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## CONGRATS

The Dolphin wishes to extend its congratulations to the following members of the student body who succeeded in making the Dean's List for the Fall semester, 1957 with a B or better average.

**A & S:** Helen Armitage, Brian Callahan, Barbara DiGiacomo, Charlotte Montalbano, Joseph Fenley, Donald Stevenson, Anthony Conte, Erica Melville.  
**ET:** William Norwick, Robert Koster, Emanuel Sharpe, Eugene Dockter, Robert Krason, Alphonsus Egan, James Glover, Basso, Thomas Kocian, Lip Orlando, Richard Burger, John Rex, Roy Walters, Daniel Blaine, Leonard Davis.

**PE:** John Soldini, Rudolph Ripp, Vasken Martin, John Young, Ronald Brown, William Lenny, Harold Ferguson, Neil Okun, Joseph Wall, Louis Desiato, Herbert Schaad, Bob Yun.

**MT:** John Hatzmann, James Malone, Edward Swiatovy.  
**BT:** Edward Nolan, Barbara Clarkson, Ann Marie Hauspurg.

Of this group, we wish to extend a personal congratulations to Mrs. Helen Armitage whose straight A average placed her as the top Honor student of the school.

It is hoped that at the close of this semester many more names will be added to the list.

With the public ashtrays placed on the city streets by the Department of Sanitation, will we now have alternate side of the street smoking?

## VIVA CASTRO

Since his first attack on the "Guillermo Moncada Fort" in Santiago de Cuba on July 26, 1953, rebel leader Fidel Castro has been leading a smouldering rebellion against the tyrannical regime of Fulgencio Batista. This rebellion has been ignited into flames with Castro's recent declaration of "total implacable war" against the dictator.

Fidel Castro is a brilliant lawyer who possesses three university degrees and comes from a wealthy family in Cuba. He has voluntarily relinquished his claim to all this, because he feels it is senseless to practice law in a country which refuses to respect the law. He stands behind a reform movement which intends to solve the problems of land, industrialization, housing, unemployment, health and to establish a true democracy in place of an iron fist dictatorship.

The last point places the United States government in

## FINALISTS

Four girls have been selected as finalists in the Campus Queen contest. We wish them all the best of luck. Voting will take place May 1st in the Student Lounge from 12 to 2 P.M.

The candidates are:

June Barnes  
Yvonne Bush  
Dolores Garcia  
Charlotte Montalbano

## CLARIFICATION

In the last issue of the Dolphin a cartoon was printed which caused considerable controversy throughout the school. This cartoon was not intended as an insult to any specific person or group of persons, but merely as a picture headline for the article which followed, pointing out the need for a balanced curriculum for all students, Liberal Arts, Technical and Engineering.

The editors extend sincere  
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a precarious position in the eyes of most moralists in the world. It has become the general practice of the U. S. to support a dictatorship rather than a democracy in Latin American countries in the belief that a single strong man can fight better against Communist infiltration than a democratic government. "We now find ourselves in the position of supporting a dictator over a group of revolutionists who are fighting for their inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, which are stated in our own Declaration of Independence. The Cuban rebels do not request aid from the U. S.; they only request us to remain neutral and to give them understanding and fairness when considering their crisis.

To date the rebels have suffered many casualties and it appears that untrained men fighting for ideals are no match against power, big business  
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- Dolores Garcia

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## EDITORIAL

The following conversation never really took place, but it might have.

George: "Where are you going in such a hurry, Hank?"

Hank: "I've got an hour off between classes so I'm going up to the library to do a little studying."

George: "Which one, the public library?"

Hank: "No, the school library."

George: "You don't really expect to get much studying done up there, do you?"

Hank: "Sure, why not?"

George: "Do you go up there often?"

Hank: "No, this will be my first time there."

George: "I figured that. Well, you'll find out what I mean when you get there."

Hank: "Clue me in, George. You've got my curiosity aroused."

George: "Well, first you'll have to elbow your way past the crew that hangs around the doorway and even after you're inside you won't get any work done."

Hank: "Why not?"

George: "Because of all the loud talking and joking that goes on."

Hank: "Isn't there a librarian on duty?"

George: "Yes, but that place needs a keeper, not a librarian."

Hank: "It can't be that bad. I'm going to give it a try."

George: "Suit yourself, but if you quit, I'll be in the diner having coffee."

Diner - Five minutes later.

George: "Well, Hank, finish studying so soon?"

Hank: "You were right George. I guess I'll have coffee too; it's as good a way as any to kill an hour."

When I entered S.I.C.C. in February, 1958, what I expected to see and what I saw were two entirely different things. Naturally, the first week or two of classes was quite hectic. I thought I'd never find a way to get my homework finished, but that problem was easily solved.

Since I was fresh out of high school, I really didn't know what to expect from either the students or teachers. I found that everyone was willing to lend a helping hand to a green freshman. The one thing that did bother me, however, was the very small percentage of female students. This came as a surprise because I had been otherwise informed.

As the term progresses I am seeing how a college operates. There is much more to it than meets the eye, and I think it takes an understanding and interested group of students to form a united student body.

It is the opinion of some that Staten Island Community College is not a good school because there are all types of people, whether veterans or married, and because of this the right kind of social environment will not exist. I am inclined to disagree with these anti-S.I.C.C. people.

Most of them haven't gone to college or, if they have, they attended a private college. These people say that social life and scholastic life should be equal and that going to school days and working nights is unheard of. They don't realize that this is the reason why the college is here - to provide an education for the people who haven't the time or money to go to a private college, and to open up new phases of the technical world. Its aim is to make the college available to everyone and not just a select few. By doing this, it brings people and ideas together, thus forming a united school.

- Editor's Note.

Dodie Garcia graduated from Port Richmond High School last June (after  $3\frac{1}{2}$  yrs) While there she was a member of the school honor society, newspaper editor, and active in sports. She twice represented Staten Island at meetings of students from all over the world at the United Nations. Her hobbies are swimming and dancing. Last summer she visited Europe with her family. Dodie arrived here in February and in less than three months she has already been elected S.A. secretary, a true tribute to her dynamic personality.

- Bruno Ripp & June Barnes

- Barbara J. Clarkson

Who is immune to Spring Fever? John Sackel has been caught taking cat naps in Eng. Lit, class... "Baldo" Mazie has put his hard top down... Rudy Ripp took to the road during the vacation (almost picked up for vagrancy--Give ex GI's more money! Erica is matching her hair with the sky at dusk... Dr. Oliver teaches his classes out side... The Lounge Clowns and the golf team head for the parks... Ted Williams is still retiring... Barbara DiGiamaco was seen flying down the street on a motor cycle... John Soldini has gotten engaged.. Dr. Benumof's pace through the halls has slackened... Bob Yon is dreaming of his idealistic Society with himself as "Big Brother"... Castro is headed back to the mountains, Viva Castro! try again Fidel you can do it! Joe Fenley will help next time, The Joe Wall Fad is on the uptake.. Shuffleboard on the Seashore has captured the fancy of a large group, for instance, see Bernia Kuebler... Spring has even affected the Tech. men; they have begun to perk up a bit. (All we know is what we are told).. David Brinkley is touring Belquin.. Shall we go on? Can't, have to smell the honeysuckle.. From Jack Parr Show: Fight Unemployment! Get A Job! Viva Castro!

30 days hath Septober, all the rest and No wonder, when you wish upon a far That's a Spudnick, not a Star. Ode to be a Nightgale I would have to Fly. From Septober to October (watch Out for July). For in the Spring the Summer drowned and steaks a dollar ten A pound! Keats and Shelly had their World we have ours. Viva Castro. Good nite Effrem Kurts wherever you are.

## LANGUAGE CLUB

The Language Club members are planning a display for Open House Week (May 5 -12). Some of the members will be available as guides to take the visiting students through a tour of the school. The Club has also invited the Language Clubs of all of the high schools to see a full length French movie. The movie, "Les Enfants du Paradis," will be shown at the Staten Island Museum on Tuesday, May 6, at 7:00 p.m.

## BATA TAU SOCIETY

The Club list of SIGC is constantly growing. A Society for the Business Technology Students was recently organized William Doran, was elected President; Richard Vinet, vice president; Barbara Clarkson, secretary; Ann Marie Hauspurg, treasurer; and Tony Tedesco, sergeant-at-arms. At present there are 19 charter members. The society meets every other Thursday at 1:15 p.m.

## MATHEMATICS CLUB

The Mathematics Club did not meet Thursday, April 17, but a meeting was held Tuesday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m. in room 408. The discussion topic was "Mathematics as an Art". Mr. Richter is in charge.

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The Hi Fi Club met on Thursday April 17, at 12:00 p.m., in room 408. Music of the "Baroque" was heard. Mr. Richter is the director, and all students are welcome to come in and hear good music.

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## LOAN GUARANTEES FOR HIGHER EDUCATION:

The New York Higher Education Assistance Corporation has recently been authorized to guarantee loans students obtained from private sources. Under this law, the student may apply for an educational loan to a bank and, if approved, the repayment of the loan will be guaranteed by the New York Higher Education Assistance Corporation. It is expected that with such guarantee, loans to students will be more readily available and upon more favorable terms than heretofore. Students under twenty-one years of age are eligible for such loans.

A loan may not be guaranteed for an amount in excess of \$1,000 for any school year.

Further detailed information may be obtained by writing to the New York Higher Education Assistance Corporation, Education Building, Albany 1, New York.



## SPORTS

- Brian Callahan

S.I.C.C. officially brought the basketball season to a close with its First Annual Basketball Dinner. The affair was held at the Plaza Casino during the Easter vacation. All the players were there, as well as the cheerleaders. Everyone who attended had a bang-up time and would like to see the Basketball Dinner become a permanent part of S.I.C.C.'s tradition.

The origin of this affair was due to Mr. Ferguson and his fertile imagination. It is just one more example of Fergie's driving ambition to make basketball a winning sport at S.I.C.C.

After the dinner, major letters were distributed to all the players. Mr. Ferguson said a few words about the worth of a basketball team and its effect on a school's spirit.

At future dinners, this department would like to suggest that a trophy be given to the player chosen as the team's most valuable player during the season. Also, we would like to see some notable sports figure invited to the dinner as guest of honor. Perhaps a guest could be invited to give a brief talk or to distribute the awards. Nothing gives a ball-player more satisfaction than receiving his letter from a man who is well known in sports circles. Men like Herb Sutter, Pete Carrol, Larry Napp, Karl Drews and Hank Majeski are men we would like to see attend our dinners.

We would like to congratulate Coach Ferguson and the team for its excellent improvement this year and wish it continued success in the future.

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iness, corruption, modern equipment and seasoned troops. Their glowing hope is in the words stated by one of our own presidents, "That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God shall have a new birth of freedom - and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

**Parrington's**  
FOR GOOD FOOD  
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The intramural softball season has officially opened! On Thursday, April 17 the Pentodes, an E.T. team led by Hughey Petersen, squeezed by the Yankees by a 12 to 10 score in a game played at the Walker Park field.

On the same day, two other contests were held, one at Silver Lake and the other at Clove Lake. In the Silver Lake game, another E.T. team, the Resistors, led by Jim Moore outlasted the Lounge Clowns, an M.T. team captained by Bob Connell. The final tally in this free swinging affair was 16 to 14.

In the final contest of the day, the Phy. Eders, a liberal arts team, under the direction of Bill Basso, eked out a 15 to 13 win over the Braves, a B.T. team in a close but high scoring game.

These teams will be in action every Thursday until May 22, when a league champion is crowned. It is hoped that individual trophies will be available for each member of the winning team, in addition to a team trophy for the victorious outfit.

EXTRA! Anyone interested in taking part in a chess tournament should get in touch with Mr. Ferguson who will make the necessary arrangements.

**CHANGE BOX**

Last month a change box was started for the purpose of students obtaining change for the vending machines. It was run on the honor system. It seems someone MISUNDERSTOOD the system. There was no one checking on the box, after it was filled in the A.M. and emptied in the P.M. During the interim, a Poor Misguided Individual confiscated its contents. This looks very bad for the school and the student body. Would you like to try it again? Perhaps now, the person understands the HONOR SYSTEM and we will have no further difficulty.

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cere regrets on behalf of the Dolphin to anyone offended by the cartoon as it is now realized that a better choice of words was available for the cartoon caption.

The Dolphin does not, however, apologize for its attempts to publish a sincerely good paper, but only for its occasional mistakes. In regard to this matter, we urge all those who enjoy a lively, interesting publication which calls the shots as it sees them to continue to read the Dolphin!