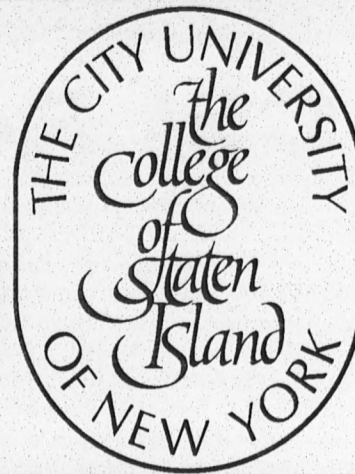


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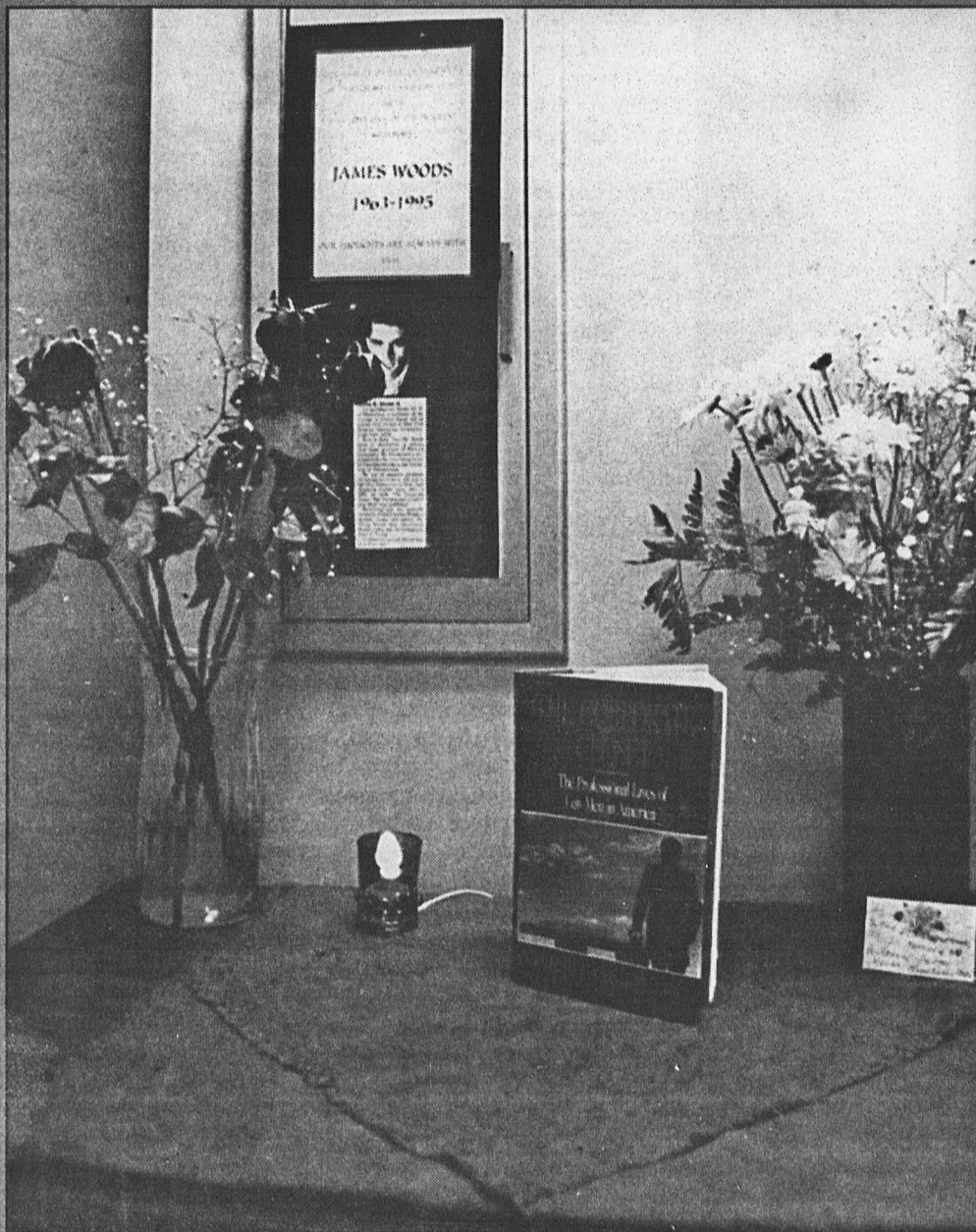
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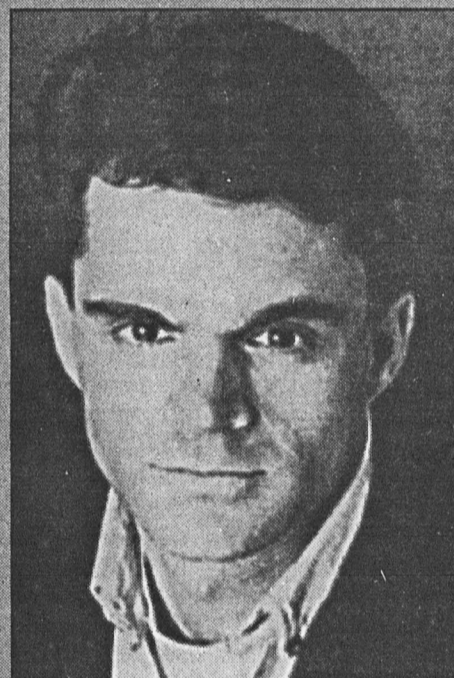


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CSI Remembers JAMES WOODS

By Michael Anderson

The PCA faculty and students alike found out about the death of one of its leaders on Friday, November 17th. Dr. James Woods passed away due to complications from AIDS at the age of 32. For those who knew Dr. Woods, he was more than a man – he was a model to be shaped after. When you heard students and faculty talking about Dr. Woods it was impossible to hear any bad remarks.

Jim, as he was called by his peers, was a well-respected man. While walking around the PCA department it was evident how much respect he received. Students and faculty were extremely upset. Some teachers couldn't teach their classes that day. One professor addressed his class on Friday and said he couldn't teach because it felt as though something was taken away from him.

Teachers and students realized his many great attributes. A spokesperson for the PCA department said, "Jim was equally and highly respected for his teaching as well as his scholarly research." At age 29 he received his doctorate from the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Pennsylvania.

In the fall of 1980, Larry Gross began teaching the first lesbian and gay studies course at the University of Pennsylvania. The course title was "Communications, Culture and Sexual Minorities" and Larry Gross' teaching assistant was Jim. Jim propelled this idea and transformed a similar class to CSI in 1991 titled "Sexual Minorities in Film and Popular Culture". Because of Jim and Larry, today there are many other undergraduate classes like these being taught in institutions such as Harvard and Yale.

Not only did Dr. Woods bring this class to CSI, he also put the Communications department on the map. When he first arrived to CSI in 1989, he already had positive things written about him. With all these positives surrounding him, it was no wonder that faculty welcomed and honored his arrival. In Dr. Woods' first semester

at the college it seemed as though he had been here for several years. He blended in beautifully and was quickly well-respected.

With Communications being a new program offered by the college, it was necessary to find someone to help design the courses that students

would need to help them succeed. Jim was that person. As of 1994, he single-handedly transformed the Communications major into what it is now. As technology changed, Jim added courses to combat this new technology. The aim was to make students learn what was necessary to help them prepare for their future endeavors.

If ever a problem arose, Jim would not stop until the problem was solved. He took this philosophy to not only his problems, but to every student's problems. As an advisor his job was to help students with their problems and questions. "Jim always had time to stop and lend a hand whenever possible," said senior Christopher Venice. "I was having a problem deciding on my internship and Jim suggested K-Rock (WXRK, 92.3 FM). I am very fortunate to have this great internship and I have Jim to thank."

Possibly the biggest effect that Jim had on his students was the way that he treated every student as an individual and not a social security number. He treated every student's problem with a different and new solution. It didn't matter who you were, it just mattered that you were in a bind and needed his help. And he was glad to do it.

Sometimes the welfare of his students and the department out-

weighed his own welfare. "I remember once when there was a problem with one of the Communication courses," recalled a PCA professor. "He was juggling and canceling doctor appointments in an attempt to get the problem solved."

Jim may have been afflicted with the HIV virus and the AIDS virus, but he never let the virus control him. "Jim was a classy and professional guy," said professor Susan Ohmer. "He was very energetic and never used his illness as an excuse."

CSI Professor Dr. George Custen was a close friend to Jim. He was unavailable for comment, but Ms. Ohmer spoke on his behalf. "George knew that Jim was extremely committed to his work. George also feels that his work is what kept Jim going. It was an inspiration for Jim to be here at the college and be around everybody."

Jim loved the students and the students loved him right back. Many felt privileged or thankful to have Jim as a teacher. "My first communication class was taught by him," said junior and communication major Madeline Wares. "He's a lovely man and I'm thankful that he introduced me to the Communications field."

The love that his students had was also displayed after the tragic news. In the early part of the week one student brought in a bouquet of flowers. Later in the week, a bouquet of roses was brought in to the PCA office to help commemorate his honor. And don't be too surprised if other acts will follow. A PCA spokesperson added, "Some more acts of gratitude will be followed, especially by someone highly

regarded as Jim."

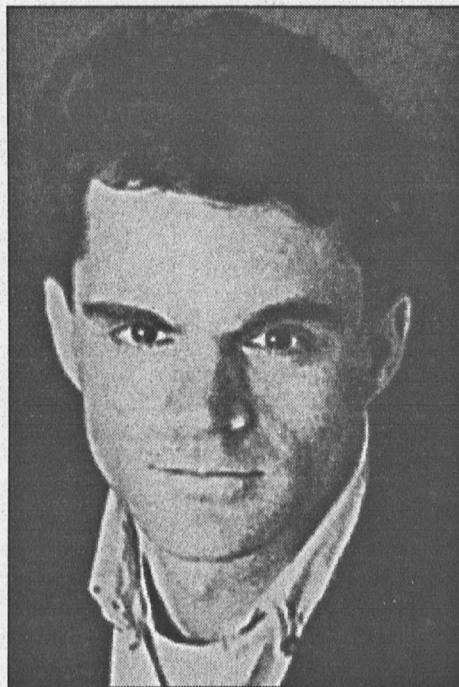
Jim was also more than a great teacher and advisor. He was a great author. In 1993 his book "The Corporate Closet: The Professional Lives of Gay Men" was published. The book received high accolades from reviewers. For this reason Jim soon became a model figure because of his expertise in this field.

After this book Jim and his former college advisor, Larry Gross, decided to write an anthology for gay & lesbian studies. To quote from their proposal the problem with lesbian and gay studies is that "no satisfactory anthology exists for the introduction undergraduate course in lesbian and gay studies. Nor is there a comprehensive reader for general readers with an interest in lesbian and gay studies." There is no word on when the anthology will be published; however, the purpose of the anthology is to help deal with the problem that Drs. Woods and Gross stated in their proposal.

One thing that is certain is that Dr. James Woods will be sorely missed. Dr. Amy Sarch was fortunate enough to attend the same graduate school at the same time as Jim. "Even back then I saw all the respect he received from people. He was truly a gifted and smart man."

There are two things that must be remembered about Dr. Woods. The first is that he wasn't the least bit closeted about his homosexuality. The second thing that must be remembered about Dr. Woods is that because of his vast research, he was considered to be a leading scholar in gay studies.

It would be a safe assumption to say that when God made Dr. Woods, He broke the mold. For this reason, it is apparent to students that his legacy must be kept alive for future students and faculty. Student Christopher Venice adds, "I think an appropriate way to commemorate Jim's legacy at the college would be to rename the Williamson Theater or name the concert hall in his honor. It would be a tremendous tribute to him and it would help keep his memory and spirit alive."



CSI CLUBS SHOW THEIR STUFF

By Sebastian Danese

Over twenty clubs gathered together in the campus center to gain recognition from students and to recruit new members to their organizations last Thursday, November 30th. Each club had its own unique way of displaying its cause. One club that was present at the event was the American Sign Language Club, an organization dedicated to teaching awareness of the needs of deaf and hard of hearing students. The ASL group passed out hand-shaped cookies along with pamphlets about sign language in the hopes to inform students on deaf issues.

Also present at the affair was the Recovery Club. This club was joined by the Rainbow Institution, both are dedicated to helping recover-

ing alcoholics and drug addicts. The group held a 50/50 raffle in order to raise funds to help their cause.

The American Macintosh Gamers Club was able to show students different types of games on the Macintosh. Headed by President Yvonne Villa, the club had two computers in the campus center with a game called "Marathon."

Students gathered around to sample the games.

Students were also enter-

tained by the guitar wielding Christian Club. The Christian Club sang hymns and handed out

tracts to students in order to teach them more about God. Also present at the event was President Marlene Springer, who commented, "This is a wonderful event. It is always great to see students come together."

The Women's Computer Science Club was also there in order to awaken women to the computer world. Club member Elizabeth

Roberts and Doctor Deborah Stern were available to answer questions about the computer science scene. Students were also able to check out the Italian American Club. Members of the club explained, "It doesn't matter that you are not Italian, you are still welcome to enjoy our films, food and other aspects of the Italian Culture."

Another cultural club that was present was the Jewish Culture Club, who handed out menorahs to students. Steven Kazan, club member explained, "We are here to promote Jewish awareness and heritage." Club day lasted for two extra hours, as they were able to get other students to cooperate in the events. Club Commissioner Meri Kaufman beamed as her clubs shone through on this great day.

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SUNDAYS RETRENCHED

By Jennifer Valle

As part of the Retrenchment Committee's decision, Sunday courses will no longer be available to students beginning with the Spring '96 semester. As part of this decision, the College will remain closed on Sundays. According to Professor Leonard Ciaccio, the decision to cut Sundays "is directly related to the need to save monies committed to overtime payment to staff to keep the campus open as directed by the Retrenchment Committee." An estimated \$200,000 dollars will be saved due to this cut.

Because of this decision, weekend students are left, having to cram their schedules into Fridays and Saturdays. Student Harry Demetri stated, "There are lots of students who, due to their job schedules, are unable to go to school during the week... by cutting Sundays, these students will not be able to fulfill their education." Coordinator of the Weekend College Program, Constance Dondore expressed, "We are sorry that we have to cut Sundays... but this was a decision made by the Retrenchment Committee." Ms. Dondore continued,

"We have increased courses offered on Saturdays in the hopes that this will help the weekend students. We know it is hard for the weekend students but we are trying to make this cut easier for them to take."

Despite attempts to 'ease the pain' of the cuts, students are still outraged by the retrenchment. Student Sean Doyle said, "These cuts make it almost impossible for weekend students to take the courses they need... it seems that the students that are working the hardest for an education are getting the worst hit through this entire budget crisis." Student Government Senator Joseph Canale commented on the cut saying, "I think this is a horrible cut that was made and many students will be hurt by this decision." Mr. Canale has recently set up a "Weekend Action Committee" in the hopes to restore Sundays and help safeguard the weekend college from further cuts.

Not only will this change affect the weekend students, but it will also affect those students who use the library on weekends for studying and research. "It disadvantages the students a great deal. If the Library is closed and you need the time to research and study, you won't be able to do it...

especially since public libraries are closed on Sundays as well," said student Pat McGuirk. Mr McGuirk added, "Why doesn't the Administration take a little pay cut... they can afford it. The students are already paying more tuition for less service... I mean, what more can the students give?" Angry with the cuts, student Ronald Romano commented, "What if we need to study for midterms and finals, what do we do then? These cuts are just not cool."

Despite the uproar with the disappearing Sunday, Allan DiBiase, Coordinator for Student Activities stated, "The college has had to make some severe cutbacks to meet our budget situation. The Sunday closing is something that was recommended by the Retrenchment Committee as a way to save a significant amount of money." He continued, "It will affect many people but it is part of what we could do to meet the budget gap." President Marlene Springer said, "I really regret cutting Sundays... we are trying to accommodate the students and when the budget looks better, hopefully we can restore Sunday classes."

ARSON STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION

By Jennifer Valle

Fire Marshals recently reported that the fire in 2 North was an arson but are yet unable to determine its exact cause. Fire Marshals explained that the fire would be labeled as an 'arson' because the building is supposed to be 'smoke-free' and therefore the fire could not have been started by cigarettes. The student who first spotted the fire was able to tell security about the blaze when it had already peaked, however, it is undetermined as to how long the fire was burning before it was spotted.

According to Fire Marshall Tom Driscoll, the inferno had an "incendiary device accelerated by some type of substance that may have been in the boxes or placed in the boxes." Director of Security, Gene Martinez explained, "If it was construction material that was left in the box or something that

could have been used as an accelerate, we have no proof because everything was destroyed in the fire."

Although it is suspected that the fire was caused by construction material, there was no residue smell which would help the investigators determine this as fact. Fire Marshall Driscoll has taken samples to police headquarters; these are currently under analysis. Neither Buildings and Grounds nor TDX were available to comment on this.

There is another question as to how this catastrophe began. Mr. Martinez explained, "It is possible that the fire was started by a cigarette." However, according to fire experts, a cigarette fire would need at least thirty minutes to smolder before it would reach the magnitude that the 2N fire had. Watchdog guards usually patrol the building every half hour to one hour in order to make sure the building is safe, and, due to these rounds, a burning cigarette would

have been spotted before it reached an uncontrollable level.

Although Officer Adams, Dalton, Clark, Knott, Mauriello, and others put their lives on the line in order to evacuate the building, students did not cooperate well with security until after they smelled the smoke. Martinez commented, "This is a dangerous attitude to have." He explained, "Everyone should realize that if you hear a fire alarm, you should treat it as though there is an actual fire... because it might very well be a fire."

Martinez stated, "This had the possibility of an arson... but there is no reason to assume that there is an arsonist, because we still do not know the facts." Security has been notified to watch for any suspicious activities. Buildings and Grounds was also notified to clear all rubbish from buildings in the event of another accidental or malicious fire.

Kwanzaa Celebrated at CSI

By Marco Sainte

Kwanzaa, a cherished African American holiday, has long been held by African Americans as a time to reflect about who they are, where they came from, and what they are about. Realizing how influential this holiday is, CSI decided to dedicate one day to this holiday. Ms. Robinson, an adjunct professor at CSI, will be organizing a Kwanzaa Celebration which will be taking place in the Campus Center on December 8th.

Ms. Robinson explained, "In the beginning of the activity, the dance class will be performing a dance related to the holiday. Then will follow a poetry session and the lighting ceremony." She contin-

ued, "At the end, there will be a feast which will be featuring different types of African and West Indian foods."

According to Robinson, the purpose of this day will be to enlighten the student body about the holiday and its fundamentals. An important part of the celebration, there is a ritual known as the seven principles, to which Robinson assured, will be discussed.

Along with the principles, Kwanzaa celebrates African history. Much like Christmas, Kwanzaa celebrates unity with one's self, family, friends, and heritage. However this was never meant to be a substitute for Christmas, or to replace it entirely. Since Christmas is supposed to be a time of

brotherhood, it seems to be a perfect opportunity for African Americans to come together as a whole, hence the theme and time.

As African awareness increases over the years, so does the feelings over Kwanzaa, particularly among black youth. Young African Americans are becoming more and more interested in finding out as much as they can about their heritage. It helps to give them a sense of identity and self worth. As more and more information about their history surfaces, the interest grows. The Kwanzaa holiday helps both to fuel that interest, and to unify the community. December 8 will embody that same principle, benefiting the African-American youth as well as entertaining and educating the CSI campus.

Spanish Club Holds Annual Festival

By Jennifer Valle and Yvonne Villa

Spanish pride was celebrated at the Campus Center when the Spanish Club held their festival Wednesday, November 22nd at 12:00 PM. Nearly one hundred students gathered together to participate in the day's events which raised nearly \$200 for the club.

Luis Cruzatte, President of the Spanish Club explained, "We are trying to give others an inside view of the Spanish Club to help bring together the Spanish community and everyone else in the com-

munity. We also wanted to erase the stereotype that Spanish people have in New York and show our culture... what we are really about."

Students trickled into the Green Dolphin Lounge as Spanish music, such as 'salsa,' filled the air. Club members pulled students to the dance floor until the area was filled with dancers. Mr. Cruzette stated, "We wanted to make new friends and the best way to do it is through dancing." The club spent weeks preparing for this event. Member of the group, Martha Tejada commented, "We rehearsed the dances for two or three weeks. We all

had different schedules so it was very hard to get together."

Vice President of the Spanish Club, William Nuñez said, "We hope that through our cultural mix and understanding of each others needs, we can reach a universal compromise to respect and love each other... God bless us all." One student, Christian Lopez explained, "I think it's very patriotic and very traditional." Another student, Leonila Medina said, "I think it's a nice thing that they are doing. They are showing us a little bit of their culture."

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TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE FINALS

By Chris Zeyer, Richard Arroyo, Ron Magnusson, and Michael Garofalo

'Twas the night before finals, and all through college,
not a student was studying, no need for knowledge;
The papers were written on computers with hate,
'Cause the twenty page paper was three weeks late;
The students were in taverns, drinking Killian's Red,
Drowning their sorrows cause they soon would be dead;

Me and my girl just went to my car,
To get away from the bitching in that damn bar;
When out on the road, I heard something smash,
I drove over to see, 'cause I like a good crash;
By the college antenna, We saw such a sight,
We both couldn't look, it gave us a fright;

The blood dripped slowly on the new fallen snow,
What happened here, we did not know;
When, what to our wondering eyes did appear,
A mangled fat man, and eight twisted reindeer;
Looking at the fat man made us both sick,
But upon closer examination, it was St. Nick;

He struggled some to get to his feet,
Only to slip on some reindeer meat;
"Oh, Dasher! oh, Dancer! Oh, Prancer and Vixen!
Oh, Comet! oh Cupid! oh, Doner and Blitzen!
We shouldn't have hit that antenna's light,
I told you to go left, but no you went right."
We went to St. Nick who was in bad shape,
We had no bandages, but we had duct tape;
My girlfriend the nursing student, started to mend,
But the bleeding kept coming, it just wouldn't end;
"There's no hope for this guy.", we started to say,
"I'll get my gun and blow him away."

I went to my trunk and got my revolver,
It was a six round, given by my father;
As I drew it in my hand, and turned around,
My girlfriend with tape, his body she bound;
He begged and pleaded, crying and such,
I had to shoot, this was too much;
I looked right in his eyes and saw his fear,
He said, "Take my sack, but don't kill me here."

Even though this sounded all so insane,
I had to shoot him and take his pain;
I put my piece right to his head,
He knew soon, he would be dead;
He said, "You bastard, after all I have done."
I pulled the trigger, in his brain I put one;
Santa's body shook all violent and fast,
So I spent my rounds to the last;
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly elf,
But now he's dead, I killed him myself;
While I was shooting, my girlfriend did go,
To Santa's bag, tied with a bow;
She went through it without any care,
I reloaded my gun, so she decided to share;
Santa had gifts for all college kids,
It surprised our eyes, we opened our lids;
Cliff notes, cheat sheets, and answers for A's,
Our heads were spinning, we were in a daze;
We will pass our classes, our tests we'll lick,
Because of an accident, and killing St. Nick.

Cornell Students' Sexist E-mail Spreads

By Amy Ryan
The Brown Daily Herald
Brown University

PROVIDENCE, R.I.—A horrifyingly sexist list of the "Top 75 reasons why women (bitches) should not have freedom of speech," written by four Cornell freshmen, has spread over the Internet and is raising controversy at college campuses across the nation.

The vulgar E-mail has been multiplying exponentially as its sexist jokes travel from Cornell to Harvard to Bryn Mawr to Boston College to University of California at Santa Cruz to Brown University.

The reasons listed run from lightly offending sexism — "17. Highway fatalities would decrease by over 90 percent" — to violent and misogynistic — "39. If she can't speak, she can't cry rape."

The four Cornell freshmen who wrote the list "mailed it to a certain number of friends, privately, who mailed it to other friends, who mailed it to other friends," said Jacqueline Powers, a member of the Cornell administration. But, the list escaped the initial group of readers.

The Four Players

The writers, who gleefully coined themselves the "four-players of CORNELL: Evan Camps, Brian Waldman, Rikus Linschoten, and the late season acquisition, the Deion Sanders of sexism, Pat Sicher" are learning the power of E-mail, as storms of angry replies from the recipients of the letter barraged their E-mail accounts and homes. According to the Boston Globe, the students have

received everything from death threats to flames like "75 Reasons Why You are Stupid."

Although the four have publicly apologized in the Cornell Daily Sun, they still face charges of sexual harassment and computer misuse that have been filed with the Cornell Judicial Advisory.

"We're just not talking about this issue," Waldman, one of the authors, told The Herald yesterday. He also said he could not anticipate them making a statement in the future.

"We think women have an equal place in society, and that just isn't true," said Jessica Fehringer, a Cornell senior affiliated with Cornell's Women's Resource Center. "This list just goes to show that misogyny is still there, it's just more hidden."

Women's Centers at campuses across the nation are responding in outrage. Members of the Boston College Women's Center told the Boston Globe that they were considering trying to crash the Cornell E-mail server.

"It's not just individuals they have affected, it's a whole group. I don't think they can realize the repercussions enough," said Elizabeth Audley, a member of the planning coalition at the Brown University's Sarah Doyle Women's Center. Audley said she saw the list when one of her suitemates received it.

At Cornell, the reaction has been confined largely to individual responses, with those disgusted by it posting flyers urging other students to "speak up and let your voice be heard," said Fehringer.

Audley added, "It is dangerous to allow this, masked in a disguise of

acceptability as a joke, to go on. Cornell is an institution where people are supposed to be the intellectual 'elite,' and I am pleased to see the Cornell administration has reacted."

Speech Issues

The irony of the "Top 75 reasons why women (bitches) shouldn't have freedom of speech" is that it raises very serious questions about freedom of speech, censorship, and their relationship to the Internet and E-mail.

"What they did is pretty dumb and tasteless, and pretty offensive to some people, but it is still protected speech," said Brown American Civil Liberties Union President Matt Holzer.

Although the Supreme Court has yet to take the issue up, as the technology is outpacing the law at this point, lower court rulings in most cases have found e-mail to be comparable to written letters. Had the Cornell students sent this to single individuals, with the intent to threaten and intimidate them, then there would be an issue not covered by first amendment freedom of speech, said Holzer.

The New York Times printed that the four students have been charged with sexual harassment, but Cornell administrator Powers stressed that this was not the case.

"In general, students are not found in violation of sexual harassment unless they send it directly," Powers said, "but that's for the JA [Judicial Advisory] to decide." She also said that those who filed complaints were, to the best of her knowledge, not those who were the initial recipients of the E-mail.

"Anything that is written

expressly to hurt people is harassment," claimed Audley. "It is naive to think that once something is on e-mail it will stay in one place, for that's just the nature of E-mail."

Charges against Camps, Waldman, Linschoten, and Sicher by those who received the list third-hand and fourth-hand is comparable to filing charges against the writer of an offensive book that one person gives to another, said Holzer. "Their penalty will be public outcast."

"This isn't true sexual harassment in the legal definition," said Cornell senior Fehringer, "and charging them would be trivializing the issue of harassment. The horrible thing is that these men thought it was funny, and so many other people do too."

Audley echoed these sentiments: "It is sad that women bashing is still considered funny, and sexism can still be considered funny."

A number of Brown students have received this message, many from horrified friends at campuses across the nation. Brown University student Petra Chlouba received the list under the heading, "Strike back against misogyny!!!" from a friend at the University of California at Berkeley.

Brown University student Hannah Kolodeziejski also received the message from a friend of hers. His intention was "isn't this hilarious," said Kolodeziejski, who replied to her friend via e-mail, requesting an apology.

"I was quite offended. It bordered on the realm of threatening." His reply to the request was, "Fuck you. Get a sense of humor."

Kolodeziejski suggested that perhaps those who send it are just as responsible as those who wrote it.

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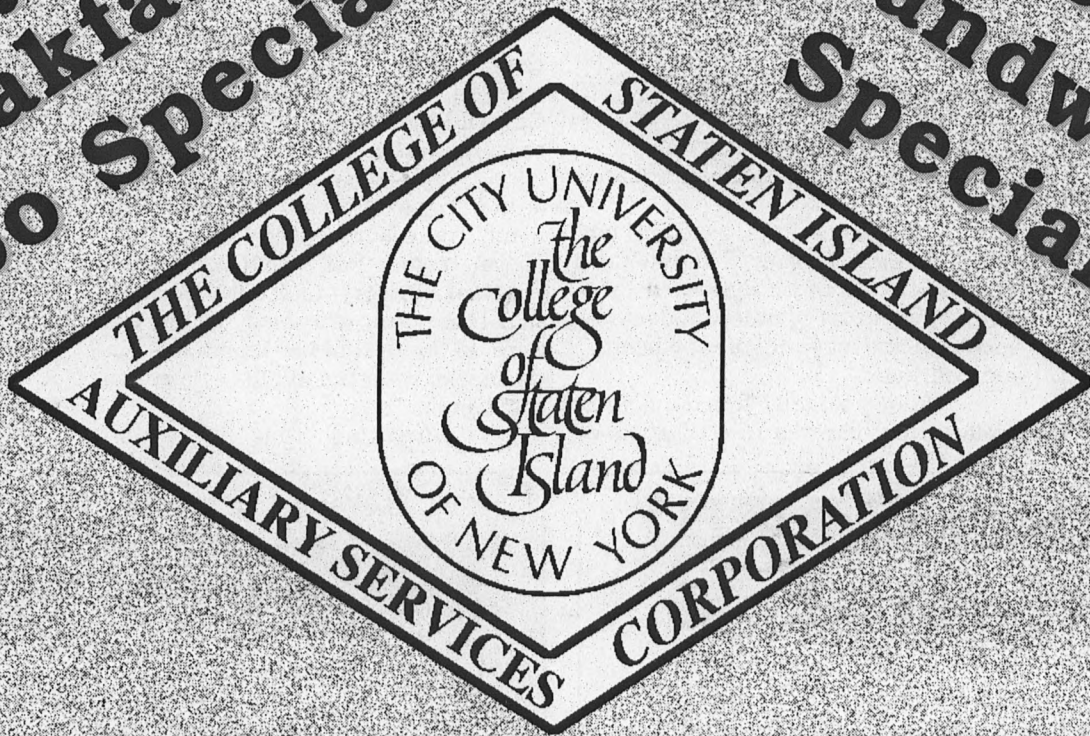
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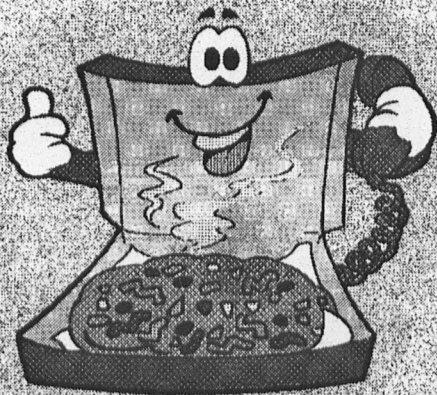
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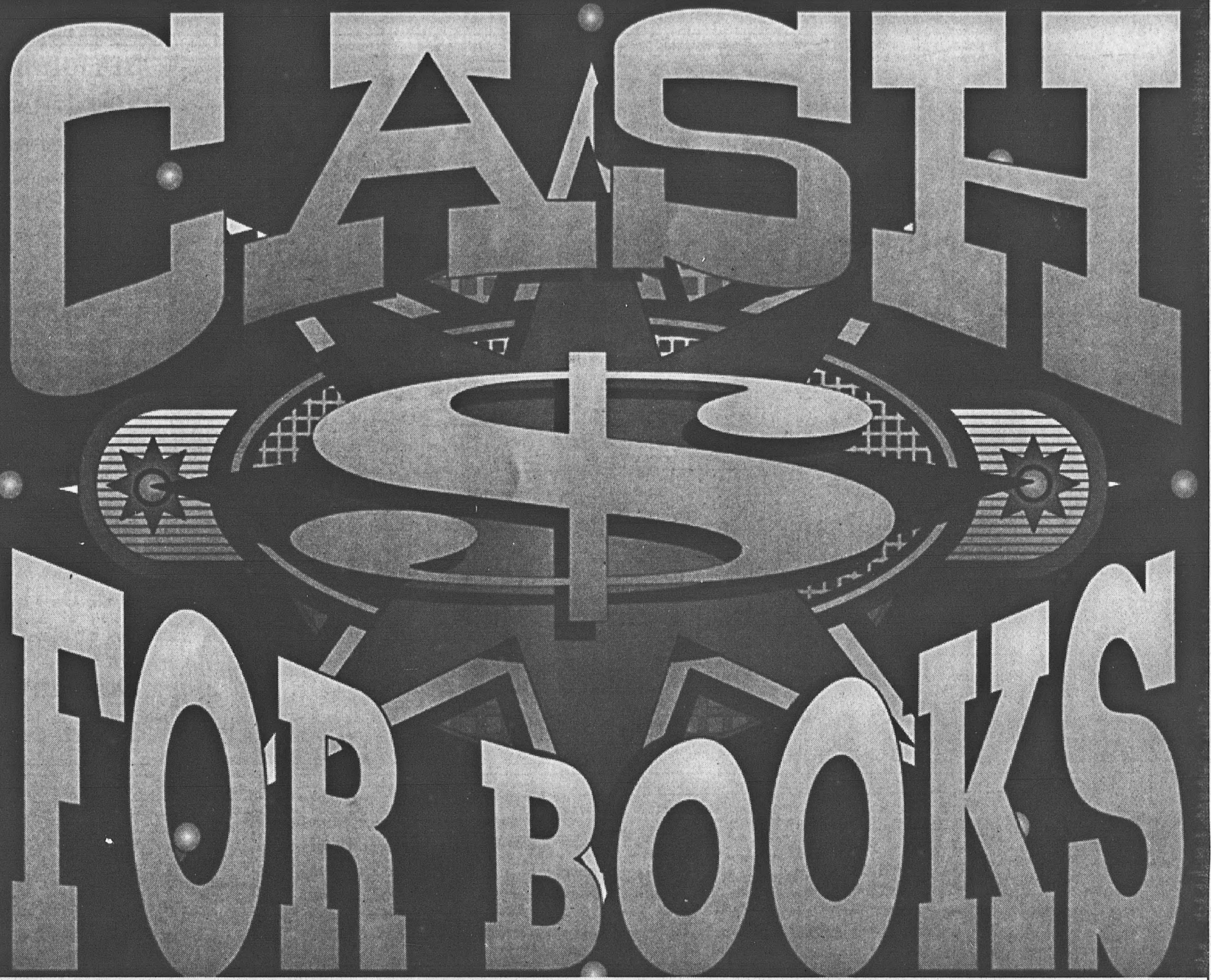
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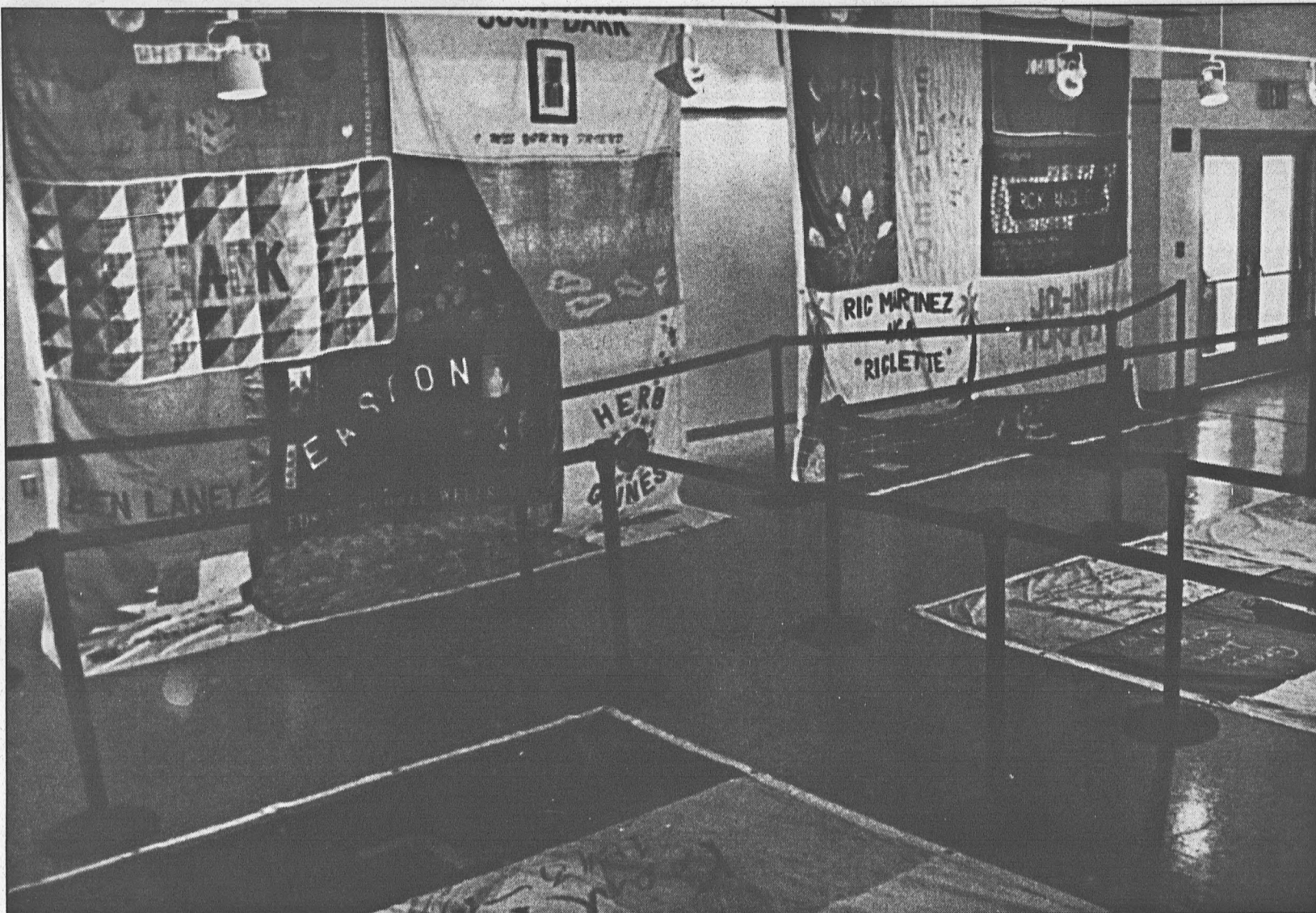
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<p>Another year of disappointments</p> <p>Maybe if Santa got a freakin' job</p> <p>Shut up! Sorry kids no presents this year. Your fat mother ate Santa.</p>	<p>Rodger decides to celebrate Kwanza this year</p> <p>March up those stairs young man and put on the clothes your mother picked out for you</p>	<p>Take time out of the busy holiday season to make fun of those less fortunate than you.</p> <p>Ha Ha They're starving</p>	<p>Rodger is at that awkward age in life that he's old enough to drink with friends but not with the family.</p> <p>Hey Rodger what can I do you for? How bout a Sprite? I make a mean Shirly Temple.</p>
<p>Rodger's turn to say grace</p> <p>Come on Rodger say prayers</p> <p>But grampa... I haven't said a prayer since that priest touched me.</p>	<p>Rodgers turn to visit cousin Bubba in the slammer</p> <p>When I get out of this joint I'm gonna kill grandma then I'm going after you. Where's my present.?</p>	<p>Rodger hits up Uncle Beeno for all his fundraising need.</p> <p>What kind of self respecting publication sells candy?</p>	<p>Rodger hides in the bathroom and pretends he doesn't have a family.</p>

By: Ron Magnusson

When Does Weekend Drinking Become A Problem?

By Jennifer Smith
The Kentucky Kernel
University of Kentucky

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Huddled in the corner of a small apartment, oblivious to the chaos around her is "Katie," a University of Kentucky nursing student. Psychedelic lights surround her, adding a tripping effect to the room. Gyrate bodies crash against each other seemingly at lightning speed. The smell of beer and sweat intertwine with cigarette smoke and fog from a huffing smoke machine in the back of the room.

Every once in a while, people come over to "Katie's Corner" to make sure the petite brunette is breathing. She has already had eight beers. A friend offers Katie another swig of his mixed drink—called a suicide.

"She does this every weekend," he said before finding his date on the dance floor. "She just uses it as a way to relax."

Katie is not alone.

Almost half of the college students in the United States are binge drinkers, according to a 1995 Harvard School of Public Health survey of 17,592 college students from 140 colleges nationwide.

Nearly 4 percent of the students drink daily. One-fifth of the students were frequent binge drinkers, which means they binge drink more than three times a week, the study reported.

After 20 minutes in the corner, Katie opens her eyes and wonders how she can get more alcohol. Grinning slowly, she goes to greet the guy she thinks brought her to the party. A few stumbles later, Katie bumps into an old friend from high school who she hasn't seen in two years.

He asks her to dance, and they stroll silently toward the gyrating masses. After a few twists and turns, Katie, who will turn 21 next year, manages to maneuver a plastic cup of Killian's Red from his hands and into her mouth.

A few more swallows, and her dancing becomes less rigid. The girl who originally sat in the corner because she doesn't dance very well becomes the grunge music ballerina. As the beat changes, her partner's body moves closer to Katie's. His hands slide from her waist to her butt. He tightly presses her body to his. She doesn't seem to mind. After the song ends, their dancing doesn't. Their dancing turns to kissing—slowly at first and gradually more intense.

At her request, he gets her another beer. In the amount of time he's gone, she finds another "old friend." Like an instant replay, the scene happens again with the next guy. Except, when the song ends, they leave the party together.

Battle Of The Binge

Katie said she is far from the average alcoholic. She has a 3.78 grade-point average, a boyfriend and a stable family life.

But Katie is a binge drinker. She can even recite the definition of her affliction.

"The consumption of five or more drinks in a row on at least one or more occasions," she reads from one of

her health textbooks. "That's pretty accurate. Five [drinks] get me a good buzz going. I can relax then."

According to the nationwide Core Alcohol and Drug survey of 56,000 college students, binge drinking contributes to a broad range of problems for college students including memory loss, trauma, date rape, vandalism and suicide. The study says drinking is the No. 1 health concern on college campuses.

Dr. Tim Nolan, director of student mental health for the University Health Service, said student drinking is a complicated issue.

"Yes, one person may experiment with alcohol—and this is perfectly natural in a college environment—but this experimentation often can lead that person into negative things like hurting themselves and others or having unprotected sex."

Alcohol also has been associated with missed classes and poor performance ratings on tests and projects. In the Core group's survey, college students who reported the lowest grade-point averages consumed an average of 11 alcoholic beverages a week, while those who reported mostly A's had less than three drinks per week.

Nolan said most surveys he has read on binge drinking show that bingers are not just hurting themselves.

"They show very clearly that non-bingers are affected—they are harassed, abused to some extent," he said.

Tradition Or Trouble?

Alcohol abuse is hardly a new concept. College always has been identified as a place for exploration. It serves as a haven for experiments with students' new-found freedom. Many of these experiments include alcohol.

"My parents drank and probably did a lot worse when they were college students," said Libby Morgan, a UK sophomore. "I don't get why experts in the health fields are still worried about the effects. I mean, really, who cares?"

Nolan said sometimes experimentation is taken too far.

"Alcohol and even binge drinking are very difficult issues, because part of the way we learn is through experience," Nolan said. "Sometimes negative experiences with alcohol can lead to positive growth, but students need to know the difference between growth and self-destruction."

UK Dean of Students David Stockham said students need to know how to drink responsibly. He said he doesn't understand what drives a student to lose control.

"Incidents of binge drinking occur too frequently—it's the kind of drinking when someone sets out to get drunk and get drunk fast," Stockham said. "Usually, it ends up making them terribly sick."

UK Police Chief W.H. McComas said student alcohol abuse can lead to bigger problems.

He said that 90 percent of the incidents where officers deal with students involve alcohol.

"It is the drug of choice for students. It is the most abused substance

in college," he said.

However, he said UK Police only give minor penalties.

If officers see a person consume a beverage, then they will arrest them, McComas said. However, if officers find someone drunk, then they normally will render assistance and then may issue a citation. But, McComas said, this usually isn't the case.

"If they are a jerk they will be arrested and given a citation," McComas said. "Officers take far more people home than they give citations."

What Is Being Done?

University officials say they believe the national studies reflect campus behaviors.

"We've carefully reviewed studies from big schools, and we have copies of them," Stockham said. "We use them as our sources of information. We believe the patterns (associated with drinking) are similar."

UK has made several attempts to address these concerns.

In 1988, the UK revised portions of its Alcohol Policy.

The policies became more specific as to where and when drinking on campus is appropriate. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in classrooms, laboratories, offices, residence halls, athletics events and all outdoor areas on campus.

Also, the policy says housing corporations that supervise on-campus greek chapter houses are supposed to establish rules that are consistent with local laws and regulations. Those house corporations also are responsible for ensuring compliance by residents.

In conjunction with the policy's opening statements to "promote alcohol education and counseling programs," Stockham said the university has encouraged student groups to create forums on related issues.

Also, the university offers a new short course with workshops and special speakers describing alcohol

and its consequences. The program is called On-Campus Talk About Alcohol (OCTAA).

For students who believe they may have a drinking problem, Nolan suggested several options for seeking help on campus. He said students may go to the University Health Services in either the student mental health wing or in the primary care facility. UK's Counseling and Testing Center also can help. Nolan added that the community has several sources, including help groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Ala-non and Ala-teen.

The Morning After

Katie wakes up in a foreign bed in a dark room. The only sign of morning she can discern is the blinking red 9:48 on the alarm clock next to her. Katie's head pounds, her mouth feels dry. She leaves the sleeping man next to her with as much silence as she can muster in her present state.

"I know I didn't have sex with him," Katie says a few hours later. "I still had all of my clothes on when I woke up and he did, too. We must have just passed out together."

Katie still does not know who the man she woke up with is or what happened between them.

After someone describes her state the night before to Katie, she says this is not the first time. She even admits that it "probably is a problem," but it will "probably happen again."

Two weeks later, Katie is seeking help at a regional rehabilitation center following an overdose of sleeping pills and muscle relaxants.

She acknowledges that the drugs were definitely a problem.

But she still doesn't think that drinking on the weekend is "that big of a problem" for her.

"Drinking is just an easy way to forget all of the stuff that has happened in the course of the week—you know, grades and classes and family and stuff," she said. "It's not like I drink all of the time. I do it on the weekends only."

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LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL ALLIANCE PROVIDES INFORMATION

By Robin Garber-Kabalkin

A recent presentation entitled "Getting Home... A Personal Discussion of Lesbian and Gay Issues" provided a wonderful opportunity for the sharing of information about lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. Robin Garber-Kabalkin, Coordinator of the College's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance, began the presentation with a question: "Why am I here? People often ask me why I do this - why is it important for us to have these conversations? Why does it matter what you know or understand about gay people? In response, I'd like to read this short piece written in 1945 by Martin Niemoller. Although it was a response to the Nazi Holocaust, its meaning is still applicable today:

"They first came for the Communists and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Communist. Then they came for the Jews and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me - and by that time, no one was left to speak up.

"We are all members of a community," Garber-Kabalkin told the audience. "So we need to learn about each other, not isolate ourselves. Let's talk." She then read a selection from a book entitled, *Breaking Silence: Coming Out Letters* and asked for comments and questions. A student began: "What kind of disease is homo-

sexuality?" he asked. "It's not a disease," Garber-Kabalkin responded. "Heterosexuality is the emotional, affectional and physical attraction between people of *different* sexes. Homosexuality is the emotional, affectional and physical attraction between people of the *same* sex. Neither is a disease. They're just different ways of being in the world." The man pondered this for a second. "But," he replied, "homosexuality does not exist in my culture. I only first discovered it when I came to this country." Garber-Kabalkin asked him where he was from. "Egypt," he told her. "Well," Garber-Kabalkin explained, "homosexuality does indeed exist in Egyptian culture and society. In fact, there is a very strong (underground) gay movement in Egypt." The man looked puzzled. "Why don't I know about it?" he asked. "Because it's not a part of your reality. You have no need to know," Garber-Kabalkin explained. "Please, understand something. Homosexuality is no more tolerated or accepted here in America, it's just that we have a more open society - so it's more visible."

"So," a woman asked, "if I have strong emotional and affectional ties with my women friends, does that mean I'm gay?" Garber-Kabalkin shrugged. "Truthfully," she answered, "the only one who can answer that question about you is you. How do you see yourself? Don't answer. Just think about it"

A student asked, "But what about reproduction? Can you reproduce? Can gay people reproduce?" "I did," Garber-Kabalkin quipped. "Yes, our reproductive organs work just like everyone else's." The student contin-

ued, "But you can't reproduce if it's two people of the same sex. So..." "So what?" Garber-Kabalkin asked. "What are you saying? Are you saying that if I am infertile I shouldn't exist? I'm only valid if I can reproduce? Or are you arguing that the world needs more offspring?" The student nodded in agreement. "Let me tell you something," Garber-Kabalkin continued. "If the ten percent of the population that's supposed to be gay *never* reproduces, straight people will more than make up for them. You know, in China, people are only allowed to have one child per couple. Yet their population is *still* growing geometrically! The world will not suffer a population decline just because gay people don't reproduce. Think about it."

"What about the diseases you give each other?" asked another student. "Like what?" Garber-Kabalkin asked back. "They're the same diseases straight people give each other, no?" The student continued, "But a woman can give another woman..." Garber-Kabalkin held up her hand as another student interjected: "No, no, no. Women get so many sexually transmitted diseases from men." Garber-Kabalkin smiled. "That's right. A woman is more likely to get an STD from you than she is from me. Think about **that**."

For two hours, students questioned, probed, challenged and wrestled with meanings, ideas, and information that were often quite unfamiliar and sometimes difficult to deal with. Towards the end of the program, a student asked Garber-Kabalkin, "If you had a choice, how would you raise your children, gay or straight?" Garber-Kabalkin replied, "First of all,

you can't raise your kid to be gay, just like you can't raise her or him to be straight. They just **are**" A young mother responded, "Well, if my daughter turns out gay, she can't come to my house with her lover." Garber-Kabalkin grimaced. "Do you realize what you're saying? If that's your position, there are several possibilities. One is that you will never be a part of your child's life, nor will she be a part of yours. Or, if you **are** part of each other's lives, it will be very limited. A third and unfortunately very real possibility is that your child will be unable to deal with your rejection and become a gay teen suicide statistic. Are you so sure that you want to stick to your "principles? Just think about it." When the women responded in the affirmative, Garber-Kabalkin issued an invitation: "Can we come back here and have this conversation again in 15 years when your child isn't a toddler any more? I'm asking as a mother."

But the first student had a point to make. He continued: "But if **your** kid was gay, would that be okay with you, knowing what you know about that life?" Garber-Kabalkin replied, "Yes. I love them. I really don't know what my children's sexual orientations are. That's not what's important to me. If one or some are gay, I'll try to help them maintain a realistic perspective about what it means to be gay in a homophobic world. But what I really want for my kids is that they be healthy, intelligent, educated, capable of loving and being loved. And that, to the best of their ability, they give something back to the world. What else can a parent wish for a child? Just think about it."

What The Government Shutdown Has Done To The '96 Election

By Joseph Canale

This week we will be doing something a little different than usual. Instead of looking at any particular candidate running in the field, we will look at the government shutdown and establish its impact on some of the contenders in '96. However, before we do, let's look at some background points regarding the upcoming race.

First, since my last contribution, Governor Steve Merrill of New Hampshire has backed the Dole campaign. Merrill is a political heavyweight in his state, and is widely supported by the citizens of New Hampshire. His support of the Dole effort really hurts other candidates and gives Dole a "shot in the arm." Second, Florida recently conducted a straw poll to show who has the most Republican support. The outcome was that Dole won the poll with a simple plurality rather than a majority. What is significant is that Dole did not need to win big. He just needed to keep ahead of the pack and keep his lead. Third, Senator Alan Spector (R-Pa.) is temporarily dropping out of the race due to campaign fundraising problems. As of now, Spector is expected to return to the race as soon as his campaign can raise the funds to continue. Folks... I'm calling it now Spector won't be

back in this race. Claiming fund deficiency is the most noble way to throw in the towel without appearing inferior to the other candidates. He'll save a lot of face this way, and when you are running for President, you'll really want to hold on to that, as we will probably see him make a bid in 2000. Last, and a little closer to home, Pat Buchanan, the conservative columnist turned Republican hopeful came to our great state and did what other out of state politicians did... the creep trashed us for being New Yorkers and then whined about our primary laws.

Back to the topic. As anyone who doesn't live in a vacuum knows, select branches of the Federal Government were closed a few weeks ago because the President and Congress dropped the ball and left us without a budget. Anyhow, as a result of their bickering, the working people of the Federal Government were out of jobs for six days, which is the longest time our Government has ever been shut down. Folks., this has been a political power play of clashing egos and different ideas and, as usual, the American people have suffered as a result of the Washington game. This game specifically involved two of our friends in the field, good ole Billy Bob Clinton and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole. From my standpoint, both

Dole and Clinton come out looking good.

The President looks like an advocate for the people and for the troubled social programs of America. He has taken a firm stand, which is something that Americans tend to like in a leader, whether he is right or wrong. Now, I want you to realize that President Clinton hardly ever takes a firm stand; like most politicians, he'd rather talk about his stance than show it. I congratulate him in that regard. It's only taken him three-quarters of his Presidency to establish where he stands on these issues. At the very least, the President has earned some respect for sticking to his guns. Moreover, he has successfully rallied the Democratic party behind him in taking the front line in this fight. Again, for '96 this is good for him, simply because if the party is behind him (which is not always the case with this President), then there is less of a chance that he will encounter challengers to his party's nomination. Lastly, the polls have shown that America does not blame the President for this disaster and supports his bold stance which is great for him, placing him in a good position for '96. Then again, President Bush had an eighty percent approval rating after Desert Storm, and when election time came

shortly after, the situation was "vote for George who?" So we shall see next November.

As for Dole, as I said earlier, I thought both candidates came out looking good, but Dole looked good for a different reason than Clinton did. With Dole, he comes out looking like a real leader in his willingness to get this mess cleaned up for the American people. We must remember Dole doesn't incite people like Speaker Gingrich, who really has a low opinion poll right now. In essence, this whole shutdown deals with Dole in fact cleaning up Gingrich's mess. At this point, Gingrich is undoubtedly the one in the real political mess. Dole showed real leadership in solving these problems; his willingness to compromise and not get flustered by the political game makes him look good for '96. Likewise, the current bill shows Dole's ability to work with and assert himself for America with those who are hard to work with. This is something Gingrich and Clinton both have a problem doing; Clinton with health care, and Newt with social security. So, while certain Republicans are out on a limb, Dole is not. He remains the GOP's golden boy front-runner in '96.

Lady Dolphins: Turning The Corner

By James Speciale

As the 1995-96 season gets started the CSI Lady Dolphins search for that winning formula they enjoyed in the early 90's. Head coach Gerry Mosely hopes that this group of girls has the blend of youth and experience needed to be competitive. The past two teams did not have either and both struggled through miserable years. "The continuity was never there," said Mosely. "We never had a consistent number of girls at practice, where we could run through drills or scrimmage properly. That is all changing this year," added Mosely. As evidence in the Lady Dolphins season opening thrashing of Brooklyn College. A new gym, new players, and a new attitude has given Lady Dolphin fans a reason to feel optimistic about 95-96.

Leading the charge into this year is two-year starter at the point Lily-Ann Sciametta (a second team All-Cuny selection) and her backcourt mate Kerri O'Brien. Both are returning starters and the type of players that you can build a program around. Mosely has constantly preached stability as a major key to success in a program. These two players along with Darlene Lewis are the corner pieces in which Mosely has to build on. Sciametta will start at the point, O'Brien at the shooting guard, and Lewis at the small forward. Up front,

freshman Emmens Larouche and senior Emma Dodd give CSI the inside scoring punch that they have lacked since Dodd and April Owen left the team two years ago. Dodd took two years off and has starred on the Volleyball court. The duo stand over six-feet and will be counted on to contribute offensively and defensively. Off the bench key contributors will be Stephanie Bird, Lucana Troia, as well as veteran Michele Monahan. Newcomers Simone Pusey, and Dafina Lovelace will also see playing time off Mosely's bench.

Gone from this year's squad is leading scorer Lynn Saunders. Her scoring and leadership will be sorely missed (not to mention her reciting of the National Anthem). Also missing from this year's team are Jen Masiello and Soulindia Galindez, who sustained a season ending injury. Still, Coach Mosely is still optimistic that this will be the year the Lady Dolphins return to the top of the Cuny Conference.

Sciametta seems to have a lot of confidence in this year's team. A three-year starter she feels that this is best team she has ever run. Always a vocal leader on and off the court Lily is never at a loss for words. "I feel that we can compete for the CUNY title if not win it outright. This team is solid up and down the line and are also a very confident group," added Sciametta.

The feisty point guard also stated that "it is a pleasure to come to practice with this group", something that she was not fortunate to have in her first two campaigns.

The completion of the brand new Sports and Recreation Center will also help in keeping some stability in

the program. Things are looking up for Lady Dolphin hoops and that is something that could not be said in the recent past. So come on out and support the girls in their quest for a winning season.

[James Speciale can be heard on WSIA 88.9fm on Sundays from 9pm till 11pm]

Sports Notebook

By Tom Krasniqi

The Mets will push hard for free agent second baseman Craig Biggio. He would be a nice fit for the Mets. He can hit leadoff and steal bases and he's a New York area product from Long Island. Mets pitcher Pete Harnisch is a good friend of Biggio's and that will be the deciding factor. Prediction: Mets will sign Biggio... The Yankees are an absolute joke. First, they run Buck Showalter out of town. Then Mattingly and now they show Mike Stanley the door and trade for weak hitting catcher Joe Girardi to take his place. New GM Bob Watson is clueless and is just a puppet because Steinbrenner is running things as usual. And as usual, he's running them into the ground... Hey, as of press time, the Jets and Giants are both 3-9 and fighting for the first overall pick in the draft. If either of

them get it, they should trade down to get extra picks and players because they have holes everywhere, especially the Jets. But if you're the Giants and you get the first pick, you have to take the player that reminds most of the next LT. His name is Simeon Rice from Illinois... Stop the presses!! Aaron Glenn just got his first career interception!! It only took him 28 games to get it and he had only about a million other potential picks that were dropped. This is great! Drinks are on me, Aaron... Love those snappy new black uniforms that the Knicks have. It seems like every team in sports is changing their look to black in one way or another. Even Benedict Riley's team is doing it.

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CSI Basketball

Petosa knew this season would be a tough one to endure. He understood years like last don't happen every year and that this year would be a rebuilding one in ways he never could have expected. As everyone know the multi-million dollar, state of the art, Sports and Recreation facility (the Dolphins new home) has come along slowly. "That's putting it nicely" added Petosa. The constant postponements and inability to complete the gymnasium has cut into Petosa's practice time, while throwing a huge wrench into the team's progress. When the Dolphins take the court for their first home game against Manhattanville on November 29th their is still no assurance that the facility will be complete.

Petosa has referred to this pre-season as a "struggle.", one of the toughest he's had to endure in his 7 year tenure. "The practices are not nearly as intense as I would like them to be...The transition is not there...Too many new faces that just have not jelled." said Petosa.

Junior starting center Chris Kelly (St. Joseph by the Sea) is the only starter returning from last year and really the only player on the roster who saw significant playing time. He looks to be Petosa's go-to guy. A smart player on the court, Kelly must avoid stupid fouls that got him in trouble last year. His presence will be needed on the court as much as possible.

The loss of junior small forward Jack Westrenen to a season-ending knee injury he suffered in the Berry Houses Summer League will hurt the Dolphins tremendously. Westrenen a part-time starter in his first two seasons at CSI, was to be counted on as a main cog in the Dolphin's offense this

year.

John Cali will step in at the point and Brian Gasper will command time at the small forward position. Cali, a sophomore, served as Santos' understudy last season and the Farrell graduate seems poised to run the offense this season. Also a sophomore, Gasper saw spot duty last year (mainly for defensive purposes) but will be counted on to contribute at both ends of the court. According to Petosa "These two will play major minutes."

Brian Namorato (Farrell) returns from an injury-riddled season, in which he sat out the whole year. He will contribute with some much needed long range shooting. Senior Pat Harkin (Tottenville) and junior Joe O'Leary will battle for time in the front-court. They are veterans who have not seen much game time, yet will perform when given the opportunity.

Back in school is former Staten Island Advance All-Star out of Tottenville, Tom Fricke. Fricke played two years for the Dolphins from '88 to '90. The 6'4", 220 pound banger will be a big contributor if allowed to rejoin the maroon and blue.

Newcomer Billy Felci out of Monsignor Farrell may crack Petosa's starting lineup. Felci is a hard working blue collar guy who will help take pressure off Kelly upfront.

The schedule is tough as usual, with opponents like New Jersey Institute of Technology, NYU, Hunter, Lehman, all of which attended the NCAA III Tournament and the rest of the Skyline and CUNYAC teams make tough odds for a team that lost so much to overcome. Head coach Tony Petosa feels this team can come together and be competitive and mount an attack against the odds.



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COLLEGE HOOPS SEASON SET TO ROLL

By Tom Krasniqi

As we head into the winter months where it's cold and snowy outside, college basketball fans get warm all over because it's that time of year again. The 1995-96 college basketball season is upon us. That's right! This is the time of year where you start to hear Dick Vitale's screeching voice a few times a week saying such things as "It's awesome baby!" and referring to super freshmen players as "diaper dandies." I think Vitale is great at what he does. Other people think he's nauseating and he can be at times. But the guy brings a lot of style and energy to the game and that only makes the game that much more enjoyable. As for the teams, defending NCAA champ UCLA once again returns a talented group of players led by Toby Bailey, J. R. Henderson, Cameron Dollar and Charles O'Bannon and they have a good coach in Jim Harrick, who finally got his national championship last year. UCLA will also receive a major contribution from their prized recruit, freshman center Jelani McCoy. This guy is a potential superstar on the horizon in college basketball and look for him to make a real name for himself *this* year. However, I don't think UCLA has the depth and the desire to win it again. The Kentucky Wildcats coached by Rick Pitino is my odds-on favorite to win the national championship this year. This team is loaded

with great players from top to bottom. Tony Delk is a prolific scorer who is the heart and soul of this team. He will receive plenty of help from the likes of Walter McCarty, Antoine Walker, Jared Prickett and will welcome their prized freshman, Ron Mercer. Look for Kentucky to roll thru their SEC schedule and finish the season as the number one team in the country. Another team to keep an eye out for will be Kansas, who probably have the best starting backcourt in the country in Jacque Vaughn and Jerod Haase. They also have size up front in the form of 6'10" Raef LaFrentz and 6'11" Scott Pollard. Kansas should win the Big 8 and be a formidable contender for the national championship.

The Big East should be back in grand style this year with the emergence of a couple of teams who can contend for the championship. Villanova should put together a superb season after an early exit from last year's dance. Kerry Kittles is one of the best players in the country and he's joined by one of the best big men in Jason Lawson. Eric Eberz and power forward Chuck Kornegay round out this impressive group. Former Manhattan coach Steve Lappas has done a great job there but he must learn how to get his players motivated to take that next step to the next level. This will be the key to the Wildcats' season. Georgetown will once again be a force led by sophomore sensation

Allen Iverson and senior center Othella Harrington. Freshman sharpshooter Victor Page has had an immediate impact on the Hoya offense and should open things up for Harrington to have a breakout year. Connecticut will be more than competitive with superstar Ray Allen returning. In my opinion, this guy's the best player in the Big East and in the top 3 or 4 on this land. He's a super athlete, an explosive scorer and a solid defender. He's joined by Doron Sheffer and center Travis Knight, who will be a key figure into just how far this Huskies team will go in the tournament. St. John's should be an exciting team to watch with super sophs Felipe Lopez and Zendon Hamilton leading the charge. The return of long range bomber Derek Brown will make a huge difference in this team. I think the Red Storm will sneak into the tournament but don't expect much more out of them. One team to watch out for this year in the Big East will be Pittsburgh. Coach Ralph Willard has brought in an outstanding recruiting class that will rule the Big East in two years. They're young and not ready for prime time yet, but they will be a force to be reckoned with down the road.

Locally, Wagner Seahawks out of the Northeast Conference (NEC) should be an interesting team to watch. Coach Tim Capstraw returns one of the conference's best players in senior guard Tony Rice. The 6'4" Rice

is a playmaker who can distribute it as well as shoot it. They call him "Mr. Everything." Rice will be joined in the backcourt by Warren Anderson and up front. High flying sophomore Dan Siegle returns and after averaging eight points per game last year, the much improved Siegle will likely double that average. This is a youthful squad with Rice being the only senior on the squad. Freshman forward Ryan Reed and the explosive Jason Roberts will provide quality depth for Capstraw's crew. If you get a chance this winter, travel up to Grymes Hill one night and check these guys out. Manhattan College is coming off a Cinderella type season where they knocked off Oklahoma in last year's tourney and should be a power in the MAAC once again led by coach Fran Fraschilla and returning players such as Heshimu Evans and Ted Ellis.

This should be an exciting year in college basketball. It's too early to make predictions but here are a couple: Kentucky will win the national championship. If St. John's has a losing season, Brian Mahoney could be out of a job. Stephon Marbury will have a great freshman year at Georgia Tech and then he will turn pro after just one season. The Tar Heels of North Carolina will suffer greatly from the losses of Jerry Stackhouse and Rasheed Wallace. And finally, Dick Vitale will NOT be getting a hair transplant.

New Gym, New Season, New Start

By James Speciale

One year removed from a 20-win season, a trip to the NCAA Division III Tournament and a share of the CUNY regular-season championship, the CSI Men's Basketball team is starting to experience some major growing pains.

Head Coach Tony Petosa will try to survive the loss of five valuable seniors. Conference MVP runner-up (in the closest vote ever) Rommell Santos, 2 time All-CUNY First Teamer Kirk Staine, and 1000 career point scorer & 1000 career rebounder Rick Maida are the biggest losses. Santos and Staine were also 1000 point career scorers and their off-court leadership may be the hardest part of the trio to replace. Also gone are spot starters and key-role players Terrance Aiken and Fred Blaskovich (an 800+ career scorer). "Those players meant so much that it is impossible to replace them" said Petosa.

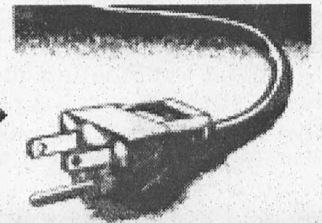
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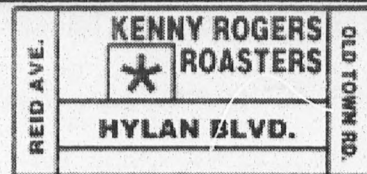
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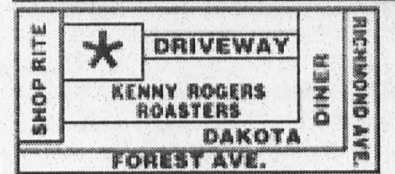
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