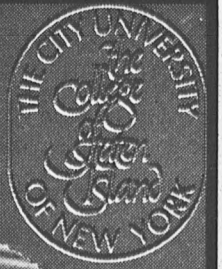


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### *The Banner* Endorses Green Party Gubernatorial Candidate Al Lewis

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# Campus News Briefs

## CUNY Joins Storm Relief Efforts

The City University of New York (CUNY) has called upon its students, faculty and staff to join relief efforts underway to aid both the Caribbean victims of Hurricane Georges and those threatened by recent devastating floods in Bangladesh.

In a letter to all college presidents, Interim CUNY Chancellor Christoph M. Kimmich urged the individual campuses to mount or join existent relief efforts.

"We are especially sensitive to the plight of the many thousands of students, faculty and staff at CUNY who have friends and family at risk," Kimmich said in supporting the growing relief efforts. Kimmich mentioned Puerto Rico, Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Bangladesh as areas with particularly close ties to the City University community. Those interested in participating in the CUNY effort should contact local campuses directly, or call CUNY Dean of Students Sheila Thomas at 212-502-2920.

The relief effort is seen as particularly important to CUNY as some 49% of its 200,000 students were born outside the U.S. mainland, with a significant number hailing from the storm ravaged Caribbean area. City University campuses who already have relief efforts underway include:

- Hostos Community College-Is organizing a fund-raising telethon to rally support for victims of Hurricane Georges.
- Medgar Evers College-A relief drive to collect clothing and food for victims of Hurricane Georges is underway.
- Queens College-Several student organizations are sponsoring a canned food and clothing drive.
- Queensborough Community College-A canned food and bottled water drive is underway. Collected goods will be taken to the local fire station for shipment to affected areas.

Other CUNY campuses developing relief efforts include City College, The College of Staten Island, Graduate School and University Center, Hunter College, Kingsborough Community College, new New York City Technical College, LaGuardia Community College, Lehman College and York College

CUNY PRESS RELEASE

## CUNY Teacher Education Students Improve Pass Rate

City University of New York (CUNY) teacher education students scored seven percent higher overall in the 1998 New York State Teacher Certification Examinations (NYSTCE) than they did last year, according to a State Education Department report.

All of the colleges improved their pass rates. Five of nine colleges offering teacher education achieved a pass rate that exceeds the state-wide average of 76 on the Liberal Arts and Science Test (LAST). They include Queens College, 87; Hunter College and the College of Staten Island, 83; Baruch College, 80; and Brooklyn College, 78. Four of nine colleges achieved a pass rate equal to or above the state-wide average of 83 on the Assessment of Teaching Skills Tests (ATS). They were Baruch College, 94; Queens College, 93; Hunter College, 91; and the College of Staten Island, 83.

"We are very pleased to see that intensive efforts to improve the success rate of our teacher education students are beginning to show results. The colleges are working to continue that progress and further strengthen teacher preparation," said Interim Chancellor Christoph M. Kimmich.

College affiliation is self-reported by students taking the exam at the time of registration. Past experience has shown that actual college performance is higher than that indicated by State Education Department reports, as they include results of test-takers who are not matriculated students and/or graduates of the college they have identified.

The CUNY, the nation's leading urban university, comprises 10 senior colleges, six community colleges, one technical college, a graduate school, a law school, a medical school and an affiliated school of medicine. Close to 202,000 degree-credit students and 150,000 adult and continuing education students are enrolled throughout the five boroughs of the City of New York. More information is available on the CUNY Website (<http://www.cuny.edu>).

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# Campus News Briefs

## NYPIRG Holds 25th Fall Conference

The New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) invites students to participate in the 25th Annual Fall Conference, which will be held at the University of Binghamton, October 30-November 1. The conference features more than 40 workshops on the higher education budget crisis, social justice, the environment, leadership skills and student rights. This conference will bring students from across New York together to discuss issues, strategy and organizing tactics.

### Workshops include:

- "The Fight for Tuition Reduction: Saving Higher Education in New York State"
- "What's That Smell?: The National Clean Air Campaign"
- "Raising Our Voices: Effective Public Speaking"
- "Spin That Story: Media Strategies That Work"

The conference fee is only \$25, and includes all workshops, transportation to and from Binghamton, basic housing, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, brunch on Sunday, and a party with students from around New York state.

NYPIRG is the state's largest student-directed advocacy organization devoted to student, environmental, consumer and social justice issues. Since 1973, NYPIRG has lobbied successfully for over 100 pieces of legislation, including the Bottle Bill, the Truth in Testing Law, and a ban on the sale of irradiated foods in New York State. The organization has also played a key role in the implementation of the new Metrocards. They are currently working hard to restore funding to higher education and registering students to vote.

NYPIRG, which is funded and directed by students, hires a professional staff of organizers, attorneys and advocates to work with students on important issues. These issues are chosen by NYPIRG's Board of Directors, which is comprised of students from each of its 19 chapter schools. The organization focuses on issues that impact on students, and also provides training and experience for students involved with NYPIRG or other organizations.

Anyone interested in attending the conference, or with questions about the conference or NYPIRG in general should see Greg Mihailovich (NYPIRG Guy) in the NYPIRG office at 1C219. They can also be reached at 982-3109.

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## Improvements Abound

Despite recent storms and the constant controversy over parking spaces the campus saw some major improvements over the summer.

A recently completed lighting upgrade in parking lot 3 allows better lighting in the heavily used lot late at night. More lighting improvements may be coming soon.

Recycled plastic was the material choice for benches under trees and on the lawns around campus. Unfortunately, the recent thunderstorms have spelled death for more trees on campus, as several around campus fell to the storm. With evidence of disease in some of the felled trees, it is possible that more may yet be removed. Cutouts have been added to the loop bus stops at parking lots 3 and 4, which should be able to keep traffic moving.

And to improve commuting for students who take express buses from Manhattan to Staten Island, The New York Transit Authority has increased Express Bus service on the x10 route, which stops in front of the campus. One early morning trip, leaving 57th at 7:20 A.M. to get you here earlier, and 4 more hourly trips to Manhattan after 6:30 P.M. Schedules are available in the Campus Center, on the buses, and from the TA's website <http://www.nyct.org>.

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## CSI Professor Gives Eyewitness Account Of German Elections

Dr. Michaela Richter, author and expert on German politics, was the featured speaker in a lecture sponsored by CSI's Political Science/Pre-Law Club. Dr. Richter, who is currently writing a book on the German political scene, was one of a handful of journalists and intellectuals who spent ten days in Germany at the invitation of the German government, covering the 1998 Bundestag Elections.

During this year's elections, German voters startled political commentators and overturned all expectations by unseating the longtime incumbent Helmut Kohl and installing a new "Green/Red" coalition. This election marks a radical shift in German politics, the first such upheaval in years.

Dr. Richter explained why the elections in Germany are so important to European and World politics. As a bridge between Western and Eastern Europe, Germany plays a "critical function". Furthermore, Germany is both "a major American ally and a major economic backer of Russia". At present, Germany is also the largest economic force in Europe.

The SPD Party (Social Democrats) emphasized a more centrist position for the election, calling for a "New Center". In their coalition with the more radical Green Party, they emphasized change and reform, calling for less strict economic controls, uniform wages and Government-subsidized jobs.

Unemployment, a hot-button issue in East Germany, became a central theme in the German elections. In parts of East Germany, unemployment runs as high as 50%. This was the first national election in which East Germany played a key role, and many voiced their displeasure with Kohl with their votes.

Another key issue was immigration. Germany currently holds a large population of immigrant workers, totaling 7% of the German population, many of them Turks who originally entered the country in the 1950's seeking work. Many will not seek German citizenship, for fear that they will lose property held in Turkey. The Greens' proposed solution is offering dual citizenship.

Since the elections ended last month, Chancellor-elect Gerhard Schroder and Green Party spokesman Joschka Fischer have to hammer out their differences and come up with a plan of action. One hindrance is the internal division that besets both parties. The Green party, long known for their radical ecology, feminism and hippie attire, has been trying in recent years to adopt a more mainstream approach, angering the "Fundis", the hard-core wing.

The SPD Party and the Greens now have the next few weeks to present their choices for various ministries, as well as their formal plan of action, to Parliament. After that, they have less than one year to get things done before the State elections next year.

Prof. Richter believes that the elections mark a "generational change", in which the "1968" generation comes to power. Virtually all of Europe now has a left-centrist government. What this means for NATO, for the European economy and the rest of the world remains to be seen. The German people "went in with open eyes," as Professor Richter says, and voted for change.

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# WHY AL LEWIS?

**SHAWN FISHER**  
BUSINESS MANAGER

Al Lewis (AKA: Grandpa Munster) is synonymous with the phrase—don't judge a book by its cover. At first mention, the common person could not picture former actor, Al Lewis, as the potential Governor of New York. But, in the case of Mr. Lewis, the celebrity is built on a foundation of higher education and social activism. At the age of eighty-eight, Mr. Lewis a Doctorate holder (Child Psychology 1941) from Columbia has no need to work for further notoriety or finical gain; his work on television (The Munsters and Car 54: Where Are You) and radio (WBAI 99.5FM) has ensured him of that. Yet Mr. Lewis has entered the New York political arena with his sights set for the Governor's office along with Lieutenant Governor Candidate Doctor Alice Green (Ph.D. Criminal Justice), with the hopes of giving back to his fellow New Yorkers and to give the grass roots political party known as the Greens a boost in prosperity.

The Greens ([www.greens.org/ny](http://www.greens.org/ny)) are a world-wide political movement based on the belief of living in harmony with the planet, its creatures and one another. Their program is founded on ten key values: Ecological Wisdom, Social Justice, Grassroots Democracy, Non Violence, Decentralization, Community-based Economics, Feminism, Respect for Diversity, personal and local Responsibility and Future Focus. Along with the Grass Roots Programs the New York Party is many of New York State's major needs including the restoration of cuts to State

University of New York (SUNY) and City University of New York (CUNY) (see sidebar). The fledgling Party is the only serious opposition against the Republican onslaught of our higher education system. However, they are still not an officially recognized party in the state of New York. This is where Mr. Lewis comes in as the white knight for the Greens.

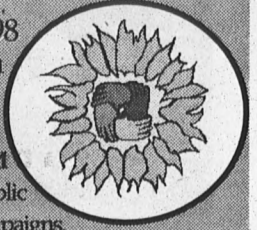
The Greens hope is that aside from his extensive experience in Social Activism, Mr. Lewis' notoriety will garner at least fifty-thousand votes. This is the amount required by New York State in order for party to receive official recognition. An acknowledgment that would benefit the party three-fold. The first of these benefits is the Party will have an almost guaranteed spot on the ballot line for four years. This will allow the party to focus more of their resources on the issues and their campaigns. Second, people will then be able to register as a Green Party voter. This will help the party to increase their ability to contact and keep informed voters. Finally it will make the professional press take the party more seriously. With increased mass media coverage the party will be able to compete at a level similar to that of the big two parties (Republicans and Democrats). So even if Mr. Lewis falls to win the office it will still be a win for a party that supports the SUNY/ CUNY education system which of course is a win for the students of the College of Staten Island (CSI).

With the continuous chipping away of programs and accessibility at CSI, the students need an advocate willing to work with and for them to reestablish the

now decaying quality of education and student life at CSI and the SUNY/CUNY system. "Our school system is being systematically taken away from us. An institution that was created to provide the regular people with a chance to better themselves is now being turned into a pseudo-elitist farce that licks at the bootheels of the Ivy league schools it envies and emulates," said Wayne Peacock, Associate Editor of The Banner. What Mr. Peacock is referring to is the one two punch of the CUNY wide elimination of Remediation (tentative) and as reported by The Banner the invocation of a new Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) requirement of eleven hundred to get into CSI (effective 1999). With the steady decline of students do to the doubling of tuition over the last eight years and the cutbacks in financial aid (both Federal and State) combined with these new academic requirements CSI is on its way to becoming a proverbial ghost town where only those with the best upbringing can attend. "Students need to support any and all friends they can get. Pataki has proven himself to be an enemy (to SUNY/CUNY); who knows where Vallone (Democratic Gubernatorial candidate) really stands? What choice is there?" said P. Melissa Dreznick, Editor-In-Chief The Banner. Indicating how Governor Pataki has been anti-Higher Education since his election into office. "If Al Lewis will protect my opportunities to my education then I will support him," said Peacock.

While the SUNY/ CUNY cut backs are only one issue of out eleven for the Green Party and candidate Al Lewis, it is still a major one for CSI students and the fact that Mr. Lewis and the Greens are the only ones to make it a significant campaign issue reveals the lack of support the Republican and Democratic parties have for college students. Mr. Lewis is actually quite angered by the cuts as well as many other examples of what he refers to as racism in his platform statement. Such as the: new NY City taxi regulations, the City's attempt to put many street vendors out of business, the City's attempt to sell its community gardens, the death penalty and the Rockefeller Drug laws. "Nobody bring me. I paid my own way. I don't have to walk on eggshells," said Lewis. Referring to the fact that as a people-elected Governor he would not have to cower to big business and special interest groups as many members of the big two party's have to. Voting for Al Lewis and the Green party slate will send a definite message to city hall and Albany since the voter registration forms distributed on SUNY/CUNY campuses have a special tracking code to keep the political offices of New York informed as to how many students are registered to vote. The big two parties are both aware of the sleeping giant that the SUNY/ CUNY student body could be that is why the Banner encourages the students of CSI to get out and vote one more voice can make the difference.

Green Party 1998  
Election  
Program



- 1) **RECLAIM DEMOCRACY:** Public financing of campaigns. Proportional Representation. Initiative and Referendum. Term Limits. Equal access to media; build democratic communications.
- 2) **CLEAN AIR, WATER AND ENERGY:** Stop global warming; endorse the Kyoto agreement without pollution tax credits and convert to renewable energy. Shut down nukes and garbage incinerators. Hold corporations financially accountable for pollution. Fund mass transit; promote cycling. No bailouts of utility shareholders; protect ratepayers. Preserve open space, forests, coastlines, natural habitats. Reduce, reuse recycle, compost; enact packaging reduction laws. Oppose toxic dumping in minority and poor neighborhoods. Make GE Clean Up PCBs in Hudson River. Address linkages between pollution and cancer. Support efforts of indigenous people to protect their native lands and water.
- 3) **ECOLOGICALLY SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE:** Promote organic. Ban genetic engineering of food supply. Save community gardens. Save family farms; price supports for NY's dairy industry. Protect animals; rapid phase out of factory farming. Halt the use of pesticides. Promote biodiversity.
- 4) **UNIVERSAL, FREE HEALTH INSURANCE:** Support a single payer health system to eliminate insurance profits and administrative waste. Include mental health, dental. Reproductive freedom. Full funding of AIDS/HIV care and research.
- 5) **JOBS FOR ALL AT A LIVING WAGE:** State Constitutional Amendment to guarantee a job. Immediately increase the state minimum wage to \$7.50 an hour. 30 hour work week for 40 hour pay. Universal quality child care. Repeal the Taylor's Law anti-strike provisions. Foster sustainable communities through support for workplace democracy and community-controlled economic initiatives such as credit unions, land trusts and consumer and worker cooperatives.
- 6) **QUALITY PUBLIC EDUCATION FOR ALL:** Guaranteed irrespective of ability to pay. Include college and vocational training. Restore CUNY and SUNY to how they were before the cuts. Use progressive income tax to fund schools. Immediately fund needed school repairs and conversion of coal-burning furnaces.
- 7) **TAX FAIRNESS:** Make corporations and the wealthy pay their fair share. Hold corporations accountable for promised job creation. Enact IDA reform.
- 8) **CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM:** Abolish the Death Penalty. Build Communities, not Prisons. Punish corporate crime. Civilian police review boards. End the Drug Wars; repeal Rockefeller drug laws. Legalize marijuana for medicinal purposes. Oppose denial of parole, double bunking.
- 9) **JUSTICE FOR ALL:** Civil Rights. NYS Gay/Lesbian Civil Rights Bill. Same sex marriage. Affirmative action. Eliminate state-sanctioned racism.
- 10) **AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR ALL:** Extend rent control, make it permanent. House the homeless.
- 11) **REAL WELFARE REFORM:** Jobs not Welfare. Guaranteed minimum income. Feed the hungry.

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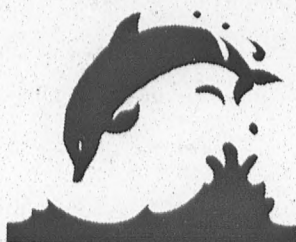
## PART-TIME JOB FAIR

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# BANNER Editorials



## The Banner: Our Students, Our College, Our Community

**P. Melissa Dreznick**  
Associate Editor

Sunday, October 11, was a special day in the lives of many men and women who live their lives in the constant fear that their sexuality will be discovered. That day, there was a heightened sense of camaraderie in the already close-knit gay community.

The shame of this is that it is necessary at all. It should never be dangerous to admit who you are or whom you love! Yet, for these people it can be life threatening! 'Hunting' has taken on a whole new meaning in Greenwich Village, where gay men are now the prey. Now, the latest incident is the murder of Matthew Shepard in Laramie, Wyoming.

Shepard was pistol-whipped, burned, tied to a fence and left for dead. He was hospitalized, and spent five days in a coma before he died. All this happened because Shepard was openly gay.

Although the 'mainstream community' has made great strides in accepting this 'alternative life-style', since the 'Stonewall Incident' that happened in Greenwich Village on June 27, 1967. Before that, gays and lesbians were subject to legal discrimination, gay-bashing with little to no legal recourse, and constant abject humiliation.

Although today gays and lesbians are slowly gaining rights, and are no longer considered mentally ill (homosexuality was once listed as a mental illness in the *Diagnostic Statistical Manual* that is a book used by psychologists for diagnosis), they are still treated by some with fear and loathing.

The majority of the USA is still without laws against hate crimes, and in most of the states that do have these laws, sexual orientation is excluded.

Why should these people be treated like this? It is the 'mainstream

community' that is constantly attacking them. Sometimes the attacks are physical, sometimes they are more subtle, but equally devastating.

The 'mainstream community' forces the gay and lesbian community to hide or suffer ridicule. Stereotypes constantly portray gay men as effeminate, weak and foolish; lesbians are portrayed as big, burly wannabe men. The gay community was even blamed for AIDS! Gays and lesbians are told by every type of media that they either have to change or be deserving of this negative treatment.

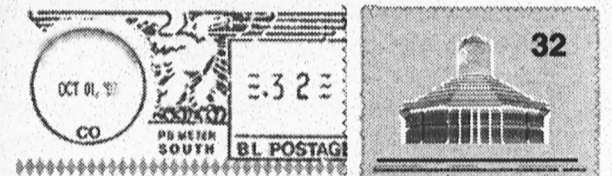
Because of this the gay community deserves to be heterophobic. The 'mainstream community' is a threat to their way of life in every sense of the word! Yet instead of resorting to the same tactics, the gay community fights merely to gain acceptance. They seek only the same rights and treatment that straight people have always enjoyed.

Candle-light vigils and public out-cries are good, but they come only after a great tragedy. Special recognition days may help, but the things that are most needed are tolerance and understanding.

Until society realizes that hate crimes are wrong, and has laws to prove that it is wrong to commit hate crimes against anybody—including homosexuals, we will never be the society we profess to be.

How can we sing about being the 'land of the free,' when people are dragging men to their death, just for being African American? How can we call ourselves "The Great American Melting-Pot," when people who are sworn to protect and serve the public make fun of the previously mentioned incident? And how can we call ourselves 'human,' when people are being tortured merely for loving someone of their own sex?

# BANNER Letters



Organization: College of Staten Island  
To: the banner@student.csi.cuny.edu

President Springer has gone too far putting rules up against poor and middle class students to make a police state school. A Giuliani supporter who wants students to be thrown out when their GPAs below 2.0 and close open admissions. She voided student elections results and thrown in the bureaucrat piece of the Student Government has put us in a situation of an all out war against the president, vice president, CSI College Council and the CUNY BOT. If these scabs destroy the rights of a free higher education; it is time to overthrow them and the mayor. It is time for anarchy.

Mystery Man

DTA: Don't Trust Anybody

Giuliani is going down hard. Anne Paulocci: Chairman of the CUNY Board of Trustees and the board members are a bunch of Jacka\*\*es.

If you publish this letter in your paper; I want my identity to be secret and e-mail address.

### EDITOR'S RESPONSE

Dear "Mystery Man",

Your lack of trust is well-placed., it has recently come to the attention of *The Banner* that President Springer can read any E-mail sent from or to a CSI E-mail account.

We consider this not only an outrage, but a violation of the rights of anybody who uses a CSI E-mail account.

There is an inherent right to privacy that goes along with the mail, whether it is electronic or old-fashioned. It is a felony

to open someone else's mail, the same should apply to E-mail.

As for the rest of your complaints, could you explain which rules you mean? How is the school any more of a "police-state" than it always was?

The Student Government elections were voided last year, due to possible electioneering by *The College Voice*. After an investigation, it was decided that the elections would be done over. That is what happened, and the results of those elections (which mirrored the first) were kept as the official results.

As for College Council, this is one of the few governing bodies that actually has some student voice (albeit a severe minority). It has, however, neglected to tell its student-members about times, dates and locations of meetings to this point. As a stu-

dent-member of College Council, I'm hoping this will change. Also as a member of College Council, I can tell you that the last thing I want to see is the destruction of student rights of any kind.

Just for a point-of-information, if you don't like the members of the current Student Government, elections will be held the week of October 26.

Thank you for your correspondence.

P. Melissa Dreznick  
Editor-In-Chief

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# Really Pissed Off

**Shawn Fisher and A. James Larson**  
Business Manager Associate Features Editor

WARNING - This article may be offensive and foul to some. The views expressed are not necessarily shared by The Banner. Don't say we didn't warn you. Now that the disclaimer is out of the way, let's get down to the heart of the matter. You're probably wondering what this article is all about. It basically deals with everything and anything.

work. This same professor went so far as to say that "the only good reason for missing a class is if you are f#king a Russian woman, because they are the best." Is this the kind of professor we want instructing us? Well then again, why not—we have a President with the similar moral standards. Now that we have bashed the faculty a bit, let's get on to the topic of our President.

You could have discovered the answer to life, the universe and everything and she would still fail you if your margin was not one-and-a-half inches.

The big question for the last couple of weeks has been, should President Clinton be impeached? The answer to this is simple but it has

"Pissed Off" was once a featured item in *The Banner* written by two of its finest: Christopher (most hated man on campus) Zeyer and Rich (I just want to play Atari) Arroyo. Its first hellspawn was "Bride of Pissed Off" (A woman's perspective). Well, we of the next generation of *Banner* staff would like to consider ourselves the Bastard Child of "Pissed Off" so in honor of the past, let's get started with our opinion of the Professors at CSI.

The students are not the only ones who use drugs. There is a professor who likes to smoke a bone every now and then. Additionally, one lovely Philosophy professor must be smoking something, because rather than stressing the importance of the field to her students and grading them on their efforts, she's more concerned with margins. That's right, you could have discovered the answer to life, the universe and everything, and she would still fail you if your margin is not one and a half inches. Is she on drugs? Also, this college obviously does not perform proper background checks on the professors they hire. A couple of years ago there was a professor working here who had warrants in other states for his arrest. We wonder if we could get jobs as teachers here?

Our Engineering department has a tenured professor who consistently gives better grades to the men than women, even if they do the same amount of

nothing to do with Monica Lewinski. What he did with Monica was not an impeachable offense. Most guys wish they could do the same thing. President Clinton's sexual encounters in the White House are not the issue. The issue should be the Whitewater scandal. President Clinton and his wife are guilty as sin. There is proof of wrong doing, but the media has not explained it to people because most people don't understand it and it doesn't get the ratings that the President getting a oral sex does. The people who profited in the Whitewater scandal all died in so-called accidents. Our President, the bruised and the beautiful, could be a murderer. How many innocent people were killed when Mr. Clinton bombed a pharmaceutical factory in Sudan? This counts as a serious crime. President Clinton should receive the same cigar that Monica did. This country used to be one of the greatest in the world. Now the USA is a laughing stock. America is going to sink into a fiery bottomless pit. There was a time when the people of this country and this college used to fight for what was right. Now we let the government and people in power

"The only good reason for missing class is if you are f#\*king a Russian chick..." -- Chauvinist Engineering professor at CSI

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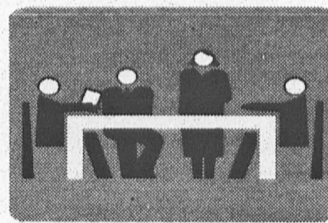
get away with murder. Nobody cares anymore. The students at C.S.I could not get their act together to fight against raising tuition. Well, these must be different times. This nation is beyond help and hopefully the end will be near.

Well, we've mentioned teachers but they're not the only people that we pay to serve us on campus. Yes! Our precious tuition and income tax also goes to the custodial staff whose rather simple job is to keep our campus clean. Do they actually do their job? Well some do, but others seem to have more important tasks on hand. Let us begin with the 1P building, in which the evening custodial staff enjoys an occasional game of indoor baseball while on the clock. One would be filled with tears of joy standing at the entrance to the Performing Arts Center and see how well his/her tuition was being spent. Now it's not all fun and games those members

of the evening custodial staff at the south side of the campus spend many grueling hours in 3S watching television. One can only ponder the sacrifices they must make at work to get in the latest sitcoms on UPN. Let us not forget the day shift here at CSI. Apparently one custodian at the

President Clinton should receive the same cigar that Monica did.

library works so hard that on the clock is the only opportunity he has to engage in sexual activity on the job. The custodian and his partner were discovered as a student made a wrong turn in the Library. So the next time you see one of CSI's proud custodial members sleeping on the job, or enjoying other inappropriate activities, remember to thank them for a tuition well spent.



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## Waynes Are From Mars

### Peacocks Are From Venus Front-line coverage of the war of the sexes

## DOIN' IT, DOIN' IT, AND DOIN' IT WRONG PT.2

Men lost, and absolutely refusing to ask for directions on the highways of sexual miscommunications.

#### Wayne Peacock Associate Editor

Welcome back to male sexual complaints. Last issue 8 guys sounded off about the JUST-LAYS-THERE-WOMAN and the DRILL SERGEANT. This issue they apply testosterone to the final three fair sex foul-ups THE DRAMA QUEEN, THE VICIOUS WOMAN and THE ABSOLUTELY-WONT-TOUCH-PENIS LETS-JUST-HAVE-SEX-WOMAN.

**THE DRAMA QUEEN:** The woman who tries to make every single sexual experience an Oscar winning performance.

On a personal note of the five bad things a girl could do in bed this is the one I hate the most. If, by some chance, one of the girls out there reading this, feels the need to track me down and sleep with me (it could happen) don't be a drama queen, it makes me want to say something mean and leave abruptly.

#2 said "This is the cause of a never ending-cause of bad sex. She unjustifiably amps this guys head up. He then thinks he's good in bed and keeps fumbling his way through this poor girls sex life." #8 said "I'd rather have my feelings

said that "It could never hurt too much. A girl that was too vicious for another guy would be a strait deal, as long as there's no blood splurging out of my body, it's all good."

#3 said "If you're on heavy sedatives then it might be good. You're not even into it anymore you're just watching this girl gnaw on your nipple. #7 said "Some girls make you feel like you just masturbated with a cheese grater." (How would he know what that feels like?)

#6 offered a little advice to the chewing and biting women. He said "Try the stab bandage technique. Bite then lick. Scratch then rub."

#7 was the only guy to think of the vicious woman as masochistic. He related a story of a past sexual partner "She could never get it fast or hard enough. Sometimes that's great but when it's all the time it's tiring. There was no emotional strength needed. She just needed it to be physically strong. She needed to be hurt."

**THE ABSOLUTELY-WONT-TOUCH-PENIS-LET'S-JUST-HAVE-SEX-WOMAN.** The name says it all she's naked and raring to go and your shirt is still tucked in.

All of the men expressed tremendous disdain toward these excessive lack of foreplay women. They

also compared this, as they did the slab of beef, to the disconnected partner.

#7 said "You should be able to lick it, rub it, love it. I'll do whatever I have to. Why shouldn't you?"

#8 said "You have to use your ultimate salesmanship. Think of it like a challenge." (c'mon baby please baby please).

Most of the men expressed little patience for this. #3 said "That's what you consider a friend."

Some of the men, again theorized that something may have happened to these women to make them so adverse to a

man's body. #4 however was again nice enough to make every guy look bad by saying "I can't have this done to me because some other guy messed it up. Screw that. Either go to therapy or become a lesbian because what you're doing now is wrong."

# 8 said "No matter what her reasons may be if intimacy is not complete then there's gaps and resentments and everything that goes along with them."

Through out the last two articles I have tried to remain objective but a woman who wont touch a penis is like pasta without sauce: You won't starve to death, but you aren't really enjoying that meal.

Some other quick complaints from the guys are: the uneventful oral sex

(ends with the same speed and style that it started with), The lack of hand(s) during oral sex (very, very, very important) The women who shave down there but don't keep up on it. This gets worse if the guy doesn't shave his face. Then its like, a thousand little sword

fighters.

well that about does it for sexual complaints (for now). Join me in the coming (ha ha) issues when I continue to explore the many things that bring the opposite sexes together or drive them apart. Next issue is a special Halloween

"Either go to therapy or become a lesbian, because what you're doing now is wrong."

spectacular with a coinciding article entitled "OOHH baby I like it when your face melts" and other explorations into the sex lives of movie monsters.

Remember boys and girls if bad sex didn't exist then good sex wouldn't either and it's your carrot, it's your orifice, be free.

"Some girls make you feel like you just masturbated with a cheese grater."

hurt and then come back and try to do better, than to go home thinking I rocked, when I didn't".

#4 said "I f#\*cking hate when they make porno faces in bed. Even bad bed faces are better then porno faces. It makes me think she's a dirty slut." (Okay then)

**THE VICIOUS WOMAN:** There's a fine line between rough sex and cannibalism and apparently some women cross that line.

Every single guy said that they like it rough and tumble. Only #5 though

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# God: Friend or Fiend?

## Having Fellowship With God

**Steven Guzzi**  
Contributor

As we go through our daily routine, it is easy to be distracted from our relationship with God. The mundane things of life, such as classes, work and other things take our time and fill our minds. Of course, some of this is necessary, for we need to live the life that God gave us, but I guess the question is, "How are we living our life?"

It is one thing to be busy, but is that an excuse for neglecting a relationship with God? Now, I'm not talking about having religion, at least in its nominal sense, which simply could be a minimal assent to spiritual things. I'm talking about having a wonderful daily, even hourly, and I dare say minutely relationship with God, allowing Him to fill our minds and guide our paths. This translates not into just putting God in his place, but rather

having God's Spirit fill us each day, allowing him to be our dearest devotion and focus. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all the glory of God" 1 Corinthians (10:31)

It is God's will that you have fellowship with Him, so that He can pour out His blessings upon you, some of which include God's peace and joy in the midst of both good and bad circumstances. "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye may also have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son, Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full" (1 John 1:3-4)

Since "holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost", we can rest assured, knowing that God through the prophet John is telling us that He wants our fellowship to be with Him and with His, son Jesus Christ and that by this relationship comes joy. Thus, a relationship with God is the cure for unhappiness. Joy doesn't come through cheap

thrills or the mundane things of life, nor does it come from financial success or sensual pleasures, which are all fleeting as the noon day, but through having God in your heart, living in sweet fellowship with Him.

Then why aren't all people having this wonderful relationship with God? John goes on to say, "if we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not tell the truth; but if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanseth us from all sin." (John 1:5-7) If walking in the light produces fellowship with God, then walking in the darkness of sin is what keeps people from God.

The remedy is the blood of Jesus Christ His son, which cleanseth us from all sin. Jesus Christ's death on the cross was where he saw you and I in our sinful condition and said, "I love you anyway and I will die for you. Taking the penalty of your sin upon myself so that you can be forgiven and delivered from darkness": "Who [Jesus] hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translat-

ed us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins." (Colossians 1:13-14) God has this very real deliverance for you and me, no matter what state we are in, but we must admit our sinful helplessness, asking Him to have mercy and save us, pleading the precious blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Failure to acknowledge our sinful condition or acknowledge Jesus as Savior is unbelief, which will keep us away from God's light. "If we say that we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. if we confess our sins, He [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. if we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and his word is not in us." (1 John 1:8-10)

## WALKING THE DOGMA (INTO TRAFFIC)

**Jeremy Condit™**  
Features Editor

As an editor, writer and even something as smarmy as a reporter, I find a lot of the media is a vehicle that inevitably ends up selling one thing or another: be it a thought, product, or (astonishingly enough), a point of view. But I can't let this article pass without seeing it as what it is; a wordy advertisement for God™.

It's an interesting situation. If an author writes in a review of his own book, or a professor hands me an article of how great his class is, I can't print it. But you can say anything about god and Jesus®, promise the sun and the moon, winning touchdowns, clean teeth and a permanent erection.

There is no subjectivity when it comes to writing about the Big Guy, because 98% of it is praise and adoration. The other 2% are heretics that will die painfully and slowly, twisting in their deathbeds wishing they had believed until they are delivered unto the scorching flames of everlasting hell. And editors like me who receive propaganda every day.

This article seems to suggest that a relationship with God™ is a wonderful thing, but not a choice. It's the typical format you find in the little Christian booklets at bus stops and on the Ferry. The structure is usually a) suggest rethinking your state in the world, b) explain how

wonderful this God, Co. thing is, c) tell them how horrible hell is for those who didn't believe, but d) close by explaining that they can be "saved" from such a terrible fate.

"Now, I'm not talking about religion" certainly became a lot of biblical quotes, didn't it?

What all of this boils down to is guilt. That wonderfully insidious feeling that makes people pay up with their hearts and their paychecks because they feel obligated to something. Humility through humiliation. Living like a slave before some vague Lord. Do you really need a master in your everyday life? Someone to tell you what to do, when to do it? Maybe it's the need to live up to the aspirations of some long-dead lunatics, if they existed at all.

They will tell you that a man was nailed to a cross, where he suffered and died for your sins. Who asked him to? If we're going to forget reliable science entirely and buy into the garden of Eden, I would say again that we are not accountable for the sins of "Adam".

This exhibitionism is typical- we all want to be suffering for someone else, saving the masses. Do we really need to exist in waiting for the salvation, for forgiveness? It's almost the millennium. The only relief we need is from myth and dangerous superstition. There really is something feeble and a little contemptible about a person who cannot face the perils of life

without the help of comfortable, easily interchangeable myths. To quote Stephen Jay Gould, "When people learn no tools of judgment and merely follow their hopes, the seeds of political manipulation are sown."

Enough about the sheep. Let's examine God Himself. I honestly wonder how people made the Geoffrey Dahmer of deities into CEO of the universe. let's look at His behavior and see what kind of morals we have to follow.

The god of the Bible punishes babies for the sins of their parents (Exodus 20:5, 34:7; Numbers 14:18; 2 Samuel 12:13-19); punishes people by causing them to become cannibals and eat their children (2 Kings 6:24-33, Lamentations 4:10-11); gives people bad laws, even requiring the sacrifice of their firstborn babies, so that they can be filled with horror and know that god is their lord (Ezekiel 20:25-26); causes people to believe lies so that he can send them to hell (2 Thessalonians 2:11) it goes on and on and on.

Then there's the Crusades and the Holy Inquisition- but don't get me started on mortals trying to emulate the genocidal hatemonger in the sky. The god of the Bible measures up to the level of a petty and vicious tyrant. That's a level of moral purity humanity still has yet to work it's way back down to. There was a time when religion ruled the world. It is known as the Dark Ages.

There is no reason to buy into the

big promises of the followers of a triadic psychopath, nor read too far into their threats. Faith is a personal choice- in this case, associating with people who can find logic in having an all-knowing, all-powerful God® who creates faulty humans, and then blames them for his own mistakes. When it comes to a religion this demanding and expensive, faith is a cop-out. Intellectual bankruptcy.

In the end, it's their God; it's their rules, their sin and their guilt. Let them go to their hell.

Probably the saddest part is, I don't dislike religion. I recognize it's power (good and bad), and wholly embrace safe, sane and healthy spiritual development and growth.

I agree wholeheartedly in the concept of meditative self-assertion. But to compare textbooks, I recommend 'Wherever you go, there you are', by Jon Kabat-Zinn; described as "mindfulness meditation in everyday life". It may not be as easy to find as the Bible, but it's certainly a less ponderous read. And if you disagree with the author of "Wherever...", at least you know he can respond.

Find your own way, and don't step on any feet in the process.





# Body & mind



## Depression: More Than Just The Blues

**Rosemary Greico**  
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For many students, life just seems to get more hectic and stressful with each passing day. With the pressures of school, job, relationships and financial concerns, it is not surprising that seven in ten college students reports feeling tension and stress at least once a week. As a result of our chaotic and fast-paced lifestyles, most of us have experienced difficulties in coping and feeling down and stressed out, commonly referred to as the blues. But because these feelings generally pass in a few days, we don't give them much thought. However, sometimes these feelings don't pass; sometimes they intensify along with other debilitating symptoms such as sleeplessness and loss of appetite which last for a prolonged time. This is no longer considered the blues; this is major depression and it is a serious medical illness that requires treatment.

Unfortunately, many people are misinformed about depression. They don't understand that it is a very real illness affecting the whole body: mentally, physically and emotionally. People often offer advice such as "don't worry so much," "relax" or "just try to snap out of it," not understanding that this is just not possible for someone who is clinically depressed. It is important to recognize and understand the symptoms of depression so one can seek help as soon as possible, either for one's self or a loved one. Today it is a treatable illness and there is no reason why anyone should suffer needlessly.

Depression can be the result of stress, loss of a loved one, a genetic predisposition, or a chemical imbalance in the brain. Sometimes depression occurs for no apparent reason at all. It affects 17 million Americans each year; men and women in all walks of life, and children as well. One can even be leading a very happy and successful life when depression strikes. It is an illness we do not have control over and therefore should not feel ashamed or guilty if unable to function as well as before. Because some people feel they should be able to handle it by themselves, they do not seek the necessary treatment. This can be a big mistake, because if left unchecked, depression can get worse. Major depression sometimes leads to suicidal thoughts, damaged relationships, and other serious consequences. Also, if left untreated, clinical depression can last months or even years. The sooner treatment begins, the easier it is to recover.

The major symptoms of depression are feeling intense sadness and loss of motivation and energy. Sufferers often feel hopeless, empty, anxious, helpless or worthless. They are often unable to find pleasure in any activities they normally enjoy such as hobbies, hanging out with

friends, or even sex. They often withdraw from people because they feel embarrassed by their inability to shake off these negative feelings. They are often afraid of appearing weak, or they may be too exhausted to get through the day and don't want to have to explain themselves to others. Other symptoms include changes in sleeping and eating habits; insomnia or sleeping too much; loss of appetite or eating too much. Some people experience headaches, stomachaches, backaches and digestive problems. Thinking patterns often become so skewed that the possibility of feeling this way for life seems likely. But even though it may not be likely, just thinking that it is, is enough to make some seriously consider suicide.

But the good news is that depression is one of the most treatable mental illnesses. Between 80 and 90 percent of all depressed people respond to treatment and nearly all who receive treatment feel some relief from their symptoms. Antidepressant medications are proven to be quite successful, along with psychotherapy, which focuses on one's thoughts and beliefs and the ways in which one interacts with their environment. Often a combination of both treatments provides the best results. Antidepressants are not like tranquilizers; they work to correct the chemical imbalance in the brain that causes the depression. They often take several weeks to take effect and sometimes can produce side effects. However, there are many different antidepressants today so if one does not work out for you, another will be helpful. It's important to be patient to find the right type and dosage that will be most effective.

If you or someone you know shows signs of depression that last for more than two weeks, get help immediately. Remember, depression is a medical illness that requires treatment. There is no reason to feel ashamed or embarrassed. In fact, depressive illnesses tend to strike the most intelligent, insightful and creative people who happen to include Abraham Lincoln, Winston Churchill, Vincent Van Gogh, and Emily Dickinson to name a few. Even Drew Carey, Mike Wallace and Hugh Downs have all shared their experiences with depression in the media helping to make it better understood and to reduce the stigma attached to mental illness. Throughout time, many have suffered the dark shadow of depression in silence with no hope for help. Today, all that has changed. For you or someone you love, help can be just a phone call away.

The Peer Drop-In Center, staffed by trained Peer Educators and located in IC-112 is open every weekday for students who want to talk or get information on any wellness issue. Drop-In, we're here to help!

## Alcohol And You

**Greg Diaz**  
Peer Educator

Alcohol is drug that effects the central nervous system. Alcoholic beverages consist of beer, wine, and hard liquor. It acts as a depressant and is manufactured by yeast cells that break down carbohydrates and grains. When consumed, it is not properly digested. Ninety percent goes directly into the bloodstream in the small intestine, and the remaining ten percent goes to the stomach. It affects every organ and tissue in the body. Intoxication causes poor vision, loss of coordination and vomiting. With a blood alcohol count (B.A.C.) of .10%, it takes about six hours to get sober. Contrary to many myths believed, drinking coffee, taking a cold shower and exercise do not sober you up any faster. Continued abuse of alcohol over a period of time can cause memory loss, mental problems, and can impair one's learning ability. It can cause other severe health problems, such as cancer of the esophagus and stomach, as well as ulcers. Alcohol acts as a deadly toxin. It slowly destroys the pancreas and causes cirrhosis of the liver. Mixing alcohol with other drugs, such as sleeping pills or cocaine, can be fatal. When mixed with stimulants, it can cause extreme excitability, and if mixed with tranquilizers, it can reduce alertness. Alcohol can cause the brain, heart and lungs functions to slow down and can lead to a heart attack.

Alcohol is the most widely abused and addictive drug in America. Alcoholism does not discriminate against age, race, sex, or origin. There is no such thing as a typical alcoholic because alcoholism affects millions of people in America every year. Alcoholism is caused by one's inability to control their drinking. They can't determine how much is too much to drink on any one occasion or when they should stop. Many people often think that turning to alcohol will make their problems disappear, but it only creates more problems and makes their current problems worse.

Symptoms of alcohol abuse are frequent drinking, anxiety, low self esteem, poor appearance, irresponsibility, anger, memory loss/black-outs, social isolation, physical complaints, denying the problem when confronted, and the abuse and neglect of other people around them. People who come from alcoholic families are more likely to become alcoholics than people who don't. It affects family members the hardest. Family members deal with feelings of confusion, shame, anger, guilt and fear. These family members may express their feelings through wrongful behavior.

There are approximately 10 million alcoholics in the U.S. About 1 in every 4 families and 1 out of 3 teenagers are affected by alcohol. Nearly 100,000 deaths each year are alcohol related. An alcoholic can recover by coming to grips with the fact that they have a problem, by getting help, and by abstaining from using alcohol. A change in environment, lifestyle, relationship and issues that created the problem should be looked at and changed. There are various places to seek help. Alcoholics Anonymous is an organization for anyone who wants to stop drinking and is available in all areas. Public and private treatment such as detoxification programs and counseling are also available. Family members can get help and support through Al-Anon and Ala-teen.

Alcoholism is a major problem in society and cannot be cured over night. Recovery is a lifetime commitment. It also takes family members a long time to recover from the pain and suffering they go through watching one of the loved ones suffer from this deadly disease.

If you would like more information on how alcohol affects you, attend our CLUE certified workshop, "Drinking: How Does it Affect my Life?" on October 21, at 2:30 in room 1C-211. You can also visit our information table in the Campus Center during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, October 19th-22nd.

If you are interested in this and/or other wellness topics, please come to the Peer Drop-In Center, located in 1C-112. You can talk to one of our trained Peer Educators about any issues that concern you, and obtain helpful information. If you are interested in becoming a Peer Educator, have completed at least one year of college, and have a 2.5 GPA, call Carol Brower, Wellness Coordinator at (718) 982-3123.

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# The Reel World

**Christopher Bligh**  
Staff Reporter

Picture yourself in a world comprised of workers and soldiers and where the bars have drinking and dancing as the object of their leisure. It sounds like real life, but it's another world of an insect kind. "Antz" is the first computer animated film from the people of Dreamworks. The title's last letter misspelling refers to the central character. Z (voice:Woody Allen) is a neurotic worker ant who doesn't know his place in the world. He's tired of his work and wants to change for the better. Life takes a bright turn one night in a bar when a lovely female ant dances with him and gives him confidence that he never had before. Little does he know, she's Princess Bali (voice:Sharon Stone) the heir to the insect crown and fiancée of General Mandible (voice:Gene Hackman). In a move of desperation, he decides to switch places with his best friend Weaver (voice:Sylvester Stallone), a soldier ant, to see the Princess for fear that he will never see her again but the General plans a war along with his assistant Colonel Cutter (voice:Christopher Walken) and Z finds himself into an unexpected feast or famine battle. Dreamworks has put it's hat in the ring wonderfully and has created a strikingly visual world of likable characters, a simple plot, and a terrific balance with the screenplay and the special effects. The ensemble voiced cast does a terrific job. Allen puts his humor into his character's voice and makes it one of a kind. Hackman brings the great sinister edge he's given to many of his characters in the past and his General Mandible reminded me of the same attitude James Gregory took as General Ursus in Beneath the Planet of the Apes as a military leader using his power for unnecessary means. As for Stallone, he characterizes Weaver in his sympathetic tough guy way wonderfully. The animation is first rate fitting the expressions with the voices and giving Z and most of the worker ants a nice E.T. look. There are in jokes from many movies and they work terrifically as well as no Main Title credits

so I don't want to spoil any other well known voice surprises. I had seen myself laughing and caring for this world and what these insects made of it. In conclusion "Antz" delivers a good message with a lot of heart, a wonderful treat for the family, and a solid but short film that makes excellent use of both the computer animation and the Spherical aspect ratio making it a feast for the eyes and a pleasure to experience in any hard working week for anyone.

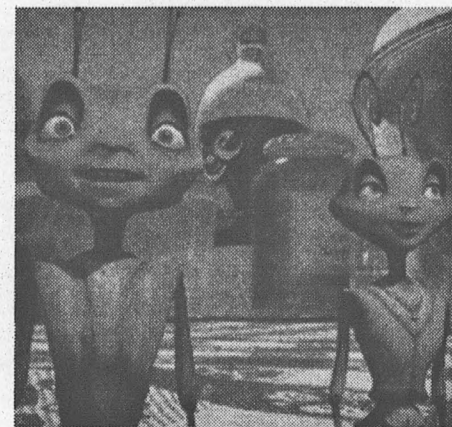
Antz-(PG) 5 out of 5 Dolphins  
(Highest Rating)  
Aspect Ratio: 1.85:1

Lately, trends has been following most of today's movies. Ever since "Star Wars", some movies have made the choice to start off by showing no credits in the beginning or "Main Title Credits". Movies get to save it's "starrings" and "directed by's" for last or "End Title Credits". With these movies they get the show on the road, unlike the old days which showed both and had the End Title Credits shorter than the Main Title Credits. Movies have come a long way, both in technology and clarity. There's encouragement for the old films to be preserved and the great ones to be restored as in the case of some re-released classics like "Grease" and "The Godfather". The average running times have been increased from 90 minutes to 120 minutes. In most cases of action, adventure, thriller and horror films today, an anamorphic look is presented. Most film types are filmed in Panavision or Super 35. These types carry a panoramic "aspect ratio", a term that determines the lens of the film, giving it a grander look. The typical Panavision or Super 35 aspect ratio is numbered at 2.35:1. Most dramas, comedies and animated features use a simpler aspect ratio or a Spherical look limiting the space but not taking away the vision. This ratio is numbered at 1.85:1. Most directors use the same ratio, others vary. When shown on TV, the best way to replicate it's look is in a form of putting black bars on the top and

the bottom, otherwise known as letterboxing. In short, movies can take you into a world of imagination and many places. It gives you impressions of things, introduce you to new environments and could suspend any disbelief because after all, it's just a movie.

This week's Video Pick is from acclaimed writer-director David Mamet. A small independent film that made its release earlier this year, "The Spanish Prisoner" has the wits of a modern day Hitchcock thriller and twists that prove less is more. One notable mention is the serious performance of Steve Martin. Although we know him as an overall comedian Martin proves, as he did in Planes Trains and Automobiles and Parenthood, that he can be just as effective on drama than he is on comedy. The Spanish Prisoner, worthy of a good night's rental.

In the next Reel World rotation: Another Big Screen review, movie news and fact, and more going on in the cinematic environment.



## Dolphin Index:

- 0 Dolphins-absolute crap
- 1 Dolphin- sucks
- 2 Dolphins-decent
- 3 Dolphins-good
- 4 Dolphins-outstanding
- 5 Dolphins-uberdolphin (best)



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# URBAN LEGENDS

**Anonymous**

A college course on American folklore, taught by Robert Englund (*Nightmare on Elm Street* part 1- I stopped counting), showcases all the scary stories that children keep perpetuating (Mikey eats pop rocks-The Menaced baby-sitter). Englund's character is based on a real life UCLA professor, Peter Tokovsky.

Tokovsky says "A legend is a very simple story that's told as true and set in the recent past. As they become part of folklore, they take on variations. To qualify as an urban legend, the story should have two parts."

1 Specificity. It has to be told as a story that happened to someone the teller knows of, a friend of a friend, someone my aunt knew. A rumor is not a legend that's why you put in specific locations and sometimes specific times to make it a more effective story, and to make it more credible.

2 Multiple criteria, or settings. As the story becomes legend, it gains veracity in the retelling even though the same story happened to different people in different cities.

"the most widely known legend in the US.— even though it is well past its peak— is one that involves a certain movie star having problems with a certain rodent." (Richard Gere and Poopy the gerbil)

Norine Dresser, from the American Studies faculty at Cal. State LA., The author of *The case of the missing gerbil* methodically puts to rest, any claims that the story is true. She also proposes a number of reasons why the public is so fascinated with this legend, which ridicules a

movie actor whose reputation is based on his sex appeal to women." "Truth," she says, "never stood in the way of a really good story"

Such as the stories told in the movie— The stuck couple, The killer in the back seat, The death of Mikey, The microwaved pet, The corpse in the car, The murdered boyfriend, The kidney heist.

This last one is cited as one of the most popular legends going. It's the one where a guy picks up a girl in a bar, goes to a hotel with her and wakes up to find his kidneys removed. The advent of cryo-medicine, gives credibility now that organs can be frozen and would then allow a variable black market for human organs.

Those interested in urban legends can go on the <http://www.snopes.com/spoons/faxlore/billgate.htm>, although you may want to be

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Alicia Witt as seen in Urban Legends



Rebecca Gayheart as seen in Urban Legends



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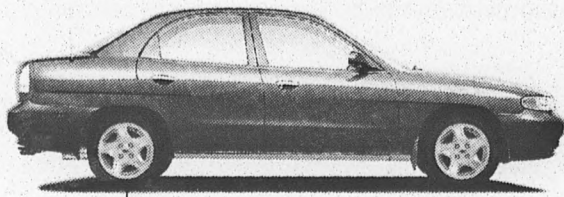
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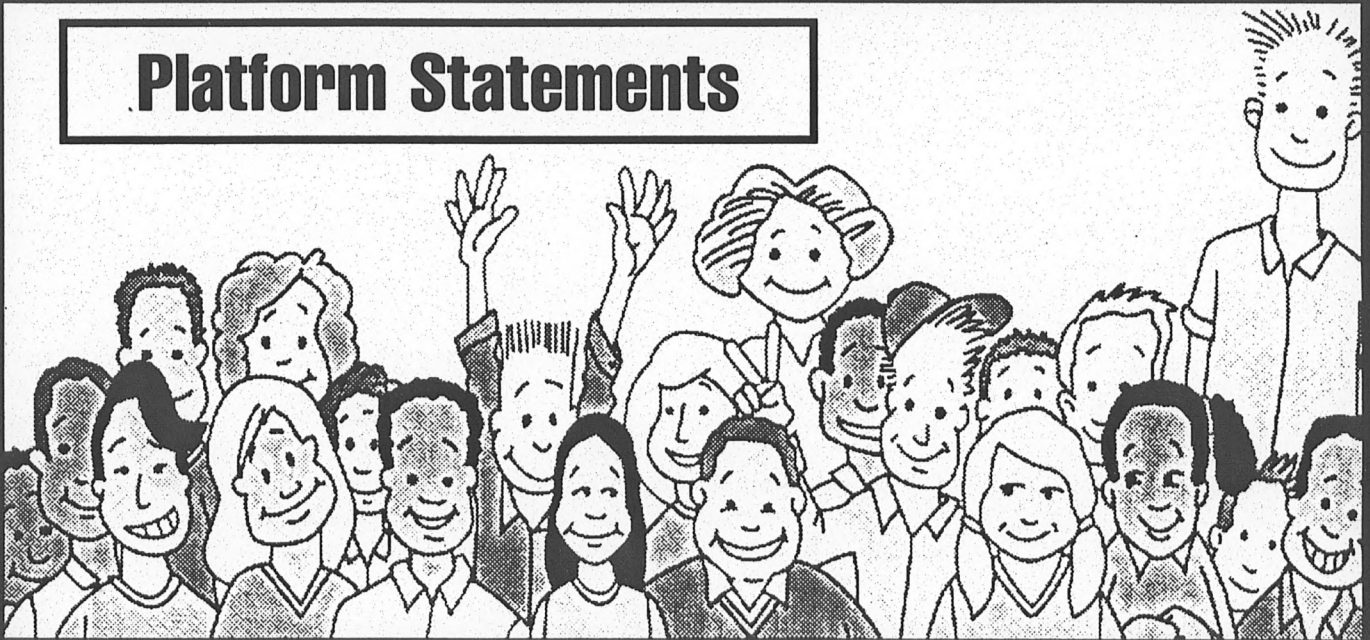
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# BANNER

## Special Student Elections Insert

### Platform Statements



The day before our paper was set to go to the printer, someone got into the office and erased it. We managed to put it together again and get it to the printer, however, it will not arrive here until wednesday. It is our responsibility as the student newspaper to bring you this information. We feel that one person's immaturity and spitefulness should not prevent you from making informed election decisions. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have brought to you.

THE BANNER HAS DONE ITS BEST TO REPRODUCE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS EXACTLY AS RECEIVED.

#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT:

##### FRESHMAN (vote for one):

My name is Dionne McLaughlin and I am running for a freshman seat on student government. I am a member of the College Voice and dedicated to the empowerment of students. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you.

##### SOPHOMORE (vote for one):

Kwan Burton: HOW MUCH ABUSE WILL STUDENTS TAKE? HOW MUCH TIME WILL BE SQUANDERED BY OUR CURRENT STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATORS? But the greatest question should be "HOW MANY TIMES WILL THE STUDENTS NEED GUIDANCE AND REPRESENTATION BY THE STUDENT LEADERS, AND THERE ISN'T ANY." Certain issues must be attacked before they become problems. New policies must be instilled within our institution to avoid the concentration of power. Steps must be taken to be better our campus for all, not just a small elite. I am the man that will take the student government to a different level. A level of a more cooperative government. Students having more to say, with a greater control over their senators is exactly what I'm talking about. Not the senators herding the population as if they were

sheep. What I tell the current senators is. . . "Your reign is Over," it's the time that THE MEEK INHERIT The College of Staten Island. The salvation lies within the nominees RALLY SLATE. I, along with my comrades, are willing to dedicate our time, motivational expertise, and our many resources to every student on campus, on a larger scale. A scale that never existed here at CSI. A vote for Kwan Burton will guarantee a promising new millennium at CSI. Rally DiGiTaL.

Alon Wolkowitz: Presently, I am the SG Student Center Commissioner. In the past few months I have had the opportunity help strengthen the position of student run organizations to have the appropriate facilities here on campus. If re-elected, I will be able to continue my work here at CSI.

##### JUNIOR (vote for one):

Shenika Aspinall: As a representative of the Student Government body, I will be active in informing fellow students of issues that occur in or outside of campus. I will work hard to ensure that students are comfortable and have a healthy academic environment. My main focus is took students aware of issues that affect them and get them more involved.

My name is Elizabeth Edwards and I am running for the Junior Seat on Student Government. I am currently a senator and I am President of the OUI club. So far I am on the Part Time Commission which provides you with free coffee and tea and snacks at night and evening programs. I plan to be a advocate of Students and if reelected I plan to do what I can for clubs so that they get a fair shake and not get shafted by the administration. I also plan to do what I can for Child-Care and Students who are Deaf and Hearing Impaired. A vote for me is vote to end club discrimination and student decimation.

##### SENIOR (vote for one):

Augusta Emokpae. My brothers and sisters, I am sad about the situations that I have witnessed in the current

Student Government. I would like the chance to better our university in more that one way. This election please elect me, Augusta Emokpae for the Senior Seat of the Student Government, and the members of my slate, THE RALLY SLATE. If I'm given the chance along with my brothers and sisters of the RALLY SLATE, we will happily lead the start of reform at the College of Staten Island.

Thomas Healy: Dear fellow students I am running for Student Government because I know I make a difference. I am already currently on a Student Government committee and working on a serious project. This project is to get the MTA to issue a bus for Bay Ridge Brooklyn directly to the College of Staten Island. I believe in the types of projects and issues namely anything pertaining to Student Service if elected I vow to make these problems my primary goal.

##### GRADUATE (vote for one):

Lisa Beatha: It would be an honor for me to serve the students at The College of Staten Island as a Student Government Senator. I believe that it is time for mature and focused students to work on the real issues facing students today. The students need a leader a leader that can establish open and effective dialogue with the administration. Voting for me will help bring about a positive change in leadership on this campus.

Please support our efforts and vote the COMPLETE RALLY SLATE this election. That means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at The College of Staten Island, and this begins with you. Thank you.

My name is Meredith Fogelman. I have been involved in student activities for many years now. I would like to be elected to student government for a second term. If elected I intend to continue my work in helping students with students services. While on student government my commission reinstated the whistle watch program, collected donations for the children's center and is putting up sug-

gestion boxes in 1C, 1P and 1L. I feel that I could help to initiate more changes to student services that would benefit students. Thank you — Please vote for Meredith Fogelman.

AT LARGE LOWER (vote for ten):

My name is Leslie Ann-Alverados and I am running for an at large lower seat on student government. I am a member of the College Voice and dedicated to the empowerment of students. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you

Todd Bergan: I am presently a senator on Student Government and the Club Council Representative for the Physician Assistant Club. I feel that more time and effort should be spent on clubs and student services, like Child Care and Parking Services. I am also very concerned about the quality of student relations here at C.S.I. This past year I have been committed to supporting student unity on this campus. If re-elected, I will continue to diligently work to improve these issues.

My name is Kenyatta Carter. I would like to be on Student Government so that I can make constructive, and practical changes here at CSI. This campus has been through some major turmoil in the past couple of years, and I think that we need to start building a student movement of unity, harmony, and stability.

My name is James Anthony Cua, and I'm majoring in Computer Science here at the College of Staten Island. I

have been involved in various student organizations such as High Society, P.P.O.C., and Club Council. I am extremely interested in promoting more efficient student services on campus like parking, child care, and food services. I strongly believe that it is imperative that Student Organizations learn to work together in harmony.

My name is Danielle DiBerardino and I am running for a lower at large seat on student government. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you.

My name is Melanie Goldstein and I am a sociology/ anthropology major here at the College. I am actively involved with the Peer Drop in Center. I am a CSI Ambassador, a New Student Orientation Leader, and currently serve Student Government's Student Service Commission. If elected I will fight for the needs of all students. I also feel strongly about the parking problem and the children's center on this campus. I will do my best to help keep these services, and/or improve them. I am a down to earth and fair person and will do my best to address and fight for all of the students concerns about their campus life.

Timothy Latona: One of the major problems that I have with CSI is the overwhelming red tape that we have to endure, just to register for our classes. Furthermore, once we pass that hurdle, then we have to figure out a way to get to them, ie parking, and shuttle bus services. Then there are some major issues surrounding the

autonomy of student organizations on this campus that need to be resolved. We must come together as students to promote the philosophy that the Administration needs to service the student body, rather than the students serving the Administrators.

Stephanie Lauria: I am running for the at large lower seat on Student Government because I am concerned about the quality of student activities here at CSI. I am tired of school politics, and if elected I will do my best to put student services, such as child care, club life, and school safety, a first priority. I am relatively new at working with student organizations here, but I am ready for the challenge.

My name is Renee Marhong and I am running for a lower at large seat on student government. I am a member of the College Voice and dedicated to the empowerment of students. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you

Eugene Martin: I feel that as a student at C.S.I. I should have a say in what goes on on this campus. I plan to take on a lot of responsibilities that will help improve the lives of students in this school. There are many students in this school that I have come in contact with that have grievances with their campus lives. I believe that I am very capable of making changes and impacts on this college.

My name is Bryant Romano and I am running for the open seat on the Student Government. I am actively involved with clubs on this campus

and I want to see that they get their fair treatment as all the other groups. I also want to help with the Child-Care Center and see that whatever can be done will be done. If you elect me I will promise to always fight for students and to make sure that we get heard by the administration. A vote for me is a vote for Students empowerment and a vote for the student Community.

My name is Robin Shomo and I would like to be re-elected for my seat on Student Government. I am currently the President of the Dance Theatre Clutural Club and representative of the Club Council. I see that things have improved recently, but could be better. I intend to fight for all student organizations to have equal rights and priorities. It is time for fresh ideas and I am the person that can do it.

My name is Christine White and I am currently a Senator on Student Government. If you re-elect me for Student Government I promise to fight for Child-Care and fair and impartial treatment of clubs. Being a Student Ambassador I am naturally an advocate for students and hope that you see fit to do yourselves a service and re-elect me Christine White to be your voice in Government.

My name is Andre Woods and I am currently a Senator on Student Government. I am also the Part-Time Evening Weekend Commissioner. I have made the needs of the evening students a priority on this campus by offering coffee, kosher food, tea and gourmet snacks. I have also held open evening forums to give students the opportunity to meet administration, as well as offering things such as a tax-workshop, and other entertaining events. I have fought relentlessly to give you an evening office worker so that your paperwork can get done faster. If re-elected to the SG I will continue to lobby again for the Child Care Center, as well as better treatment for all student organizations. A vote for me is a vote for your continued success.

AT LARGE UPPER (vote for five):

Peter S. DiMitri: Students at CSI face a wide assortment of challenges: parking, government budget cuts, bureaucratic waste, to name just a select few. If the student government is to address these and other issues credibly — and if we are to earn the confidence of the student body — we must act on behalf of all students, not just a select or vocal few. Cooperation and unity are our only keys to success. Being a student representative is a major responsibility, and not one to be taken lightly. If elected, I will strive to be worthy of that responsibility.

Joanne Gallo: For those of you who don't know me already, my name is Joanne Gallo and I am the Student Government representative for the College Council, President of PPOC, Club Council Coordinator (for all 60 clubs here on campus), and a Social Work major here at CSI. I have also served on the Student Service Commission, Student Center Commission, the CSI Association, and am currently the Deputy Club Commissioner. Wherever there is a crooked Adminstrator, or false student representative, I am usually around to defend students rights on this campus. I am a Senior, and this is the last year for me to help make positive changes at CSI. If re-elected I promise to give you my best.

Arturo Gloria: I am currently sitting on the Student Government Senate. I am also a representative on the Club Council, and an officer in the Apostolic Christian Life Center of CSI. I believe in total unity among students, and I hate to see students treated unfairly, or hurt in any way. If reelected I will make fair and moral decisions. I am a firm believer in doing what is right and what is best for the students.

My name is Lorraine J. Hart-Hildebrand and I'm running for an at large Upper Seat on the Student Government for the Academic Year 1999-2000. I can honestly say, after a year's experience on the Senate, that participating in Student Government has become very important to me. I

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have found it very rewarding and challenging to be working with the diverse body of students and as honored to be chosen as their Deputy Chairperson. I am a strong advocate of students' rights and will fully support the organizations on this campus that enrich the lives of the student body. This includes the various publications, academic and cultural groups, and as founder and President of the Gay and Lesbian Student League, I am a strong supporter of clubs. Hopefully, in the year to come, we as a collective body can really implement some much needed change for the entire student populations' benefit.

Morgan T. Healy: At this time, I have been serving the students here at C.S.I. as the Student Government President. In this past year I have had the opportunity to establish repose from last years Student President and his lackeys. When all the smoke finally began to clear, we have been able to (finally) accomplish some positive programming/ services on this campus. If reelected I vow to continue this positive movement of student unity.

My name is Emens Larouche. My major is African Studies and I am a member of the Organization of Prestigious Poets (OPP). I am also very active in other student organizations such as the Club Council, student activities, and have been affiliated with the sports and Rec. center by playing on the Women's Basket Ball Team. I am a very sincere and approachable person, and if elected, I will do my best to put the needs of the students first.

Kathleen McHugh: I am a senior, having been at the college on both a full-time and part-time basis since spring of 1995. During this time I have been active in various CSI activities. They include: New Student Orientation, Math Tutor (SEEK and the Mathematical Tutorial Lab); English Tutor (the English Learning Center); President of the Mathematical Society; Deputy President of Student Government, Elections Commissioner; member of



the following Commissions: Academic and Curricular Affairs (2 years), Publications, Student Services; service on the following: College Council, WSIA, Auxilliary Services, PDC and active involvement with the Student Union. I was the student representative on the Institutional Planning Committee and am currently the undergraduate student representative on the Middle States 2000 Committee.

In addition to my studies, I take my role of "student representative" very seriously. I believe that students should have more say in their education and the goings on at their college. That is why I am running with a group of dedicated students on the Rally slate. Together we represent the diversity of students enrolled at CSI and together we will fight for the rights of all students.

My name is Olusogi Oluwole and I am running for an upper at large seat on Student Government. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. That means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you.

Dee Smith: As a concerned student. I see the College of Staten Island in desperate need of reform for far too long our campus has been non-chalant. . . passive. . . bovine!!! Student Initiative and participant is imperative. It's time for us, as concerned students to approach matters that will benefit the student body at large. This will be better than a select few students.

I will be the type of senator who will deal with relevant issues pertaining to the entire Campus Community. Please support the Rally Slate and I in the upcoming election

for a better tomorrow. Thank You.

My name is George Springer and I am running for an upper at large seat on Student Government. I believe we need a Student Government that is dedicated to enriching students lives and helping to fight for student needs and rights. As a member of Student Government I will be open to ideas and questions from all students. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you.

#### CSI ASSOCIATION:

##### AT LARGE LOWER (vote for three):

Kenyatta Carter: Currently, I am a College Assistant, working for the Sports and Recreation Center here on campus, and I am well aware of the struggles that plague our student population here at CSI. As a student here, and I am personally effected by these conflicts, As an Association member I will be in a position to look out for student interests.

My name is Robin Shomo and I am running for the open seat on the CSI Association. If elected I promise to help out on club issues and to help expedite paperwork so that clubs aren't held up as long as they have been. I also will fight for students and the endeavors that we want to engage in. I will also try to ensure that students are made a priority.

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Alon Wolkowitz: I am running for the CSI Association because I am very alarmed at the condition of student finances on this campus. As an Association member, I will have the opportunity to be a watchdog concerning our student activity fee's.

##### AT LARGE UPPER (vote for two):

Joanne Gallo: Last year certain student representatives, who I will not mention in this statement, spent the Student Government money reserve (close to \$300,000). The same representatives also monopolized our CSI Association seats. Administration sat by passively and aloud this group of individuals to cause financial havoc to our campus. Consequently, Administration now needs to raise the Student activity Fee \$21. Why should students have to pay for their mistakes?! Further, more administration sat by while these same students caused racial problems and dissention on campus. It took a new Student Government (which I have been part of) to bring back financial stability and student unity on our campus this past year. It is imperative that the students on this campus take responsibility i these matters since our Administration refuses to do so this is why I am also running for the Association as well as SG.

My name is Lorraine J. Hart-Hildebrand and I am running for an Upper Division Seat on the CSI Association. After a year's involvement with Student Government, I learned many things about how a campus operates. I would be honored to sit on the Association and try to help advocate for what would be the best way to administer the student activity fee. I would look forward to collaborating with the Administration and Faculty.

Thomas Healy: I am running for the Association because I have observed, in the past couple of years, that irresponsible Student representatives, as well as irresponsible Administrators have mishandled our student activity fees. I would like to continue to advocate for the student body, and be apart of this committee that has so

much influence over the, student services/ activities, and finances that effect us all.

Kathleen McHugh: The CSI Association is the body that administers the Student Activity Fee at CSI. In addition, they also allocate the portion of the fee that is applied to Commencement exercises and student leadership development. As part of the Association I, along with five other student representatives, would have an active part in the development and review of activity fee budgets for intercollegiate athletics, intramural programs and activities, the Children's Center, WSIA, and PDC. Being a math major, I would like to participate in this economical and political aspect of the college.

#### AUXILIARY SERVICES CORPORATION (vote for four):

My name is Kwan Burton and as a current member of The Auxiliary Services Corporation Board, I am familiar with the procedures of this body. As a student leader I will need your assistance in making better decisions about the CSI Bookstore, Dining, Services, Vending Services, and Parking Registration and Enforcement. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. That means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank You.

Kenyatta Carter: I hope to use this position to help alleviate some of the parking problems, and improve cafeteria services. I am also in favor of finding a way to route some of this funding into child care, and better student activities.

My name is Danielle DiBerardino and I am current member of Student Government. I am running for a seat on The Auxiliary Services Corporation Board. As a student leader I will voice my opinion about the CSI

Bookstore, Dining, Services, Vending Services, and Parking Registration and Enforcement; I Will Voice Your Opinion. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. That means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of government at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank You.

My name is Elizabeth Edwards and I am running for the open seat on Auxiliary Services. I intend to work towards cutting prices in the cafeteria and making the bookstore even more student-friendly. I also intend to see that the parking condition gets better as well. If elected I will serve you well and will not let you down. I am a student of action and my voice will not go unheard!

My name is Lorraine J. Hart-Hildebrand and I'm presently an employee of CSI/ Auxiliary Services - Corporation in the Department of Parking Services. This enables me to be in the position to see 'both sides of the coin.' For instance, I'm aware of the many good things that ASC does, that perhaps the average student may not be aware of. However, as a full time student of CSI, I am faced with the negative aspects that one encounters during an average semester. I would be honored to advocate for the students' voices on the Auxiliary Services Committee.

Kathleen McHugh: I have been serving on the Auxiliary Services Board since December 1998. I was appointed due to a student's resignation. Auxiliary Services oversees the day-to-day operations of Dining Services, Vending Services, Parking, Enforcement and the CSI Bookstore. I would like to continue working with the Auxiliary Board, making sure that students' issues and concerns are dealt with.

Robin Shomo: I am running for Auxiliary Services because I am not pleased with many of services on this campus. Parking is a nightmare, and

the food services are not only expensive but at times inedible. If elected I would like to try to tackle these problems.

Alon Wolkowitz: I would love to have an influence on Auxiliary Services because I want to improve things such as, cafeteria prices, and parking. If elected, I intend to formulate some effective, and student oriented proposals.

My name is Andre Woods and I am currently the Secretary for The Auxiliary Services Board. The reason why you should re-elect me is because I have worked to get approximately 375-500 new parking spaces and lowered prices in the CSI Bookstore. I also am trying to work out a plan to re-do the Cafeteria to make it more accessible to everyone, and maybe even get them to start accepting food stamps since the cafeteria prices are so high. I have served you all well this past year, and would like to continue to do so.

#### COLLEGE COUNCIL (vote for seven):

Kenyatta Carter: I am very concerned about all the academic changes that have been recently imposed on the students here at CSI. These academic changes demonstrate that there is a concerted movement to weed out the average working class and minority students, in favor of a more privileged population. Adding CORE, CLUES, and additions to our degree programs, while simultaneously cutting our remedial programs. What is going on? Is this campus going SUNY? Furthermore, I feel that it would be beneficial to our students to have the Pass or Fail option, as many other campuses do.

My name is Elizabeth Edwards and I am currently a Senator on the Student Government. I am running for the open position on College Council. I intend to make our voice heard as students and to see what can be done to give more services to us. I also intend to try and attempt to get our professors to order cheaper books and stick to the same texts for a couple of years to help cut our costs.

This council if I am elected will be the perfect forum to interact with those professors who make or influence decisions in their department.

Joanne Gallo: In this past year there had been one delegate and seven students elected to serve on the College Council. Unfortunately, I have been the only person to show up to ANY of these meetings.

Consequently, I was unable to institute the Pass/ Fail option due to the lack of student participation. This year I am re-running for the College Council and I am hopeful that with the help of the newly elected students we can make this change, as well as others.

My name is Lorraine J. Hart-Hildebrand and I'm currently running for one of the seven student positions on the College Council. As someone who is pursuing a dual Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Philosophy, while simultaneously working toward the completion of a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics with a finance specialization, I feel entrenched in academic curriculum requirements. This feeling was expanded upon, albeit pleasantly, while I worked in Academic Advisement as a scheduler. I know that I'm not alone in questioning some of CSI's academic policies. Also, as a full time student, I have concerns regarding the availability of course selections. If given the opportunity to reside on the College Council, I feel I would be a strong student advocate.

Linda Notaro: I'm a history College Council major and I am running for college council because I am concerned about the academic issues on this campus. If elected I will help resolve the academic conflicts that C.S.I. student face.

My name is Olusoji Oluwole and I am running for a seat on The College Council. I want to help get student's opinions to be heard. Please vote for me along with the rest of the members of the Rally slate. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts

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My name is Robin Shomo and I am running for the open seat on the College Council. If elected I plan to work towards a better relationship between the students and faculty and administration. Let our voices be heard and my mouth be that voice for you. Vote for me Robin Shomo.

Alon Wolkowitz: I am interested in College Council because I would like to support the student perspective in a (predominantly) Administratively run committee on this campus.

My name is Andre Woods and I am running for the open seat on the College Council. Currently, I am attempting to make academic improvements such as adding another on campus Internship placement, so that students have more to choose from. I also intend to work on getting a pass/fail option on troublesome courses. If elected I intend to pressure the administration to work with faculty, and be more supportive towards the students. We need to work together and lobby for cheaper books, (and certainly Professors should use the same text book more than once), and get them to put more books on reserve at the library. A vote for me is your ticket to having more money in your pockets.

#### FACULTY STUDENT DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE (vote for seven):

My name is Shenika Aspinall and I am running for a seat on the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee. I believe we need student advocates on this committee. I believe in helping to fight for student needs and rights. Myself and the entire Rally Slate nominees will make sure that things get done on campus. Please support our efforts and vote the Complete Rally Slate this student election. This means everyone on our ticket, not just the people you like. We need a complete change of gov-

ernment at CSI, and it begins with you. Thank you.

Kwan Burton: Last year, I was elected on to this committee and I proved myself to be an asset to the student population. I would consider it an honor for me to be elected the same position again this year. I will never let the students down. . . and that's the bottom line. Vote For Alycia Parker and the other members of the Rally Slate.

Kenyatta Carter: It is very important to me to see students unite across ethnic, cultural, and academic area's, to empower the entire student body on this campus.

Gina Catania: Last year at this time (and straight through to the beginning of this year) some irresponsible and meanspirited students caused reaked havoc on this this campus, causing student arrests, racial disharmony, etc. This year, myself as well as my running mates have promoted student unity, and productive and effective programming. If re-elected, I would like to continue the good work.

My name is Lorraine J. Hart-Hildebrand and I feel that one of the most important positions a student can hold is a seat on the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee. The importance of this body cannot be stressed enough, due to the Committee's ability to weigh a student's future in the balance. I feel I could render an unbiased and fair judgement, if chosen to represent the student body on this committee.

Linda Notaro: I am a member of the Club Council, and the Vice-President of Theta Phi here at C.S.I. As an active student I would be honored to serve on the Disciplinary committee, since I am concerned for the condition of student life on this campus.

My name is Bryant Romano and I want you to elect me to the open seat on the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee. If elected I will promise that students will get the fair shake that they deserve and that they do not get their rights taken away from them.

I will do my best to see that this campus becomes as safe as possible so that we can all worry more about passing our classes and not looking over our shoulders.

My name is Christine White and I want to be elected to the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee. If elected I will do my best to see that students are given a fair shake and that they don't get abused by the system.

Alon Wolkowitz: Currently, I am part of this past Student Government that has brought peace to this campus, after last years partisan and political fiasco's. I am endeavoring to bring student unity on this campus.

My name is Andre Woods and I am running for the open seat on the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee. If elected I promise that I will do everything I can to make sure that not another student gets attacked on this campus and if it were to happen I would see to it that they got everything that is coming to them. Our safety is paramount and we should not have to worry about being attacked there are much better things we have to worry about like graduating. We are adults and should not have to be policed by the administration, but for those of us who need it keep cool its not worth getting in trouble which could lead CUNY to come down on the rest of us.

WAYNE — WE NEED TO CREATE SOME CHART, OR AT LEAST A BOLD LIST, OF WHO'S RUNNING FOR WHAT AT THE START OF THESE STATEMENTS. ALSO, IS THIS EVERYONE RUNNING? MAYBE THEY DON'T CHOOSE TO HAND IN A PLATFORM STATEMENT, BUT IT'S OUR

## DUTY TO OUR READERS TO LIST THE CANDIDATES, AND THE OFFICES THEY ARE RUNNING FOR — JOHN

My name is Tom Banis, and I am running for a lower seat on Student Government. I am an active member of the student body, and if elected, I plan on fighting for lower prices in the bookstores and cefeteria. I have no money left in my wallet because of these and parking violation prices. I also understand the need for open admissions and remedial classes. I will fight with all my power-(and I'm a pretty big guy), to ensure that these rights will remain our rights.

Over the past two years as a student of CSI, I, Jonathan Cohen (running for Student Government and College Council) , have seen, and been affected by many problems in the way things are set up in our school. Just to give you an idea, the problems I am referring to are: parking, a lack of shelter at the city bus stop and too small a work-out area in the gym. But above all, is the problem I ran into yet again this week. . . REGISTRATION! Why is it that the other CUNY schools have telephone registration, while CSI cannot even get its website working so that we can check the available (or closed) classes? Registration should be a 5 minute process, yet I have never gotten it done in under 20 minutes (and as long as an hour). Please vote for me in the upcoming elections so that I can see to these problems and the many others that I have not listed.

Danielle DiBerardino, Platform Statement: My intention to get involved with student government at CSI came as I began to discover all of the great things this college

has to offer. There are so many things to motivate students to become active in their education. The one drawback is that hardly anyone knows about them. Empowerment comes with Knowledge, Information and Awareness. Student Government should be a major source for getting the student body involved. I would like to see more of this.

My name is Timothy Jenkins and I am running for a seat on the Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee, the college council and the At Large Upper Seat on Student Government. I am already quite active in CSI student life as I am on the Board of Directors of the Association, the Program Development Committee Chairperson, the Copy Editor for the club publication Millennium and am involved with many other activities too numerous to name here.

If you elect me, the students will be getting an experienced, motivated and dedicated representative. I believe that a student leader should be a voice for students to administrators, not a voice for administrators to students. I promise to listen to students' opinions and desires with an open mind and then got to battle for them.

Thank you for your time and make sure to get out and vote!

Brenda Lovelace. Student Government, At Large Upper. I am a medical technology major and a one-woman army. In my free time I wander around the college to find out what current issues are affecting us students and then I pass on the information. I refuse to have a sit-down philosophy and thought-pattern. We students have been given a bad check that has returned as insufficient funds. I am

myself so that I will be prepared. I will fight for more physics tutors and perhaps a physics tutorial center. Why does the biology tutorial center have many tutors and computers but the physics have none? Is biology more important than physics?

My name is Steven Palma. As a returning student who attends both day and night classes, I am aware of the many problems that plague CSI, affecting both full-time and part-time students. Starting with the most obvious, I would diligently pursue the expansion of parking space on unused and undeveloped land. My main concerns, however, lie with the academics of the university. I will effectively campaign for the implementation of more culturally diverse courses reflecting more accurately the demographics of the student body. I would also like to see the option of relegating one class per semester as Pass/ Fail. This practice has been adopted by many prestigious universities (such as St. John's), allowing a student who is not performing well in a non-major class to obtain the credits without lowering his/her G.P.A. These issues amongst many others will be on my agenda if elected.

Neneh Sesay. I am a Social Work Major and the treasurer of the Social Work Club. I, like many of my fellow students, am frustrated with the bureaucracy and nepotism of this college. When you vote for me you are voting for progress and positive change in our college. This is a dynamic time of change in our college. Let's work together to ensure our college future.

Tamieka Spence. I am a freshman student who is

interested in the rights of students and getting more involved in campus life. When I am elected to student government I will work for increased parking, lower cafeteria prices and smaller classes for students. I will fight for students. Together we can make a difference.

My name is Alexandra Velez. I am running for the lower division of the Faculty Disciplinary Committee and the lower division of the Auxiliary Services.

If you elect me, I will represent you diligently and effectively. I have a good working relationship with both student organizations and the administration, therefore I'll have the ability to get things done quickly and efficiently.

I have worked for The Banner and founded the club publication Millennium. I know this school "inside-out." I know what students want and need. I can work to show you how CSI can help all of us as a whole.

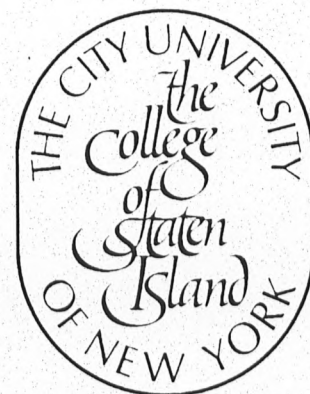
My name is Andre Woods and I am tired of the state calling us CUNY Students animals. If it were left up to the state officials, who knows how far they'd go to punish us for even the slightest infraction. Remember they want to arm the CUNY Public Safety Officers! Being a representative of the students on this committee I'd make sure we get a fair shake. Remember talk is cheap. Let my actions speak for me. Vote Andre Woods for Faculty Student Disciplinary Committee.

I am also running for the Lower Division Seat on the next Student Government. I am for Open Admissions, positive multi-cultural relations, more than adequate day-care, student control over student space, increase in parking

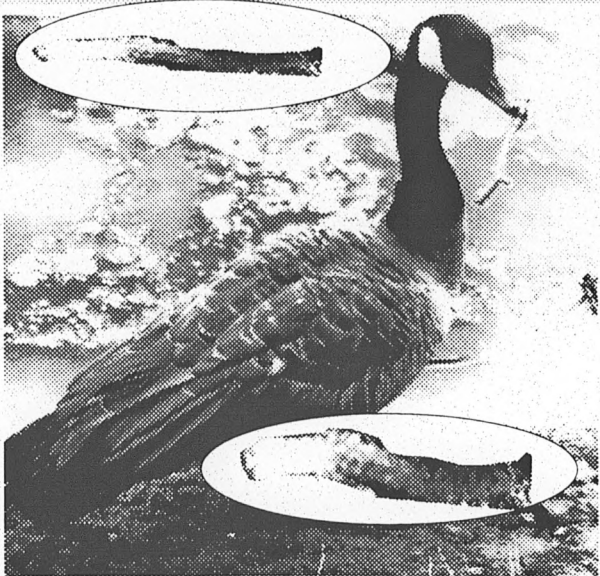
spaces, better shuttle-bus services, a cut in bureaucracy on campus, extended library hours and 24-hour access to the computer center in the library, lower prices in the bookstore and cafeteria, and increased support for the disability students and those that are in Seek.

I won't abuse students like what has happened with the current SG.

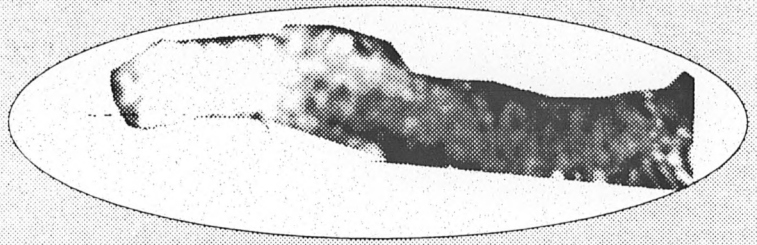
I am also running for a seat on the Auxiliary Service Committee. Students since '93 have complained about high prices in the bookstore, cafeteria and the parking dilemma. Well I'm tired of being a complainer so I'm doing something about it. Currently I have voted on many issues facing the CSI community such as parking in which I helped in us getting approximately 600 new spaces soon. I also will be working on the issue of the child care center funding and increasing scholarship funding. I also am working on dining room services and their prices. I also have helped to secure a better contract with the bookstore in which students are making out better than we did with the last contract. Vote for me so that I with the other students can fight for lower prices and eventually solve the dilemmas that plague us. Remember, talk is cheap. Let my actions speak for me. Vote for Andre Woods for Auxiliary Services Corporation.



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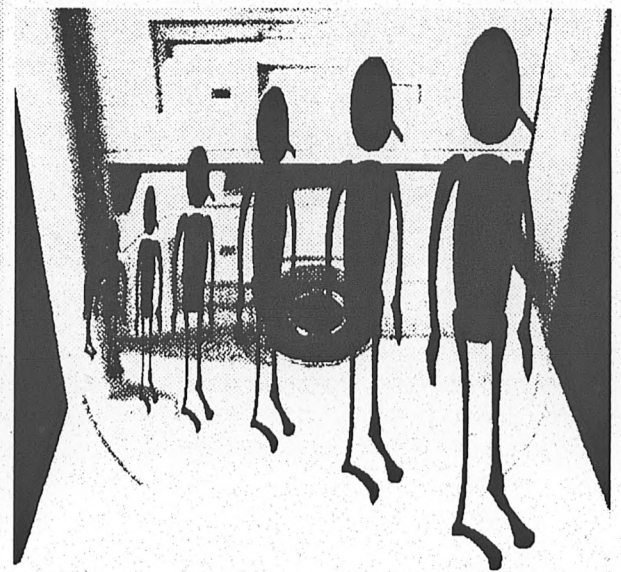
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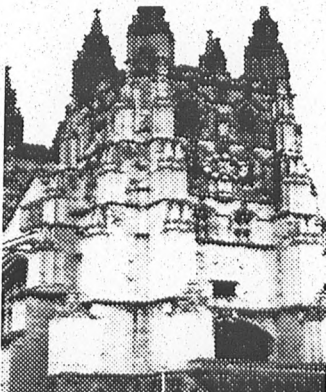
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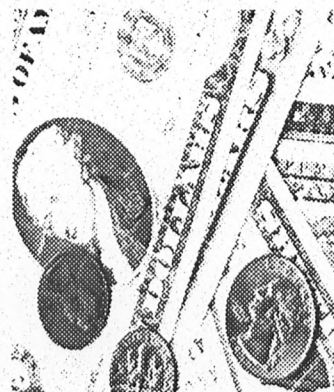
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