people surface with these T-shirts, it is a violation of university rules," Bolles said.

If a sorority or fraternity is not recognized by a national chapter and the university, no one is held responsible for their actions. An underground organization may encourage hazing and illegal activity because there is no way to check what is happening, Bolles said.

He is warning students to cease all

activities dealing with underground groups because he does not want any serious injuries to occur as a result of hazing while the investigation is taking place.

Phi Beta Sigma was suspended until further notice after a hazing incident resulted in serious injury, including a pledge breaking his leg.

Although the African-American fraternity is not supposed to exist on campus, at least 50 illegal members belong and some live in a designated fraternity house, Bolles said.

The judicial office is starting an investigation of the fraternity, which has recruited 50 "little sisters," mainly freshman women who were made to pay \$50 to join the underground group.

"Little sister is the female component of a fraternity member. These people cannot be in this fraternity, they cannot have little sisters. If you are one, get back your money and get out," Bolles said.

Some of the little sisters also had possessions stolen out of

their rooms by members of the so-called fraternity.

"Freshman are just being sucked up into this. Their money is being taken and (the fraternity members) are just pimpin' them for their services. This has to stop before someone gets hurt," Bolles said. Phi Beta Sigma has also recruited a number of gang members who are being associated with criminal activity in the area, he said.

"Police have arrested people wearing Phi Beta Sigma T-shirts. This is not a legitimate fraternity. It is illegal to belong. The price of pledging underground is expulsion," Bolles said.

The prominent African-American Delta Sigma Theta sorority was suspended in the spring, after a judicial office investigation determined that a hazing incident resulted in hospitalization of at least one pledge.

Nine NIU professors and graduate students who are alumni of the sorority wrote a letter to Bolles, informing him that NIU students are now "misrepresenting themselves as members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc."

The letter states: "We are prepared to take action against these young women if they indeed attempt to misrepresent the name of Delta Sigma Theta sorority. The sorority works hard trying to keep negative publicity and its name separate."

The sorority will not be able to start a chapter at NIU for another five years, in order to weed out the women who were responsible for the hazing, Bolles said.

He said one of the reasons such organizations continue to operate is because the bottom rung, the pledges, were hazed.

They want their turn to subject new members to such activities as beatings, making them clean their apartments and buying them jewelry.

"Those women in the sorority were living like Queen Sheba," Bolles said. "They have a 'I'm going to get mine back' mentality."

Bolles said the judicial office is investigating Phi Beta Sigma, Kappa Alpha Psi and Delta Sigma Theta and students who are illegal members are encouraged to get out now.

"We will find you," he said.

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LETTERS

Dear Mr. Garofalo,

I was incensed by Mr. Wijerama's remark on the College Voice regarding The Banner and its staff. I have enjoyed each and every issue of The Banner and I felt that his attack was unfair and totally biased.

I think that The Banner has been improving over time and the late issues have been particularly successful. I congratulate you personally, and the whole team too. Because I took his remark personally, I wanted to respond in a polite, yet angry manner. I do not like when people speak for saying nothing and Wijerama is certainly a master in the sort.

In the September 12, 1995 issue of the "College Voice," Mr. M.D. Wijerama wrote sarcastically of "The Banner" and of its staff: "we are committed to nothing." I would like to rebut this rather hasty misjudgment.

I am an assiduous reader of "The Banner" and I can attest to the falsity of Mr. Wijerama's claim. The Banner, as far as I can tell, is committed to one very important thing: It is committed to not being committed to anything. And that's not anything!

One cannot understand the extent and the importance of this position without thinking about it a bit longer. Being committed to nothing in particular is a courageous and existentially challenging enterprise. Instead of being the slave to any preconceived and ritualized system, one assumes. Being at each and every moment. What this means is that choosing a way and following it, without being critical of its means and ends—for Mr. Wijerama it is Marxism-Leninism, for others it is Catholicism, Consumerism, for yet others it is Mainstreamism—is not an act of humanity. Humanity expresses itself in acts of freedom, of rebellion against the ready-to-think.

Mr. Wijerama's remark, written disdainfully of "The Banner", captures the ease with which existential cowards look down on the rest of the world, secure in their Isle of Truth that they built around them. And, by an act of ultimate cowardice, they forget that they are also subject to the criticisms they have of others. Their truths are as much subject to suspicion and inquiry as other people's.

"The Banner" has been consistently putting forward a lively brew of what CSI is all about. Nobody's truth is more important. We're all in the same boat. A couple of decades from now, most of today's students will be awaiting their certain

death, and in front of that there is no escape. The value of life is measured by some people, by a person's actions. However, the ideas that go into the making of a good rather than bad action are culturally based. Different cultures, different values. Mr. Wijerama is best placed to know that. One should look for a universal truth valid everywhere in the world. Cultures are equally false outside their setting.

I don't think, and I could be wrong, that Mr. Wijerama meant that "The Banner" is committed to nothing, as in nothingness. In the possibility that he meant his sarcasm in this way, I will say that being committed to nothingness can be rather challenging and maybe not as fruitless as many would think. It has, as any kind of commitment, the utility of arranging a certain schedule that will simplify daily life, stripping it from an unbearable anxiety. Work and commitment act together as order-giving forces.

It is true that "The Banner" has to improve qualitatively in order to better represent a true commitment to nothingness. But, it is up to CSI students to make it happen by participating in its columns with more energy, in order to defy what has been commonly known as reason. We end our criticism of Mr. Wijerama by asking the young and restless to think before they think.

-N. Federico

For the record, let me explain the "Committed to Nothing" slogan. In the May issue of The College Voice, Lou Bardel stated, "The Banner is committed to nothing." This was said because it was well known what was going to happen to The College Voice over the summer. Their budget would be drastically cut or they would be shut down. They took a cheap shot at us in order to defend their budget. (They failed) The rest of the editorial explained what they stood for.

Being as sarcastic as we are, we put that statement on the back of our T-shirts. We liked the slogan and felt it fit us.

What are the true politics of The Banner? That's for us to know. I will say this, there is a method to the madness. Federico was close, but there's more to it than that.

-ED

To The Editor:

As the Director of Auxiliary Services and a member of the college committee that develops policy on parking I felt it necessary to respond to your September 7 article "psycho ramblings." The CSI parking policy is the College's best current effort to balance the desire for parking space with the responsibility to provide a safe environment for all who need access to our campus. A major concern is to insure clear curb space for emergency vehicles (fire trucks, ambulances), buses and pedestrian walkways. Another consideration is to provide access to buildings for those whose mobility is impaired or limited, through specially designated parking spaces. The purpose of the enforcement policy is to promote these objectives. Fines serve as a disincentive before the fact.

Users of the parking facilities have an expectation that the fees generated will help maintain parking lots including snow removal, striping, security etc. They want ALL Parking users to share in the cost. Persons who do not purchase decals not only "cheat" the system but eventually hurt all legitimate users of the system through increased cost. Individuals parking on campus must display a valid decal that is permanently and properly affixed to their vehicle or a valid temporary pass. Permanently affixing decals reduces the potential for theft of service and theft of decal.

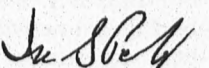
To say we do not have a parking problem would certainly be naive. During the last two years there have been countless meetings among stu-

dents, faculty, staff and administrators to develop a workable plan. Several suggestions were explored including restricting the sale of decals. This however, only works if you can restrict access to the campus. This was attempted by security last year and resulted in massive traffic tie-ups that extended well beyond the entrances to the College on Victory Boulevard and Forrest Hill Road. Because of this, the determination was made that monitoring vehicles after they park on campus was the most viable solution. In order for this to work an effective enforcement program was needed.

Our parking resources are limited in that not everyone will be able to find parking in the lot closest to their destination on the campus. However, knowing where to look is important. Lot Number 6 is the largest parking field on campus and has consistently had parking available throughout the semester. Taking the Loop Bus from there gets you just about anywhere on campus within 10 - 15 minutes.

I would encourage those with thoughts and suggestions about parking to share them with me or visit the Office of Parking Services located in 1A-102. Please be assured that we are working diligently to have as convenient, and as safe, a campus as possible.

Sincerely,



Ira S. Persky

Responses to the Editorial

Thursday, September 28, 1995

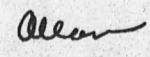
Dear Ms. Valle,

I am writing in regard to your editorial "What A Politician" found in Volume III, Issue 5 of The Banner. To you I give the "Milli Vanilli Award" for bogus journalism. How can I write this? Well...I choose to believe that the "push button" ignorance of what you've signed your name to is not really yours. So...I'm trying to do you a favor by urging you to come clean and admit whose idea this editorial was.

The writer of "What A Politician" mentions ethics! What a travesty. The "logic" with which "What A Politician" is written is so defective that it isn't logic. Must I say that there is a connection between ethics and logic? And then, how about the ethics of journalism? Can't we have even the slightest acknowledgment that Ms. Kaufman was responding to something that really happened?

You should be ashamed to sign your name to such an ignorant smear. It's the worst kind of gutter journalism designed consciously to "push buttons" and get attention in the most adolescent fashion. In this regard I'm sorry to give you even this much time and attention.

Jennifer...wise up. You're being used in a very malicious way. What's so sad is that in being complicated with the maligning of another person, you've totally maligned yourself. The idea of smearing people to get attention and readers for The Banner is so transparent and inept...so unethical...but then you don't know what that means do you?

Yours,

 Allan DiBiase
 Director of Student Activities

I am actually disappointed in you Mr. DiBiase. You disagreed with Jen Valle without showing enough professionalism to discount her opinion. You just simply rambled about her credibility as a journalist. It seems to me that you're an administrator acting infantile.

The only thing close to a point in your letter was the fact that she may not have written the article herself. Let me tell you, you're lucky she did. I originally was supposed to write the article because I felt Meri's actions were reprehensible. Unfortunately I had to go to the library to research an article. When I returned Jen said, "I finished the editorial." I was puzzled. I said to her, "I thought you were writing a news article." Jen replied, "I couldn't write the news article objectively until I got this off my mind." I was a little disappointed, but I let it go because it was one less thing for me to write and I felt it was a well-written editorial.

Jennifer's actions are to be commended. Mr. DiBiase, your actions are not. One should expect more from an administrator. If you feel you are right in your opinion then you should not have to lower yourself to name calling. While The Banner is still open minded about the opinions regarding this issue, we do not take kindly to insults toward our staff. Next time, try not to 'shoot from the hip' and actually think out your argument.

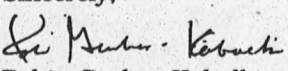
Finally, why would The Banner need to resort to smearing people? Unlike the real world, readership doesn't count here. Could it be our commitment to nothing or our commitment to the truth?
 -ED

Dear Ms. Valle,

After reading your recent editorial (What a Politician) in The Banner, I have to ask which Student Government meeting you attended on September 21. It was certainly not the same meeting I attended. At that meeting, Meri Kaufman read a powerfully written statement addressing the homophobic strategies which had been employed to discredit her as a candidate for Student Government President. At the meeting I attended, this courageous woman disarmed the forces of bias which had been directed at her and called for unity of purpose and mutual respect.

It is too dangerous to downplay the importance of the behavior which spurred Ms. Kaufman's action, for to do so implies that such behavior is acceptable. It is not. It is a fact that various individuals tried to dissuade people from electing Meri Kaufman because she is a lesbian. Why haven't you addressed that issue? Why have you instead chosen to blame the victim for speaking the unspeakable, for bringing it out in the open, for giving it a name? Homophobia is a weapon of sexism. To decry both these evils is a productive and meaningful political strategy - it forces us to see the truth. And that is what you object to most - being challenged to see, to feel, and especially, to think about the impact of language and attitudes on those around us. Jennifer, trivializing the challenge won't erase the problem or your responsibility for understanding it. This is the true test of one's own personal ethics.

In her statement, Meri also said that she sees college as a place in which to learn and grow. Take her advice. You need it.

Sincerely,

 Robin Garber-Kabalkin
 Coordinator, Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance

Traditionally, the Editor answers all letters that come to the section. However, the Editor has given me permission to respond.

The speech by Meri Kaufman was well written and well planned. The fact that I was told by other members on student government to "take notes... this is a good speech" only serves as evidence that this speech was read by others and possibly revised prior to the meeting... which is why I called it a "calculated political strategic move."

The true victim within this entire farce of an election was, in fact, the gay and bisexual community. Answer me this Robin - If I were a lesbian and I still wrote that Editorial, would you still have sent me this letter?

Ms. Kaufman managed to twist the election by using the one tool that she accused as her downfall... Homophobia. Please understand... I don't condemn her for being a lesbian, but I do condemn her for using her sexual preference as a reason to vote for her. She did this publicly in order to put every voting member on the spot. She took the entire issue out of context, and pulled off an illusion of homophobia. Fearing a label, Student Government did what they knew best to do... they ran in the other direction and Lori Seggio conceded, letting Meri win by default.

Meri laid false and empty allegations about "various individuals spreading rumors" which forced out everyone from the election and slipped her the position of presidency. One last question: Who are these alleged "various individuals?"
 -Jen Valle

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New York Needs A Well-Rounded Rock Station

By Bill Spurge

In my opening column last year on rock n' roll, the main theme was how baby boomers and Generation X are linked by a common form of music... rock. It's the only time this has happened in the 20th century.

Today's parents and their children have a common bond. A baby-boomer can be as inspired by Nirvana as he or she was by Led Zeppelin, and judging by the amount of Beatles, John Lennon, and Jimi Hendrix T-shirts I see worn by younger people on campus, it's obvious that Generation X is influenced by the previous generation of legends.

What this proves is that there is no such thing as "dinosaur" rock (as some would call it) or "grunge" rock (the more recent tag). Rock n' roll is rock n' roll, and any intelligent fan of the music won't be fooled by radio stations that take a specific form and create a label.

Over the years, rock has been described in these terms, to name a few: acid, punk, grunge, new wave, techno, hard, soft, heavy metal, folk, blues, country, bubble gum, classic, top-40, alternative. I'm not a fan of Billy Joel, but he hit it on the head when he said, "it's still rock 'n roll to me."

Unfortunately, rock stations in New York (and perhaps elsewhere) take these labels too seriously. As a fan of everything from Chuck Berry to Kurt Cobain, from the Beatles and the Rolling Stones to Pearl Jam and the Jesus & Mary Chain, it is quite disturbing not to be able to find a station that plays it ALL. It's amazing how many great songs and artists people are missing out on. None of these stations capture what rock is, and has been all about, for over 40 years.

For example, WNEW-FM recently did a 180 by making the switch from a format that leaned to classic rock that sprinkled in some new artists, to one which has left the old stuff behind and concentrates on the new. On the surface this is a bold move, but is in reality an admission that this station got it wrong and is trying to make amends.

When ground-breaking rock picked up steam in the early 90's, WNEW was nowhere to be found. Oh, it played the occasional Pearl Jam, but

wouldn't touch the Soup Dragon, the Chain, etc. Had it played its cards right, WNEW would have introduced these bands and mixed them with Bad Company, Janis Joplin, etc. We could have had the ultimate label that I feel would have succeeded: eclectic rock.

Time will tell in regard to WNEW's fortunes, but the station is sure to lose many listeners to WXRK (K-Rock) and its classic rock format. No longer playing legends such as the Beatles and Stones who made up its base, WNEW will have to gain countless new listeners to replace those lost when such artists were thrown out of the playlist.

K-Rock's problem is this: How many times

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will people listen to "Freebird" and "Layla"? It's a testimony to how great these songs are that they still hold up after a zillion listens, but you have to question people who won't try newer artists for a change. There's no place for anything fresh in this format.

My pet peeve with Z100 is that this type of station kills good songs with constant airplay. A real music fan could not possibly want to listen to the same song 1400 times in a month. Besides, the playlist is limited to a precious few songs, so people are missing out on everything else out there.

Heavy metal rules on 104.3 (Q-104), and I never thought the day would come when a station would use it as a format. I dream of what it would have been like when I was in high school (circa '72 and thereabouts) and could tune in to a station that

played Black Sabbath, Grand Funk, Led Zeppelin, Alice Cooper, Deep Purple, Steppenwolf, etc. However, even then it was music I could not wake up to, and anyone with a heart and a feel for melody would grow with love songs - not everyone is angry all the time.

The station that comes closest to an eclectic format is WDHA (105.5) in New Jersey. You'll hear the occasional obscure track from an album, and they introduce new artists to blend with some of the old. However, DHA plays the Stones just about every set, pays too much attention to local "hero" Bruce Springsteen, and almost never plays anything before 1970, leaving artists such as the Beatles almost entirely for the Stones. In that sense, they are very inconsistent. Also, they shy away from the deeper alternative stuff.

Stations such as WHTG in New Jersey have long held alternative as a format, and now will probably lose out to the bigger stations who have picked up on alternative's popularity.

WCBS-FM continues to score in the rating with "oldies", but is limited to Top-40, leaving the album oldies to K-rock.

College stations never get it. For some reason, college radio is insistent on being as obscure as possible. You can call it snob-rock. It's for those who have to find as remote an artist as possible and call it the greatest music around. Most of the time it's obscure because it's horrendous. That's why there's no audience.

Perhaps what I'm asking for is not meant to be. But the ultimate rock station would mix Elvis Presley with Green Day, Alice Cooper with U2, Bob Dylan with Stone Temple Pilots, The Clash with The Doors, etc. In other words, the true rock fan would get to hear everyone: old, new, and newest. The younger listeners would learn why the older stuff is so legendary, while the older listeners can hear newer and less famous artists instead of the same ones you always hear.

Rock is timeless. There's a reason it's been the number one musical choice for almost a half a century. If a station would deliver it all to us, everyone would find out why.

SMOKING IS NOT COOL

By Susan Mullen

I am a returning student, having transferred to CSI this semester after several years away from the academic scene. I chose CSI for a few reasons, not the least of which is this beautiful campus. It makes me feel so far removed from NYC that I can hardly believe it is a CUNY school. I was particularly impressed in the early days of this term by the wonderful benches located outside each classroom building where students can sit and relax - or study - before classes.

But after a few days of trying to use a bench to relax - or study - before class, it became apparent that those benches are only for smokers! Being a non-smoker, I feel as if I am being forced to smoke by using one of the benches. I am appalled by the number of smokers on campus; at least 40-50% of all students appear to smoke. Upon dismissal from a class, students seem to whip out their cigarettes and run outside to light up. Hasn't anyone heard the news.? Smoking is bad for you.

According to Joseph A. Califano, Jr. former Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, 1977-79 (New York Times, Saturday September 16, 1995), "Virtually all individuals addicted to cigarettes... begin smoking nicotine... before they are 21. The way to reduce adult disease and death from smoking ...

is to persuade children and teenagers not to start."

As a former smoker, I can assure you that it is not that difficult to quit and that you will feel much better for it. Recent statistics show that there are more deaths in the United States per year from cigarette-related illness than from AIDS, automobile accidents, and all other causes COMBINED.

Tobacco companies' target audience, as revealed a few years ago by the former Winston Cowboy, is "the young, the poor, the black, and the stupid". Do any of these descriptions pertain to you? The tobacco companies want only your money, and that money is considerable. A friend of mine quit smoking almost a year ago and has set aside \$5.00 per day (the amount formerly spent on cigarettes). At the end of the year she will save over \$1,800.00! That's one semester's tuition at CSI.

If the economic advantage of stopping does not grab you, how about one of the following reasons to quit smoking:

- it makes you look ugly and ignorant
- it causes premature aging, eventually making you look ugly
- it makes your hair smell

- it makes your clothes smell
- it makes your breath smell
- it makes you tired and is really a depressant, not a stimulant

Come on, folks... you are college students, the brightest of the bright. Don't feed into the tobacco companies' target group; outsmart them... Quit smoking NOW, and maybe we can make CSI a smoke-free campus.

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FORBES ENTERS RACE FOR PRESIDENCY

By Joseph Canale

With nine candidates already weighing in for the Republican primaries, a rather unexpected hopeful has recently entered the race. Steven Forbes, publisher and editor of the popular magazine *Forbes*, became the latest contender in the G.O.P. field on Friday, September 22nd. Forbes formally declared his presidential candidacy to the National Press Club at a news conference in Washington D.C. Forbes stressed that his reason for running was because "the nation needs someone in the White House that can break old patterns and unlock the strangle hold that the political class has on Americans."

The platform that the millionaire editor and publisher concentrated most on was a twofold plan consisting of economic expansion and change in Washington's political culture. He laid claims that most of America's problems stem from "career politicians." Forbes commented, "the present Washington culture is consistent with the ten most frightening words to people: 'I'm from the government and I'm here to help you.'" He displayed his dislike for the present Washington loop by saying, "How can the other candidates change the Washington culture when they are part of that failing culture?" Forbes outlined a plan to restructure Washington's political quagmire by calling for the implementation of term limits and the removal of politicians' power to manipulate the tax code. If elected, Forbes proposes to establish congressional term limits for federal legislators in an effort to force out the old and change the traditional Washington culture. Additionally, Forbes plans to remedy the political problems in Washington by removing authority of legislators to create loop holes in the tax code for the wealthy. He contests that legislators are partial and establish these loopholes for the rich, so that campaign donations for re-election keep flowing into their various P.A.C.s (political action committees) and foundations. Forbes believes that these two measures will change the political atmosphere in Washington and help to establish a better government to serve the American people.

As for economic expansion/stimulation, Forbes proposes to achieve this through a tax cut and the establishment of a flat tax rate. How does Forbes plan to give a tax cut without raising the nation's the nation's huge deficit? Well according to him, a tax cut will "set off a boom" for the American economy. He contests that this "boom" will off set the deficit accumulation and possibly lower it. The secondary measure for economic expansion in Forbes plan is a flat tax. Specifically, Forbes spoke about not taxing any individual income under thirty six thousand for the year, everything after that is taxed at a straight rate of seventeen percent across the board. Forbes declared that this breakdown is

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fair for all Americans, and that this plan will stimulate growth in the economy. He also promises that incomes like Social Security, Capitol Gains, and Pensions will not be taxed. How will he make up the difference for these absent taxes? Well, Forbes aims to make up the obvious loss in government revenue by stripping the Administration of Commerce, Housing and Urban Development, Energy, and Education of "all but the essentials."

What will it mean for students if Forbes is

elected? Well, it is certainly possible that cutting the Administration of Education could possibly have some adverse effects on financial aid or research grants, which are important to students interests. This could be problematic to students who depend heavily on those provisions and resources for the benefit of our education. On the other hand, if there is no tax on yearly incomes under thirty six thousand a year, students could be in for a treat as a result of this flat tax measure. Let's face it, the average student that has a job doesn't earn over thirty six thousand for the year. For myself and the majority of other students, I think it would be great to catch a break from excessive government taxes on the money we earn. I think it's high time that Uncle Sam said, "take a break America, keep some of what you work so hard for."

What are Forbes chances? Can he get in? With politics it is very hard to predict the future, however if I was given one hundred dollars to bet on Forbes winning or losing the primary I would bet one dollar on Forbes winning and ninety nine dollars on Forbes losing. Why do I give Forbes such a low shot at winning the primary? First of all, he's entering the race late, behind nine other contenders who are mostly rank and file Republicans. It is no secret that primary election voters tend to be party liners, in fact that is almost a given in the world of politics. Party liners tend to favor the rank and file, like Senator Phil Gramm (R-TX) or Senator Dick Lugar (R-IN), ironically it is contenders like those which Forbes has criticized and identified as part of the failing Washington culture. It is my opinion that the primary electorate will stick to the party lines and not pay much attention to an outsider like Forbes. From an immediate angle here in New York, Senator Alfonse D'Amato who wields considerable power and clout as the state's top Republican; has endorsed Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-KS) which complicates things for Forbes. Additionally, when Steve Forbes addresses Senator D'Amato as "Commissar D'Amato" on Sunday talk shows, he certainly does not help himself or his chances of winning New York where the "Commissar" reigns supreme.

THE RAP COLUMN

INTRODUCTION: This is a new column for *The Banner* being offered by two of the counselors in the Department of Student Services, Prof. Charlotte McPherson and Dr. Sandor Vogel. The answers that are given in this column can not substitute for a one-on-one session with a counselor. There may be additional suggestions and referrals given to an individual by counselors based on each person's unique circumstances. Please come to our counseling Centers in 1A 109 or 1A 112 to discuss your problems or just ask a question regarding your academic concerns. Of course all sessions are completely confidential.

Q. What is the difference between a counselor and an advisor?

A. Counselors deal with general problems of a personal, social or academic nature. They can help you if you are undecided about your major or your career choice or if you are having family difficulties, problems with your boyfriend/girlfriend or academic difficulties. Professional counselors are the people to see. They are available in Building 1A, Room 109 or 112.

Advisors deal with specific

academic choices. They teach in various academic departments throughout the college and can help you choose your courses. All students should see an academic advisor in their specific area at least once in each semester to plan their academic program.

Q. I am a very frustrated student who wanted to take courses in my major. I was unable to find these courses open and some of the other courses that interested me were closed. Didn't I waste the semester?

A. Most freshman students experience the same problem that you faced in your first year of College. However, many of the courses that you are presently taking can be applied to graduation by satisfying distribution requirements. Since this is a Liberal Arts College, all majors require their students to have broad based knowledge in a variety of academic disciplines. Therefore, your time has been well spent.

Q. Due to financial problems I must drop out of school but I intend on returning. I don't want to ruin my grade point average if I drop out. What can I do?

A. Many students just walk away from College if they have a health or financial problem. When they return they find that their grades are either "WU or F" which they must now go through the long process of writing an appeal, finding previous instructors and going through the Committee on Course and Standing. To avoid this, you should first see a counselor and fill out a "Change of Program" form. If you are seeking a medical withdrawal, you should bring in a doctor's note and take it to the medical office for a medical withdrawal. This will prevent you from having any negative grades on your transcript.

Q. What are the issues that are discussed in group counseling?

A. When you attend a group counseling session a specific topic or issue is not presented. Rather, the subject for discussion is the personal issues that the group members bring to the session and share.

Professor Charlotte McPherson and Dr. Sandor Vogel meet with students every Wednesday from 1:30 to 2:30 to facilitate a rap session.

Retractions:

1- In the article "Hello from Bulgaria" we would like to fix the problems with the names. The article was written by Yvette Tamares & the student names are Atanas Angelov, Petya Anastassova, Bilianna Dobрева and Petya Tzvetkova. Zornitza Anastassova is Petya's sister who is here through a different school.

2- Peter Matlak wrote the article "The Countdown Begins" in the last issue.

We apologize for any mix-ups.

THE NET UNLEASHED

By Ralph Mastrangelo

Well, if you're reading this, I guess that you decided to forego my warning and enter the domain of the Net. I hope that you have all gone and tried the Net and seen its endless possibilities for fun and information. Now that you have (hopefully) tried the Net and liked the experience, let me assure you that I will do my best to show you all the pleasures and experiences I can so that you can forge your own place in the Web. Before I begin, let me say that I will be catering to the beginners, since they are still the majority.

Now that you know how to get on the Net through the school, let's find our way around. You may feel like you're on a deserted road without a map. You may feel trapped, but don't. The maps to get around are right in front of you with the keys to everything. There are many types of these tools, or "Net Maps," and as with everything else, some are better than others. I will give different examples of each, including where to find them, and then I'll tell you which I think is the best. I should state that all this Net stuff will be done through the Netscape browser (since is what the school uses, and it's the **best**). I do plan to explain other browsers in another issue so you can make up your own mind on this situation.

What I mean by maps are:

•**Word search tools:** What these do is very simple. You type in a word or phrase, and the searcher will return a list of sites you can link to, each of which has something in it that matches your query. Keep in mind that just because you get a long list, that doesn't mean that you will find something. This is because you may use one word for your search topic, while the browser calls it by another. Some links will only have one word you queried giving you garbage. But remember it is not a perfect system, but with practice and determination, you will find what you're looking for.

The easiest way to access these engines is to press the "Net Search" button on the Netscape Icon Tool Bar. You will be taken to a page full of different Engines, all of which do the job. My two favorites are:

1) **InfoSeek:** A search engine which returns a link list that has a short abstract next to each title. This gives you a good idea of what you're looking at. You may say, "Wow!" Don't. If you type more than two words you sometimes get repeated links, garbled abstracts, or links which tell you nothing.

2) **WebCrawler:** This is like InfoSeek but 9 times out of 10 the same key words will return more links than InfoSeek does. Also, there are no abstracts, so when the //list comes up all there is a title. You may be saying right now that InfoSeek is better? But WebCrawler has the ability of search settings and a better multiple word search capability. What this means is that you can tell how many returns you want, and specify my key words so the list is shorter and right on target.

Webcrawler can be reached at - <http://www.biotech.washington.edu/WebCrawler/home.html>.

•**Net Directory:** Can best be described as a "Yellow Pages" for the internet. From here you look up information by category, which will lead you to sub-categories which will take you to the respective pages. From here you search the list for what you find appealing.

You can get to the Net Directory by clicking the respective button on "Netscape". You will be given a list of topics, but if you scroll down the page you will find "Other Internet Directories". You are not limited to one directory there are many to choose from.

1) **"The McKinley Internet Directory"** Allows you to do a "Full text search" of all located in there database, or you can

"Browse a category" and look through there database manually. This site has a lot to offer even though it is not as big as "Yahoo" (More latter). For Non Netscape users:

<http://www.mckinley.com/>

2) **"Point":**

To be honest I never really checked it out. I hear that it is for finding lists about various industries and internet segments that get featured in newspapers and other media. So check it out and make up your own mind. If you like it use it if not then move on. Like I said decide your own path. For non Netscape users:

<http://www.pointcom.com/>

3) **"World Wide Arts Resources":** The name should say it all. There are over

2000 artists presenting digital work alone. So if you are into this stuff then enjoy, because this is where the cyber-art world begins. Lots of cool stuff to be found for those of us not to heavily into the art scene. For non Netscape users:

<http://www.concourse.com/wwar/default.html>

There are also A "Directory of Servers" at the bottom of the page, But I never went there so look around maybe I missed something. Let Me Know?

•**What's Cool list:** Are basically just what the what's cool team at Netscape, link you will like. Just click the "What's Cool" button.

Through the Browser, 2) through an ftp archive (There are less graphics here). Both ways serve the same purpose and do the job. It depends on you preference. In my opinion using the FTP program is better since it usually works faster (Personal Experience and Preference.) What you can get from here are Shareware games and programs, Large documents of info, F.A.Q compilations, and a host of other good things.

•**Other Peoples HomePages:** From here, you can get info or at least a link to somewhere that has it. This is the slowest and most unreliable way to get info, but it can be fun. You will most certainly find interesting stuff, and crazy people.

•**Yahoo:** Well I have used this name before and called it "The largest Net search tool". Well here is the explanation. When you go to this Address "<http://www.yahoo.com/>" You will enter a page that will allow you to find anything you would ever want. What makes Yahoo so good is all the features it contains. It has the "new, cool, popular" all which are self explanatory. There is a icon called "Headlines" which give you the up to date news headlines and a brief synapse of the article. The articles range from Sports to politics, great for when you need current information. There are also Icons for: "Random" which takes you anywhere and changes all the time. "Info" which is where you can learn more about Yahoo and it changes.

"Write us": Tell the maintainers what you think.

"Add URL": This is what made Yahoo so big. This Icon gives you the ability to add any thing you like to this extensive database. This gives you and others the say in what you think is a great site.

After you get past these buttons there are three links "weekly Pics" where the new listings are and the ones that have gone under major changes. These sites are what are considered really impressive.

Next we have "Web Launch" this is where the rest of the new sites go to be publicized for you enjoyment.

Of course there is you usual breakdown list by category but breaks down into so many sub categories that you will be busy for hours. Remember that if you can't find it here then it does not exist in cyberspace.

Well there you have it, a comprehensive review of searching the web. With this you will be able to find almost anything you need, so have fun, and don't get lost. until next week surf's up.



Many of the database and peoples pages have these lists. So check them out because sometimes you will find something "cool".

•**New lists:** Are just a list of New pages that have been posted. It is updated frequently so you might find something. Look and see.

•**FTP Archives:** These are fun, you can reach them in two ways 1)

SCOPIN' THE SOAPS

ALL MY CHILDREN: Laurel and Pierce realized that Trevor has been keeping Janet and set out to find her. Hayley and Mateo walked in as Alec was pouring liquor down a dazed Arlene's throat. Alec and Janet wound up in adjoining jail cells. As Mateo offered comfort to Hayley, it turned into a passionate embrace. Tad met the new TV station manager. Derek pressed Taylor for an answer about their moving in together. Opal considered forgiving Palmer. Adam warned Arlene to stay away from Hayley. Coming: Janet makes a bid for sympathy.

ANOTHER WORLD: Ryan was critically wounded and left comatose when Grant shot him. Justine fell to her death as a bruised Rachel lay unconscious. Paulina confronted Joe, but was taken aback when he responded with a kiss. A breach developed between Cass and Morgan when Cass revealed that he decided to represent Laurie. Josie stopped Gary from taking a drink, and they became intimate. Coming: John feels lonely without Sharlene.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Kirk pretended to be more disoriented than he really was, to play on Sam's guilt. Jef was relieved when Emily's pregnancy test turned out negative, but was startled by her belief that they were still going to get married. Scott agreed to help Carly launder her cut of the ransom money. Orlena smeared poison on the seals of Lily's envelopes, but Damian inadvertently licked one and began to hallucinate. Imagining that Lily and Mark were about to make love, Damian flipped and fell over the railing. Coming: Carly gets an interesting offer.

BOLD & BEAUTIFUL: Rick consulted Connor about his legal rights concerning his wish to live with Eric, and stated he's prepared to go to court over it. Eric decided to hire Taylor to counsel his employees on stress management, only to encounter fierce opposition from Brooke. Jessica was devastated to read Dylan's letter, which said that he's involved with another woman. Mike rescued Eric from a would-be robber and was rehired at Forrester. Coming: Jessica intends to unearth her rival.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Billie was shattered at seeing Bo, Hope and Shawn-Douglas together as a family on the island. When Bo didn't confess his weekend with Hope to her, Billie made a decision that plummeted Bo into a deep depression. Austin was confused and angry when Carrie announced that she's moved on with her life and is dating Lucas. When they found a wandering Sarah, and not the lady in white, Jen was sure that Jack had set up the whole thing to make her believe there's something wrong in Aremid. Coming: A play gives Tony an evil idea.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: With

Stone's condition worsening, Jagger was summoned to Port Charles, news that worried Brenda. Mac and Katherine made love. Sonny managed to create turmoil at the video shoot. Ned and Edward bribed a politician to get the lowdown about Damian's business. Alan and Bobbie snuck away to meet in New York, but an unexpected phone call led to trouble. Lila advised Monica not to give up in her attempt to win over Emily. Coming: Tom and Felicia find things in common.

GUIDING LIGHT: Dinah's decision to marry Roger devastated her family. Alan demonstrated his growing feelings for Reva by kissing her intently. Annie was tearful as she apologized to Rick for the way she's treated him. Nadine had a psychic vision that someone will be killed. Marian advised Lucy that she's right not to accept Alan-Michael's proposal, but Alan-Michael continued to woo her with romantic gestures. Matt and Vanessa's wedding day arrived. Coming: Nick is unnerved by his strong feelings.

LOVING: Jacob risks his life by going into a cave to rescue a trapped Tyler and Danny. Angie made love with Jacob for the first time, but was then conflicted over whether to stay with Charles, or take a chance on Jacob. Tony was pleased with his sleuthing skills when he figured out Neal's true identity. Meanwhile, Neal confessed his secret to Kate. Jeremy escaped from the secret room. Coming: Jeremy has a dramatic announcement to make.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Andy finally shot a gang member who had stabbed Antonio. Manzo framed Andy to look as if she'd killed an unarmed man, resulting in Andy's arrest for murder. Antonio told Bo that Manzo is the corrupt cop. Javier warned Linda, who had witnessed the shooting, to keep her mouth shut. Clint and Carlotta shared a romantic moment. Ben spotted Rachel encouraging Marty to drink. Viki returned to Llanfair. Joey was determined to win Kelly's heart. Coming: Rachel gets in deeper with R.J.

YOUNG AND RESTLESS: Victor felt a growing conviction that Amy is central to Nick's defense. Sharon revealed to Paul that Matt had raped her and Nick found out the day Matt was shot. John found himself with mixed feelings when he met Mamie and her new beau, Trent Jordan. Keemo was bitter over Mari-Jo's deceit. Nathan, who continued to tryst with Keesha, was guilt-ridden when Olivia called him a perfect husband. Phyllis took Chris's advice and was pleasant towards Danny, and they found themselves getting along. Coming: Nick and Sharon consider a drastic step.

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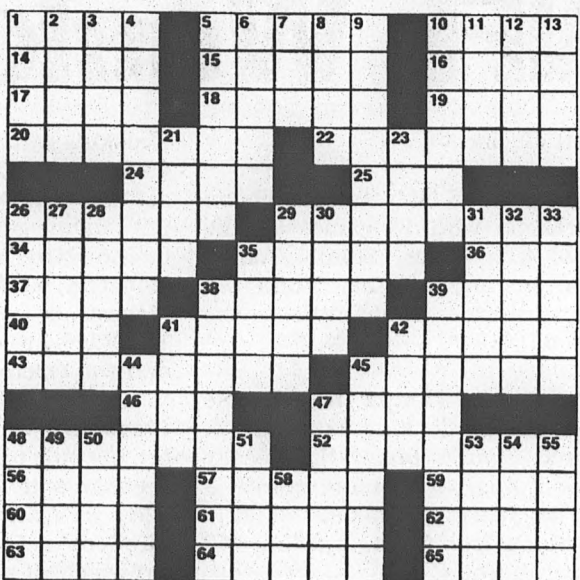
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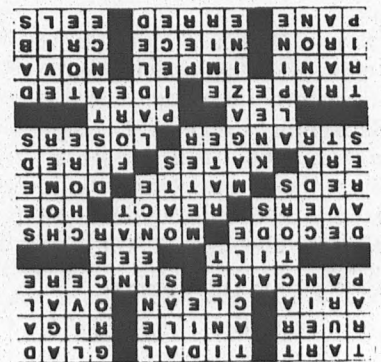
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 - Farm implements
 - Football player
 - Cove
 - Machine pattern
 - Word of sorrow
 - Tolerance
 - Food vendor
 - Exist
 - Cultural medium
 - Valley
 - Helps
 - Tidy
 - Issues a challenge
 - Turn inside out
 - Fragrant wood
 - Measuring device
 - Food for Dobbin
 - Task
 - Greek epic poet
 - Planter's need
 - Deserve
 - Periodical
 - Leave far behind
 - Before high or jerk
 - Golfer's cry
 - Like high mountains
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College Football: Scoring Big For The Rankings

By Marco Buscaglia
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(CPS) Some college football teams have been accused of running up game scores this season in an effort to place higher in the national rankings.

Blowouts in college football games are nothing new. But for many college fans, there's no place in college football for the current slew of 60-point blowouts.

"It's unnecessary, and it's stupid," said Alan Loville, a Northwestern University graduate who attends numerous Big Ten and Notre Dame games each year. "Believe me, I've seen my share at Northwestern. A win's a win. I don't see why coaches have to run up the score."

Neither do most fans. But the pollsters are a different story. With the Bowl Alliance scheduled to pit the top two ranked teams against each other in the Fiesta Bowl for the national championship, most coaches are wary of losing a top ranking because of a standard win over a lesser opponent.

When Nebraska destroyed Oklahoma State 64-21 on Aug. 31, Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said he was worried that the Cornhuskers would pass up his top-ranked Seminoles in the polls. To ensure his team's ranking, FSU pounded Duke 70-26.

After receiving a complaint from Duke coach Fred Goldsmith about a touchdown pass late in the second half, Bowden sent a letter of apology to the Blue Devils. One week later, however, as Nebraska was running over Arizona State 77-28, FSU was pounding North Carolina State 77-17.

When the dust cleared, the AP poll's top seven teams averaged wins by an average of 45 points, averaging 63 for the day.

University of Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said he was "sick of guys who run the score up" after the Wolverines 23-13 victory at Boston College. At the end of that game, Carr told his third-string offense to down the ball near the BC goal line at the end of the game instead of going for the touchdown.

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"You want to talk about sportsmanship? We won't let kids take their helmets off on the field. They get penalized if they show any emotion," said Carr at his press conference after the game. "And you have coaches trying to run up the score. I think it's ludicrous."

When the polls came out after the game, Michigan dropped a spot to number 10 and were passed by the

University of Colorado, who beat Northeast Louisiana 66-14.

In mid-September, Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany sent out a letter to the poll voters, 62 members of the media for the AP rankings and 62 I-A coaches for the USA TODAY/CNN poll, asking them to examine their alleged policy of rewarding big wins with high placement in the polls.

"We just want everyone to take a look at the big picture," said Delany, whose Big Ten teams, along with those from the Pac-10, are out of the Bowl Alliance because of their commitment to the Rose Bowl. "If teams are running up the score against someone who really has no business being on their schedule, then what's the point? We're rewarding teams for beating up on under-matched teams."

Although the numbers speak for themselves, many coaches point out that they do everything they can to keep the scoring under control once the game is won. Bowden used 89 players during FSU's victory over N.C. State and Nebraska's Tom Osborne used 95 players during the Huskers victory over ASU.

Still, Delany said that football powerhouses could avoid the temptation of running up the score if they planned ahead.

"When you schedule 1-AA teams and weaker opponents, you're setting yourself up for the easy victory," he said. "If that's what your school wants to do, that's fine. The problem is with being rewarded for those decisions. I think most fans would rather see a team battle it out with an equal."

NFL Week Six

By Scott Mackie

The 1995 NFL season rolls on this weekend with 13 games on the schedule (the 49ers, Saints, Rams, and Falcons are off this week). As always, injuries could affect the matchups.

Cincinnati vs Tampa Bay : The Mighty Bucs are looking very good in 1995 and should break that pesky habit of losing 10 or more games a year. The Bengals defense couldn't stop a junior high team, and that will cost them. Tampa.

Pittsburgh vs Jacksonville : The Pittsburgh defense will outscore the Jacksonville offense. Steelers.

NY Jets vs Buffalo : The J-E-T-S S-T-I-N-K and Buffalo doesn't. Buffalo.

Green Bay vs Dallas : Poor Green Bay. Dallas has been the spoiler of each of Green Bay's otherwise successful seasons. Same story this year. Dallas.

Washington vs Philadelphia : Remember when the winner of this game used to go to the playoffs? With the QB's involved, not this year.

Redskins win.

Carolina vs Chicago : The Panthers are the only NFL team to bench two QB's in one game. Kerry Collins should be the starter in this one. 'Da Bears.

Houston vs Minnesota : Since the Moon trade, what has Houston done? The Vikes are destined for the playoffs and the Oilers are destined to have a future high school lottery pick. Vikes.

Cleveland vs Detroit : The Browns are the only team in the NFL that succeeds in spite of their QB, and Detroit wins in spite of their coach. Barry Sanders gets shut down and the Browns beat the Lions handily.

Colts vs Miami : Miami has the most potent offense in the AFC, but the Colts have. . . Marshall Faulk? Miami should overwhelm the Colts.

Seattle vs Oakland : Oakland looks ready to impress and Seattle looks ready to depress. Raiders win easily.

Phoenix vs Giants : If 30 points are scored by both teams it would be a miracle. Buddy Ryan can't lead ants to a picnic (he would eat all of the food anyway!). Giants.

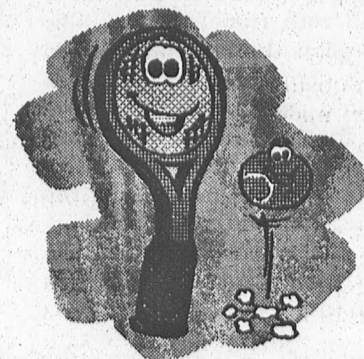
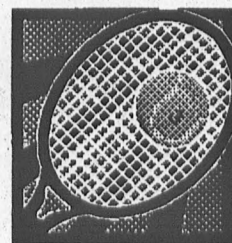
Denver vs New England : If Drew Bledsoe's shoulder is good enough to play, this game will be competitive. If Drew plays, New England wins. If not, the Broncos.

San Diego vs Kansas City : The AFC champs have played well this year, but so has Kansas City. Both teams are well matched in every category, but the Chargers have a better kicker and that should be the difference.

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The New York Mets- This Season and Beyond

By Michael Anderson

Another baseball season has eclipsed for the New York Mets. The season began with higher expectations than the previous year. The Mets were a proven leadoff hitter away from making a serious run at the newly formed wild card berth. Then the Mets came with the announcement that they had signed one of the best leadoff men in baseball today in Brett Butler. Brett Butler would complement seasoned veterans Bobby Bonilla and Bret Saberhagen plus further the potential of rising stars Ryan Thompson and Todd Hundley. Where could the Mets go wrong?

The pitching staff was the first major problem. New acquisition Pete Harnisch shined brightly in his first starts as a Met. However, these were followed by pitiful starts and soon after Harnisch would go on the disabled list for the season. The bullpen was horrendous in the beginning of the season. John Franco would close out the games, but new middle relievers were supposed to hold down the fort and keep the Mets close. Doug Henry, Jerry DiPoto and Blas Minor couldn't achieve this early on.

The offense was lack luster and the words timely hitting would not be associated with these Mets. Bobby Bonilla was hitting over .300, but got traded to the Baltimore Orioles. The Mets got outfielders Alex Ochoa and Damon Buford. These two would hopefully be a fixture of the Mets outfield for times to come. The question then arises why trade a proven all star for these two unproven major leaguers. Although Bonilla was having his finest year as a Met, his constant headaches were not a good example to teach the younger Mets how to succeed.

Brett Butler was signed to a one year contract in the beginning of the season. Butler was supposed to do his usual on offense and help tutor the younger Mets on how to become a successful ball player. After the Mets realized they had no shot at post season they decided to trade Butler to the Los Angeles Dodgers for more young "future" stars.

Another problem that the Mets had was not a major problem. They lacked team speed. Take out Brett Butler, you now have a dismal base stealing team. In baseball you don't necessarily need a fast team to succeed. You can compensate this lack by an abundance of power. The Mets did not have this either. When you are missing both of these ingredients the season will become longer as the days progress.

Since the '90's all Met fans have heard that famous vow from their players, "wait until next year". And what happens every year is that the Mets become worse. Looks pretty dismal, doesn't it? Don't fear. Recent trends have indicated that slowly but surely the Mets do improve as the years go by. Next year will be no exception. Here's a breakdown of what to expect from each position (barring trades or free agent signings) for opening day 1996.

PITCHERS: Jason Isringhausen, Bill Pulsipher, Bobby Jones, Pete Harnisch and Paul Wilson will help give the Mets a potent starting five. Bobby Jones and Pete Harnisch will be the mediocre crop of the starting five. Jason Isringhausen will be the ace after just one half year of major league experience. Bill Pulsipher will help complement Isringhausen and give the Mets a much needed tough, lefty pitcher. Paul Wilson will be the question mark of the five. He was the number one pick in the draft a couple of years ago and his potential is immense. Time will tell if his inexperience will be too much of an obstacle.

The middle relief should be better. The bullpen got better towards the end of the year. Plus the Mets can move Dave Mlicki into the long reliever role. Mlicki spend some time there this season, but as a starter was very effective in winning or keeping the Mets close. Added to the mix will be Robert Person and possibly Reid Cornelius. Finally, when it comes time to finish the game who else would you give it to except the all time lefty saves leader, John Franco.

CATCHER: Todd Hundley will serve as the

Mets primary catcher. He has pop in his bat and his offensive skills where never a problem. Defensive was Hundley's downfall. The key word in this sentence is "was". His defense has gotten much better and his ability to throw out base runners has greatly increased. In another year or two Hundley will be a legitimate all star.

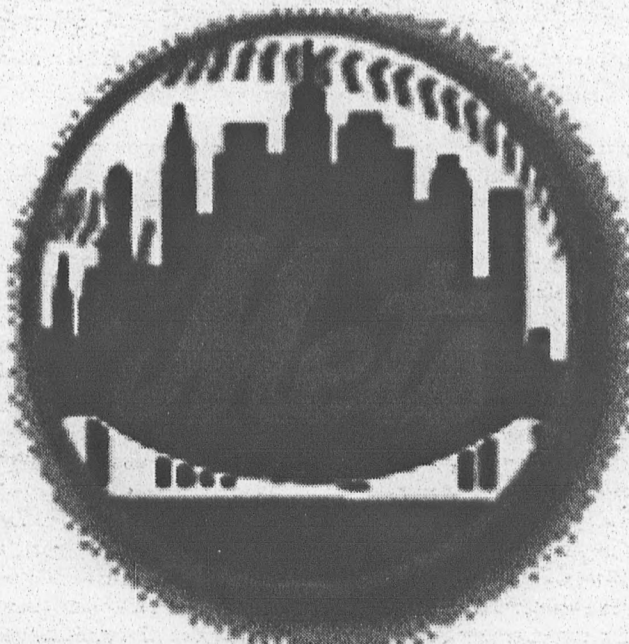
The back-up to Hundley will be interesting. Kelly Stinnett has the offense, but his defense is dismal. He basically can't throw out a base runner if his

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life depended on it. The other possible back-up is Alberto Castillo. Castillo has a gun for an arm and keeps runners in fear of running against him. His offense is almost as worse as Stinnett's defense. Both catchers can use another season of fundamentals for their respective weaknesses. Who will get the nod? I would assume Stinnett, although I feel defense is more important for back-ups so my nod goes for Castillo.

FIRST BASE: Rico Brogna is an awesome find at first base. He's got a natural swing and has good offensive numbers. He finished close to .300 and had 20 plus home runs. It is quite possible Brogna will be the next Met first baseman with a Gold Glove. His main problem is hitting against lefties. He is batting over .300 against right-handed pitchers and is hitting under .250 against left-handed pitchers. He may find himself platooning when a tough lefty pitches.

The person that will play first when a tough lefty pitches is Chris Jones. Chris Jones was the second best pitch hitter in baseball last year. When he started a game he still showed his knack of timely



hitting. He has surprise home run power, but his main objective will be to give Brogna some time off when needed.

SECOND BASE: The trade of David Cone to the Blue Jays brought the Mets Jeff Kent. Jeff Kent will be the Mets clean-up hitter only because of process of elimination. Defensively, he brings some problems to the table, especially during double plays. In the field there are times when he looks awkward and during double plays he stays at second too long and one can wonder when he will get spiked.

When Jeff Kent gets hurt or needs some rest, Edgardo Alfonzo will take over. Alfonzo was a rookie last year and showed great potential. He's not a home run or power hitter, but he is a pesky hitter. He slaps at the ball and seems to find the holes in the infield. He's also much better defensively than Jeff Kent. Then again, who's not?

SHORTSTOP: Every year the Mets have a rookie that could challenge for the Rookie of the Year, but then don't. Next year could be the exception. The Mets will try out Rey Ordonez at this difficult position. Scouts have touted Ordonez as the next Ozzie Smith. He's got all the tools. He's not a power hitter, but then again neither was Ozzie Smith and he was one of the best to play the position.

Jose Vizcaino will try to be re-signed, but I don't think he'll stick around to play second fiddle. The next available candidate for back-up will be Tim Bogar. Tim Bogar is only a back-up and will be nothing else as he comes from the same mold as Alfonzo with one exception. Alfonzo gives his all and this will help he go further than he should. For Tim Bogar he doesn't give his all so the only thing he will be is another utility player.

THIRD BASE: When trades were made Butch Huskey was untouchable and it's time to see why. Huskey brings some power to the Mets lineup. If nothing else about Huskey, you know he can handle adversity. Last season he showed up severely overweight and reported to a fat farm. He lost the weight he needed to and has kept it off. He handled this adversity with ease and has moved on from here. His back-up will be spelled with either Alfonzo or Bogar.

RIGHT FIELD: Alex Ochoa will here for a long time to come. He was the main person involved in the Bobby Bonilla trade. The Orioles were so high on this guy they almost blew off the trade for this guy. Ochoa brings a rifle to the outfield. He hasn't played many games in the outfield yet, but people all ready know about his greatest attribute, his rifle arm.

CENTER FIELD: Damon Buford was the other player involved in the Bobby Bonilla trade. Damon Buford is one of those players that can go either way. The Mets are hoping he succeeds, but he could also fail. He has the tools, however the question will remain if he will know what to do with them. He's athletic so center field shouldn't present too much of a problem.

LEFT FIELD: Carl Everett started the season as a house of fire. Soon after this he failed miserably and found himself in Dallas Green's doghouse. He went down to triple A to refine his skills. When he eventually came back he showed that he could be an everyday player and his beginning season decline was just a funk he was going through.

RESERVES: Outfield sensation Jay Howell underwent elbow surgery. If he could recover fully from his injury he will be the best of the Met outfielders. His status keeps him as the biggest question mark the Mets will face.

Joe Orsulak is also another guy the Mets will try to re-sign. He doesn't play every day, but when he plays he is quite effective. He does what he is told. If he sits out for ten games and then pinch hits he will do so with no remorse. More importantly, he will try to be kept as an effective lefty off the bench.

Bill Spiers will also try to be resigned. If nothing else than a utility player he will be brought back for the same reason as Joe Orsulak. And that reason is to keep a lefty on the bench.

MANAGER: The Mets re-signed Dallas Green to help steer their ship. Green is a no nonsense guy that doesn't take much from people. He commands respect and he knows a lot about the game of baseball. His main downfalls are that he treats his stars differently from others and he puts players in his doghouse too quickly. I think it would have been more wise to wait for the off-season to see who becomes available for manager. If nobody better surfaces then this is when you should re-sign Dallas Green.

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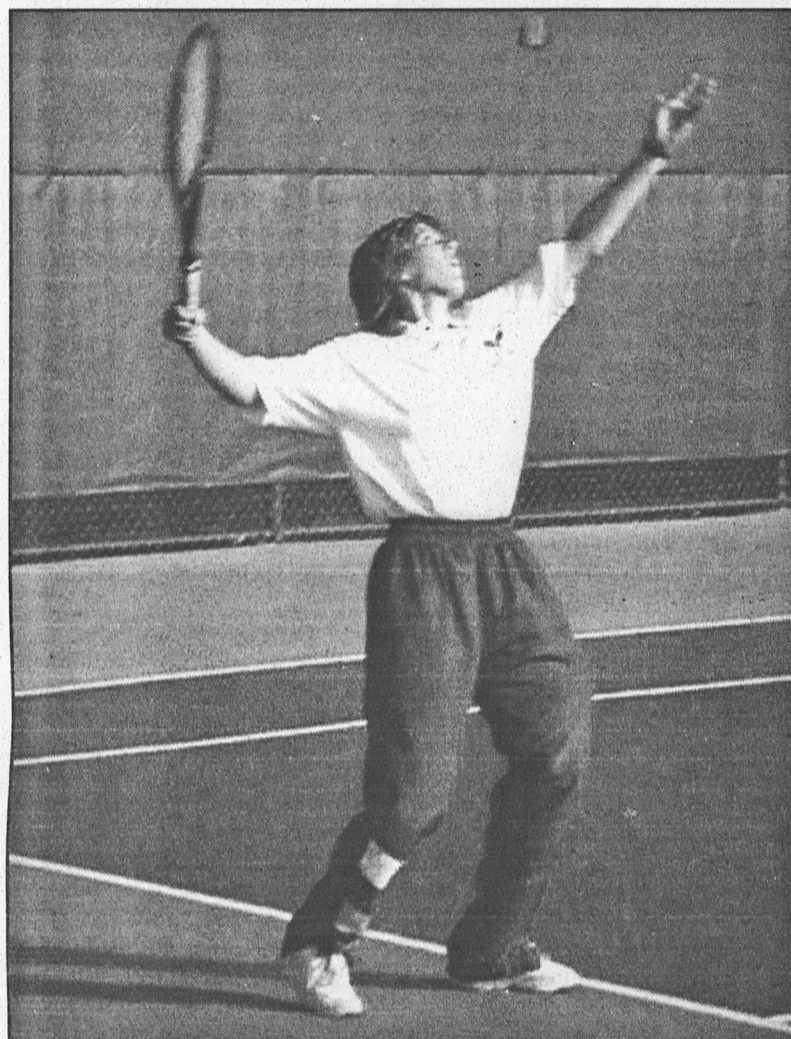
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CSI'S WOMENS TENNIS TEAM SWEEPS BARUCH



By Michele Korniewicz

Along with the shorter days, warmer clothes and changing leaves, autumn has arrived. As a student and athlete, I would like to welcome you to follow the Women's Tennis Team here at CSI.

There have been four matches so far, all of which we have won; some games with ease, others with stamina. The Women's Tennis Team is in the beginning of its 16 match season. So far, the Lady Dolphins are doing well.

Coach Bruce Knittle runs practices daily, working on the team members' strengths and weaknesses. The team is also helped along by Chris Kim, as he hits with us and works us out.

The team's cornucopia of differences

is what makes us so unique. One of our older players is a high school teacher and we also have many new, young faces on the team. Besides myself there are Angela Prisco, Gabriela Nagy, Amy Liang, and Susan Turash. I, as the second singles player in the team (occasionally first) am looking forward to the guidance of the mentors on this team to make this a great and winning season.

Our match against Baruch was quite successful, as the 9-0 record shows. Our team played well and defeated the players from Baruch. The Baruch Women, however, played us tough as they were consistent and generally played a smart game.

Our next home match is on October 6th at 3:30 P.M. by the tennis courts. Everyone is welcome to come by and root for the home team.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Singles

CSI	def.	BARUCH	Score
1) Marina Kolesnick		Lyia Tskhadia	6-2,6-1
2) Michele Korniewicz		Shirley Mo	6-2,6-4
3) Barbara Tait		Lark Ambris	6-3,6-0
4) Susan Turash		Evelyn Sarimento	6-3,6-0
5) Irene Larssen		Tracy Lee	6-0,6-0
6) Gabriela Nagy		Darsey David	8-0

Doubles

Kolesnick/Tait	def.	Tskhadia/Mo	8-4
Korniewicz/Prisco	def.	Ambris/Sarimento	8-1
Liang/Turash	def.	Lee/David	8-2

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Match Total CSI: 9 Baruch: 0

Season Totals: 4-0

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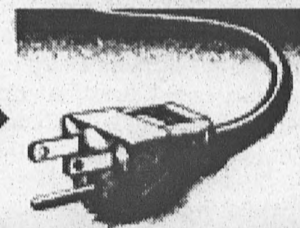


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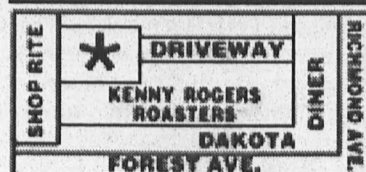
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