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Could Be  
on the Way**



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Can you believe this is the third Banner this month? I'm not one to toot my own horn, but we are kicking serious ass. The Third Rail is publishing a fall issue, Always A woman has already come out, and The College Voice is set to print any day now. But no one here at CSI can compete with our number of issues per semester. The praise goes to some great people in the office.

I'm not going to name names because I've found that when you single out people as individuals it takes away from the group as a whole.

My goal in publishing The Banner every two weeks is for people to start picking it up as a part of their life. Not because we put the paper on your table in the Rotunda, but because you feel like reading what your fellow students have to say. We have a voice in this college. It can be as soft as a whisper, but why not as loud as a scream?

Venture up the stairs in Building 1C for once and instead of making that usual turn into the game room pop your head into one of the publications offices. There is always room for a fresh voice and we welcome them with open arms.

The Banner has changed since last year. For better or worse there is no looking back. I'm not sorry for one misprint or typo we've made over the last month. I'm clearly not a poet. In fact, I got a C in ENG 111. But one thing is for certain. We put out.

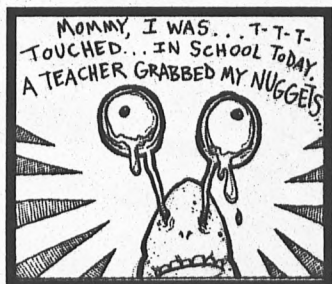
Kris Lo Presto  
Editor-in-Chief

## Please Do Not Send Us Letters!

Most newspapers and magazines encourage their readers to write letters to the editors in order to provide feedback about their articles. It makes the editors feel that people actually care about what writers write. Well, we don't care if you read *The Banner* or if you wipe your butt with it. But if you insist, write all complaints and letters to The Banner, Attn: Editors, Building 1C, Room 228, 2800 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10314. Of course, the easiest way to vent is to drop the letter off in our mailbox in the Student Government office, 1C 207.

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# COMICS!

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# CSI Looking to Straighten out Parking Loop

## A study is underway that might just help our traffic woes

Kris LoPresto

Students complain loudly about the traffic and parking problems that plague CSI and the faculty and administration express their sympathy.

So what else is new?

Here's what: At a Student Leader conference held in IP 116 on September 18th, President Springer announced that a study of the loop road, traffic flow and parking problems was in the works.

"We know that parking is horrible here," said Springer. "Traffic is a problem and has been a problem since we moved to this campus."

According to Springer, 400 more paved parking spaces on campus would cost more than \$1 million. Carol Brower (Director of Student Life), Vice-President Carol Jackson, and eight student leader were also present at the meeting.

"What about the possibility of paving the gravel parking lots?" asked Nafisa Ahmad. The President responded by delineating a number of problems with that idea, one being drainage.

One possibility on the table is moving the loop road. The loop road (behind the south campus buildings and gravel parking areas) would be straightened out north of the fountain (see map at right). Trees would be removed and planted in different parts of the campus for new parking spaces.

### GREEN LIGHT ON VICTORY

On a related front, Springer reported that she has asked the City's Department of Transportation to increase the time allotted for left turns into campus. Springer said DOT would "look into it" with their own study.

"I could save them a bunch of money," said Springer. "Just make [the light] longer."

### POST 9/11 UPDATE

All trucks entering CSI must now be okayed by the security office.

### CSI At A Glance

Prospective site for new parking lot

**PARK AND RIDE:** Shown at left is the loop road as it now exists. A study is in the works to straighten the road and eliminate the forest behind building 1C (shown below). As a result, CSI would get 400 new parking spots.

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## Podell Named Acting Provost; Tuburczy Becomes Dean

Kimberly DeLese

After 4 years serving as CSI's Dean of Humanities, Dr. David Podell will become acting Provost as of October 19th. By accepting a position of such importance and prominence, Podell faces a number of challenges.

Decisions made by the Provost have a significant effect on our academic life. The quality of teachers, researchers, and the substance of our classes and curricula are just some of the issues Podell will have to deal with on a regular basis. "The goal is to keep increasing the quality of education," said Podell. "It's a great time for the college and I hope to continue helping it move forward."

New York City's budget deficit will be one of Podell's first orders of business. "Living within our means while not cutting anything that will keep the

college moving forward is a very big challenge," said Podell.

Attracting top-flight faculty and keeping them is also on the agenda. "Over the last seven years 40% of the college's faculty has changed," said Podell. "There are a lot of new faces and they bring a lot of new ideas, energy and optimism."

Over the last several months, Podell has worked closely with former Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Mirella Affron. "I look forward to serving the students and faculty," said Podell. "I admire their work ethic and their positive spirit and that's what keeps me going as an administrator."

Although there will be a search for the permanent position of Provost, Podell will be eligible to apply, and is seriously considering the option.



**New Kid on the Block:** Acting Vice President Tuburczy is, among other tasks, leading the effort for more parking spots.

**Provost: a high ranking university administrative officer**

# Living in Ecstasy

Addiction, under-age sex and regret are being sold for \$20 a pill. And we're buying.

Lisa DeSerio

The continued rise in popularity of clubbing and secret raves has made it apparent that the use of Ecstasy is alive and well.

Everyone knows someone who is selling it; "E" or "X." According to Jenn, 18, it is "the ultimate party drug."

One pill purchased inside a club can cost from 20 to 30 dollars, while pills bought outside can run 15 dollars a piece.

"Buying Ecstasy outside the club can be easier, and safer, but it's just more time consuming," says Angie, a 20 year-old student who frequents clubs. "If you know the right people inside, it's no problem."

Just who are the right people? For Angie, it is her friend Gina, whose way of purchasing the drug is very scientific.

"First she starts dancing," says Angie. "Then she'll make eye contact with a dealer and raise her fingers in the amount she needs."

Double-stacked is a single pill which contains 50% more potency than normal. It is the brand of choice for Angie and her friends.

"You take one hit of that and you are gone for hours!" says Carl, a self-proclaimed club kid. "You wouldn't believe some of the stuff that goes on when you're on E."

Typical nightclub scene: On the dance floor, people are moving to the music; on the floor sit a handful of people, staring at the lights in wonderment; and against the wall lean another group. The wall is where Angie and her friends have matriculated.

"It makes you very touchy-feely," Angie says. "I was just sitting there one night and this chick comes over to me and starts rubbing my back. I didn't mind, though. Being touched feels so much better when you're flying off your head."

"You can do anything on X without worrying about any conse-

quences," she continued. "That's the best part."

"We just want to have fun," says Gina.

Are there really no consequences? What is a heterosexual girl supposed to think when she

"My mom found out once and grounded me. Now I just hide it better. What she doesn't know about me won't hurt her."  
-Amber, 17 years old

wakes up the next morning and remembers making out with another girl?

Clubs are not the only place where people use Ecstasy. For Amber, 17, ducking behind trees on darkened dead ends is a way of life every weekend.

"I don't see anything wrong with doing E," she says. "All my friends do it, and it's fun."

Amber is a waitress at a local diner and confesses that a large part of her weekly tips goes toward supporting her drug habit.

"My mom found out once and

grounded me," says Amber. "Now I just hide it better. What she doesn't know won't hurt her."

**SOCIAL TURNS INTO EVERYDAY**

Krista is a 19 year-old high school dropout. She used to take Ecstasy socially at parties and clubs. But it seemed that there was a new party every night, and soon she was hooked.

"Sometimes I do it before work or even at work," she says. "Whenever I get the chance."

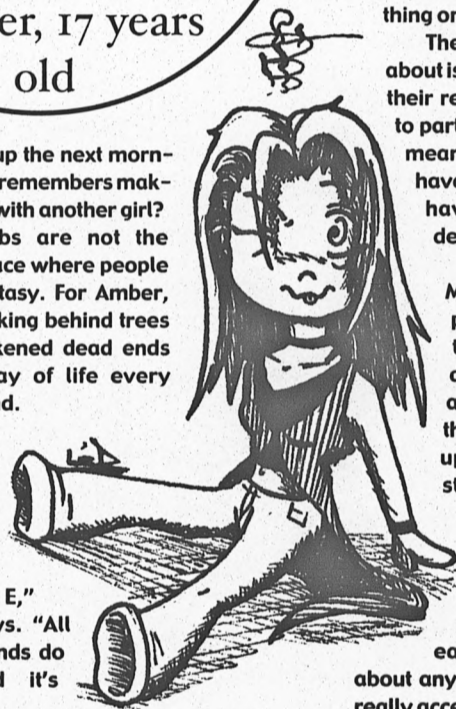
Krista used to be determined to join the Marines. Now she works in a diner. "I don't know what I want to do with my life, but for now I just want to have fun."

"I started smoking pot then tried acid and mushrooms," says Amber. "I did ecstasy for the first time at a club on thanksgiving Eve. I will try anything once."

The only thing some kids care about is getting high, but they have their reasons: "Just because I like to party on the weekends doesn't mean anything," says Angie. "I have a job, I go to school, and I have a good GPA. I think I deserve to have fun."

Perhaps Angie is right. Maybe kids deserve to party. But this isn't just partying. This is reckless abandon. Kids are going to clubs and taking a drug that alters their state of being and end up having sex with total strangers who also may happen to be hopped on on E. Until there is a strict crackdown on clubs and raves, the problem can only get worse. "It is so easy to get Ecstasy in just about any club," says Gina. "It's just really accessible."

"I'm not afraid of cops and stuff," said Carl. "I haven't been to a place that's been raided yet, and I don't think it will happen. They just don't know where to look."



## X Marks the Spot

Type in "Ecstasy" on Yahoo, and this is what you get:

- ◆ Last year, Ecstasy use among teens jumped an additional 20%. Since 1999, teen Ecstasy use increased by 71%.
- ◆ More than 12% of teens report trying Ecstasy at least once in their lives
- ◆ From 1998 to 1999, deaths from ecstasy increased 400%.
- ◆ Emergency Room visits involving ecstasy grew nine-fold from 1996-1999 (319 to 2,850); most patients were under the age of twenty-five.
- ◆ Drinking too much water on ecstasy can be lethal. After people have taken ecstasy, their blood contains high concentrations of vasopressin. As levels of this hormone increase, the body retains more water, which dilutes the sodium and other salts in the blood. This can swell the brain causing damage to the brain and nerve tissue.
- ◆ Ecstasy is used by more American teenagers today than Cocaine.
- ◆ Ecstasy causes long-lasting damage to brain areas that are critical for thought and memory.

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## The Banner Asks: Have You Ever Taken Ecstasy?



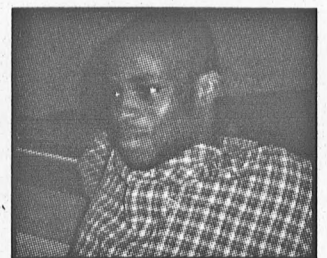
I probably did it about 10 times. I stopped because it wasn't worth the money or the hangover. It's just a piece of shit drug and shouldn't be used.

-Joe Malone Junior



I have done it 4 times. I got bored of it. I might do it again. If it happens, it happens.

-Eddie Fernandez, Sophomore

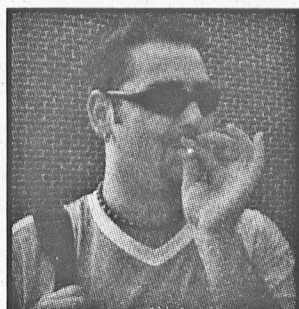


I have done it a couple of times. I did it because of peer pressure.

-Steve Myers, Freshman

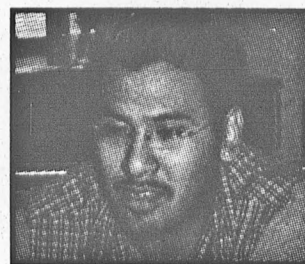
I used to do ecstasy every day during the summer. It was the thing to do during high school, but I realized when you do drugs by yourself it is really sad. So I stopped doing it.

-Erin Monahan, Sophomore



No, I've never done ecstasy. Drugs don't interest me.

-Iyda Trujillo, Freshman



## NYPIRG to Pataki: Take Higher Education Off State Chopping Block

**Kimberly DeLese**

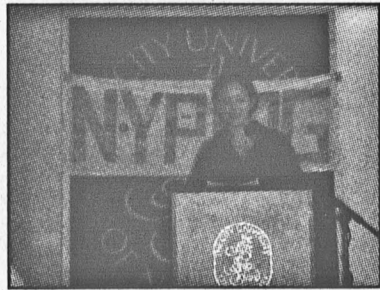
New York State's budget deficit may be shifting the burden of education costs from State government to NY families.

Talk of a meeting between Governor Pataki and State legislators has compelled NYPIRG to write a letter that advocates taking cuts to higher education "off the table."

Between 1990 and 2000 the cost of higher education in New York has increased 97%. In 1995, tuition was raised \$750 and undergraduate enrollment dropped by 29,000.

NYPIRG's letter asserts that increased tuition will also mean cuts in financial aid programs. Such cuts will affect students who depend on the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), ultimately jeopardizing their access to higher education.

New York State public college and



Genevieve DeAngelis, just one of the members of CSI's chapter of NYPIRG.

university students already pay more than the average tuition of public colleges in other states. Students have been encouraged to "build a statewide coalition, [to] understand the basics of how higher policy is set and [to] get to know their representative and [the] structure of their state government."

CSI's chapter of NYPIRG is located in Building 1C Room 219

## WSIA Welcomes New GM

David Shear has been hired to lead the college radio station... for now

**Kris Lo Presto**

After much speculation, CSI's Office of Student Life has chosen their new "Greg Adamo." David Sheer, known on the station's website ([www.wsia.fm](http://www.wsia.fm)) as "gurudave," has been named General Manager. Sheer has been a student DJ and community volunteer for nine years.

The position called for a candidate with a Bachelor's Degree and 4 years of full-time experience. Sheer has a Bachelor's in Film Study and is also a chiropractor.

"We wanted to fill the gap as soon as possible," said Carol Brower, Director of Student Life. "We will conduct a search committee in the Spring to find a permanent replacement."

Shear's website reports that the DJ plays "New age, ambient, classical, trance, mellow world music, spoken word, taped meditation programs and



Listen to the new General manager on Fridays, 12 pm -3pm

my own quasi-mystical musings for your enjoyment and enlightenment."

Listen to WSIA, Staten Island's only radio station, 88.9 FM on your radio dial. Or visit the website: [wsia.fm](http://wsia.fm).

## Jewish Students Get In Touch at Hillel

**Michelle Mayo**

Hillel is the largest Jewish campus organization in the world. They provide opportunities for Jewish students to explore and celebrate their Jewish identity through a global network of more than 500 regional centers, campus foundations and Hillel student organizations.

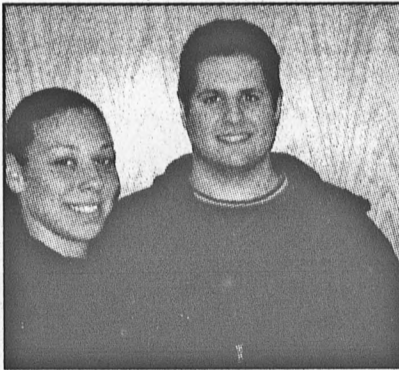
Hillel's mission is to provoke a renaissance of Jewish life. Their motto is to, "Maximize the number of Jews doing Jewish with other Jews."

CSI's chapter of Hillel provides chocolate coins and dreidels on Chanukah along with potato latkes and a candle lighting ceremony

commemorating the destruction of the holy temple. During the holiday of Purim a massive candy and toy drive is launched to give holiday spirit to those in need of some encouragement.

That's not all Hillel has to offer for Jewish students on campus. In fact, last spring they hired a bus to travel to Washington in a solidarity rally for Israel. An estimated 100,000-200,000 Jewish supporters attended.

Laughter is the key element in drawing students to Hillel. One student who wishes to remain anonymous said, "When students look at us and see how happy we are, they wonder why." She continued, "Hillel is why."



Former Hillel President Alon Wolkowitz and present President, Danielle Pellatt.

According to Alon Wolkowitz, former President of the student Hillel on campus, "The programs offered by Hillel are beneficial to Jewish Students because they give them an outlet to meet other Jews, express their feelings and issues on Judaism and Israel and any other issues they might be feeling. It's a good place to interact with the other Jews on campus." Wolkowitz graduated last June, but he will carry this commitment with him for the rest of his life.

Last year, approximately 1600 entering freshmen declared themselves Jewish. Of that 1600, an estimated 350 of them are active in Hillel. Where are those remaining 1250 students? Hillel's intention is to catch the attention of every one of those "lost" Jewish students.

Fran Gidalowitz has been working at the campus Hillel for the past six years as the program director. "We offer programming stretching from religious Jewish learning to holiday celebrations," she said. "My job is to reach just one student a day."

If you are Jewish and are interested in connecting with your community, call Gidalowitz, Director of Hillel at the Multi-Faith Center. The number is (718) 982-2650.

## Not Your Average Professor

Ed Miller: International Man of Mass Media



**John Basciano**

Professor Edward Miller stated his best quality: "I'm always trying new tactics and teaching strategies. Students realize that I'm not set in my ways."

Miller began his teaching career in 1996 when he was hired as an adjunct at CSI, and by the Fall of '98 he had been offered a full-time position.

"Collecting information, bringing it into the classroom, and having your students respond enthusiastically is great," said Miller. "Even better, as a professor you can bring your ideas into the classroom and the audience can fine-tune them and provide feedback."

He enjoys teaching Theories of Mass Media because of what students get out of the class. COM 150 happens to be his least favorite because of its large size, and also because he feels he can't improvise. He said the class

was straight from the book and didn't take advantage of his greatest skill, which is improvising in order to make difficult material seem simple.

Outside of the classroom Miller enjoys the theater, which has allowed him to evaluate his role as a professor. "From my past experiences I've learned how to turn a switch on and send out energy," said Miller. "I've learned how to use my voice to suggest enthusiasm, which gets students involved."

Miller likes to speak directly to individual students because he believes that will make them feel included and get them more interested in the topic. As a child he loved to read and write, and although becoming a professor wasn't in his mind when he was growing up, CSI is glad to have him.

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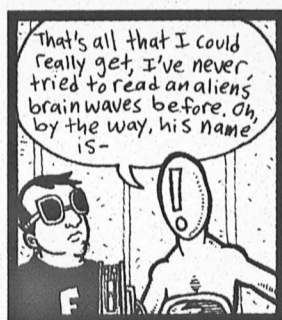
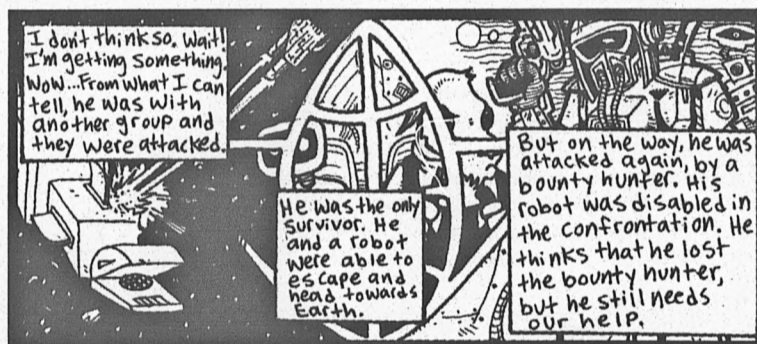
# DICK AND BUSH PART 2

By Enrique Inocente



# Captain Fantastico in Space

by Chris Sorrentino



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# Ezekiel and Dirtbag

by Ephraim Simms



Cartoon: a drawing intended as humor, caricature, or satire

# HOROSCOPE

By Mademoiselle Cassidy Jones

**Aries: The Ram**  
March 21 - April 19



If you ever thought you weren't going to find success, you were wrong. You have the ambition to achieve all of your goals this week. You should take advantage of your willingness to succeed and know this is not a good time to sabotage yourself.  
Love Days: 2, 5, 12  
Lucky Days: 5, 7, 12

**Taurus: The Bull**  
April 20 - May 20



Your stubborn behavior may cause problems this week. Realize that asking someone for help is not the worst thing in the world. It's only human not to be able to do everything on your own. If you take this advice, you will find that life becomes a smoother road.  
Love Days: 2, 4, 13  
Lucky Days: 3, 9, 10

**Gemini: The Twins**  
May 21 - June 21



Lately you've been moving too fast. Its time to slow things down and realize that your needs come before your wants. You should look at your financial situation and budget yourself carefully. Money does not grow on trees.  
Love Days: 2, 8, 12  
Lucky Days: 3, 5, 7

**Cancer: The Crab**  
June 22 - July 22



Your fiery personality has not gotten you anywhere lately. Instead, your jealousy has gotten the best of you. You should handle your reaction towards others' opinions with a neutral and more positive outlook rather than taking everything defensively. You'll see that others will suddenly find you a more likeable person.  
Love Days: 3, 9, 10  
Lucky Days: 5, 8, 11

**Leo: The Lion**  
July 23 - August 22



Your desire to control situations has gotten in the way of your relationships with others. You have to learn to step back and give others space. Although leadership is part of your nature, don't be threatened by other people's ideas, for they can bring out the best in you.  
Love Days: 6, 8, 9  
Lucky Days: 4, 7, 8

**Virgo: The Virgin**  
August 23 - Sept. 22



You have many bright ideas, but you're also very quick to expose them before they are fully developed. Your enthusiasm is one of your positive qualities, but be careful that it doesn't get in the way. When exploring your ideas, you'll find that the possibilities are endless.  
Love Days: 7, 8, 9  
Lucky Days: 10, 12, 13

**Libra: The Scales**  
September 23 - Oct. 23



You are considered a great friend to many. Don't go on the path of losing them though, as you often interpret their ideas in the wrong way. You have to listen harder to the point they are trying to get across and know that they are only seeking your help. Don't take the risk of losing friendships, because it can be a very lonely world.  
Love Days: 30, 6, 9  
Lucky Days: 1, 4, 7

**Scorpio: The Scorpion**  
October 24 - Nov. 21



Lately, you have been finding it hard to identify with yourself. Generally you're a good natured person with a lot to offer. Your friends wonder whatever happened to that person. You have been holding too many grudges. You have to learn to forgive and not forget who you really are. Once people are able to see the real you again, you'll be a better-liked person.  
Love Days: 3, 9, 13  
Lucky Days: 1, 3, 12

**Sagittarius: The Archer**  
Nov. 22 - Dec. 21



You've been stressed out about your work, but the truth of the matter is that you only do it to yourself. You have to get your priorities straight. Do what needs to be done. You'll be amazed at how much you can accomplish. Sure, everyone wants it all and wishes to be perfect, but in the real world, no one is.  
Love Days: 2, 6, 9  
Lucky Days: 30, 4, 5

**Capricorn: The Goat**  
December 22 - Jan. 19



This time in life will be all about you. All of your hard work has finally paid off. The best traits of your character come out as people are amazed by your wit, your willingness to help others, and your high-spirited personality. You are suddenly going to shine.  
Love Days: 5, 9, 11  
Lucky Days: 8, 10, 13

**Aquarius: The Water Carrier**  
Jan. 20 - February 18

You have to start looking at the positive aspects of your life rather than the negative ones. You have so much to be thankful for, but you disregard this and focus on jealousy and resentment. Remember that the grass isn't always greener on the other side. In fact, most of the time it isn't.  
Love Days: 30, 7, 8  
Lucky Days: 4, 11, 12

**Pisces: The Fish**  
Feb. 19 - March 20



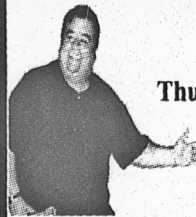
It's time for you to have some fun. Lately, you've been working too hard and have forgotten how to enjoy yourself. Be spontaneous and try something new, or maybe even a little crazy. You'll find that generally you're a much happier person and you'll feel great about yourself.  
Love Days: 3, 8, 11  
Lucky Days: 10, 12, 13

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## FALL INTO FUN

Upcoming programs

### HYPNOTIST: DAN LAROSA



1:30pm  
Thurs., October 3, 2002  
1P-Recital Hall

Dan LaRosa will hypnotize volunteers from the audience who will perform like famous rock stars, talk like Martians, dance like prima ballerinas, forget how to count to 10, clap their hands, and even how to say their own names. And that's only the beginning...

PDC TRIPS ON THE ROAD TO...

### GREAT ADVENTURE



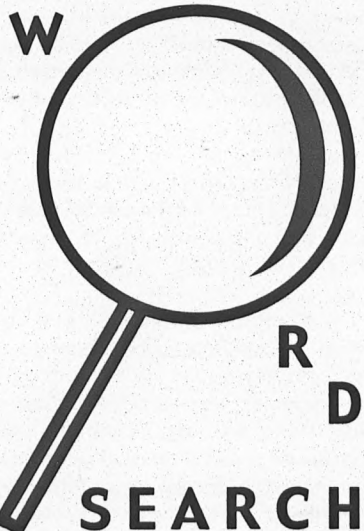
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## Shallow Island?

Diana Illuzzi

In the recently published edition of CSI's literary magazine, *All Ways A Woman*, male student Michael Raimondi wrote an essay that voiced his opinion about the women who inhabit this campus.

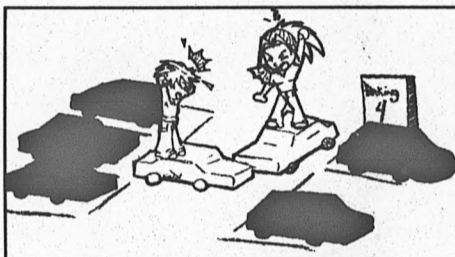
In case you missed the article, which appeared among some compelling poetry, well-written and prose and a beautiful layout, here are some of its finer moments. "Staten Island girls are very unintelligent," Raimondi states. "The common girl" wears "tight shirts," "pound[s] makeup on [her] face," and is in love with "Tan In A Can." If such insult isn't enough, Raimondi goes on to call female students "low intellect creatures"



## Another Perspective on Campus Transportation

The Opinion of Natalie Baginski

CSI is one of the few CUNY campuses to have an on-campus transportation system. Interchanging their routes every ten minutes, two "loop" buses run during day hours and one bus provides service every twenty minutes from seven to 11:30 p.m. Alarming, these buses await their next run at the Victory Blvd. stop with their engines running. Over the course of an hour, about thirty minutes worth of fuel is wasted. Over the course of a single day, more than 200 gallons of diesel fuel are used by the loop buses. However, if the engines were turned off at the stops, the amount would be more than cut in half. With cheap gasoline still available, not so many people stop to consider how such wasteful fuel consumption will affect future gas prices in New York City. One



must remember that fossil fuels are not available in unlimited supply. national oil resources are running low.

In order to help prevent the future burden of higher prices on a local level, members of the Staten Island community must educate themselves about energy conservation. We must conserve our resources and keep prices down by turning vehicle engines off when standing for more than a minute or two. CSI officials should enforce regulations for the loop buses and keep campus air clean. Fuels like natural gas, methanol or electricity are also possible alternatives to be considered for loop bus and MTA buses on Staten Island, not only for their cost-efficiency, but for their environmental benefits as well.

## Upside Down is Right Side Up

The Opinion of Enrique Inocente

Lately religion has been getting a bad rap, what with all these pedophilia priests and Islamic fundamentalists causing mayhem in our otherwise idyllic world. It seems the only thing to make the nightly news are perverts and extremists, the ones who hijack popular religion and bend its beliefs to suit their own desires.

But all that is about to change, well, here at CSI at least. This is because of the Upside Down Club, a bible study group that handles religion a little differently than most. Sinful the world is, and how righteous we are. This is not the case with Upside Down Clubbers. The members are typical CSI students with normal, everyday lives who congregate and listen to how their peers interpret the bible.

Club member Crystal Burden said, "I'm here to learn from people. There is a lot you can learn from someone if

you just listen to them." This was a sentiment shared by all the members. But just because there's bible studying doesn't mean it's all about serious biblical stuff. It's a laid back, sociable place. So, if you're new to CSI or just someone looking to make friends this semester, it would be wise to drop by.

This club tries to escape all the politics concerning religion today, and encourages an environment where any and all ideas are tolerated. Abigail Linnabary, club representative, said, "We hold informal bible discussions. This is a place where anybody can come and talk about what's on their mind and ask questions. I like helping other people learn about the bible."

The Upside Down Club meets every Thursday in Building 2N, Room 110, from 2:30 until 3:20 p.m.

## Save Water: Report Leaks

The Opinion of Francis Duffy

Bathroom doors all over campus have been stamped with the administration's latest message, cleverly disguised as a pro-environmental war cry: "SAVE WATER, REPORT LEAKS."

As if registration, financial aid and the bursar's office don't keep me busy enough, now I need to call buildings and grounds every time I pee.

"Hello. Buildings and grounds. How can I help you?"

"Yes, I saw a sign on the bathroom door saying that I should report leaks."

"Yes, indeed. Where is the leak?"

"In the Campus Center... the men's room. Upstairs."

"Okay... Was the ceiling leaking?"

"No. Not that I noticed."

"Well, where was the leak?"

"In the urinal. Do you guys have cameras in there?"

"Sir?"

"Are you people serious?"

When kosher food was removed from the cafeteria's menu, I sighed. When the Muslim students were expelled from their prayer area in the library, I threw my hands in

### SAVE WATER

Report Leaks and Water Waste to B&G: 982-3210 or Evening: 982-3204/5 or call DEP-HELP or 337-4357



the air in utter disgust and rage. At every turn in this academic maze they want your name and social security number, but I never thought that the administration could stoop so low as to track student pee.

And, if that's not enough, Buildings and Grounds is also interested in water that's been wasted. Do they really want us to call them every time someone misses their mouth at a water fountain?

Personally, I don't have the time.

"Hello Buildings and Grounds. How can I help you?"

"Is this where I call to report water being wasted?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, I just saw a lady in the Office of Student Government changing the water cooler bottle."

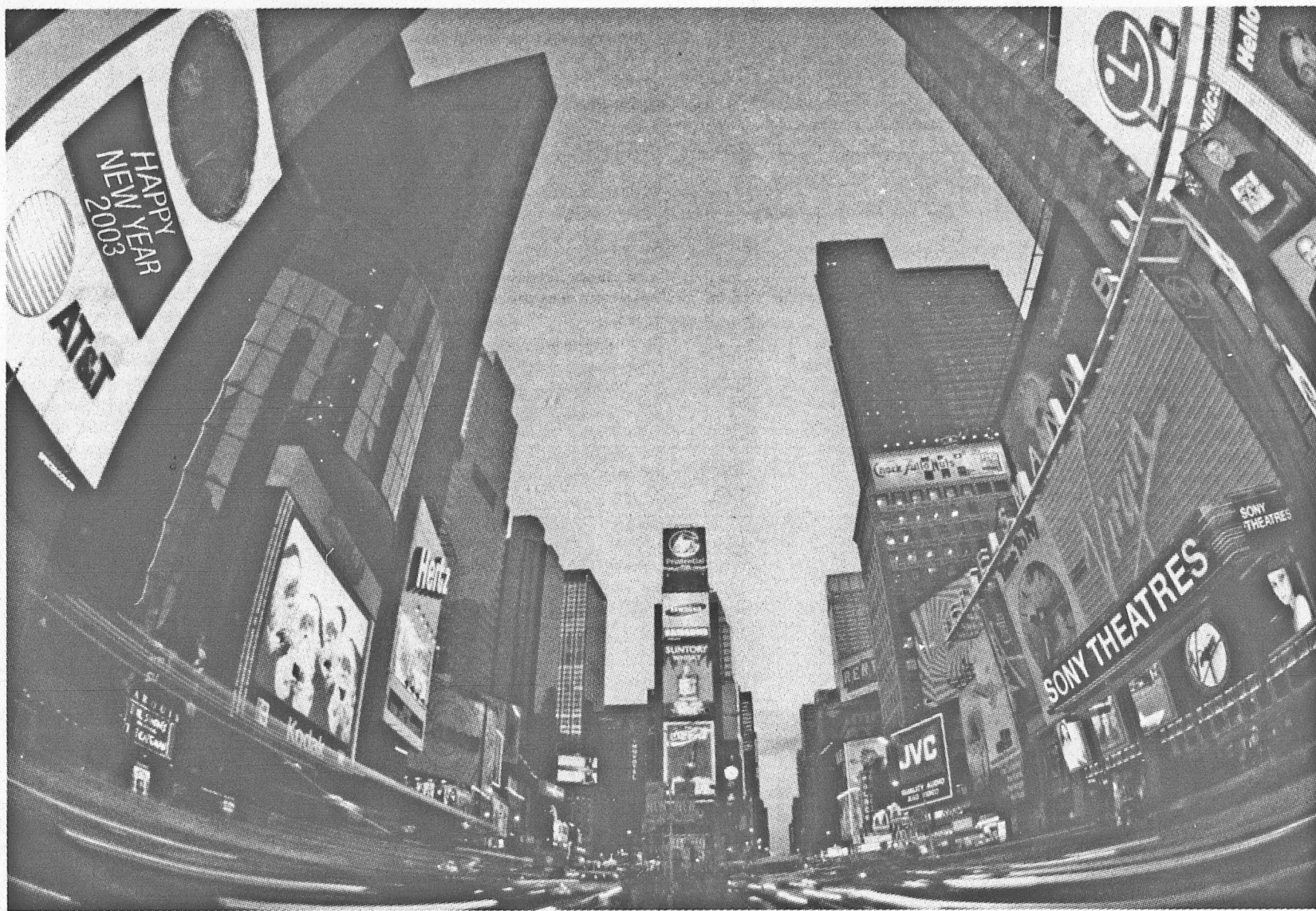
"Okay. What happened?"

"She spilled a little."

Leak: to let a substance in or out through an opening; a crack or hole that admits a fluid to escape



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3:00	Rotating DJ	Bryan Ahl	Greg Pesochin	Maggie May	Lacey Axetrod	Austin Lee	4:00 World 5:00 TITF
6:00	8:00 Sports	Gabriel Lugo	Emilio Medugno	Phoenix	Rotating DJ	Outerworld	The VAULT
10:00	Steve Cameron	Anthony Alexander	Steve Rich	Raven	Lucien	Bryan Ahl	Rotating DJ

### Question #1

What's your favorite movie, and why?

*Emilio: Well, for pure violence I'd have to pick Goodfellas and Scarface, but my favorite would have to be Spiderman because climbing on walls is gangster.*

### Question #2

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

*Jay Z at summer jam and Enimen. It was amazing, there was energy all around.*

### Question #3

What are some of your favorite bands?

*Tupac, Freddie Fox aka Bumpy Knuckles and Lincoln Park.*

### Question #4

Who is your favorite Muppet and why?

*Mr. Snuff A Lot of Coke because he was the rebel of Sesame Street.*

## FEATURED CD REVIEW

Piebald

### We Are the Only Friends We Have



Among the unpredictable antics, quirky lyrics and windmill guitar strums, Piebald, from Andover, Mass., has been titillating crowds with their unique brand of emo pop punk. The band's recent release, "We Are the Only Friends We Have" is laced with catchy riffs, intense hooks and sing-a-long choruses. In the midst of all this work the band manages to have a good time, even going so far as to claim they have the best job ever.

"There's nowhere else I'd rather be, every single minute of every single day," said lead singer and guitarist Travis Shettel.

Shettel's statement becomes apparent in their live performances. Their shows, filled with wacky anecdotes and unavoidable crowd participation, both amuse and entertain. Shettel, along with bassist Andrew Bonner and guitarist Aaron Stuart employ various rock and roll tactics such as the Townsend-esque windmill strums and synchronized heavy metal head bobbing; all employed with such perfect timing it seems choreographed.

When Piebald took the stage last spring at North Six, a small, dimly lit venue in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, an unshaven, shaggy-haired Shettel introduced the show with a brief account of a run-in with local law enforcement the night before.

Apparently, the band had been arrested for causing a disturbance in a public place when a gentleman by the name of Hambone decided to stand atop the tour van in his birthday suit.

"I've never been in handcuffs before," claimed Shettel.

"We Are the Only Friends We Have" was produced by Paul Q. Kolderie, who is known for his work with Radiohead, Hole and Pixies, among others. The album has a more consistent sound than previous efforts. The songs are more structured; there's a distinction between verse and chorus.

The band is satisfied with the outcome of their new album. "The songs are better, the lyrics are better, the recording is better. It's the best thing we've done so far," said Shettel.

Shettel has a way of turning a trite phrase into a creative lyric. Piebald's recently completed video for the song "Just a Simple Plan" begins with the chorus, "It's just a simple plan to keep you awake," being sung by a group of elementary school students. One can't help but wonder if the success of Piebald's new album will boost the video into a spot in the much-desired MTV2 rotation. —Joe Tacopino

## Banner Club Review: The China Club

Melissa Panarella

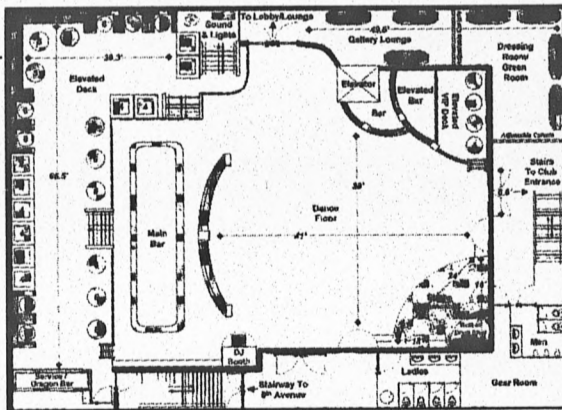
It's another Monday night and you are home flicking through the channels. You want to go out and you are tired of watching yet another rerun of the MTV Video Music Awards. But why watch the stars on TV when you can go out and see them in person?

Located in the heart of Times Square on the corner of West 47th Street and 7th Avenue is the China Club, a place where celebrity sightings are almost a certainty. The club's VIP section allows the regular club-goer on open view of those famous faces that everyone wants to see.

If you are wondering who goes there, the real question should be, who doesn't? A wall of fame displays pictures of all those who have partied in this club. Regulars include Yankees pitcher David Wells, short-stop Derek Jeter, and Joey Fatone from the pop group \*NSYNC. It has also served as the hot spot for stars like Sopranos' lead man James Gandolfini, basketball legend Michael Jordan, Sex and the City's Sarah Jessica Parker, and rap mogul Jay-Z, just to name a few.

The nightclub offers three floors with different themes:

The first level consists of a quaint room with overstuffed velvet couches and intimate booths that line the back wall. A small bar adorns the right-hand wall, with drink prices



**Big Trouble in Little China:** We're not quite sure where the vault is yet. But we have been studying the security patterns into and out of the DragonBar

starting at \$8.00. In the back left-hand corner, a DJ plays the latest hip-hop and reggae beats on a small stage.

Don't like hip-hop? Go up a flight of stairs to the main dance floor—and VIP section—where you will immediately be engulfed by the bass of dance music. There are two bars on this floor, with the main one located near the VIP section. This roped-off area overlooks the entire second level and is difficult to get into unless you have connections or a few extra hundred dollar bills to grease the bouncer. There's no reason to be discouraged, though. Anyone worth seeing can still be seen. After you have completed your search for the

stars (and your second Grey Goose with cranberry), you can make your way to a packed dance floor to boogie your butt off.

Don't like crowds? There's always the roof. Also known as the Jade Terrace, this quiet get-away allows time for relaxation and cooling off. A wooden deck provides tables and chairs, potted palms, and twinkling Chinese lanterns.

Ladies, your options are open as to what to wear. You can don a skimpy Foxy Lady type of outfit or throw on a pair of comfortable jeans with a cute top and you're ready to go. Sorry guys, the rules are strict for you. Dress to impress—that means no sneakers! To guarantee entry into the club, wear dress pants. Admission is \$20 for women and \$25 for the gentlemen. A valid 21 ID is required at the door (if you are underage and have a 21 ID that looks like you, I suggest you give it a shot).

Who said Monday is the worst day of the week? It doesn't have to be. Make your next weekend a three-day weekend and go to the China Club. It'll be worth putting things off until Tuesday.

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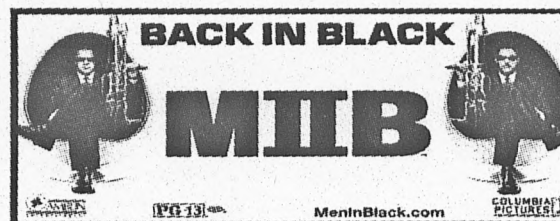
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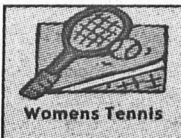
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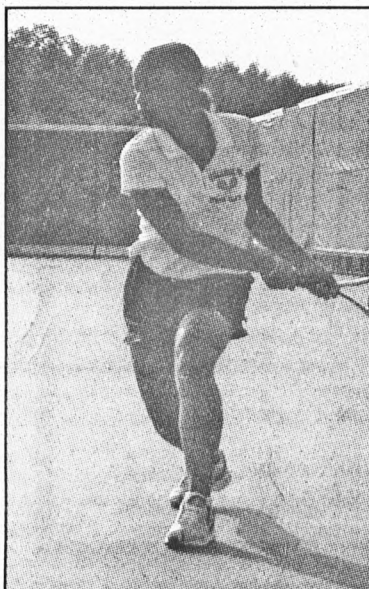
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## Sports Shorts *With Matt Azriel*

After a last year's successful season, the CSI Lady Dolphin tennis team has started right where it left off, on a high note. Last year versus Ramapo College the Dolphins lost 9-0, but this year it was a different story. They rolled over Ramapo to open the season. They shut out their next opponent, NYC Tech, at home. Defending CUNY No.3 flight



champion Dharma Mussacchia has returned for her senior year. Liza Dungo and transfer student Arathi Reddy complete the elite three for the women's tennis team. Expectations are high this season after finishing last year 8-6 overall and an outstanding 6-1 record in the CUNYAC.

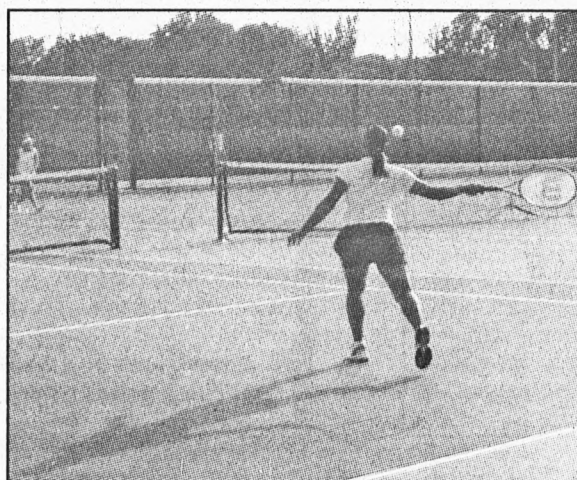
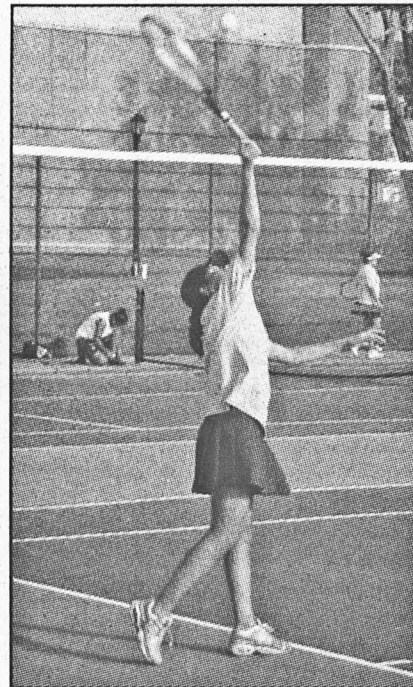


### Singles:

Liza Dungo def.  
Mariel Raymond, 6-0, 6-0  
Arathi Reddy def.  
Daniella Maclos, 6-1, 6-1  
Nadine Newbod def.  
Zy Ying Chen, 6-0, 6-0  
Adriana Romano def.  
Keycen Nembhard, 6-0, 6-0  
Christina Splavnik def.  
Gaylene Titus, 6-0, 6-0

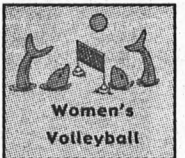
### Doubles:

Dungo-Reddy def.  
Raymond-Maclos, 8-0  
Newbold-Romano def.  
Chen-Newbhard, 8-0  
Wickstrom-Angle Fedna def. Nkemijika-Titus, 8-0



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Coming off a very disappointing 3-13 (2-7 CUNYAC) season last year, the women's volleyball team hasn't gotten off to a good start this year. New coach Kim Faltner led her team to their first match against Baruch on September 7, and it was a struggle. Baruch jumped out to a lead with 2 quick points. After Baruch added a third



goal to their total, that was all the offense in the match. The dolphin's were shut out 3-0. The losing trend continued in their next two games, and they were shutout 3-0 in both contests, against SUNY-Farmingdale and SUNY-Purchase. One positive for the team is that Giorgia Penso and Tracy Rutter have posted very good individual games and look to build up confidence in their fellow teammates.

This past week the men's soccer team opened up the season at Old Westbury under their new coach Salvatore Parello. After 90 minutes the score was deadlocked at 1-1. At about 2 minutes into the overtime period Old Westbury broke the tie with a goal by one of their star players to defeat the Dolphin's 2-1. Later that week, they had home field advantage



against Centenary College. The Dolphins jumped out to a quick lead on 3 goals by Peter Strachnyi and a goal by Sal Tornabene. Centenary added 2 goals but couldn't overcome the tough defense of the Dolphin's. This leaves them 1-1 overall. In the weeks to come they have a tough schedule with games against Baruch, NYU, SUNY-Farmingdale and Medgar Evers College. (See schedule for times and locations)

Tennis: a game played with a ball and a racket that is divided by a net.