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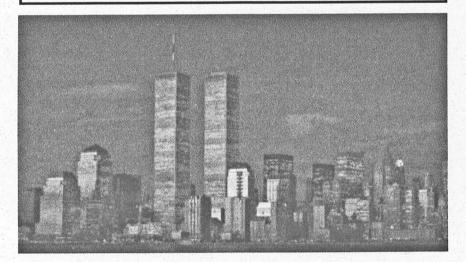
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This issue is dedicated to all of our fallen heroes



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What the hell? I thought this registration thing gets easier as you go along. But there I was inside building 2S, knocking down doors, begging the faculty for various color-coded overtally forms. An extra speedbump in the road is that Spanish professors are not allowed to admit one student more than the 30 allowed in each. No se puede, Kris. Keep in mind I had to sit in a Psychology 100 course with 79 other students a few years ago, and no one had a problem with that.

The system is not the problem here, it's the lack of teachers. Complaining to the staff at registration is not the answer. They are doing what they can with the amount they have.

I was depressed when I heard the news in late August that the baseball players were not going to go out on strike. For one, I'm a Mets fan and the faster this season ends, the better. Two, I wish the public could see that we shouldn't give athletes multi-million dollar contracts to play a children's game. We should use this money to make teaching positions more inviting.

Make that starting salary \$300,000—then see if we run out of teachers. People will be breaking down doors and waiting on lines that dwarf what we go through every year at late registration, just to get an interview.

9/11

This day didn't quite creep up on anyone, did it? One year ago I sat in my house staring at a television for one week straight. My words about 9/11 will never be as elegant or as meaningful as the people who lost brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, mothers and fathers and sons and daughters. My heart goes out to everyone who lost someone they love on this most tragic of days. Being a survivor is brutal.

> -Kris Lo Presto **American**

The bottom of select pages of this Banner will be dedicated to the entire Staten Island community, a portion of which has shared

generation:

Where were you on September 11, 2001?

their answer to a question that will define a

I was at P.S. 13 in Rosebank when a man I was with whispered in my ear that a plane had crashed into the World Trade Center. Then my son called my cell phone and told me. At that moment I recalled Osama Bin Laden's words from a few years ago, "Birds will fall from the sky." I sat and wondered, were there any more?

-James P. Molinaro, SI Borough President

I was at work on a back-hoe, fixing a watermain leak in Annadale. A man drove by the work site screaming out his window that we were being attacked. We thought he was crazy, but found out the truth when we heard the radio report. The next night I volunteered with five friends and was assigned to a bucket brigade all night.

-Larry Gavin, 45

Chairlift accident leaves student injured and in the hospital; Student has seizure, brought to St. Vincent's

Kris Lo Presto

Wednesday, Sept. 4 10:58 am-Public Safety refused to give the name of a 19 year-old handicapped student who fell from the chairlift of a an Access-a-Ride bus and ended up hospitalized.

The student suffered a laceration on her head and reported discomfort in her neck. Officer Adams, one of two public safety officers trained in EMT, rushed to the scene and assisted the woman while awaiting backup.

A FDNY EMT unit arrived on the scene at 11:10 am and put the woman on a gurney and carried her onto the back of the ambulance. She was rushed to the Staten Island Hospital North and was later reported to be in stable condition.

Officer Adams reported that the woman was "conscious and alert" when she left the scene of the accident. Public Safety Director Gene Martinez reported that there were no known problems on the school bus.



CRITICAL CONDITION:

The campus police refused to identify this student, shown under the care of a Staten Island FDNY EMT unit. Public Safety Officer Adams was first to the scene. FDNY arrived on campus just 12 minutes after they were called for assistance.

Photos by Kris Lo Presto



Student Collapses and Enters St. Vincent's

Kimberly DeLese

September 10th, 2:35pm-The 2S curse continued on campus when an ambulance had to be called for the second time this month. An unknown student suffered a seizure in the second floor hallway of 2S. Deserie Cruz, CSI Student, was the first to attend to the injured man.

"He was walking in the hall when he had the seizure and fell and hit his head," said Cruz. "It was a scary and foreign environment. I held his head and tried to talk him out of it."

Two of the public safety officers who are EMT trained, responded to the scene, as well as the college nurse. Although the public safety officers were unable to comment, the man was rushed to St. Vincent's and is now in stable condition. What will the curse bring next?



WSIA: Under NO Management

Interim General Manager position still vacant after Adamo's departure

Greg Adamo gave the Office of Student Life seven weeks to find a replacement general manager for WSIA-FM. Ever since, Student Life has been feeling around campus for a possible interim replacement. Among the few people interviewed for the position is Austin Lee, who The Banner erroneously named Program Director in the Sept. 2 issue.

Austin Lee has refused to comment on the issue.

"Lee is inelligible for the position due to a bylaw in CUNY policy that prevents more than a 10% increase in his salary," says Lucas Garber, programming director of the 10-watt sta-

"The students were very accepting of having Lee as GM," said John Ladley, WSIA's chief engineer. "The students are disappointed that he can't do the job. Lee was in the position of learning instead of administrating, which would be the best way to do the job."

Rumors are flying. Will the new GM be ex-student Scott Axelrod? Or will it be previous programming director Mike Horan? Or John Ladley?

NYPIRG: Out To Get Voters

Prevent the increase of tuition and register to vote today.

Less than half of 18 to 24 year olds are registered to vote and NYPIRG is determined to increase that figure with this year's voter registration drive. The goal is to increase voter participation by conducting a statewide campaign starting at the College of Staten Island in the weeks before October 11th.

"We have to get out there and vote to show elected officals that students are an important constituency," said CSI student Peter Lang.

New York City is predicting budg-

et cuts for the upcoming fiscal year, and faces a possible \$6 billion deficit. With the possible rise of SUNY/CUNY tuituons at stake, elected officals must be aware that students have a voice.

"Students should understand that elected officals respond to two things: money and pressure," said Dan Botting, NYPIRG Project Coordinator. "If we could turn all of those students into 500,000 voters, elected officals would have to pay more attention."

So go and register to vote today! -Kimberly DeLese September 16, 2002

My sister and I were driving in Israel to my uncle's house. When we arrived, he runs down the driveway and says that the Twin Towers collapsed. I thought he didn't know

what the meaning of the word "collapsed" meant since his english wasn't 100%. Inside, we turned on the BBC and I found out he knew exactly what that word meant.

-Neil Schuldiner, Third Rail Editor

When the attacks first happened I was in a meeting with no phone service. Later, my daughter who lives near the Pentagon called and told me what happened. We then had a cabinet session to talk about what steps we had to take. I was in shock at the tragic events but I was immensely relieved that my daughters were okay.

-President Marlene Springer

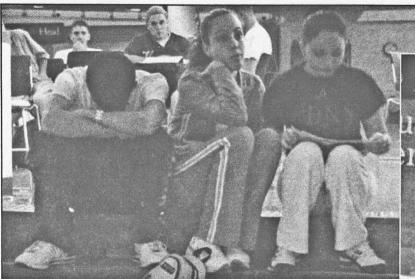
I was in my JROTC classroom in Port Richmond High School doing pushups because I was late, as usual. When I got up I looked out the classroom window and saw billowing smoke all over the place. My sergeant then told us that the World Trade Center was hit. My first thought was of my dad and aunt who work pretty close.

-Marissa Maldonado, 17

CSI Remembers Our Fallen Heroes

their city.

8:46 am



Freshmen Lou Ercole, Cristina Lombardo, and Amanda Edison (from left) observe the moment of silence together in Building 1C.

6:30 pm

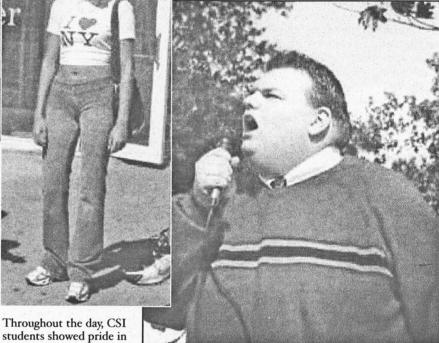


In the evening, students and faculty gathered outside Building 1P. They sat in a half-circle and listened to the words of President Springer and student-body President Noam Germain. Then Professor Kantrowitz of the English Department recited Walt Whitman's great elegy, "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd."



11:15 am

2:30 pm



Anthony Contrino sang at the dedication the CSI memorial, on the lawn between 2N and 2A.

"When Lilacs
Last in
the Dooryard
Bloom'd"



I saw as in noiseless dreams hundreds of battle-flags, Borne through the smoke of the battles and pierc'd with missiles I saw them, And carried hither and yon through the smoke, and torn and bloody, And at last but a few shreds left on the staffs, (and all in silence,)

And the staffs all splinter'd and broken.

I saw battle-corpses, myriads of them,
And the white skeletons of young men, I saw them,
I saw the debris and debris of all the slain soldiers of the war,
But I saw they were not as was thought,
They themselves were fully at rest, they suffer'd not,
The living remain'd and suffer'd, the mother suffer'd,
And the wife and the child and the musing comrade suffer'd,
And the armies that remain'd suffer'd.

- Walt Whitman

All photographs: Kris Lo Presto

I'd arrived at work early when my phone rang. It was Mike Daniels telling me to turn on a radio, a plane had hit the WTC. A few minutes later the phone rang again. It was my folks saying a second plane had just hit the other trade center. Stunned and fearful, we quickly prepared the Campus Center for a day that would forever be etched in my memory.

-Carol Brower, Director of Student Life

I was getting an ultrasound on my gall bladder at Seaview Radiology. In the waiting room the televisions showed the event. I didn't realize the severity of what had happened until all of the people in the waiting room started crying and screaming. I got my ultrasound and went home. I was just in shock.

-Lauren Valva, CSI student

I woke up to find my mom in the living room with the TV on. Her jaw was hanging to the floor in shock. I then heard about what had happened by watching CNN. I instantly got a chill becuase two of my good friends were in Tower 1. I got in my car to go to class and as I was driving on the expressway I saw both towers on fire. It was very surreal.

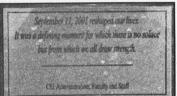
-Ann-Marie Giacalone, Senior

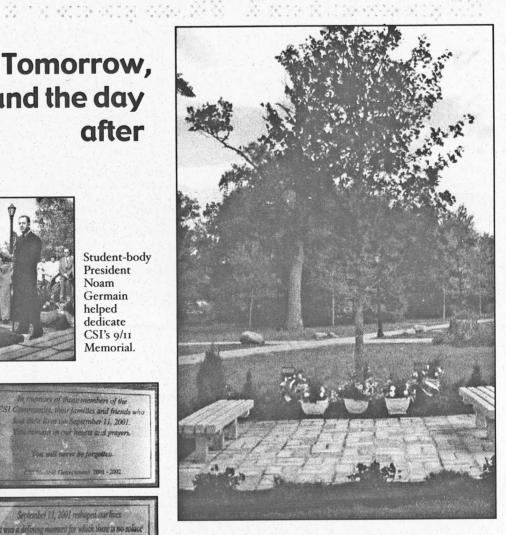
Tomorrow, and the day after



Student-body President Noam Germain helped dedicate CSI's 9/11 Memorial.



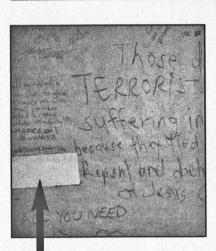




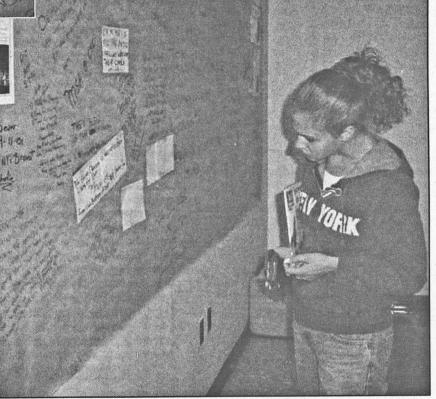
At the CSI memorial site (above) are two plaques that recognize our fallen brothers and sisters.

God Bless America Land that I really don't bre but bless if because heretalive

Wall of Remembrance Turns to Wall of Hatred



Cardboard isn't enough to conceal feelings of animosity. If you wrote this, counseling is available at 1A-109.



Tara Biuso

CSI's attempt to give students an outlet to share their prayers and grief and to reflect on the 9/11 tragedies has not turned out as planned.

In the corner of Building 1C, right next to the ATM hung a 10-foot long spread of blue construction paper. Here, students could comment and express their feelings. The banner read: "The Wall of Remembrance." Some students chose loving words, others praised the heroes, and some used their space to vent and alienate certain individuals.

One student thanked the NYPD, the FDNY, and the EMS workers. A few gave hope and sympathy to families who lost their loved ones. One even contributed a little free verse.

And then there was the student who wrote how the 19 hijackers are now where they belong, in hell. Another student expressed built-up rage towards Arabs and people of Middle-Eastern descent in terms so hateful that the writing had to be obscured by a piece of cardboard.

I was working at IS 318 in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. I could see the towers on fire from my classroom window. During my off periods, I was either watching what was happening on TV or on the roof with other colleagues watching. We actually saw the towers fall and disappear from the horizon. Everyone was trying to call loved ones and trying to grieve..

-Philip Ames, 24

I was blow-drying my hair, listening to the radio when I heard the news. At first I thought it was a joke. I ran to my TV and turned it on. As I watched, everything became real.

-Nicole Mirabella, Sophomore

I was getting ready to take a ferry to Manhattan. I was taking a photography class here at CSI, and had an assignment to take photographs of objects at different/obscure angles. I was driving towards the ferry, and pulled my car over by Snug Harbor and watched the whole event in horror. I felt alone and afraid.

-Marissa Ranello, 22

DIGIS AND BUSH PART 1 By Enrique Inocente



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Mutant Lobster Boy by Chris Sorrentino

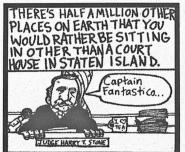


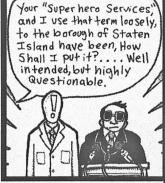


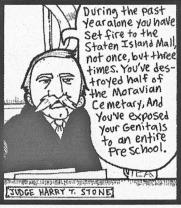


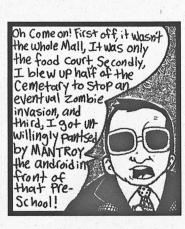


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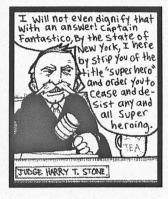


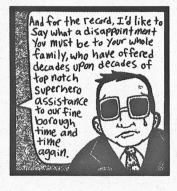






















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Horoscopes

Aries: The Ram March 21-April 19



Being quite the individual that you are Aries, you sometimes feel a little insecure about yourself and feel that maybe you are going too much over the top. Realize that this is why people respect you so much. Don't be afraid to break new barriers. This is what makes you such an interesting person. Love Days: 19, 22, 27 Lucky Days: 18, 22, 25

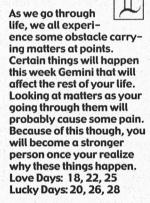
Taurus: The Bull April 20 - May 20



A few people have been getting on your nerves lately and instead of settling it with them, you're laying it down on everyone else. No one will want to hear your complaints and deal with your cocky mood this week. Taurus. The only way to help yourself and relieve others of your problems is to settle the problem from where it started.

Love Days: 19, 23, 28 Lucky Days: 17, 25, 26

Gemini: The Twins May 21 - June 21



Cancer: The Crab June 22 - July 22



Make some time for your family this week Cancer. If your close by then go for a visit, if you're far away, then give them a call. Whether you've been fighting with them or even if everything is running smoothly, just remind them that you care about them. The stars show many rewards for signs of appreciation.

Love Days: 20, 26, 29

Lucky Days: 16, 23, 28

Leo: The Lion July 23 - August 22



If your unhappy with where your life is going these days Leo, maybe its time to set some new goals. This week is the perfect week to start. You won't be overloaded with work and will have lots of free time. Spend some of your time alone just thinking about what you really want to pursue in life and then go out and make something of it. Love Days: 26, 28, 29 Lucky Days: 16, 22, 27

Virgo: The Virgin August 23 - Sept. 22



Your life is quite unorganized right now Virgo. The main reason behind this is because you often make plans and don't stick to them. You always have good intentions and good instincts but you never follow through. If you listen to your heart, your life will run a lot smoother and you'll begin to enjoy it. Love Days: 21, 26, 28 Lucky Days: 17, 25, 27

By Mademoiselle Kassidy Jones

Libra: The Scales September 23 - Oct. 23



Family and friends will demand too much from you this week. You're only human though Libra and can only do so much. Don't stress yourself out trying to please everyone. Take care of the most important people first and tell the others that you care and will make time for them when you can.

Love Days: 17, 20, 24

Lucky Days: 22, 24, 29

Scorpio: The Scorpion October 24 - Nov. 21



You've been under heavy stress lately Scorpio, but you've been doing a great job on moving on from your past, however someone whom you were once close to, but who is no longer in your life will show up. Don't less this shake you up though, you'll be amazed to find out what this person has to say to you.

Love Days: 20, 23, 25

Lucky Days: 18, 20, 23

Sagittarius : The Archer Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

If you're single, you're wrapped up in stalking your crush; if you're involved, you only have time for you bf/gf and nothing else. Lets talk about this sagittarius. Friends and family are forever but who knows where love can take you? What if you break up with your love tomorrow or find out that your crush doesn't like you? Who will you turn to? Make time for others in your life before they shut you out of their life as well. Love Days: 20, 23, 27 Lucky Days: 22, 25, 29

Capricorn: The Goat December 22 - Jan. 19

8 You're smart, out going, good lookina - w hat else can you ask for? You've got it all! Okay, maybe you don't have a hot rod car or a million-dollar penthouse - but these are materialistic things. There's no reason for you to have low selfesteem. If you're looking for true happiness then stop your search because you've already got what it takes. Love Days: 17, 18, 29

Aquarius: The Water Carrier Jan. 20-Febuary 18

Lucky Days: 18, 24, 25

Theres something you want to tell some one Aquarius. You've been dropping hints and try-ing to cut around the b ush, but clearly, the message isnt getting across. Have no fear about simply coming out and saying how you feel to this person. Whether the person's response is good or bad, you'll finally have an answer and some weight lifted off your shoulders. Love Days: 22, 25, 28 Lucky Days: 22, 27, 29

Pisces: The Fish Feb. 19 - March 20

As a Pisces, you love working at a fast pace. This is just the week for you then. You'll be flying through all of your assignments and asking for more. Be careful though for careless errors. Things will start to slow down the following week so you may want to think about spreading out some of your tasks. Love Days: 18, 19, 27 Lucky Days: 22, 27, 28

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

FALL INTO FUN

Upcoming programs

Thursday, September 19, 2002 BAND: SABOR LATINO 1:30pm IC-Rotunda

Latin Heritage Month kicks off with one of the hottest Latin dance bands out of Boston, Sabor Latino ("a taste of Latin") plays cutting edge contemporary Latin music that spans upbeat salsa, meringue, cumbia, bachata, bolero, rumba and more.

Friday, September 20, 2002 BROADWAY SHOW TRIP "AIDA"

Tickets on sale for students in 1C-201. Ticket prices: Student \$15.00 with valid CSI ID. Guest ticket: \$25.00 one per student, must be 18 years or older with proof of age. Personal Growth (PG) CLUE

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Wed., September 25, 2002 BAND: FADE 2 SHADE

2:30pm 1C-Rotunda
This six piece group is an extraordinary
combination of rock, jazz, and ethnic
rhythm. Originally scheduled to perform
at CSI last September—join us as we
welcome back Fade 2 Shade.

Thursday, September 26, 2002 LUNASTIX LUNACY

1:30pm Alumni Walk Fountain
Lunastix Lunacy challenges participants to test their
juggling stix skills. With 300 sets of Lunastix
provided, hundreds of participants will be able to
simultaneously share in the stix play. Stix play is fun,
challenging and can be done anywhere by anyone.



Thank You, America

by Katrina L. Winslow

Air Force Army **Blood donors Bus drivers** Children **Coast Guard Doctors EMT Firemen Iron Workers** Marine Men **Merchant Marine** Navy Navy Seal Nurses **Police Volunteers** Women

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Back to Sleep

Paul Cantor

It's been a year since America's great pillars of capitalist dominance have fell. Indeed, a great amount of national pride was elicited after the attacks of September 11th, but as time has passed, the effects of the attacks have appeared to dwindle. The American people were urged to go on with their everyday lives, and one year later, it appears they're doing so.

Before September 11th, our country appeared to be wrapped up in its own vitality. Too concerned with material items, social status, and celebrity, the people of this country slept through a decade of prosperity. Had they opened their eyes for even a brief moment they would have seen that there was unrest felt in many other parts of the world. The U.S. played a large role in this unrest; particularly by using its power in places it generally shouldn't have. But the U.S. economy needs to boom, and contrary to popular belief, many of the conflicts the U.S. engage in, however limited they may be, are guided by economic concerns. American soldiers were sent overseas many times in the 90s, and though they were primarily used in peacekeeping situations, U.S. air strikes were conducted, and resulted in enormous amounts of civilian deaths in addition to social and economic destruction. It's true that as people, we tend to open our eyes to things when they hit close to home. On September 11th, the pain that the U.S. has inflicted on countless other nations, hit home.

This pain, and the ensuing courage that was exhibited will most likely never be outdone. But the sleep that was momentarily broken on that fateful day seems to have tightened its grip on the American people yet again. The people have tuned out MSNBC, CNN, and Fox News, instead turning the channel to American Idol and The Real World. Hollywood boomed during the summer of 2002. The economy is slowly steadying itself. People are slipping back into their pre-September 11th routines. Americans have gotten their swagger back. They are once again turning a blind eye to the international problems plaguing America, its allies, and its enemies.

While the USA Basketball Team was defeated, utterly embarrassed, in its own country, the American people went about their daily lives. While recent protests in Chile have shown contempt, and even hatred, for the U.S., the American people went about their daily lives. While Saddam Hussein blows off UN weapons inspectors and the U.S. plots a move against him, the American people go on with their daily lives.

I see a lot of American Flags being waved in the air these days, but I wonder if nationalism is something that can be truly represented and exhibited on the side of a house or a car. Globally, the U.S. lacks support, so we can only hope that our persistent selfish nationalism does not beguile us into thinking we're immune. The events of September 11th can happen again. Hopefully, our eyes will be open.

9/11: Through the Eyes of A Muslim

The Opinion of Sherreen Kandil

"We thought it was an earthquake," said Mohamed Kandil. It was September 11th and Kandil, a Bank of America employee, was working on the tenth floor of Tower One.

"We formed a circle," said Kandil. "We created some sort of comfort. My co-workers knew I was a religious man, so they asked me to pray for all of us. We prayed together, the six of us, each in our own language, praying to a being for some help. Then we ran to the nearest staircase to exit. Chaos overwhelmed the staircase as everyone tried to push their way towards safety. The doors were locked. We had nowhere to run, so we waited. A pipe broke and filled the staircase with water. We fell over each other. Finally, the doors opened and we pushed our way to freedom."

Like Mohamed Kandil, I will never forget that day. I was at work in the Todt Hill Westerly Library when my Grandmother Samya called me in a state of hysteria. You see, Mohamed Kandil was not just any employee of the Bank of America. He is Samya's son-in-law. My father. And Kandil also happens to be an Egyptian, and like most Egyptians, a Muslim.

As the days, weeks, and months have passed, prejudice has been thrust upon many Muslims and Arabs. Good, they deserve it, you say. But do we? *Islam* means submission, that is, submission to the will of God. The word *Salaam* derives from the word Islam, and it means peace.

What is the meaning of that forbidden word, Jihad? In

western countries it has been translated as "Holy War." Actually, the word jihad derives from the Arabic word jiha (it first appears in the Koran and Hadiths, the sayings of the Prophet Muhammed). Jha means to strive or to exert oneself. The Prophet Muhammed said: "The best jihad is [by] the one who strives against his own self for Allah, the Mighty and Majestic." The Prophet also said, "He who kills himself with anything, Allah will torment him with that in the fire of Hell."

Chapter 2, Verse 190 of the Koran says, "and fight in the way of Allah those who fight you. But do not transgress the limits. Truly Allah loves not the transgressors." Prophet Muhammed gave us limits and among those limits were instructions not to steal, not to break a treaty, not to mutilate dead bodies, not to kill women and children, and not to destroy property. If individuals violate any of these limitations, their holy exertion may not be considered *jihad*. Fighting to protect your people and land, like Palestinians are doing, like Americans have done in the past, is a form of Jihad

Islam is a peaceful, beautiful religion. There are people who misinterpret Islam just like there are people who misinterpret Christianity. Do we condemn all Christians, whites, and all Americans as racist, horrible people because of the evil acts of a single group of degenerates, such as the Ku Klux Klan? No. So why do Americans condemn all Muslims and Arabs for the acts of a few who have misinterpreted the words of God?

Where Is Everybody?

The Opinion of John Palermo

When the normal sports fan thinks of college basketball, they think of big teams like Duke, North Carolina, and St. John's. These teams consistently sell out major arenas such as Madison Square Garden.

The College of Staten Island enrolls thousands of students yet the Sports and Recreation center holds between one thousand and twelve hundred people. And it's always empty.

CSI student Mike D'Eredita said he does not even know where the team plays. Anthony Buoninfante, another CSI undergraduate, is a big sports fan and says he would go to the games is they were advertised more. "I never see anything about the games, and I am too busy with school work to look for information."

The men and lady Dolphins are always competitive in the

CUNY conference, with the women capturing the crown last year and the men the year before. Yet attendance for those teams was as slim as Ally McBeal, averaging 248 spectators for the men and 122 for the women. Where are all the fans?

The teams play well ,the gym is great ... what more can you ask for? When our Staten Island neighbors, the Wagner College Seahawks, were homeless (Sutter Gymnasium had been torn down to make room for their new home, the Spiro center) students packed the house at the CSI Sports and Recreation Center. Yet the Dolphins, who students can see for free, had houses a quarter of the size.

CSI's sports teams have a lot to offer. Fans should appreciate the high level of athleticism and success in competition reached by CSI teams, and come to the games. See you there!

Graduation Woes

The Opinion of Dave Morgan

The lack of accountability in and CSI's academic advisors is outstanding. It is a clear issue that the academic advisory system needs to be improved to accommodate the growing needs of students in the CUNY system. There are many incidents in which students who were close to graduation were not properly guided to which classes were academically needed and therefore either took classes which didn't pertain to their specific requirements or, conversely, didn't take a class at all.

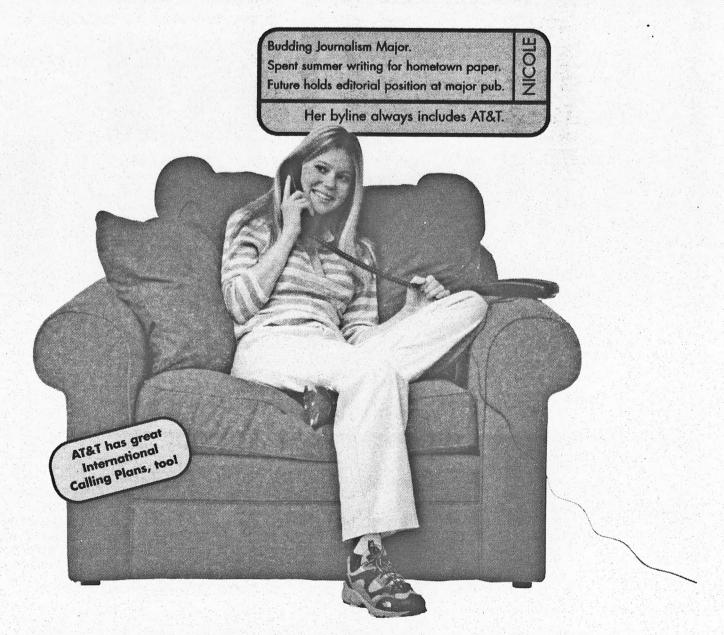
Something needs to be done. Students aren't happy with the way the system has been handled. Although some of the blame can be attributed to the disinterest of students in their early academic careers, the system needs to be altered.

Because the academic advisement system is an ongoing operation, it should be easy to employ new directives to control registration more diligently. Students should be required to have an appointment every matriculated semester. The results would speak for themselves.



"I was in my office when I received a phone call telling me to turn on my radio. Later on that night, when I was driving to my home in Long Island, I could count on one hand the number of cars on the BQE."

-Mike Daniels



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WSIA 88.9 FM

The Longer You Listen, The Harder They Get

TOP 10 Alternative Albums

By Lacey Axelrod

1.Queens Of The Stone Age Songs For The Deaf

David Groul of Foo Fighters and Nirvana fame played drums on this new album when the bands old drummer coudn't commit.

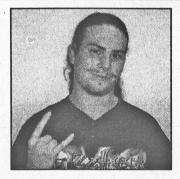


- 2. Rhett Miller
 The Instigator
- 3. Fairwheather
- 4. Spoon
 Kill The Moonlight
- 5. Interpol
 Turn On The Bright Lights
- 6. Rocket From The Crypt
 Hot Charity/Cut And Play
- 7. Mclusky Mclusky Do Dallas
- 8. Victory At Sea
- The Good Night

 9. Pulp

We Love Life

10. Plain White T's



Name: Avi
Air Shift: Mondays
3pm-6pm
DJ since: Spring 2002
Major: Education
Blood Type: q +
Marital Status: Single

Question #1
What's your favorite movie,
and why?

Avi: Caligula. It has everything you could ask for in a movie. Great acting, violence, and sex.

Question #2
What was the best concert you've ever been to?

Avi: Wow, so many. The best were The Cure, UNV Nation, Funker Vogt and

Question #3
What music will you be playing
during your show and why?
Avi: Everything from metal to emphasis
music to some techno, and industrial.
Question #4

Who is your favorite Muppet and why?

Avi: Animal. Us drummers have to stick together.

WSIA Disc-Jockeys' Fall Lineup											
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat				
7:00 am	Help Wanted	Morning Show	Morning Show	Morning Show	Morning Michell Show Garner		John G.				
10:00	Lazer Garner	Donnald Vroome	Help Wanted	Help Wanted	Help Wanted	Guru Dave	Dr. J				
1:00 pm	Steve Hager	Help Wanted	Lucas Garber	Denis Back	Jon Bolarinwa	Help Wanted	Greg Pesochin				
3:00	Help Wanted	Bryan Ahl	Greg Pesochin	Maggie May	Lacey Axelrod	Austin Lee	4:00 World 5:00 TTFT				
6:00	8:00 Sports	Gabriel Lugo	Emilio Medugno	Phoenix	Help Wan ted	Outerworld	The VAULT				
10:00 Steve		Anthony Alexander	Steve Rich	Raven	Lucien	Bryan Ahl	Help Wanted				

Banner Book Review: Lovely Bones

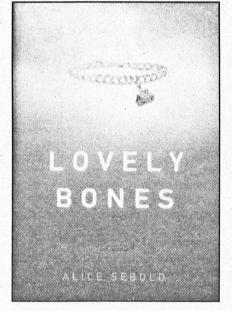
Karin Kempert

"My name was Salmon, like the fish; first name, Susie." It's the voice of a dead girl that begins The Lovely Bones, a new work of fiction by former journalist Alice Sebold.

Actually, it's the voice of this dead girl that narrates the entire novel. By the beginning of the book, 14-year-old Susie Salmon has already been raped and murdered in a cornfield near her home. But The Lovely Bones is not her story - it's the tale of the changes, devastation and hope that surround her family, friends and small 1970s community in the days, months, and years following her disappearance. Susie's sister becomes hardened and cold trying to escape the legacy of her dead sister; their toddler brother is barely old enough to grasp the concept of someone being gone forever.

But if you're guessing that this book is depressing and death-obsessed, you'd be wrong. Sebold weaves vivid characters in the act of trying to deal with the everyday tragedy that no one should ever be faced with. It's a sort of voyeuristic thrill being in the house with the grieveing family, along with our departed narrator, witnessing the emotional reactions they hide from the public as well as from one another. We also follow the exciting hunt for the killer, the discovery of evidence, and the rampant suspicions of the whole town.

wnote town. Some problems are inherent in



Sebold's chosen storytelling method. Susie narrates the action for us from "heaven", a mutable but still hokey interpretation of the afterlife that includes friendly dogs, jazz music, and a gazebo where the spirits of the dead can peek down on the living like a security guard in front of his monitors. The newly deceased even gets a guidance counselor to help her adjust to life after death. I wondered why Sebold didn't go for the whole nine yards, by including wings, harps, and the opportunity to eat an entire cheesecake off Noah Wyle's bare chest. One second thought,

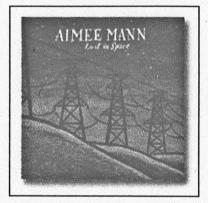
maybe that last one is just part of my heaven.

Additionally, the whole town seems grafted from an episode of Leave It To Beaver. Around every corner we are met with friendly neighbors, apple pies, innocent teenage experimentation, and a smooth suburban tranquility that seems to lack any disturbance save the protagonist's murder. While it may provide dramatic contrast with the evil of the crime, for those of us born and raised in New York City, it's no small challenge to believe that a town like this could actually exist.

But those points aside, the book is at once absorbing and inspiring. The concept that death is not the end is one that never loses its glistening wonder, and most readers will be comforted by Susie's sweet, lingering presence in her family's lives and the idea that love does not die with the body. The relationships that develop and decay throughout the book are real and moving, and both the characters' loss and their desire to move on are sensitively illustrated. The pace of The Lovely Bones may occasionally fluctuate, but in its own good unexpected twists ... a lot like life.

Alice Sebold's latest is a thoughtprovoking and enchanting read, and an uplifting book for anyone who has lost a loved one, or is suffering in the shadow of the September 11th attacks. Just don't forget to pick up some tissues first. And maybe a cheesecake.

Featured CD Review: Aimee Mann Lost In Space



Aimee Man's follow-up effort after the amazing Bachelor No.2 is, for lack of a better term, not bad. After such career altering sucess in the past year, including an Oscar nomination for her music on the Magnolia soundtrack and defeating the music industry,maybe Mann's writing skills were less than desirable. but, Mann's second effort is better than most peoples first effort. The title track is among the high points, as is Guys Like Me. The hypnotic High on Sunday 5, is dreamy and soft and showcases mann's ability as a songwriter with lyrics such as "Baby please let me begin, let me be your heroine."

You feel the addiction through the music, as you listen to the whole the album for another quality track, but if you want my advice, don't buy the CD. The entire album plus two bonus songs are available on Mann's website, aimeemann.com.

Classic Film Review: Evil Dead 2



The Evil Dead 2: Dead Before Dawn is the best, one of the goriest yet most imaginative films that I have ever seen. From Bruce Campbell's character, an idiot S-Mart gun-section clerk named Ash, who we can watch slowly going insanewhile deserted in a cabin in the woods where the "evil dead" are set free; to Sam Raimi's creepy sped-up film techniques; to the cheesy gore and campy monster costumes and stop-motion animation, Evil Dead 2 is by far the finest cinematic achievement in the entire Dead oeuvre, a series that includes the prequel (The Evil Dead) and the sequel (Army of Darkness). In movies with titles like these you know what you're in for: tons of blood, heavy boobs, lousy acting and worse special effects. I recommend watching the whole trilogy, but if you're short on time, just watch Evil Dead 2 and you won't be disappointed.

It also helps if you're stoned.

-Chris Sorrentino

The Life and Times of a Freshman Girl

Tiffany Tilena Del Valle

Today is the first day of school.

Pulling into the parking lot bestows that same old charm on me, but I manage to steal a spot. I want to tow that navy blue Oldsmobile taking up two spaces! So, I take out the trusty Motorola cell (light blue, very ladylike), and dial AAA.

That'll teach them.

I have exactly seven minutes to find my class. How am I supposed to do that? Building 1S? I couldn't even find a pair of matching socks this morning.

OK, here I am. Only chair left is left-handed. Just my luck. Can you spell ambidextrous?

Psychology 100. I'm so nervous. Thank god I'm on time. I would hate to walk in late because everyone turns to stare at you and you feel as if you'll trip any minute and everyone will laugh and for the rest of your life

every time you see a psych textbook you'll have flashbacks and intense anxiety.

College is about the important things. Is my hair in place?

ONE WEEK LATER

I find myself in the bookstore, waiting on a huge line to pay \$300 for books. I've got deadlines, quizzes, and tests to study for.

Luckily, it's only two miles to where I parked my car. And these books only weigh a thousand pounds.

In the car. Outside, the world is moving as it always has. I watch as people leave for work and small children pile into school buses. I can't help but feel a little sad, as I watch the high school students on the corner of Victory and Richmond. They're laughing. Brings back memories.

I'm overwhelmed. Change can be intimidating. What can I say?

Here's to new beginnings . . .

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

CSI's own, honest-to-god gossip column

OUTCASTS:Student Michael

Winitsky (front row, second

from right) wins free trip to

the Bahamas...or did he?

Daniela Zito

So, Jeff Probst made an appearance

Oh, wait. That was just a wannabe. The college show "Outcast" featured challenges taken from the hit shows Survivor, Fear Factor, Who Wants To Be a Millionaire, and even

Double Dare. **Contestants had** to answer trivia, run around like idiots, and eat gross stuff.

But the nasty things they were supposed "stomach" were things that you could probably find on any pregnant woman's menu. Green ketchup, garlic and Spam are foods some

people really do enjoy.

The grand prize was a trip to the Bahamas. Of course, as in life, there is always fine print and you'll never believe what they're not mentioning: The student has to pay for airfare to and from Florida and is not given a room on the long 4 hour boat ride to mention three refreshing, fun-filled days on a deserted beach? Survive that!

But in all seriousness, it was all

A new semester here at the College brings a ton of new faces. But

> to come and bust out a rendition of "Bend and Stretch."

> Professor Liebman of the English Department was supposed to make one last appearance on campus before jetting off to the home for retired professors. Well, word

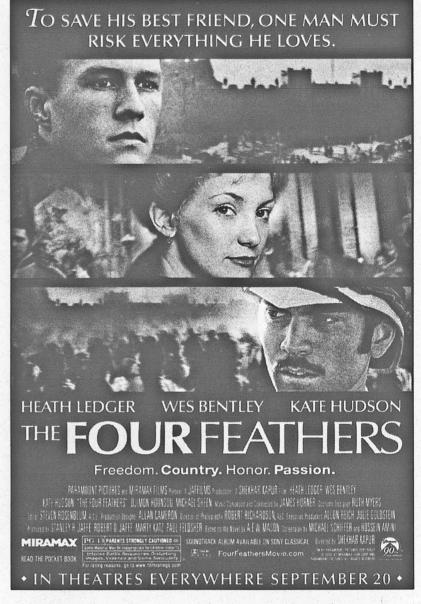
the in English Department is that he caught the retirement bug a little early and decided to lay low in New Mexico while the rest of us hit the books.

So, Viva Tequila, Señor Liebman. You'll be missed. But I'm not one to gossip. You didn't hear this from me.

the water wonderland. And did I

really kind of cool.

don't you think the freshmen are looking younger and younger every year? I'm just waiting for Doobie from "Romper Room"



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Got a question? We've got answers.

Q:My girlfriend and I recently broke up. She's already dating someone new, but I still want to be friends. She says she still wants to be friends, too. I email her and call her, but she never seems to have time for me. What should I do?

Diva Says:

Don't worry. There's other fish in the sea. Maybe one day you'll get back together. If you really love someone, set them free.

Cocoa Says:

Suck it up! You two might need some time to cool off. If she just entered a new relationship she probably doesn't want to tell the new guy she's hanging out with her ex-boyfriend, even as friends. Do not email, call, IM, stop by, etc. Make yourself completly unavailable for a while. Maybe you'll realize what a bitch she was.

Q: If a guy tells you he needs space, how do you give him the space without losing him?

Diva Says:

In this situation it is best to let him call you. If he's unwilling to give you the attention you deserve, find someone else who will.

Cocoa Says:

You want to be the player, not the sucker. It's all or nothing at

mother as she watched in horror. I quickly positioned myself in front of the TV with tears flowing down my face. The only thoughts I had were of my friends and family that were in the city during this time and hoping that they were okay. A feeling of sorrow and pain filled my body.

-Eugenia Koutroumanos, CSI student

watched the second plane hit the tower I called my mother. She was already at work. I told her what happened, and told her to try to come home. About an hour later I remember staring at the screen in shock with tears rolling down my face because both towers were gone.

-Michelle Hamilton, 23

I was at home watching the news. As I | I was asleep at my house and my father woke me up with the TV on. I didn't believe it could be real so I drove down to the ferry. There were about a hundred people gathered, just staring. I took pictures. Some people were taking video. Everyone had their radio turned up. Everyone was standing together, talking. It made it easier to accept it.

-Karin Kempert, 22

SPORTS

September 16, 2002



Show Your School Spirit at the Following Events

Support Your Local Dolphins	Tue Sept. 17	Wed Sept. 18	Thur Sept. 19	Fri Sept. 20	Sat Sept 21	Sun Sept 22	Mon Sept 23	Tue Sept. 24	Wed Sept. 25	Thur Sept. 26
Women's Volleyball					Centenary College 1 pm		City College of NY 7 pm			
Women's Tennis	Baruch 4 pm		St. Elizabeth's 4 pm		Lehman College 1 pm		NYC Tech 4:00 pm		Manhattan- ville 4:00 pm	Pratt 6:30 pm
Men's Soccer		Rutgers Newark 3:30 pm			Baruch 1 pm		NYU 7 pm		SUNY Farmingdale 4:00 pm	

Shaded Boxes indicate home games







SPIDER-MAN

September 17th—26th, 2002

Monday—Thursday: 11:30am, 3:30pm, and 6:45pm 1C-Bijou Lounge

Special Wednesday Showings: 9:00pm

1C-Green Dolphin Lounge
Wednesday Night refreshments provided by the
SG Part-time Commission

Future PDC Film Showings...

Dec. 2nd-5th

 Sept. 30th—Oct. 1st
 Men In Black

 Oct, 2nd—3rd
 MIB II

 Oct. 7th—10th
 Halloween H2O

 Oct. 15th—17th
 Halloween Resurrection

 Oct. 28th—31st
 Psycho and Exorcist

 Nov. 4th—7th
 Signs

 Nov. 11th—14th
 Apocolypse Now

 Nov. 18th—21st
 XXX

Showtimes and locations are listed above... All films are funded by Student Activity Fees

Road To Perdition

Staff Hammers Students in Intramural Softball Opener

Kimberly DeLese, Enrique Inocente, and Mikey Zymaris

The CSI intramural season was kicked off today by a Staff vs. Students softball game. There was a tremendous turnout in the spectator section with a total of three Banner reporters. One of the three ended up playing first base for the Staff.

This game was a totally one sided contest that saw the students greatly overmatched by the more powerful Staff team.

David Pizutto led off the hit parade in the top of the first with a base hit to right that was immediately followed up by an RBI triple by Staff first basemen Matt Azmel.

When the dust finally settled in the top half of the first, the Students were behind 6-0.

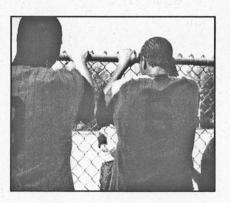
The students offensive engines just could not get started. Rallies in the first and third inning were quickly extinguished.

In a tremendous show of sportsmanship the Staff traded some of their marquis players to the Students, turing a blowout into a more evenly matched contest.

Results were not available at press time.



A familiar sight. Staff players congratulate team mate on another home run.



Student Team watched as the 6th run of the first inning was scored.

A Tribute to CSI Heroes

Three jerseys from the men's basketball team have been retired in memory of Scott Davidson (1986–90), Tom Hannafin (1983–87) and Terrance Aiken (1994–95) who were killed in the attacks of September 11th 2001. Their retired jersey numbers will hang high in the gymnasium of the College of Staten Island's Sports and Recreation Center.

Scott Davidson, jersey number 15, was an unquestionable talent and truly exemplified what an athlete and hero should be. He was a firefighter for Ladder Co. 118 in Brooklyn Heights and is survived by his wife and two children.

Tom Hannafin, jersey number 25, excelled on the field as well as in life. He committed himself to making a better life for himself and for those around him. He was a New York City firefighter for Ladder Co. 5 in Greenwich Village. Hannafin will always be remembered for his love of life and of basketball.

Terrance Aiken, jersey number 13, was known for his genuine personality and the effortlessness he brought to the game of basketball. He was a true leader on the court and in his life. He worked for Vital Computer Services on the 97th of the World Trade Center and is survived by his wife and three children.

-Kimberly DeLese

My brother works at Century 21. He's a security guard. A car had driven into the store, so they had to evacuate when the second plane hit. He was right under the explosion. He saw bodies flying down and he went over to a body, thinking it was alive. But it was dead. There was blood everywhere. He told me this story once, and never again.

-Enrique Inocente, 20

I was in a basement classroom. It wasn't until I switched classes for the next period that I realized what had happened. I was confused and in shock. We didn't have access to a TV so we turned on the computers in the computer lab. Everyone in class was on ther cell phones, finding out what happened.

-Tara Biuso, 22

My eight o'clock class was cancelled, so I was sleeping. I got a phone call from my mom. I didn't believe it at first. I live in the basement, no TV. So I went up stairs. The first thing that went through my head was we got hit by another country. I thought shit, I'm going to war.

-Peter Lang, 21