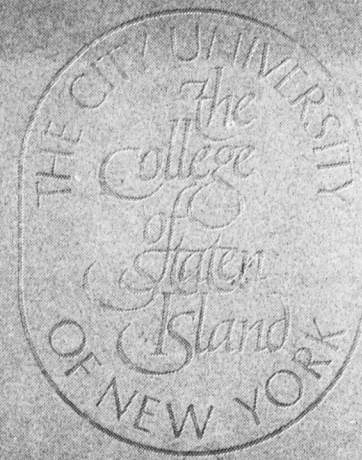


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Students gather outside of the Campus Center(1C), to engage in the back to school festivities.





# The First PDC Success, Celebrating the New Academic Year at the College: The Fall Carnival

By: Luis Cruzette

On Thursday September 4, CSI's student body had the opportunity to enjoy and celebrate their return to classes and the arrival of the fall season. This event was made possible thanks to the support and sponsorship of the Program Development Committee, the organization that is funded through your student activity fee. The sun shone intensively, keeping the weather warm and comfortable, giving the final touch of what it was—"a great event that should be done more often," as many students put it.

Alexandra Duggan, the Program Development Committee advisor, when interviewed said, "PDC worked very hard for this event. They met and worked all summer long to put a whole calendar of events together for all the students at CSI." The always cheerful advisor could not hide her pride for this committee, "The members of this committee are just great. They are incredible students to work with," she added.

In the middle of the games, we had the opportunity to talk with the Vice President of Student Affairs of CSI, Carol Jackson. "It's always great to see a beautiful day with students having fun and a good time," she said. "These are the kind of things that we like to see more of, particularly in the first week of classes. Students will know there's a great student life here and I think that's terrific."

Around 1:00 PM, time when club hours are about to begin and give students a two hour break, the Campus Center Plaza seemed to have shrunk to hold the crowd that gathered (close to 400 students were at the event) to have a good time at the games or take advantage of the free food being delivered by student members of PDC. The day was brighter than before, the smiles and laughs were everywhere. "I think this is wonderful and so much fun," Jennifer Friedman, a sec-

ond year graduate student of education said. "I've been in the cultural festivity, but it was nothing like this. This Fall Carnival keeps the students motivated for the whole year," she added.

"I think this is great for the campus community and a good chance for students to meet new people and new friends," a sophomore student, Jason Gillego, said. We spoke with Dominique Vallejos, a student member from Kappa Gamma Kappa, a local sorority at CSI, "It is great. We should have something like the Fall Carnival more often. It gives students a break from classes and you have something different to do at the school," she mentioned. "I just love free stuff, you know, I think the PDC should organize something like this more often—like every week at club hours," another student, Peterson Dorsainvil, said. Tricia Capasso also commented, "This is great. It makes students stay a little bit longer in campus and have fun."

The games kept going and going as well as the fun and relaxation for many students. The food was soon finished—especially the coconut ice cream. The climbing rock mountain was a challenge to many, the gladiators' fights were the main attraction of the arena. The gyroscope gave students the feeling of being inside of a tornado.

Meanwhile others decided to enjoy something less physical like getting a cartoon drawn of their face or having their palms reading by a psychic and in order to have their fortunes read. As the day passed, and the end of the festival was seen, a common denominator of satisfaction was flowing in the air amongst all CSI students. "PDC did a great job" was the general statement made repeatedly by many students.



Student, Jennifer Fuentes is having her fortune told by a palm reader at the Fall Festival.



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**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION: PROFESSOR YALE MELTZER**

Free Trade vs. Protectionism. This struggle is an old one. Recently we have read about NAFTA's effect on the trade in North America and American threats of reprisals against Japanese discriminatory trade practices. In "International Relations, International Trade and the World Trade Organization", Yale Meltzer, Professor of Economics at the College of Staten Island, will discuss the problems that result from unilateral and regional actions, and the role of the World Trade Organization in maintaining free trade. He will describe the advantages to be found and the difficulties to be encountered on the path to multilateralism.

To learn more about the many-faceted discussion of openness in world trade, come hear Professor Meltzer talk on Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:15AM in the Bijou Lounge of the Campus Center (1C-211). He is the author of 15 books and 21 articles dealing in international trade, economics, finance and technology. In addition, Dr. Meltzer submitted a special report, as requested by the President of the United States, regarding the Kennedy Round of the trade negotiations, presented expert oral testimony in Congressional hearings regarding international trade negotiations, was interviewed on television programs regarding economic developments and has written articles for *Barron's*, the financial newspaper. Also, he is listed in *Who's Who in Finance and Industry* and *Who's Who in the World*.

Professor Meltzer's talk is part of the *World on Wednesday* speaker series sponsored by the Center of International Service of the College of Staten Island every Wednesday at 11:15 AM. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. For further information about this and future programs, please call the Center at (718)982-2100.

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3	17,329	1,445	334	3	24,661	2,056	475
4	20,865	1,739	402	4	29,693	2,475	572
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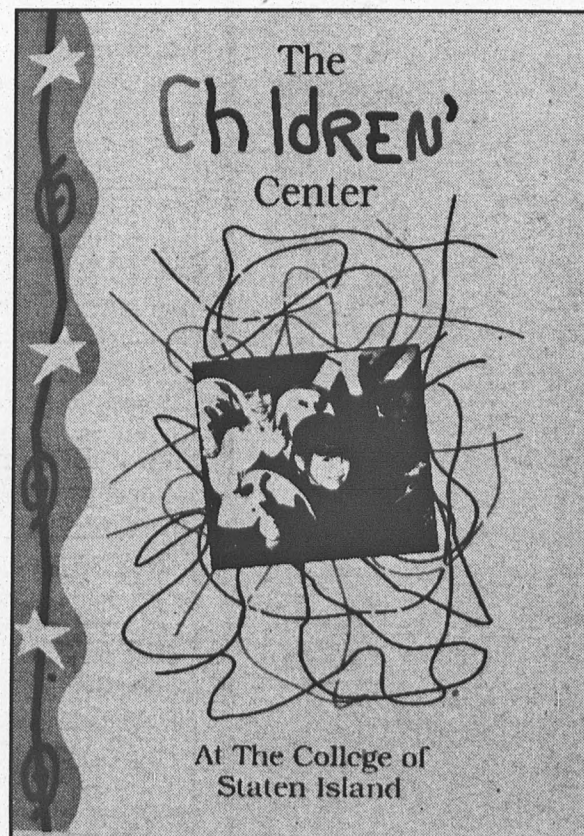
**WHAT AMERICANS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT JAPAN**

**PROFESSOR SUSAN HOLAK**

Can Americans continue to be ignorant about Japan and its culture? What does it cost us in business lost? Professor Susan Holak, of the College of Staten Island, will discuss "What Americans Need to Know About Japan" on Wednesday, October 1, 1997 at 11:15 AM in the Bijou Lounge of the Campus Center.

Dr. Holak, whose specialty is marketing, has done extensive research in the areas of new product development, consumer behavior and cross-cultural marketing. Her work has appeared in the *Journal of Marketing*, *Journal of Marketing Research*, *Journal of Retailing*, *Journal of Product Innovation Management*, and *Advances in Consumer Research*. Using this expertise, as well as the information she gained as a participant in the Japan Studies Institute held this June at San Diego State University, Professor Holak will help us appreciate the importance of understanding Japanese culture if we are to succeed in extending business relations in Eastern Asia.

This talk is part of the World on Wednesday series sponsored every Wednesday at 11:15 AM in the Bijou Lounge of Campus Center. Everyone is welcome. For further information, or a copy of the complete schedule, please call the Center at (718)982-2100. **Co-curricular CLUE credits are available for this talk.**



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# Gospel Jamming with the Joneses

by: Charlo C. Almeda, Jr.

The fall semester kicked off with "Gospel Jam," an event performed by a Christian rock group, the Joneses. Founded by CSI student, Lemuel Jones Ayudtud, the band played a melody of Christian rock ballads and traditional gospel songs. The band included Travis Carter playing the drums and Arturo Acosta and Jonathan Padilla performing on the bass and guitar, respectively. The event was sponsored by the Apostolic Christian Life Center (ACLC), a.k.a. the Christian Club.

Held on Thursday, September 10th, during club hours at the Green Dolphin Lounge, over 75 CSI students attended the event.

Various students praised the performance of this group. CSI SG Finance Commissioner and the President of the History Club, Neil Schuldiner commented, "Jones was quite passionate and genuine in his rendition of 'Hallelujah, I Am Free.'" In addition, Senator Schuldiner said he was in awe of the organizational capabilities of the Christian Club. "I do applaud that this club was able to successfully carry such an event so early in this semester," he said.

"Most clubs usually don't hold any events until October so the initiative demonstrated by the Christian Club was quite impressive," he said. "The organization is one of the strongest and best organized."

Another student was John H. Pae, CSI Student

Government Commissioner on Clubs and Organizations. He attended the entire event said he was pleased with the event. "It was a very exciting and moving performance," he said. "It was very spiritual. I felt that the Holy Spirit was manifested throughout the whole jam. I would like to see more events such as this one."

When asked for his opinion of the Christian Club (ACLC), he answered, "Even though I rather not compare clubs with each other, I would say that it is easy to see why this club received the 'Club of the Year' award last year."

The Gospel Jam was one of many projects to be sponsored this coming semester by the ACLC. When asked about the club's purpose of sponsoring this event, Cynthia LaPera, Vice President of ACLC, stated: "...spread[ing] the love of Jesus through music. Music is one of the main mediums a student can associate with."

Lemuel J. Ayudtud, founder and lead vocalist, expressed his reasons for the band performing. He says, "It was a dual purpose to sugarcoat the gospel to students who are usually not opened to 'Jesus talks', but will sit down and listen to music and to get students to know the [Christian] club." Lemuel is also the President of ACLC.

The Gospel Jam was a precursor to Gospelfest. The Joneses will be performing, along with other gospel performers, at "Gospelfest '97", on Friday, November 14, at the Williamson Theater (1P Building), from 7pm-10pm.

## Letter to the Editor:

A memo was sent to the Banner from the Professor David Falk, Chairperson of the Department of English, Speech, and World Literature. The letter was in regard to the cover story of the Banner's last issue which had been reprinted from the Staten Island Advance and was entitled "Most CSI Freshmen aren't ready for college." It reads as follows:

I am baffled by your logic in kicking off the year by reprinting a month old, full-page attack on yourselves and your fellow students by the ADVANCE. Surely you had time to conduct interviews on campus to get reactions. You also had time to prepare an editorial response.

You did neither. Instead, you simply published a slanted piece and flagged it with a negative headline the facts don't support. The ADVANCE may believe that "Most CSI freshmen aren't ready for college," but you ought to be smart enough to see that their generalization doesn't hold up. Is it true that someone who doesn't do well on the Math Placement exam is unprepared for college work in English or history of foreign languages or psychology? Clearly, that is not necessarily the case.

If you want to be taken seriously as journalists, it is time you began acting like real reporters and editors. Your first issue was a disservice to yourselves and more importantly, to the college community.

Submission Deadline for the next issue of the Banner is October 21, 1997



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# Leonard Jeffries Cancels Speaking Engagement At CSI In Protest

by : Neil Schuldiner



Dr. Leonard Jeffries

Dr. Leonard Jeffries, the controversial CCNY Ethnic Studies professor, canceled a scheduled appearance at CSI to protest the CSI Administration's refusal to properly compensate longtime student advocate attorney, Ronald McGuire for his honorarium. The event, entitled "CUNY in Crisis: The Struggle for Open Admissions," was to feature Dr. Jeffries as well as Ronald B. McGuire, who was going to present an eyewitness account of the struggle faced by minorities and poor people in the 1960s to force CUNY to implement Open Admissions and open the University to all those who want an education. The forum, sponsored by the CSI Student Government (SG) and the CSI Student Union (SU), was to take place on September 18, 1997 at 7pm in the Williamson Theatre and was to be the inaugural event of a year long speaker series designed to elevate the academic and intellectual atmosphere at the college.

Ron McGuire, Esq. was a student at City College during the late sixties who participated in building takeovers and rallies in an effort to open the doors of the exclusionary City College. It was through the efforts of minorities and students such as Mr. McGuire, who was arrested twelve days in a row and assaulted by police, that CUNY was impelled to administer an Open Admissions policy providing a free education to all. In the mid-seventies, Ron McGuire aided the Black Panther party in San Francisco and assisted many trade unions. During the late eighties, Ron McGuire acquired a Jurist Doctorate in law from New York University's School of Law. Since that time, he has become an advocate in defense of CUNY students, sometimes working pro bono. Recently, he successfully argued a case filed on behalf of the students of Hostos Community College in their lawsuit against the CUNY Board of Trustees who were preventing Hostos students from receiving their diplomas.

The Student Government ACCESS, Academic Curricular Consortium Educational Speaker Series had invited both Ronald B. McGuire and Dr. Leonard Jeffries and entered into a contract that was to compensate them in the sums of \$2500 and \$500 respectively. Dr. Leonard Jeffries reduced his usual speaker's fee of \$2500 to \$500 as a favor to Ron McGuire. Additionally, he also offered to donate the \$500 fee to charity. Problems arose when the president of the Association, Carol Jackson, refused to sign Ron McGuire's contract stating that it was her fiduciary responsibility not to do so because Mr. McGuire had never been paid \$2500 to speak previously. An executive session of the CSI Association was held where Student Government senator, Mark Gray, argued that it was because of their friendship with Mr. McGuire that many academically renowned scholars were either reducing their speaker's fees or eliminating them. He argued that it would be fiscally responsible to graciously compensate Mr. McGuire in order for Student Government to save money on other speakers. CSI Association's executive session then voted down Ron McGuire's \$2500 contract by a vote of 2-1. In protest to the Association's ruling, Dr. Leonard Jeffries canceled his speaking engagement out of sympathy for Ron McGuire.

In response to the Association subverting the power of Student Government, SG President William Anthony Patrick Wharton stated, "I think the decision of the Association is highly indicative of the paternalistic manner in which they deal with student formulated ideas and events. What the Association was trying to do was to create a monetary value for an intellectual property which cannot be valued by dollars."

Mark Gray, the Academic Curricular Affairs Commissioner of SG added, "I really had a problem with the Association's characterization of our selected speakers as 'cronies' and I find their illogical behavior to bode ill for our future programs. Most interesting was the fact that, per Marla Brinson's

(Director of Student Life) own admission, Jeffries wasn't investigated in this way. Was Ron McGuire targeted?"

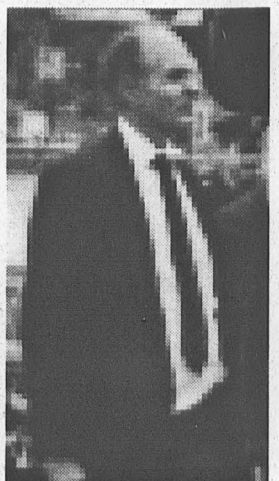
Dr. Leonard Jeffries reached notoriety in 1991 when on July 20th, he presented a speech at the Empire State Black Arts and Cultural Festival in Albany. During his speech, Jeffries made several remarks that many academics and scholars described as anti-Semitic, racist and "utter quackery." The speech, which was subsequently broadcast on Albany cable television, includes Jeffries claim that, "Russian Jewry has a particular control over the movies, and their financial partners, the Mafia, put together a system of destruction of black people." He also claimed that Jews have attacked African Americans in a "systematic, unrelenting" fashion and claimed the educational system is controlled by a "sophisticated Texas Jew." He furthermore claimed that "rich Jews" primarily financed the slave trade and referred to Dr. Bernard Somer (professor at City College) as "the head Jew at City College." Due to remarks such as these, City College officials demoted him, but he was reinstated by a Federal District Court when he sued claiming his first amendment rights to free speech were violated. However, a Federal appeals court reversed the lower court's decision in April of 1996.

Students were divided in their opinions on whether Leonard Jeffries should have been invited to campus. "While I believe in freedom of speech I do not agree with Leonard Jeffries because he offers no solution to ameliorating the racial and ethnic tensions that are widening this already very divisive country. Leonard Jeffries is yelling 'fire' in a theater that is already burning down but he's not bringing in the hose," remarked Leslie Lazaar, Student Union member and College Council representative.

Charlo Almeda, a student at large commented, "Dr. Leonard Jeffries' views on race, particularly the Jews, are totally racist, disgusting and appalling. What is very troubling though, is the fact that Student Union/Student Government and the CSI Association approved funding to sponsor this so-called 'scholar.' If certain items are to be overlooked in the criteria for selecting 'scholarly speakers,' then I am not surprised if they would fund the Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan or other 'narrow minded intellects.' I strongly recommend in the future that the SU/SG use common sense in their selection of potential speakers."

SG Senator Mark Gray commented that, "Leonard Jeffries' name was submitted to Student Government and the CSI Association. He was approved by both bodies. In light of the scheduled topic of minority activism for open admissions, his experience would have been invaluable. Regardless of his reputation he is a scholar, his experience is relevant to the topic, his opinion is protected by the US Constitution; and frankly if anyone really wanted to question his theories, come see the man and rebut him in person." SG Senator Tom Stoll asserted, "Due to the inadequate amount of documented hate mongering by Leonard Jeffries, I have no problems with him coming. If it was conclusive enough for me to judge him as a symbol of hatred, I would not want him to come to campus." When asked if Mr. Stoll believes in the doctrine of free speech he explained, "Yes I believe in free speech, but I disagree with his coming because I feel my money (Student Activity Fee) should not be going to him if in fact the charges are substantiated."

The controversy surrounding Leonard Jeffries hasn't ended. Student Government has reserved the possibility of inviting Leonard Jeffries to campus again, this time however in a forum where his arguments could be rebutted by a qualified scholar. As for Ron McGuire, Hostos Community College is negotiations to contract Mr. McGuire to speak for \$2500. This would eliminate the Associations reservations of CSI matching the \$2500 speaker fee requested by Student Government.



Ronald McGuire



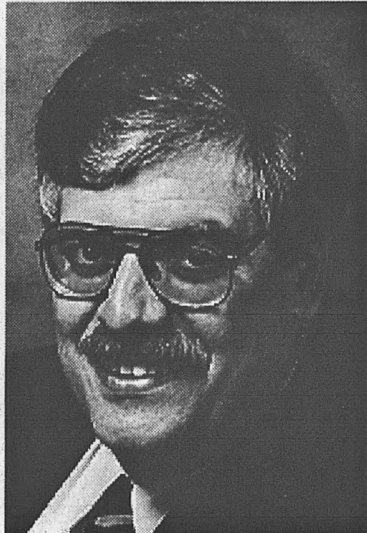
## Vitaliano Expresses Fare Elimination for CSI Students

by: Neil Schuldiner

On Friday, September 19th at the entrance to CSI, democratic candidate for Congress, Eric Vitaliano held a press conference to inform students and the press about his proposal to eliminate express bus fares for CSI students during off-peak hours. He also discussed his plan to reduce the express bus fare from \$4 down to \$2 for all those who utilize public transportation. Present at the meeting were representatives from the Vitaliano campaign, CSI students and employees of the Mass Transit Authority. "College students and their families are paying for tuition and other related expenses, the least we can do is offer them a break as they commute to school and from school. Giving students this break is one way of helping families adjust for the higher costs of a college education," said Mr. Vitaliano. "While we are here today to urge the MTA board to eliminate a fare for college students during off-peak hours, a reduction should be made available for all commuters," added Mr. Vitaliano.

Many students thought Vitaliano's fare reduction ideas were fiscally responsible. Maria Vella, a political science major at CSI stated, "I agree with the proposed reduction in bus fare rate from \$4 to \$2. I think it would help with congestion in the parking lot if the students who live in the outer boroughs would take public transportation and it would be more environmentally responsible." Olusoji Oluwole, a political science major

added, "I would like to commend Eric Vitaliano on his continued support for a reduction of express fare buses for Staten Island. He's shown his support throughout the years as a state assemblyman. And if he is elected congressman I am sure he will not renege on his promise for funding of mass transit."



Eric Vitaliano

"I think it would benefit the students by reducing the financial impact of going to college," exclaimed George Springer, a sociology major. "I think it is an excellent idea and it offers opportunities for those living outside of Staten Island," asserted David Hughes, a CSI history major.

Also present were volunteers from St. Joseph Academy, who were laboring for the Vitaliano campaign to satisfy their community service school requirement. When asked how they felt about Vitaliano's proposal, St. Joseph Academy student, Meggan

Staiano declared, "I think his plan is good and beneficial!"

When asked whether Vitaliano supported free tuition and open admissions, Vitaliano spokesperson Sid Voorakkara stated, "Vitaliano is supportive of any measures that would make college more affordable to students, including tax credits/relief...any relief or incentives by government is a worthwhile investment. Eric Vitaliano is very supportive of Open Admissions."

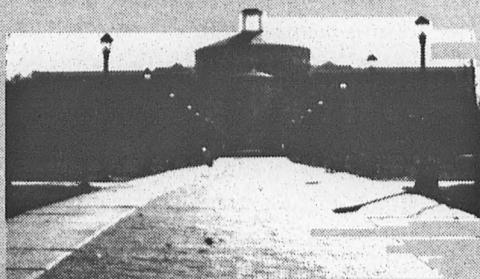
## Disability Awareness Day

The Office of Disability Services in conjunction with the Program Development Committee is sponsoring a Disability Day on Thursday, October 9, 1997 from 10am-4pm.

The program for the day will begin at 10am with an Open House in the Office of Disability Services, room 1P-101. Information on our work and services will be available throughout the day, as well as assistive technology demonstrations. Two video presentations, When Billy Broke His Head and How difficult Can This Be? will take place in the Atrium of the 1P building. At 1:30pm, Ms. Phyllis Lederman, CSI alumnus and keynote speaker, will address the gathering on the topic of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and its implications for people in college and workplace.

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# THE INK SPOT

By: Shawn Fisher

Some may think it rather odd that I mention the death of Princess Diana in a Comic book column. But not when you consider that there are actually two of them. One, born to fiction 60 years ago and one to life 36 years past. Most know of the real life Royal of England, who at an early age married Prince Charles. Wide eyed comic collectors of "Wonder Woman", (or Princess Diana of the Amazons) know the "other" Diana. If you've never read a Comic book before, you would assume that the two only shared a similar name. That is not true – in fact they have much more in common.

In both fact and fiction they both have truly been "Wonder" women. The Princess of Wales spent a good portion of her short life helping those in need. She has brought attention to the dangers

of land-mines and sought to rid the world of them. Lady Diana brushed off the ignorance the world has of the HIV virus, and worked closely with those who suffer from this dreaded disease. Despite a bitter divorce from both her husband and the Royal court (as well as the maniacal handling of the Paparazzi) she continued to strive for issues benefiting the most common of people.

The Amazonian Princess was born during a time of war. During World War II comics were at their highest demand. As young and lonely soldiers fought a war far from home, they would look to their childhood heroes as a source of encouragement.

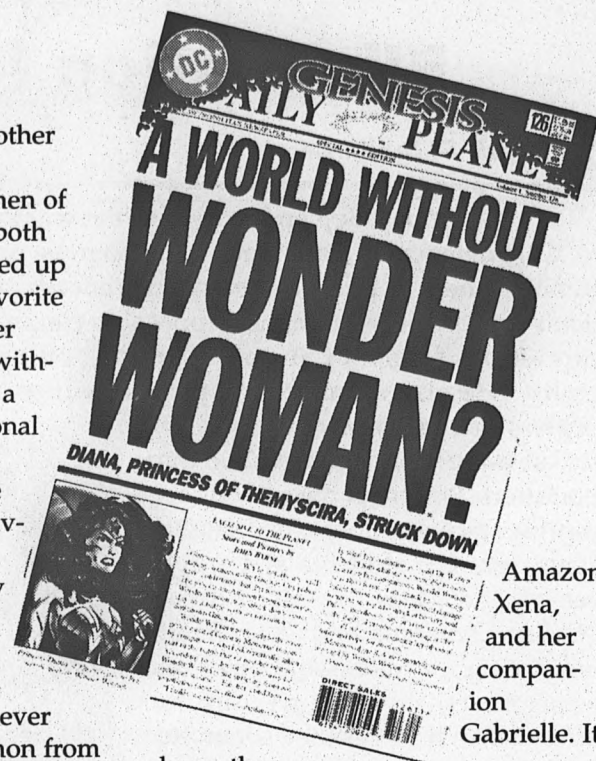
The fictional Princess Diana was chosen by her people to represent them in the war. This war produced many of the mines the Princess of Wales would try to eliminate decades later.

"Wonder Woman" has spent the last six decades fighting the forces of evil and defending those in need. She will not kill; but would put herself in the line of

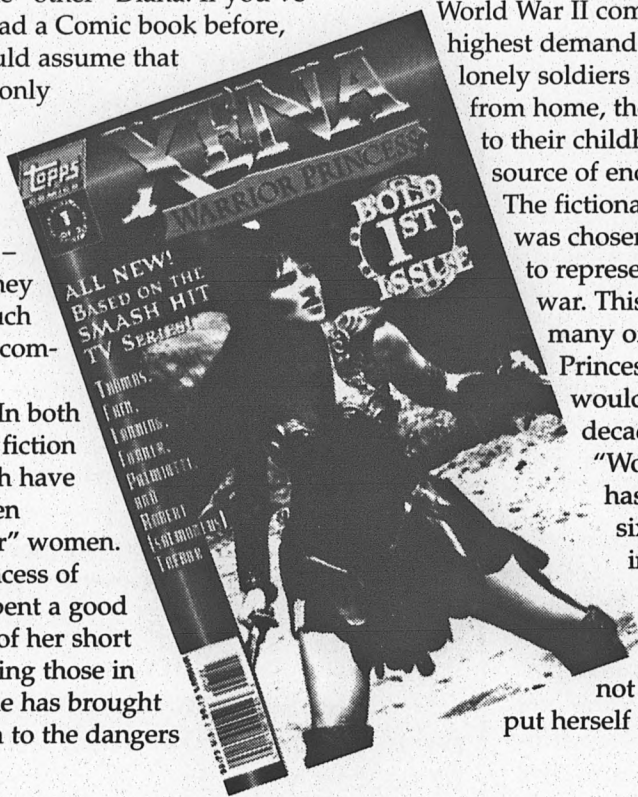
danger to save the life of another without thought.

Now these two women of truth, honor and justice are both dead. When comic fans picked up the current issues of their favorite book only to see a newspaper headline depicting a world without "Wonder Woman". Just a few days following the fictional story of Princess Diana, the true one unfolded before the World's eyes. I remember having just finished the issue I turned on the television only to find the same tale unfold again. Never has my hobby come so close to crossing with real life, and I hope it never happens again. It took a demon from hell to put down "Wonder Woman," and demons called paparazzi to wrench Lady Diana from our lives. Those involved in comic books are shown worlds where death is always absolute, if only the same could be said for the "real" world.

To stay on the subject of Amazons (but to lighten the mood of this commentary), let us now focus on *Xena Warrior Princess*. Topps, the comic and trading card company, are now producing a number of mini-series based on the television show of the same name. Like the show, the comic follows the adventures of the



Amazon Xena, and her companion Gabrielle. It



shares the same campy fun and non-stop action as the show, with the addition of some excellent artwork. Issue number one is in comic stores now, with a second mini-series due to begin before the year's end. If successful, Topps will more than likely host a regular series of Xena comics to complement their existing *Hercules* series. Although Topps may be a little late with their work at times, they have always maintained a high standard of quality which is why I can recommend this and future issues of *Xena Warrior Princess* to you.

## MIST WRAITHS

*They seem like the swirling mist...  
unsubstantial and dreamlike.....  
But don't try to touch them.....  
They'll swiftly fade into the darkness.....  
Afraid to touch you for it will give them far  
too much pain. You see, they would want your life,  
for they're own.*

Michele Robillard

## DARKNESS

*Darkness settles on the sky,  
fastening upon it like a lover.  
Gently folding its many layers, one upon  
each other.... The stars shine on like bejeweled  
eyes winking coquetishly at everyone they see....  
Shh! Its cold... You hear that cry? It might be an eye crying...*

Michele Robillard

## Mammal

*Follow the genetical path of air in inspiration  
some result haven't touched meaning inside  
show me the pressures relaxed; which way to be  
normal..  
dont comprehend; my differances are closed..  
move up, decreasing the size of compression..  
deeper into depression, we're falling..  
i'm your mammal..  
The tides come and go.. entering and leaving us..  
test my cerebal cortex to greed on oneself..  
my blood has no place in your emotions i sense..  
measure if after extra air i'll be free..  
force it all; its not freedom no more, it's  
bigotry..  
your the whore vital to our productions..  
must head for reduction of self..  
i must act stupid, for you are the same..  
i'm your brain..  
i'm your mammal..*

Slater Bakhtavar

## Mundane

*Teddybears in the highchair  
She speaks with me.  
I'm her best keeper, i breathe..  
She passes over emotions;  
her fears, hate, and tolerance  
I listen with no negative,  
Trusts me not to speak out.  
So as she grows she forgets  
scares, beats, neglects downset  
other keepers deceive her,  
cause her pain heighten fears.  
Pretend to hear her pain,  
Skin wishes of her obtained.  
After years she seeks me,  
help her relax, to be free..  
Ran to me in time of need.  
helped her see, helped the  
release..  
but soon she'll forget me,  
then in anothers arms i'll be..  
mundane is shallow..*

Slater Bakhtavar



## CSI PRESENTS: THE TAMBURITZANS

The College of Staten Island (CUNY)/Center for the Arts presents the **Tamburitzans** on Saturday, September 27 at 8:00 PM in the Concert Hall. Celebrating 60 years of dazzling audiences in the United States and abroad, the Tamburitzans present an evening of songs, folk dance and music of Eastern Europe. Using over 500 costumes and performing in a dozen different European languages, they create an exciting spectacle of music, color, and dance. Highlights from the program include a Croatian girl's chorus, a medley of Serbian tunes, dances from Poland, Slovakia, and Hungary, and Greek, Russian and Ukrainian music. Advance tickets are \$15 before September 26<sup>th</sup>; \$20 after, \$10 Students/Seniors. TDF vouchers are welcome. Call the Center for the Arts box office (718)982-ARTS for tickets and information.

The Tamburitzans were founded in 197 at Duquesne University (Pittsburgh) and are the first existing university-based folk ensemble in the United States. They take their name from the tamburitza family of stringed instruments indigenous to the folk cultures of Southeastern Europe. The group exists for the dual purpose of preserving and perpetuating the Eastern European cultural heritage in the United States and offering scholarships to deserving students. The group has performed throughout the United States and Canada, as well as, Yugoslavia, Italy, Latin America, Romania, Poland, the Former Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Greece, and Bulgaria.

WHO: The Tamburitzans  
WHAT: Eastern European songs, folk dance, music  
WHERE: Center for the Arts Concert Hall  
WHEN: Saturday, September 27, 1997 at 8:00 PM

Showing their strength and tenacity are the Duquesne University Tamburitzans as they perform a suite of Macedonian dances.



## Wellness Column: Pluralism and Diversity

by: Anne Devaney

Pluralism exists when several different communities live together and benefit from each others' experiences. In doing this, they affirm each others dignity and acknowledge each other's contribution to the common social welfare. Diversity is the differences that make each person unique. Ethnicity, culture and religious beliefs and other differences all make up a diverse society. The ability to understand and appreciate these differences enriches one's life.

Unfortunately, many of us make judgments about people based on experiences with people who are different from ourselves. These judgments can lead to stereotypes which are preconceived ideas involving negative beliefs about a particular group. Stereotypes facilitate attitudes that can lead to acts of prejudice. Stereotyping does not allow for people to be taken as individuals, rather it categorizes them into groups. A bias is a subjective point of view. This point of view leads us to our own personal understanding of ourselves and others. Our biases can lead to stereotyping.

Prejudice is an unfavorable opinion or feeling formed before hand without knowledge, thought or reason and is of a hostile nature. Discrimination is differential treatment based on unfair categorization. When we act on our prejudices, we engage in discrimination. This action keeps people out of activities or places because of the group to which they belong. Scapegoating is the deliberate policy of erroneously blaming an individual or group. Those we scapegoat encounter our aggression. Scapegoating is a dangerous policy that leads to discrimination in jobs, political and social rights and can lead to conflict.

There are many forms of prejudice. Sexism is discrimination based on sex (gender). Racism occurs when one group believes their superiority to others. Racists justify their discriminatory actions and domination of races they consider inferior. Racists beliefs are so strong that destroying the people, who they fear will contaminate society, often becomes reality.

Homophobia is the fear and sometimes hatred of people whose sexual orientation differs from their own. The Committee on Pluralism and Diversity and The Wellness Program are sponsoring the event "Homophobia: How We All Pay The Price", which addresses this topic. It is being held on Thursday, October 9th in 1P - Lecture Hall from 1:30-3:30. The program offers a non-judgmental and non-threatening approach to the issue of sexual identity. Warren Blumenfeld, author, will be the guest speaker at the event.

For more information on this event or other events scheduled by the Wellness Program, stop in at 1C -112. There are calendars of the events along with peer educators who are trained to discuss issues that are important to you. It's free and confidential.





# Lenin rose with the new Student Government ...

By : Juergen Schnetzer

... and came down!!!

As most members of the CSI community know, the Student Union won the Student Government election. As soon as they took over the Student Government office they wanted to improve the look of the office and make it into a true Student friendly space. They tried to accomplish that by hanging up Lenin's picture and creating a big mess. Soon after they hung it up somebody must have felt the creative urge to enhance the quality of the picture by spilling juice on it. Regrettably some members of the Student Union did not like the new look of the picture and it came down. Knowingly or unknowingly they reenacted history with their action. Lenin's pictures were hung up in many places 70 years ago and now they take him down. At the College of Staten Island we did it in less than 70 days. What an accomplishment.

The creation of the mess, I assume was also planted and created by the Student Union leaders Sarah Husain, Billy Warthon, Colleen McGraham, etc. This is so far one of their most important and productive works for that semester. Every time I go inside the Student Government office I feel good about myself, because in comparison to that Office my home looks very neat and orderly. If your parent or your girl- or boy-friend is giving you a hard time and call you a slob bring them to our student Government Back-office and they will stop nagging on you.

We should be also very proud of our new Student Government President Billy Warthog. He is a truly humble person and he learned very quickly what it means to be a good politician. Even so he was elected by us the Students and represents us as our president he will mention first that he is a member

of the Student Union (a club) and maybe later tell you that he is also our President. As a good politician he learned also the art of taking credit for other peoples work or for things that look great but required no effort on his part.

In the last issue of the Banner he showed us how well he masters that art. The Book exchange with NYPIRG was already established thanks to the hard work of Joseph Canale and others. But Billy Warthon use it wisely as his and his cronies victory and he made sure that we the Students know about it. He spent a couple thousand dollar to send us the card with his name on it.

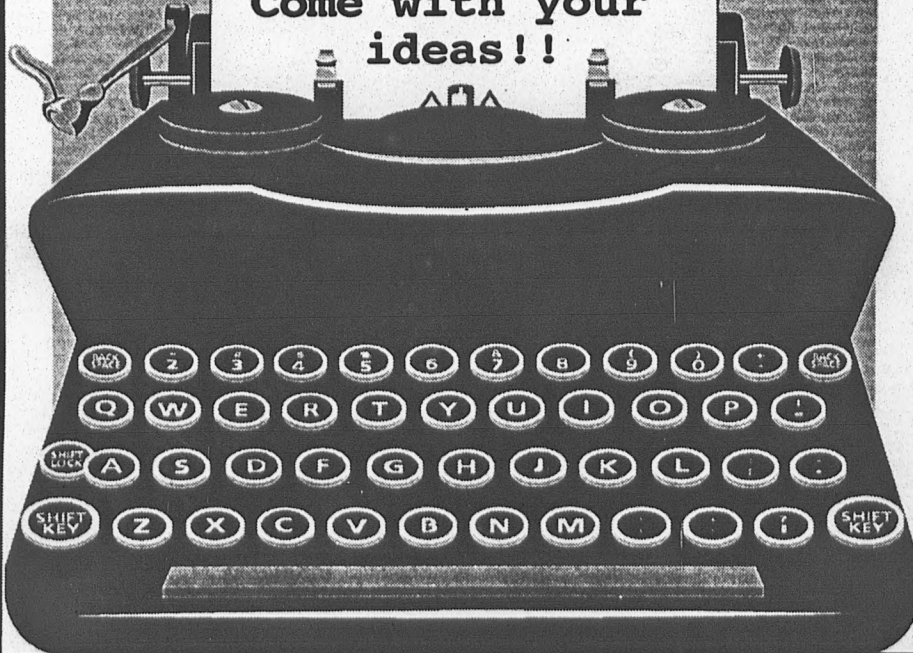
Another great victory for him who is the Student Union was also the extension of the Library and the Computer lab according to his article. Reality is that he was playing the wild man at the Student Governments meeting with the president. He acted like a very good politician and was accusing everybody and everything. Regrettably he didn't learn to make much sense yet and everybody except his most loyal followers started to ignore him. Poor Billy!!! Never the less disgruntled former members of the student union (Joanne Gallo, ...) did a good job and talked with President Springer about extended Library and Computer lab hours. Billy was very happy with that result and praised himself for the great victory.

Since every good politician need also a lot of help he is asking us to join the Student Union so he may have more great victories to claim with little or no work on his part. So lets help him to become even a better politician. Go, Billy boy you make us proud.



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# Advice I Would Give My Children About Life

by: *Xiomara Cabrera*

Life is like a candle. It gives light while there's wax left; when the wax finishes it light goes off forever. What I mean by this phrase is that we are alive a while, until one day we close our eyes and our heart stops forever.

My life as a child was very easy because my mom had a nanny, whose job it was to take care of me and to do everything for me.

As a result, I grew up very lazy and this is not a good virtue, because it brings bad consequences. I have two children, a girl who is 15 years old and a boy who is 5; when I think of my children and their future, I get worried. I would like them to have safe and happy lives.

The advice I would give my daughter concerning this matter would be: never get a nanny for your children when you have them. Just teach your children to do things for themselves; this would help them become more independent in the future. A good woman is capable of raising good children and capable of loving them with all her heart.

I want my daughter to be a good woman (with God's help). I want her to be a good mother in the future because by being a good mom she will be rewarded with good children; and this would

definitely make her life happy.

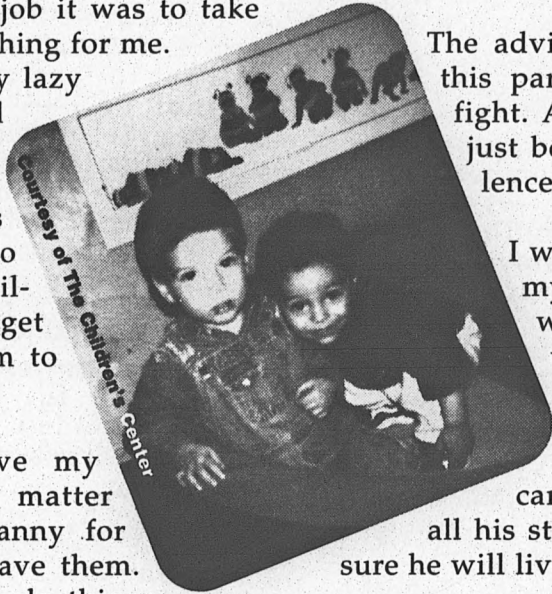
My son is too young to understand the facts of life. Nonetheless, someday he will grow up to be a man (with God's help too); by then, I would like him to be a good man. Men are usually violent, because they think that being a man means getting into fights.

The advice I would give my son about this particular issue is: Never start a fight. And never think you are a man just because you perform acts of violence.

I want my son to be a good man. If my son learns to be patient, he won't use violence in the future unless necessary. I want him to learn that being a man is much more than fighting to prove bravery. A good man is kind, caring and capable of loving with all his strength; by acting this way I am sure he will live a happy life.

I hope the advice I would give my children about life is appropriate to lead them to a better life in this world.

Children learn the facts of life from two sources: one is from their parents and the other one is their friends. I would suggest parents to get ahead of the children's friends, and to educate them properly under God's commandments.



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# TomKo On Beer: Killmeyer's Bavaria on the Arthur Kill: One Year Later

by: Thomas C. Kolakowski

More than a year ago, The Banner introduced CSI to Staten Island's newest haven for good beer, a bar catering to one's Teutonic side. Killmeyer's Bavarian Inn opened with great fanfare, hosting an excellent selection of the finest German beers available in the U.S. Initially starting with four taps of Spaten beers and nearly one hundred different German brews available in the bottle, one could wonder how much closer to Valhalla one might come in this life time! Well much has changed since their opening in January 1996. More taps have been added and many new German brews are added to their impressive menu.

In January, Killmeyer's underwent their first and most magnificent change. It began to offer a full German menu cooked by two very German chefs. For the first time in most Staten Islanders memories can one find such fine fare as sauerbraten and rouladen on the same menu. Killmeyer's has now become more than just a haven for German beer lovers, but German FOOD lovers as well! Now don't fear that the addition of a full German dinner menu has changed the atmosphere and fun that has made Killmeyer's an overwhelming success since their opening day. You'll still hear the "Happy Tones" playing Umpa versions of every song ever recorded on weekend evenings.

In the nine months since Killmeyer's began to serve dinner it has quickly become one of the hottest

dining spots on Staten Island, with a line forming early on many weekend evenings. Serving such great food and at reasonable prices it is a major hit amongst those who appreciate fine dining in a more casual setting. When most people go out to dinner they expect to be greeted with a basket of Italian, Rye or Pumpnickel bread... Killmeyer's will have nothing of that! They serve each table with a basket of big warm soft pretzels; the kind one often finds on street corners in the city. But unlike their NYC counterparts these are served up with a wonderful Bavarian mustard... the hot and robust kind you seldom see in city restaurants!

Saturday, September 20th brings about a new set of changes to Killmeyer's. After months of hard work and planning, Killmeyer's new "Beer Garden" is finally set to open. The beer garden is an outdoor area where one can sit, have a few beers while eating some light German fare (such as Bratwursts). The Beer Garden is set to open just in time for this year's Oktoberfest.

Dining at Killmeyer's is a form of gastronomic heaven! If you have the appetite and the wallet; you might try their Kalbshaxe (Veal Shank), the price varies around \$30, but it is a most wondrous piece of meat... slow roasted for many hours, it requires no knife to remove the meat... those who have sampled this excellent fare joke of how one could easily bludgeon someone to

death with such a huge cut of meat!

If a Leg'o Calf is out of your price range you will be glad to know that most entrees on Killmeyer's menu average around \$13; well within even the most modest diner's budget. The least expensive, yet still delightful, are the Wursts (Brats, Weiss or Knock) at \$10 are a steal. A personal favorite is the Bayrischer Bauernschmaus (or Farmers Feast). This entree includes Roast Pork, a smoked Pork Chop, a Bratwurst, served with Red Cabbage and a Bread Dumpling... if you really want to feast, at \$15 this item is a rare find. Entrees run from \$10 to \$15 on average, with soups and appetizers running from \$4.50 for Bier Suppe (Beer Soup) to \$9 for Garnelen Und Hummer (Shrimp & Lobster Salad).

And remember folks... Killmeyer's is more than just a restaurant... it's a Bar! Within, you can find one of the best selections of German Beer in the city. Tap beers are sold in 1/2 Liter, full liter steins, as well as, a 3 liter wooden keg. There is nothing more impressive than sitting at a table with a 3 Liter keg of Optimator (TomKo's favorite). Their bottle selection is impressive, ranging from Alt to Weiss (and all styles inbetween).

If you are hankering for a change from the normal fare, try heading to New York's own slice of Bavaria... Killmeyer's Old Bavaria Inn and Restaurant. Well wurst the trip!

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT IN SHREDS:

### GALLO & HEALY TAKE STAND.....BRAWL FOLLOWS

By: Joe Canale

In what is perhaps the most embarrassing moment for the recently seated 30th Student Government (SG), a physical confrontation broke out at what was supposed to be the Senate's second official meeting of the year. The altercation occurred at last Thursday's meeting after SG Senator Morgan Healy abruptly left the meeting. The abrupt departure was spurred after Healy was denied permission to speak by Sara Hussain, a member of the Student Union and College Voice (not a SG member) and then being gavelled down by Deputy President Kathi McQue. Hussain's speech focused on problems within the Student Government and Student Union subtly criticized the actions of members was evidently provoking to certain members. Following this, Senator Joanne Gallo tried to speak, stating "we have an agenda to get to, lets not discuss problems which you [Sara Hussain] don't understand. Lets get on with business." Gallo in her plea followed the same fate as her recently departed colleague and was also gavelled down. However, the tables were about to turn.

Evidently, frustrated with being disenfranchised by the SG leadership, Senator Gallo used the rules of parliamentary order and called for a quorum count as she dismissed

herself from the meeting. With Senator Healy already absent, the meeting was forced into adjournment for lack of members present. This action, while considerably bold, was met with a volley of ridicule from several senators and onlookers most notably Senator Colleen McGraham, who was leading the chorus shouting words like "coward" and other.... not so nice things.

Chaos and confusion followed, with Senator Gallo moving into the adjoining Leader's Chambers tailed by aggressors and critics. Here, the ridicule raged on and the arguments intensified, then finally the seams of sanity snapped. Senators McGraham and Gallo were "in each others faces" and in within moments arms were flailing and people were rushing into the room. Senators Graham and Gallo had to be broken apart by Director of Student Life Marla Brinson, Acting Clubs Coordinator Meri Kaufman, and several onlookers.

The meeting provoked different reactions from different people. Director of Student Life Marla Brinson commented on the situation "I'm shocked that the level of communication had broken down." Meri Kaufman, Acting Clubs Coordinator stated "It's a shame that things got out of hand."

The response among the Senators varied. Some Senators who were new to the table looked on in amazement, while the only veteran among the new SG, Senator Shakor Connor took the event lightly; and was laughing with several onlookers stating: "they're just going crazy in there [leaders room]." He later reflected on the meeting aftermath saying "I felt they didn't conduct themselves as SG Senators should. They should have let each other finish their statements." Deputy President Kathi McQue stated "I'm sorry that it [the meeting] went down the way it did. I thought that we would be able to have a discussion in an adult manner." Senator Morgan Healy commented "I feel certain of the SG leadership is generally damaging students. A specific example is that those who write the minutes during executive sessions actually lie on the minutes. This could damage us by stereotyping all of us as liars."

Senator Jo Anne Gallo commented on the situation saying "some people are obviously having a problem and instead of going directly to the person they are having the problem with they are making it an open show of it. Our Student Government meetings are becoming circuses filled with certain people's personal problems and agendas."



## One for the Birds?

by: Steve Hall

With the baseball season winding down and teams jockeying for position, the American League clearly holds the edge. The much of this season's excitement will be coming from the American League games which will generate greater rivalries. While heading down the stretch, there is a dogfight for bragging rights in the Eastern Division between the Baltimore Orioles, who have had an iron grip on first place, and the Yankees, who have been on a downward spiral dropping seven of nine games to the birds. The western division is also up for grabs, with the Mariners holding on to the top spot (which has hinged on Ken Griffey Jr.'s dingers) holding off the Anaheim Angels. The only serious contender in the National League is the Atlanta Braves who have continued their winning ways.

As we near the fall classic, eight teams have their eyes on the prize. Let's take a look at the contenders for division titles and wild card spots. The three teams in the National League that have any chance of competing in the series are the Atlanta Braves, the Los Angeles Dodgers, the San Francisco Giants. The Braves, who have the best shot in the National League of winning the series, has a combination of super offense, defense and brilliant pitching. The trade for Kenny Lofton from the Cleveland Indians has helped the Braves tremendously in terms of speed. Fred McGriff has been putting up his usual numbers, combined with a young cast of future all-stars, will prove this team to be a true dynasty. Atlanta's pitching, which is what they are most feared for, has come on strong and will play a major role on how far they can go. If the bats come alive and the pitching is strong, this team will surely cruise into the series.

The Los Angeles Dodgers' season has been a surprise, with the team coming alive to gain first place in the National League, west division. Catcher Mike Piazza has held the club together with his offense and defense. The Dodgers have held onto first place for most of the season, but with the season coming to a close the pressure is on to extend their lead over the Giants, which will not be an easy task. The Dodgers last game with Atlanta was a 7-0 Braves

win which left the Dodger lead over San Francisco at only one half game.

The San Francisco Giants have hung tough with the Dodgers all season behind Barry Bonds mighty bat and a good pitching staff that has them believing in the Bay area. Giants players such as J.T. Snow and Stan Javier have been a good supporting cast for Bonds. The Giants are coming on strong and are trying to continue their winning ways from the past.

The American League has two very exciting division races between the Orioles and the Yankees in the east, and in the west a showcase between the Seattle Mariners and the Anaheim Angels.

The Baltimore Orioles have clobbered the Yankees this year season since their ousting last year in the post-season, and this time the birds are out for revenge. The Orioles have exploded offensively and their pitchers have taken charge of their whole game. Under skipper, Davey Johnson, Orioles Brady Anderson, Cal Ripken, and Roberto Alomar have all played major roles in Baltimore's success.

The New York Yankees have played second fiddle all season to the birds and don't seem to be making up any ground with them struggling offensively and defensively. But with the hard hitting bats of Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams, you never know when they will come alive. Hopefully it won't be too late. Hopes of another championship are dimming as the season draws to a close as their pitching, which was instrumental last year, has failed them. With Hideki Irabu and Darryl Strawberry not being placed on the post season roster, fans are wondering what the Yanks paid all of the money on these players for. David Cone, Kenny Rogers, David Wells, and Dwight Gooden have all failed when the Yanks needed them most. Andy Petite has been the only strong Yankee pitcher in the rotation to notch 17 wins this season. His last victory coming impressively over the Orioles

where the Yankees defeated the birds 14-2

The Seattle Mariners are another contender, especially with Junior's home runs (which at last count was at 50.) The dingers have been piling up for this future Hall of Famer, and his quest to break Roger Maris record seems imminent. Edgar Martinez has added offense showing that giving up Tino Martinez wasn't a great loss but a huge win for the Yankees. Randy Johnson and Jamie Moyer's pitching have vaulted the Mariners into the AL west division title.

The Anaheim Angels have been on the heels of the Yankees for a wild card spot, but do they have what it takes to win? The Angels have gone head to head with the Yankees and the Yanks have gotten the better end of the deal in every outing.

The battle has begun for bragging rights of whose bat is mightier, Ken Griffey Jr's or Mark McGwire? Both are dead even at 50 homers apiece and everyone is wondering whether or not either will break Maris' record.

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## A Quiet Leader on the Diamond

By: James J. Murphy

On the baseball team of the College of Staten Island, there is a gentleman who is not getting a lot of recognition for his work on the field by his school or his fellow students but, only by his fellow teammates. This dolphin is senior Bobby Campbell, who never stops working hard. On every pitch, this player known to his teammates as "B.C.," runs down the first base line to back up the bag on every ground ball and puts his body in front of every ball in the dirt. On every foul ball this Dolphin never gives up until he runs out of room or simply crashes into a pole, fence or wall. It gets to the point that his head coach, Bill Cali, has to tell Bobby to stop chasing the ball; but like the energizer rabbit, he still keeps going and going.

I got first hand experience of his hard work as I witnessed it everyday as did his teammates, coaches, the athletic department and the few fans who made the long trips to watch the Dolphins play all their games this year. This season was highly stressful in that all but four games had to be played on the road due to field maintenance problems at Willowbrook. The 1997 C.S.I. Dolphins traveled as much as three hours on buses to play games, but co-captain Campbell made sure that the team did not lose their composure and showed his senior leadership as well as any person I have ever seen. He got a lot of help from his fellow senior teammates, co-captain Tom D'angelo, Jason Anarumo, Tom Considine, Chris Kelly, and Dominic DiNicola.

People who know him talk about Bobby's work ethics and leadership skills. Eugene Marshall, Athletic Director at the College of Staten Island, said "Bobby is a great kid and I am very happy for players like him that they won the CUNY Championship."

"Mr. Clutch does everything you ask... a great kid for years," said Coach Cali. Pitching Coach Tony Anarumo said "a team cannot win ball games without a player like Bobb. He is the best defensive catcher I've seen in some time with a strong accurate arm... an integral part of team."

"Bobby is the best defensive catcher I ever played with, great to throw to, he is a catcher that takes charge during the game. He builds your confidence up, makes you feel that you are the best when you are on the mound," said senior pitcher, Pete Noto. Senior Tom D'Angelo, who played with him all four years said, "Bobby is definitely underrated, picks up the slack that we may leave behind, a good person off the field as well. Players should be more like him." Senior pitcher Chris Kelly, who is never bashful to say anything and be quoted, said, "Everyday you know he is going to come out and work hard—he gives 110%. No matter what the score is, you know what you are going to get everyday from him, day in and day out. He is the team leader, he does everything that goes unnoticed."

Bobby also made a impression with the underclassmen on the team as well. Sophomore pitcher, Eric Claro, said "The most important element on this team, a leader by example, who kept team spirit up all season even during our five game skid." John DiMicelli, Bobby's backup at catcher, said, "Bobby is a hard worker, comes to play, doesn't fool around when it comes to gametime, doesn't back down, gives his all during a game, helps instruct me on my techniques like with throwing out baserunners."

In conclusion, Bobby Campbell is one of the most dedicated, hard working players I have ever seen in the game of baseball. Just because he didn't lead the team in homeruns, hits or wins doesn't mean he shouldn't be recognized for the things he did for the Dolphins at C.S.I. I feel he did many of more important things, like handling a pitching staff, getting a couple of "clutch" doubles to help them win a ballgame (like down at Jersey City State), or being the vocal leader on the bench. If I were starting a ball club I would start it with players like him. Everyone knows the saying that you may find a diamond in the rough, but in Bobby's case you find a person who plays hard or rough on a diamond

## THE NEW GUY IN TOWN

by: Francis Stuchbury

I'd like introduce myself. I am the new Sports Editor of *The Banner* as well as the Sports Director at WSIA. Holding both positions will give me a real chance to keep a finger on the pulse of what's happening in sports here at the College of Staten Island.

I'm writing this in hope of getting a response from people who read the sport section of *The Banner*. I have written articles for a year and have not gotten much feedback. I am curious—what exactly do you, the readers, want. Should *The Banner* cover CSI sports or professional sports—or both? Which sports to you like best and want to see the most coverage of? What else would you like to see in the sports section? Articles about health? running?

bicycling? roller blading? weight lifting? bungee jumping? What else?

We are also looking for more writers and photographers to work for our sports department. Do you have some ideas for possible articles? Are you just interested in sports? Please fill out the survey on page 15 to give us a sense of what you want. Deposit it in the box marked Sports Survey on the first floor of the Campus Center.

And don't forget to listen in—and call in—to my sports shows on WSIA, 88.9 : Professional Wrestling Talk, Sunday Nights 6-7 p.m. , Staten Island Sports Stuff, 7-8 p.m. , The New Sports Action, 8-10 p.m. co-hosted by Mike Fitzmaurice and me.



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# A Champion Dethroned, Long Love the Champ

By: Robert Lauro

A thirty-nine year old champion was carried out on his shield in a WBC Super Bantamweight (122 lbs) title fight Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup> in El Paso, Texas. Daniel Zaragoza, a veteran of 22 world title fights in two weight divisions, was KO'd by a younger, faster, stronger Erik Morales. Morales increased his record to 27-0 with 21 KO's. Zaragoza's record is now 55 wins, 8 loses and 3 draws. His record in championship fights stands at 14-5-3.

Zaragoza was put down in the 10<sup>th</sup> round by two hard rights to the body from the new champ, Morales. The barrage continued in the 11<sup>th</sup> with Morales finally landing a right to the solar plexus that sent Zaragoza across the ring and down for the count, despite his valiant efforts to rise and continue. Zaragoza dominated in the early rounds and the teetered back and forth in the middle rounds. The eighth round saw every athlete's nemesis make its appearance and seal Zaragoza's fate. Old

Age had come to pay it's respects to Daniel, and from that round onward you could see the younger Morales start to land punches that Zaragoza heretofore evaded and had countered with punches that Morales did not deal with effectively.

After the finish Zaragoza told the ringside interviewer, "He (Morales) was much quicker and a good technician. I was going after his, but wasn't able to put him away early. Today, my legs weren't there and my punch wasn't there. Tomorrow will be worse. I think this is it."

He was the Bantamweight champ in 1985, and also held the junior featherweight belt from 1988-1990 and 1991-1992.

Zaragoza was one of those fighters who come along very rarely. He took fights on two weeks notice, fought opponents in their hometowns, and never ducked an opponent. While fighters will fight in their opponent's home town, what set Zaragoza apart from the others was that he would

show so much class and heart that by the middle rounds the crowds would be screaming ZA-RA-GO-ZA, ZA-RA-GO-ZA. Even when he'd lose, the crowd would be cheering him. I once saw him fight McCullough in Ireland. McCullough was a crowd pleaser, especially in Ireland, and like Zaragoza, was one of those fighters who would throw over 100 punches a round throughout the entire fight. Zaragoza gave the younger McCullough a boxing lesson over the course of the entire fight, winning both the decision and the crowd.

One look at Daniel Zaragoza's face told you that his sole business was prizefighting. Scars over scars, from the uncountable punches that cut skin like a knife. Eyes swollen into perpetual slits from the scar tissue that built up from those cuts. His face is a testament to the harsh brutal nature that we call the sport of boxing. If I had to choose a face that describes boxing, it would be that of Daniel Zaragoza's.

## THE BANNER SPORTS SURVEY

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Basketball-W

Football

Hockey

Soccer

Boxing

Wrestling

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Health

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Others

What else should the sport section be covering?

Are you interested in working on the banner? Fill out below.

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## **BATTISTA AND O'BRIEN TO LEAD CSI WOMEN'S SOFTBALL PROGRAM**

On September 18<sup>th</sup>, College of Staten Island athletic director Eugene Marshall named Gina Battista as the fifth head women's softball coach in school's history. Battista, who served as the Dolphin's assistant coach last season under recently retired Sonny Grasso, takes over a squad which finished the year with a record of 19-18 and as runners-up for the CUNY Softball Tournament Championship.

"I feel very fortunate to have someone as talented as Gina to lead our women's softball program into the future," Marshall said. "I'm very confident that she will help our players achieve their desired goals."

A standout catcher for former Seahawk coach Ed Hynes at Wagner College, Battista's playing career came to an abrupt end after suffering knee injuries during her junior season. Battista went on to complete her degree at Wagner, earning a B.S. in Biology in May, 1996. She is currently employed by the New York City Board of Education as a teacher at Port Richmond High School.

"Gina is an excellent choice for CSI," Hynes said. "She was a very hard-nosed, intelligent, verbal player and she will use the same

enthusiasm and dedication toward leading the CSI program."

Battista was a four-year letter-winner for Karen Lynch's perennial Port Richmond powerhouse. She was a standout member of P.R.'s 1990 and 1991 squads which advanced to the New York City Championship Game. She earned *Staten Island Advance All-Star* honors following her junior season, and went on to captain the Port Richmond squad during her senior year.



**New Softball Coach: Gina Battista**

In a related move, Marshall named former standout CSI softball and basketball player Keri O'Brien to the position of assistant coach. O'Brien was a four-year letter-winner in both softball and basketball at CSI, and was a key member of Marshall's 1996-97 women's basketball squad which became the first women's program in school history to compete in an NCAA National Championship Tournament. A former standout player at Moore Catholic, O'Brien received a B.A. in Education from CSI this past Spring.

"Keri is a Winner and I think she will complement Gina well and be a great asset to our program," Marshall Said.

### **ALL TIME CSI WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COACHES**

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
<b>Betty Zwingraf</b>	<b>1978-78, '83-84</b>	<b>15-34</b>	<b>.306</b>
<b>Lillian Montalbano</b>	<b>1980-82</b>	<b>15-29</b>	<b>.340</b>
<b>Rich Gilberto</b>	<b>1985-94</b>	<b>149-96</b>	<b>.608</b>
<b>Sonny Grasso</b>	<b>1995-97</b>	<b>40-49</b>	<b>.449</b>

### **S.I. Chess News**

In Staten Island Chess news, S.I. Chess champion Dominick "MacLeod" Ippolito III has come out of retirement to win his first tournament in Somerset, N.J.

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