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Democrats capture elections

Republicans narrow margins, take Guilderland

By Lisa M.N. Isaacs

In keeping with tradition, Democratic incumbents dominated Albany County elections Tuesday.

But the party's major candidate failed to get the landslide victory that had been predicted.

County Executive Jim Coyne, running as a Conservative Democrat, captured 55 percent of the vote to defeat Robert P. Walker, a fairly obscure candidate who surprisingly netted 45 percent.

Walker said he viewed the results as "a definite win for me," adding that he won 60 percent of Coyne's home district.

Elections '87

- Election foul-up snags students
- Student voter turnout dismal
- Student Michael Andrews loses

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Recent headlines about Coyne's involvement in the over-budget Albany Civic Center plan may have played a role in the turnout.

"I think the Civic Center highlighted the fact that Mr. Coyne wasn't up front in a lot of the issues," Walker said Tuesday night.

Coyne acknowledged the influence of the proposal, saying, "I think the Civic Center is a major controversy because of the cost."

But while Democrats were celebrating their Albany victories, in Guilderland it was the Republicans who were running the show.

In the town's biggest race, Republican Conservative incumbent Kevin Moss soundly recaptured the town supervisor post, attaining 60 percent of the total vote.

He defeated Democratic and Independent Citizen candidate Joseph L. Cohen, who netted 40 percent.

Jane H. Springer was re-elected Guilderland town clerk; Kenneth E. Riddett was elected town justice; and Richard R. Murray and Constance



CRAIG HOFFMANN UPS

Jim Coyne celebrated his victory Tuesday night.

A. Fennessey were voted in to Guilderland Council. All ran on the Republican line.

Springer termed the Republican sweep "a vote of confidence for Kevin Moss."

In the County Comptroller's race, Democratic Conservative Edward T. Stack was the predicted winner. With 80 percent of the ballots tallied, Stack had 62 percent of the vote, while his opponent Joseph Laux had 38 percent.

Albany's county legislator from the 11th District Paul J. O'Brien registered a landslide victory over Republican candidate John N. Polydouris. The Democrat garnered 83 percent to his opponent's 17 percent.

Incumbents Paul E. Cheeseman and Robert C. Williams, running unopposed, were both re-elected to the Supreme Court.

E. David Duncan, also running unopposed, was re-elected to the post of city court judge.

In the county coroner races, Conservative Democrat Philip H. Furie gained 60 percent of the vote to defeat opponent Samuel Ouimet, who captured 40 percent. Democrat Timothy Cavanaugh won with a margin of 57 to 43 percent over Benjamin L. Meyers. No incumbents were up for re-election in those races.

The two New York State constitutional amendments on the ballot

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SA audit reveals \$126,000 surplus from last year

By Eric Luthro
STAFF WRITER

Student Association registered a \$126,000 surplus in the '86-87 audit released last week, leaving SA's general fund \$186,000 in the black.

But according to SA controller Rob Kaplan, the surplus does not really represent any financial gain for SA, but "goes into the general fund, which is a reserve fund and not figured into the budget." The fund is used to cover any losses SA incurs in excess of their funds.

SA has shown deficits the past two years, leaving only \$60,000 in the general fund last year, according to Kaplan. "That's very low when you consider SA lost \$70,000 the year before that," he said.

Last year is the first year either SA President Matt Doddo or Kaplan knew of in which SA made money. Doddo said, "I don't want to hear that we made money — it's nothing to be proud of. If we make money, then we are providing less events and services to the students," although he added last year's profit was necessary, due to SA's weak financial position.

The surplus is a result of last year's controller, Agnes Seminara, reorganizing the budget, general belt-tightening, and of groups not spending their entire allotted funds, such as University Concert Board, Speakers Forum, and Copies Plus.

Kaplan said SA had been in a tight spot. "SA last year either had to make sure it didn't lose money, or consider raising the Student Activity Fee," the mandatory student fee responsible for up to 99 percent of SA's funds.

What the increase in the fund does is all SA more flexibility. Doddo commented, "It gives us more room to look at special opportunities which come up. We will be more willing to take a risk on a loss for an event."

"If we get a break and can suddenly get a comedian or something like that, we have more flexibility and can take a risk, whereas if we didn't have the larger general fund, we couldn't risk it," Doddo said.

Doddo quickly added, "But we can't let people overspend. We still have to be budget conscious. Again, this gain is not part of our budget."

Because SA is completely independent of administration and receives very little funds from them, the general fund is all that keeps them running when they suffer losses. "To be in a safe position we have to have this much in the fund," Doddo said.

Kaplan explained that SA is almost expected to lose money. SA is a non-profit organization. We are not run like a business. We don't want to make money, we just

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Weather

Today will be partly sunny and unseasonably mild with southern winds blowing at 10-15 mph and a high near 70. Clouds will build up later in the day and bring a chance of showers late tonight. Expect Thursday to be windy and chilly with a chance of morning showers and daytime highs reaching the mid-50s. Weekend highs should hover around the 50-degree mark, with lows in the 30s. Chance of light rain early Saturday.

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Holocaust speakers' show called off

By Jeanette Rodriguez
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Two speakers' contracts were cancelled Monday amid controversy surrounding their presentation.

"Hitlerism and the Holocaust" was the title of a lecture scheduled for tonight, but Jeff Hecker, chairperson for Speakers Forum, decided Monday to cancel the event due to threatened protests, possible misinformation, and a vagueness concerning the content of the lecture. Hecker said he has gotten calls from area colleges concerning the speakers, warning him that Nazi Youth leader and Helen Waterford a victim of the Holocaust, would not discuss the horror of the Holocaust, but would downplay the importance of it, and urge that it be quickly forgotten.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, who hosted these speakers two years ago stressed that the speakers do not address what they advertise.

But two years ago, in Oneonta, the same

speakers gave the same lecture without incident, according to Hecker.

The problems lie in not knowing what they're going to say, Hecker said. "We [misunderstood] what the show was about."

Their billing implies they will recount the horrors of the Holocaust.

"The Student Association and my group are not pleased to be involved with the situation," Hecker said.

Hecker said Speakers' Forum conducted "long talks" on the issue, during which the topic of freedom of speech was raised.

When a vote was taken Monday afternoon, the executive board was split, leaving the decision to Hecker.

"My job is to educate and entertain the student population," Hecker said. "I don't think this show would educate. I think it would do more harm than good." When it was realized there may be some discrepancy. Hecker and SA officials tried to work out some kind of debate forum, to

present more than just the one view of the Holocaust, but were unable to do so on such short notice.

Hecker said he contacted some local synagogues "looking to find people to sit on the panel but nobody was interested."

Jewish Student Coalition and some other groups and individuals threatened to protest, said Hecker.

The event was going to be free and according to Hecker it was booked over the summer as part of a special three-speaker deal from K & S Speakers.

The first lecture was on AIDS and featured Dr. Bruze Dul Oct 1.

The third lecture is scheduled for Dec. 1, to feature Colonel Charles Scott, a former Iranian hostage, who will speak on terrorism.

Speakers Forum is now trying to work out a deal with K & S "to substitute this show with one in the spring," Hecker said and also said that cost of the entire package was approximately \$7000. □

NEWS BRIEFS

The World



Bomb found at center

Manila, Philippines

(AP) Police Tuesday removed a large time bomb that failed to go off outside a building where leaders of Southeast Asian nations are to meet next month, officials said.

Pfc. Domingo Alminana said a janitor found a canvas bag with dynamite and a timer about 10 a.m. outside the Philippine International Convention Center along Manila Bay.

Building manager Prudencio Agbayani said police told him the timing device was defective. Asked what time the bomb was set to go off, he replied: "I did not ask. I was just happy that it did not explode."

Lt. Col. Jose C. Bandong of the military's Capital Regional Command said the bag contained 86 sticks of dynamite of a type used for construction or mining. Earlier, police said there were 53 sticks of dynamite.

Headquarters burned

Port-au-Prince, Haiti

(AP) Fires broke out Tuesday at the office of the Provisional Electoral Council and at a business run by a council member, hours after some former officials of ousted dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier were barred from running for president.

An electoral council member said the fire at the council headquarters was arson, and he blamed "the enemies of democracy."

The first floor of the downtown council headquarters on Pavee Street was destroyed by fire shortly after midnight, and the heavy iron door was broken down. Most of the council's material was destroyed.

A few blocks east, Continental Trading, S.A., a business operated by electoral council member Emmanuel Ambroise, was destroyed by a fire that began about the same time. It was still smoldering nearly eight hours later.

The Nation



Weinberger to resign

Washington, D.C.

(AP) Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger intends to resign, after presiding over a huge Pentagon buildup for seven years, and will be replaced by President Reagan's national security adviser, Frank C. Carlucci, sources say.

The sources, speaking Monday night on condition of anonymity, said the change of the guard would be announced soon, possibly Thursday, and that Carlucci's deputy, Lt. Gen. Colin Powell, will take over as Reagan's national security adviser. Powell will be the first black to hold that position.

Neither Weinberger nor Carlucci would comment on the job shift, and the White House also declined to put it on the record. But White House officials did not dispute the report.

Although he has disagreed with Secretary of State George P. Shultz over arms control policies, Weinberger, 70, is stepping aside for personal reasons, largely related to his wife's deteriorating health, rather than any policy dispute, the sources said.

Records turned over

Washington, D.C.

(AP) Swiss bank records which would be a central piece of evidence in any criminal prosecution of principals in the Iran-Contra affair were turned over to U.S. investigators Tuesday, the office of independent counsel Lawrence Walsh announced.

The Swiss Ministry of Justice supplied the records to Walsh's investigators, who went to Switzerland to get them.

The records, which concern accounts controlled by former Air Force General Richard V. Secord, his partner, Iranian-born businessman Albert Hakim, and arms dealer Manucher Ghorbanifar, are one of the most important pieces of the Iran-Contra puzzle.

The State



Sandinista defects

New York

(AP) A senior Sandinista military officer who was chief personal assistant to Nicaragua's defense minister has defected to the United States, according to a published report.

Maj. Roger Miranda Bengoechea, 34, abruptly left Nicaragua on Oct. 25, the *New York Times* said in its Tuesday edition, quoting diplomats, politicians and a Nicaraguan government communique.

A foreign military officer who studies

the Nicaraguan army described Miranda as "a gold mine" for the Central Intelligence Agency.

The newspaper quoted unnamed associates as saying Miranda supervised the staff of Defense minister Humberto Ortega, the brother of Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega.

Inmate's case heard

Rochester

(AP) A former inmate at Attica state prison who was wounded 16 years ago in one of the nation's bloodiest prison uprisings finally had his day in court.

Thomas Louk, 45, of Henrietta, a Rochester suburb, became the first former inmate to go to trial in connection with the 1971 uprising which ended with 28 inmates and 11 hostages dead.

Louk, who described Monday with little emotion how he was shot in the right thigh when authorities stormed the prison, is seeking at least \$250,000 from the state.

He appeared before state Court of Claims Judge Donald Corbett, who ruled last year that the state was liable in Louk's case and is now hearing arguments on how much money Louk is entitled to.

Parents arrested

New York

(AP) A battered 6-year-old girl remained in critical condition this morning and her adoptive parents were in custody charged with attempted murder, police said.

Police and medical workers responding to a call for help Monday morning said they found a 16-month-old boy tied to a playpen in a filthy Greenwich Village apartment, the young girl — naked, bruised and not breathing — and the adoptive mother, also cut and bruised.

After questioning by police, Joel Steinberg, 46, and his common-law wife, Hedda Nussbaum, 45, were arrested and charged with assault and attempted murder, said Officer Peter O'Donnell, a police spokesman.

The girl, Elizabeth, was in extremely critical condition at St. Vincent's Hospital, according to spokeswoman Barbara Franzese.

The boy, Mitchell, was in good condition, O'Donnell said.

Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue of the *Albany Student Press*, it was incorrectly implied that the University has taken an official stand banning CIA campus recruitment. University officials have only agreed to stop facilitating CIA recruitment while current policy is being examined.

We regret the error.



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Witches were just but one genre of fantasy characters seen around Page Hall Saturday at the "Kids Fare Halloween Party." The event, designed to promote safe Halloween fun, featured performers and games.

PREVIEW OF EVENTS

Free Listings

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

The Outing Club will meet in LC 22 at 8 p.m. If you're interested in climbing, hiking, biking, or having fun in the outdoors, come join the fun.

The Academic Affairs Committee of Central Council meets at 6:30 p.m. in the SA office.

Central Council, the legislative branch of SA meets at 7:30 p.m. in CC 375.

The Student Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism meets at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

The Medical Technology Workshop will meet at 6:30 p.m. in BIO 213. Miss SL. Ar-

cher, Director of the School of Medical Technology, will make an illustrated presentation of the field of Medical Technology and the program at SUNYA.

The Office of International Programs is continuing its series of Interest Meetings with Japan and Singapore at 4 p.m. in HU 290.

The Programming Board meets at 7 p.m. in the SA lounge.

The Italian American Student Association meets at 7:30 p.m. in HU 110. Anyone welcomed.

Delta Sigma Pi is sponsoring a **Stress Management Workshop**, lecture and exercises to reduce stress. The workshop is at 7:30 p.m. in SS 255.

The Class Council of 1991 meets at 6 p.m. in the SA lounge.

THURSDAY, NOV. 5

The Visiting Writers' Fall series will present Louise Erdrich, novelist and poet, and Michael Dorris, novelist, with readings from their work in Page Hall at 8 p.m.

The Criminal Justice Club will meet at 7 p.m. in LC 2.

The Finance Committee will meet at 3 p.m. in the SA lounge.

The Internal Affairs Committee of the Central Council meets at 7 p.m. in the SA office.

FRIDAY, NOV. 5

Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage Troy Campus, 8 p.m. Free.

Duck Soup, the 1933 Marx

Brothers classic, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Proctor's and at 2 and 8 p.m. tomorrow.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7

Russell Sage College will be showing *Desert Hearts* today and tomorrow in the Schacht Fine Arts Center at 7 p.m. Admission is \$1.

SUNDAY, NOV. 8

The Pre-Health Association will meet at 7 p.m. in LC 3. Veterinarian, Dr. Rotondo will be speaking. All are welcomed to come. For information call Scott at 442-6890.

The Off-Campus Association meets at 2 p.m. in the Washington Tavern.

The Class Council of 1990 will meet in the SA lounge at 8 p.m.

The Class Council of 1988 will meet at 9 p.m. in the SA

lounge.

MONDAY, NOV. 9

The Safety Committee will meet at 9 p.m. in the SA lounge.

Peace Project will meet at 7:30 p.m. in CC 361.

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

The Friends of the Albany Public Library will be presenting Daniel G. Moriarity, professor at Albany Law School, with his review of *Miracle at Philadelphia* by Catherine Drinker Bowen. The review begins at 12:15 in the Main Library, 161 Washington Ave. Coffee will be served.

The New York State Writers Institute will be presenting Kathleen Spivack and a public reading of her work at 4 p.m. in HU 354.

DIGEST

Black power urged

Black journalist Tony Brown urged blacks to liberate themselves through economic channels during a luncheon speech in the Campus Center Ballroom Monday.

His presentation highlighted SUNYA's annual observance of Black Solidarity Day, a national event designed to strengthen black community power.

According to Andre Farquason, president of the Albany State University Black Alliance (ASUBA), Brown urged blacks to "circulate their own money through their own community." Brown said this engenders a safe community as well as a "stable" family, said Farquason.

Also present at the luncheon was Rev. Leonard Comithier, pastor of Meconia Baptist Church and Dr. Mitchel Livingston, SUNYA vice president of Student Affairs.

The luncheon was sponsored by ASUBA, Speakers Forum, the Office of Student Services, the Minority Service Office, the Pan Caribbean Association and the Minority Affairs Office of Student Association.

Good signs

Three campus greek organizations walked away winners of a banner contest at Friday's football game against Hofstra.

Sponsored by Central Council's Intercollegiate Athletic Committee, the contest was held during half-time and five to six banners were entered in the event.

According to ICAC co-chair Forest Cotton, first-place Alpha Epsilon Phi is in line for \$50, Theta Chi will get \$30 and Delta Omicron Tau is set to receive \$10. Prizes have yet to be awarded.

Bio grads awarded

The Eastern New York branch of the American Society for Microbiology has announced the winners of the Third Annual Student Presentation Awards.

Two of the recipients, Lothar Krinke and Susan M. Saporito, are SUNYA doctorate students.

Bernard Amegadzie of SUNYA also submitted a research paper.

Recipients of the award must be involved in independent research with a research advisor, but do not necessarily have to be doctorate students, according to Sheila Freeman, president of the society. The papers are judged by a special selection committee.

Oral reviews on their research will be presented by the four winners at a dinner meeting in the Ramada Inn Nov. 18. Guest speaker Dr. Frank Maley, director of the Laboratory for Biochemistry at the Wadsworth Center for Laboratories and Research, is scheduled to speak on "Thymidylate Synthase — Thirty Years Later."

Nuclear week set

"The Nuclear Arms Race: Our Future, Our Choice," a week-long series of events addressing concerns about the nuclear age, is scheduled to begin Monday.

An open forum in the Performing Arts Center Recital Hall will top off the week's events Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., and will feature various SUNYA faculty speaking on such topics as "Military in Space," "Nuclear Winter," "The Nuclear Capital District: What's Happening in Your Front and Back Yard," and "Hawks, Doves and Arrows: Who Knows the Way to Peace?"

Dr. Joseph Weisenbaum, computer science professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak Wednesday in LC 14 at 7:30 p.m. on "Strategic Defense Initiative: The Ultimate Technological Fix." □

— Compiled by Jeanette Rodriguez

Elections '87



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One of the few SUNYA students who showed at the polls.

SUNYA voter turnout poor; apathy, ignorance blamed

By Andrea Orrill
STAFF WRITER

Ignorance and indifference are two factors that contributed to an extremely low student voter turnout in Tuesday's local elections.

Central Council Vice Chair Flip Posner blamed the low turnout on "ignorance, apathy, and lack of publicity.

"It sucks," Posner said of SUNYA's showing at the polls.

A random sample of SUNYA students revealed students were not only uninformed, but also uninterested. Some students felt they would be more inclined to vote if they were permanent Albany residents.

At the University Gym polling site, Guilderland Republican Party Chair Ken Runion said, "Students would probably prefer to vote for their local politicians at home, or for presidential races."

According to Dutch Quad Central Council representative Brian Voronkov, "Students in the past got students a place to vote locally, and it's a shame they don't take advantage of it," referring to the on-campus polling places.

Posner said he and Voronkov distributed leaflets reminding students to vote on Indian Quad and part of State Quad, and gave leaflets to quad representatives to distribute on Dutch and Colonial.

The New York Public Interest Research Group also delivered leaflets to Alumni Quad and to some on the uptown suites as well, according to Karl Eiholzer, vice local board chair at NYPIRG.

Student turnout was "horrible — definitely disappointing," Eiholzer said.

Despite attempts to inform students,

"no one knew who was running," Voronkov said.

According to Eiholzer, "a lot of students claim they don't know candidates, but people could know if they wanted to know. It's a poor excuse.

Posner said, "very few people in SA did anything at all [to inform students about the elections], and the Student Action Committee did nothing this year."

Board of Elections Inspector Mary Ellen Aubrey at State Quad, where 58 people voted, said, "the students don't know anyone [running in the elections], so they don't care to vote."

Sophomore Doug Newman, from Dutch Quad, said voting was "too much hassle," and that he did not know about the free transportation being provided by SA.

A van was running regularly throughout the day to transport uptown residents to the Thruway House, the polling place for many residents of Indian, Colonial, and Dutch Quads.

Organized by Posner and Voronkov, the van was in use from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m., but was used by only three students.

Some of the students who did vote on State Quad had problems operating the voting machines, according to inspectors at the site. A suggestion to provide practice sessions on the machines was brought up by one inspector.

Some students said they did not realize that they needed to re-register when they changed addresses, but others were told by officials there that the board of elections did not have them registered in the correct district. □

Vague law, errors restrict student voting

By Jennifer McCormick
NEWS EDITOR

Although this year's local elections were marked by low student voter turnout, some of the few SUNYA students exercising their right to vote were denied access to the polls.

As many as 12 residents of Alumni Quad's Brubacher Hall were effectively disenfranchised from elections because of two apparent Albany County board of elections errors.

Although the students had reportedly registered properly, the cards to prove their eligibility were mistakenly sent to the State Quad Flag Room polling place instead of to Albany High School, the polling place for voters, including those residing at 750 State St. — Brubacher Hall.

The second mistake was purportedly made by the poll workers, who did not call the board of elections upon discovering the discrepancy, according to board member Sharon Ahl.

Student Association President Matt Doddo said "a right was taken away [from students]" and he is requesting a further investigation and that disciplinary action be taken.

Elections Commissioner Raymond Kinley said he did not know of the incidents, but that the investigators running the polls at least "should have allowed the vote on a 603 [paper] ballot."

Another alternative to turning the students away would have been to direct them to another polling place, which may not have been done yesterday in all five definite cases in the dispute, Kinley said.

The figure of 12 students unable to vote may include those students who were improperly registered.

Some students were misinformed or uninformed about registration procedures. Any change of address mandates re-registration.

A different though related incident has thrown SUNY Plattsburgh into a battle with the Clinton County Elections Commission, which decided dormitory residents may not vote in the county's local elections.

The commission interpreted the New York State Election Act policy to exclude temporary residents too late in the process to allow the students the opportunity to register in their home towns, leaving a large percentage of the student body devoid of the right to vote.

"We were told we do not provide economic support to the City of Plattsburgh," and that the votes of the 18 students last year did not justify the costs

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Andrews' platform fails to sway vote

By Eric Lehrfeld
STAFF WRITER

Local elections this year were slightly different to SUNYA students than most elections. First, because student voter registration was notably high, and, two, because one of their own was in the running.

Sophomore Michael Andrews ran for Albany County Legislature in the 15th district on the Republican ticket against the Democratic incumbent Frank Comisso. The final tallies resulted in an overall loss for Andrews, but a partial victory by winning Guilderland.

The candidate's inability to win in Albany proper is not unusual for a Republican candidate. His platform was student-oriented, his slogan being "Fighting for Students' Rights." Specifically, the major issue was the so-

called "grouper law," which prohibits more than three unrelated people to live in a single housing unit. Designed as a weapon against "rowdy" students, the law is pending a decision regarding its constitutionality in the State Supreme Court.

"I'm running to change the image the students have attached to them by the non-student natives of the area. They see us as beer-swilling partiers, an image which is false on the whole. I want to show them that the students are an active part of the community," the candidate said, reaffirming his stand after the returns came in.

Andrew's campaign was marked with difficulty from the beginning. He was given no financial support from his party, and was forced to fund it himself. He couldn't make himself too visible so as to worry the wealthier Democratic party into outspending his campaign.

He therefore relied on a plan in which he would blitz the media in the immediate weeks before the election in order to get high student turnout in support of him. His plan hit a snag, however, when Student Association President Matt Doddo would not allow Andrew's campaign posters to be put up in campus. The posters did not meet with size regulations and reflected a non-student point of view.

"SA couldn't allow Republican party posters to be put up anymore than we could allow Democratic posters, despite Michael being a student. In matters of his election, he is partisan, and SA must remain non-partisan," said Doddo, a friend of Andrews.

Although the poster problem was eventually solved, Andrews remained in low visibility on campus, despite the high

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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE CLUB
2nd GENERAL INTEREST
MEETING!**

**WHEN: THURSDAY, NOV. 5
7:00p.m.**

WHERE: LC 1

**COME HELP PLAN
THE YEAR'S EVENTS!**

**Firms in strong monetary support
of SUNYA accounting department**

By Gal Mayer

The latest contribution to SUNYA's accounting department, a \$2000 check from Coopers & Lybrand, one of the "big eight" accounting firms, adds to a long list of recent monetary awards.

Thousand-dollar gifts have become common to the accounting department, that the targeted extra income for this year ranges from \$50 to 100 thousand.

The high quality of students and professors and ongoing support from major accounting firms are cited as main reasons for the department's increased income this year, according to Dr. Enrico Petri, chair of the accounting department.

The main reason for this large income is the quality of the student body, Petri said. Despite the fact that, unlike other schools, "we have no CPA (certified public accountant) course in the curriculum," students in the department scored second highest in the country on the Nov. 1986 CPA exams and fourth on the May, 1986 exam.

SUNYA is the only school in the country to be in the top ten for both exams that year, Petri said.

Another reason for the jump in income is the quality of the department's faculty. Petri said that in addition to an excellent professor body, SUNYA has "outstanding junior faculty (who are) dedicated, hard-working, and bright — extremely bright."

He added that despite the rigorousness of training, students like and praise the faculty.

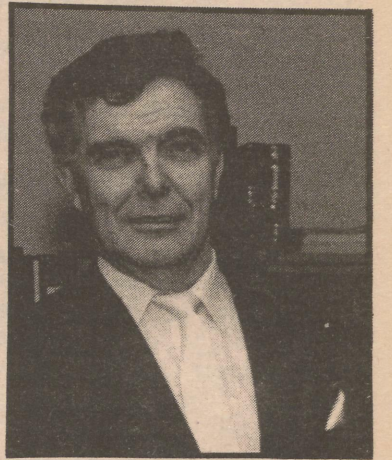
The various firms that make contributions to the department are recognizing the quality of the department by increasing their donations, according to Petri.

Coopers & Lybrand's \$2000 check adds to a \$20,000 grant and thousands of dollars' worth of computer software received a year and a half ago. Peter Marwick company added \$2000, Touche-Ross and Arthur Anderson both contributed \$5000, and General Signal Corp. donated \$10,000.

According to Petri, these firms "want to assist the education institutions and we're a primary target area for hiring."

Petri, who has been in the department for 21 years and chair for the last year and a half, explained that there will be a significant increase in income this year because the department is "mounting a strong effort to encourage contributions to (the) department from alumni and foundations established by the accounting firms."

The purpose of this effort is a total renovation of the undergraduate courses in the summer of 1988, according to Petri. He explained that the incoming money goes towards: computers and related equipment, subscriptions to journals, sending faculty to academic and professional meetings, summer grants to faculty, and bringing in speakers from the outside for



Enrico Petri MAURER UPS

research seminars.

Junior Steven Seruya, an accounting major, raved about the professors in the department. He said that Professor Raef Lawson "got a lot of credit and reputation" and "so many awards." Seruya added that Lawson "was very helpful" with students and is a "wonderful addition" to the department.

Seruya added that being an accounting major is a "tremendous workload" and that he spends "four to five hours a week on computers."

Junior David Shaw, also an accounting major, said one big reason students do so well is the preparation that working with the Lotus computer program offers. He adds that the "big eight" accounting firms look for people with Loftus experience when they employ graduates.

Shaw also cited Beta Alpha Psi, as a big influence. □

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BUSCH	\$8.69 24 cans
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**'I'VE NEVER BEEN TO SCHOOL THE DAY AFTER
HALLOWEEN BEFORE,
BUT I CAME TODAY BECAUSE I KNEW YOU'D BE THERE'**

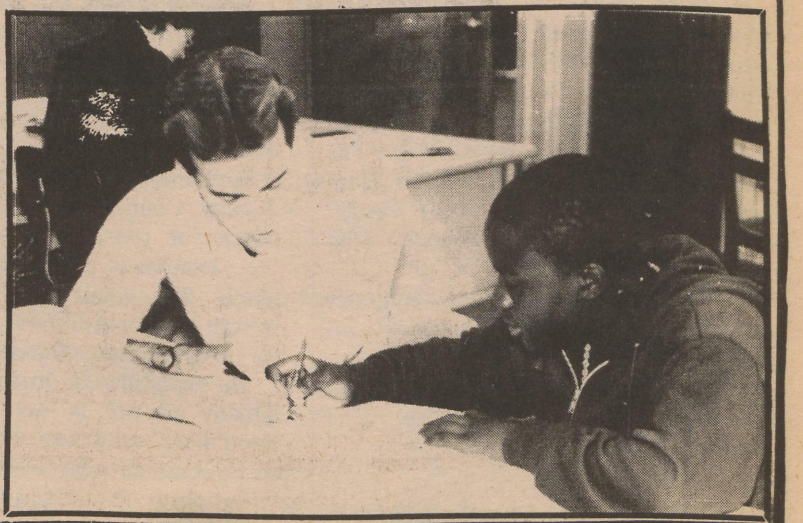
Student at Albany Public School 21 to his SUNYA tutor, Augusta Miller

You can make a big difference in the lives of young people by volunteering to help at one of Albany's two alternate schools for students who have been unsuccessful at Albany High School.

SUNYA undergraduates become trusted by these boys and girls because they are seen as peers and not teachers. Both schools are located on Clinton Avenue, within walking distance of the SUNYA bus route. SUNYA students may receive course credit (Ssw 290) Community Service.

If you are interested in participation in Spring 1988, please come to one of the following interest meetings, or call 442-4290 for an appointment.

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| Tuesday, November 3, Alumni Quad, Brubacker Hall
1st Floor Lounge | 7:00 PM |
| Wednesday, November 4, Indian Quad, Flag Room | 7:30 PM |
| Thursday, November 5, Dutch Quad, Flag Room | 7:00 PM |
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REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

Court decision on elections due in two weeks

By Colleen Deslaurier
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

The newly-appointed Supreme Court justices may be having second thoughts as they began to decipher numerous discrepancies in the testimonies of the first hearing of the year Sunday night.

The case centers around Cary Munk, a Dutch Quad junior, who filed a complaint against the Student Association Elections Commission for unjust treatment in the fall elections.

Munk claims that he was treated unjustly during the election, citing examples in which he feels he was misled by various SA officials. The elections commission, on the other hand, contends that election policy, as stipulated in the SA Constitution, was followed perfectly.

Munk told the court, "I would like a re-election. I would like to be given a chance like any other student [to run]."

However, Steven Goldsmith, special assistant to the elections commissioner, said, in an earlier, interview, that even if the court rules in favor of Munk and a new election is mandated, Munk would still not be allowed on the

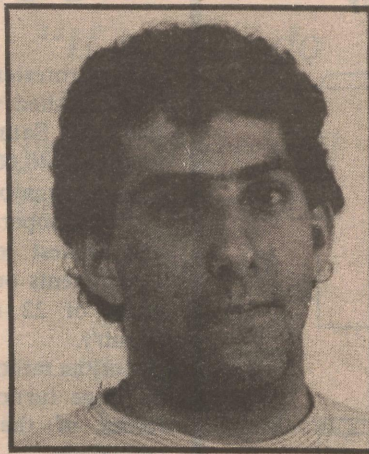
ballot unless he can prove he had a class at the time of a mandatory candidates' meeting he missed, although he could run as a write-in candidate.

After realizing on the first day of the elections that a typographical error had omitted Munk's name off the ballot, Elections Commissioner Alissa Lawrence apologized to Munk, promising a re-election the next week, according to Munk.

However, it was then discovered that Munk had missed the meeting — which is legitimate cause for removal from the ballot — and had written a note saying he had a class at the time. The note was, by Munk's own admission, false.

But the case is not as simple as it may seem. Munk maintains that the note was written under the advice of SA Vice President Steve Harrison. "[Harrison] blatantly told me to lie," Munk said at the hearing, that Harrison instructed him to write that he had a class when, in fact, he did not.

Harrison, on the other hand, contends that he merely told Munk the "valid excuses" for



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"I would like to be given a chance like any other student."

— Cary Munk

having missed the meeting.

Amid this confusion, the justices will also have the task of interpreting policy to understand the difference between "eligibility" and "consideration for candidacy."

Citing Section 706.6D of the elections policy, which states "all nominees found to be ineligible by the Election Commissioner will be contacted by the Election Commissioner before the election, . . ." Munk said that he was contacted *during* the election, which did not follow policy

guidelines. He was therefore treated unfairly.

Harrison, however, stated that Munk "is, was, and always will be eligible for candidacy," explaining that eligibility requirements stipulate that one must be a tax-paying student and live in the area in which he or she is running.

Eligible candidates who missed the meeting were not considered for candidacy because they did not follow policy, Harrison said. "There is no responsibility, but yet a courtset to inform a can-

didate that he was removed from the ballot," he said, stressing that removal from the ballot is different from being declared ineligible.

Dutch Quad representative Jeff Flynn, however, said during his testimony that 11 other candidates who missed the meeting were notified that their names were being removed from the ballot.

"My constituent was not given the same courtesy as the other candidates. The elections were not held in fair game," Flynn said.

Flynn also said that the elections commissioner wanted to "pass the buck on and get it over with so they wouldn't have to have another election."

Because Munk was eligible for office, Harrison said that it was possible for him to be a write-in candidate. "At the time [when his name was removed], he was still eligible and could launch a write-in campaign," Harrison said.

Munk believes that because he was not told that his name was off the ballot, he was not being treated fairly or given the chance

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Korean government police mobilize, raid 36 colleges

Seoul, South Korea (AP) Protesters hurling firebombs and rocks clashed with riot police in at least five cities Saturday after the government mobilized 40,000 police and raided 36 colleges in a major crackdown on radicals.

The troopers seized firebombs, clubs and protest leaflets in the raids. Riot detachments outnumbered participants in many of 22 militant rallies across the country.

But the militants' protests were dwarfed by huge turnouts at peaceful campaign rallies of the three main presidential candidates.

Hundreds of thousands of people listened to the candidates outline their platforms and attack each other as they insisted they alone could ensure full democracy.

Radicals, raising clenched fists and chanting "Topple the military dictatorship," demanded the formation of a new government to oversee presidential elections scheduled for December.

About 1,000 students clashed with riot police in the southern city of Chonju after nightfall. Police fired tear gas at the screaming protesters.

In the southern city of Taegu, 300 students threw firebombs and drove the students back when they tried to march out of a local college.

At least 20 students were arrested in a clash with police in the eastern city of Chunchon. Students also battled police on Cheju Island off the southern coast and in the southern port of Masan.

The crackdown came after President Chun Doo-hwan, a retired army general, told the nation he would not tolerate lawlessness and charged that leftists are trying to foment violent revolution.

The National Coalition for a Democratic Constitution, an alliance of

dissident groups, is demanding the formation of a neutral interim government to make sure the presidential elections are free of fraud. The government has rejected the demand.

Chun bowed to opposition demands for direct presidential elections and other democratic reforms after massive anti-government demonstrations in June.

About 3,000 students and workers attended the dissident rally in Seoul as thousands of riot police stood guard in nearby streets. Convoys of buses packed with riot police patrolled downtown.

Speakers denounced Chun and government presidential candidate Roh Tae-woo, charging that the two intend to perpetuate authoritarian rule.

Roh has been attacked several times at rallies in recent weeks by radicals hurling firebombs, tear gas and eggs, but there were no incidents Saturday.

Roh rejected opposition charges that he was trying to continue authoritarian rule and said the country now had full democracy.

Roh, another former general, played a key role in helping Chun take power with military backing in 1980.

In Chonju, opposition leader Kim Dae-jung drew cheers as he backed the call for a neutral administration and called Roh "the second Chun Doo-hwan."

News reports put the turnout at the rally between 200,000 and 400,000.

Rival opposition leader Kim Young-sam was cheered by some 150,000 people in Incheon as he accused the government of massive oppression. He said the nation would never elect and ex-general.

Kim Dae-jung and Kim Young-sam both are running for president despite fears they will split the opposition vote and boost Roh's election chances. □

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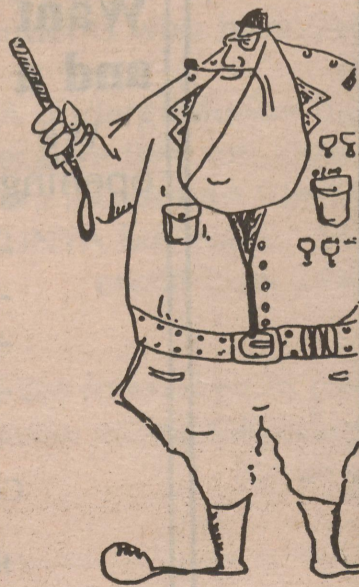
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Graduate Initiative first-year report card good

By Peter S. Jones

The results of SUNYA's first year implementing SUNY-wide education initiatives are in, and administrators are lauding the success.

The report distributed last week stated that significant progress has been made in several target areas, most markedly in increased enrollment of minority graduate students. SUNYA reportedly surpassed its 1988 goal upon enrolling 200 minority students into graduate programs, double the number of two years ago.

Other successes cited in the report include the attraction of "a nationally recognized research group holding a \$1 million grant" for studies in atmospheric science and the receipt by the Center on Writing and Literacy of a \$1.5 million federal grant for "a national study of literacy in secondary schools to develop strategies and techniques for improving literacy."

The Graduate Education and Research Initiative is a statewide program devoted to the improvement of graduate level study on all SUNY campuses, and the Undergraduate Education Initiative, which is in the works for SUNY campuses, would be directed toward the improvement of certain aspects of undergraduate education.

Dean of Undergraduate Studies Dr. Sung Bok Kim underscored the interdependence of the two programs when he said, "You can't have a good graduate program without good undergraduate students coming into the program."

Although the Undergraduate Initiative is still in the planning stage, Kim regards its importance as equal to that of the Graduate Initiative.

Kim explained that a number of areas of SUNYA's undergraduate programs are in need of remedial attention. Computer literacy and student writing are two major issues in the plans to redesign the General Education curriculum.

Kim stated that it was "ridiculous" for an educated person to graduate from college with no knowledge of computers. "The computer is now everywhere, in everything," Kim said. "Anyone going out into the world in the 1990's must know something [about computers]."

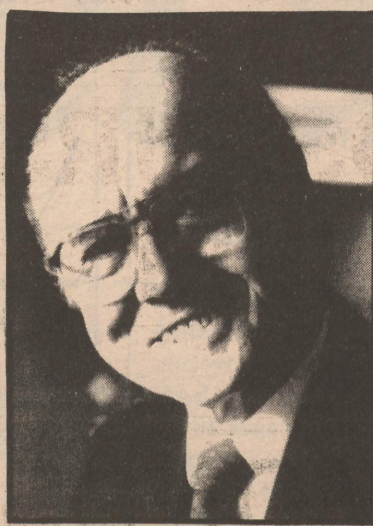
Kim held equally strong feeling about the importance of students being able to express themselves well in writing. "It is key to the whole intellectual process," he said. "Ideas are generally disembodied until you start to write, then those ideas are engaged." An interdisciplinary writing program will most likely be implemented as part of the Undergraduate Initiative.

Other areas slated for improvement under the Undergraduate Initiative include foreign language and science labs, which are suffering from antiquated equipment; the performing arts; and various support services. Tutorials for a large number of cases of academic probation.

Student-faculty ratios also have gone awry in the last 15 years as a result of government spending cuts. The average ratio has gradually slipped from the desired

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— Vincent O'Leary



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President O'Leary stated that the continued success of the Initiative depends on full funding for the five-year period. "If we can do this for five years, there will be a remarkable change in graduate research," O'Leary said.

Lobbying for state funding will be conducted on a personal basis with state legislators by members of the University Council.

In addition to providing better education at the graduate level, the Graduate Initiative is also expected to benefit the Albany community as a whole. By associating certain research projects with nearby industrial enterprises, and by turning the SUNYA campus into a magnet for grant-endowed research groups and additional industries, valuable contributions will be made to the area's economy. Cultural contributions are also anticipated with the planned recruitment of well-known scholars to the faculty. □

15 students per faculty member to a disproportionate 19 to 1 ratio. In the case of philosophy, the ratio has reached 29 to 1. The increased funding will be used in part to pay salaries for additional faculty.

Both Initiatives are based on a five-year plan with funding being approved by the New York State

Legislature on an annual basis. In its first year, 1987-88, SUNYA received \$1.9 million in additional state funding specifically for the Graduate Initiative. The University is requesting \$2.6 million for the second year of the Graduate Initiative and \$1.086 million for the Undergraduate Initiative's first year.

Loans don't cramp lifestyles, study says

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE — Students' post-college lifestyles aren't suffering because of their student loan repayments, a new study indicates.

Released in the beginning of October, at a financial aid conference here, the survey of how monthly student loan repayments affect recent New England college grads' buying decisions found that, though the students complained about their

debt burdens, those burdens didn't seem to stop them from buying things.

"In no case was the size of the monthly loan payment correlated to the economic behavior in question," Tufts University Asst. Prof. Saul Schwartz, who reported conclusions gleaned from the still-unfinished "New England Student Loan Survey" to a joint meeting of the National Council

of Higher Education Loan Programs and the National Association of State Scholarship and Grant Programs.

While 30 percent of the students surveyed complained their monthly payments hurt them, the payments had no effect on whether they decided to buy a car or a home, get married or move out of their parents' houses. □

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Central Council broke out in cheers and applause last Wednesday when it was announced that Student Association had a \$126,000 surplus from last year.

That's sad. Because they were basically applauding the fact that last year's students — especially seniors — got ripped off.

Mandatory student activity fees are collected from undergraduate students every year to mainly fund student groups and athletics, which together account for most activities on campus. It is SA's job to dish out the money, which averages about \$1 million per year, and determine how it's to be spent. It is *not* SA's job *not* to spend it.

But that's what happened last year. Students paid their share of the fees, expecting to receive their money's worth. Instead, students received part of their money's worth and found the rest of their money invested in the future of SA.

The \$126,000 is now sitting in SA's general fund, and is money that can't be budgeted and spent by normal means. It basically serves as insurance against future deficits. If SA has a deficit one year the general fund is reduced, and if SA runs in the black one year, the general fund increases. It's sort of like a running bar tab.

The problem was brought on in recent years because SA ordered just a few too many drinks. SA ran three consecutive deficits, the last being the '85-86 of over \$70,000 which dropped the general fund to about \$60,000 going into last year. This left SA facing possible bankruptcy if last year's bottom line approached the '85-86 deficit of \$70,000.

Enter Agnes Seminara, a responsible controller who fought a potential deficit with a determination unlike any of her predecessors. She oversaw a policy of cost-cutting, and was supported by the rest of the executive branch, Central Council and, yes, even the ASP. In the end, however, it seems she fought a bit too hard.

Most of the money she saved came at the expense of SA groups.

University Concert Board had \$52,913 to spend and finished with a balance of \$24,910 (*not* including Mayfest). Speaker's Forum had a \$16,000 appropriation and ended with a balance of \$15,787. These groups are mainly here to provide services to students, and students clearly didn't get what they paid for — either there should have been more concerts and speakers on campus or ticket prices should have been lower.

Of the \$126,000 that wasn't spent last year, \$90,000 can be attributed to SA and its groups. It's the groups — and programming in general — that felt the pinch last year and they're scheduled to feel the pinch again because last year's lack of spending was transformed into budget cuts for this year.

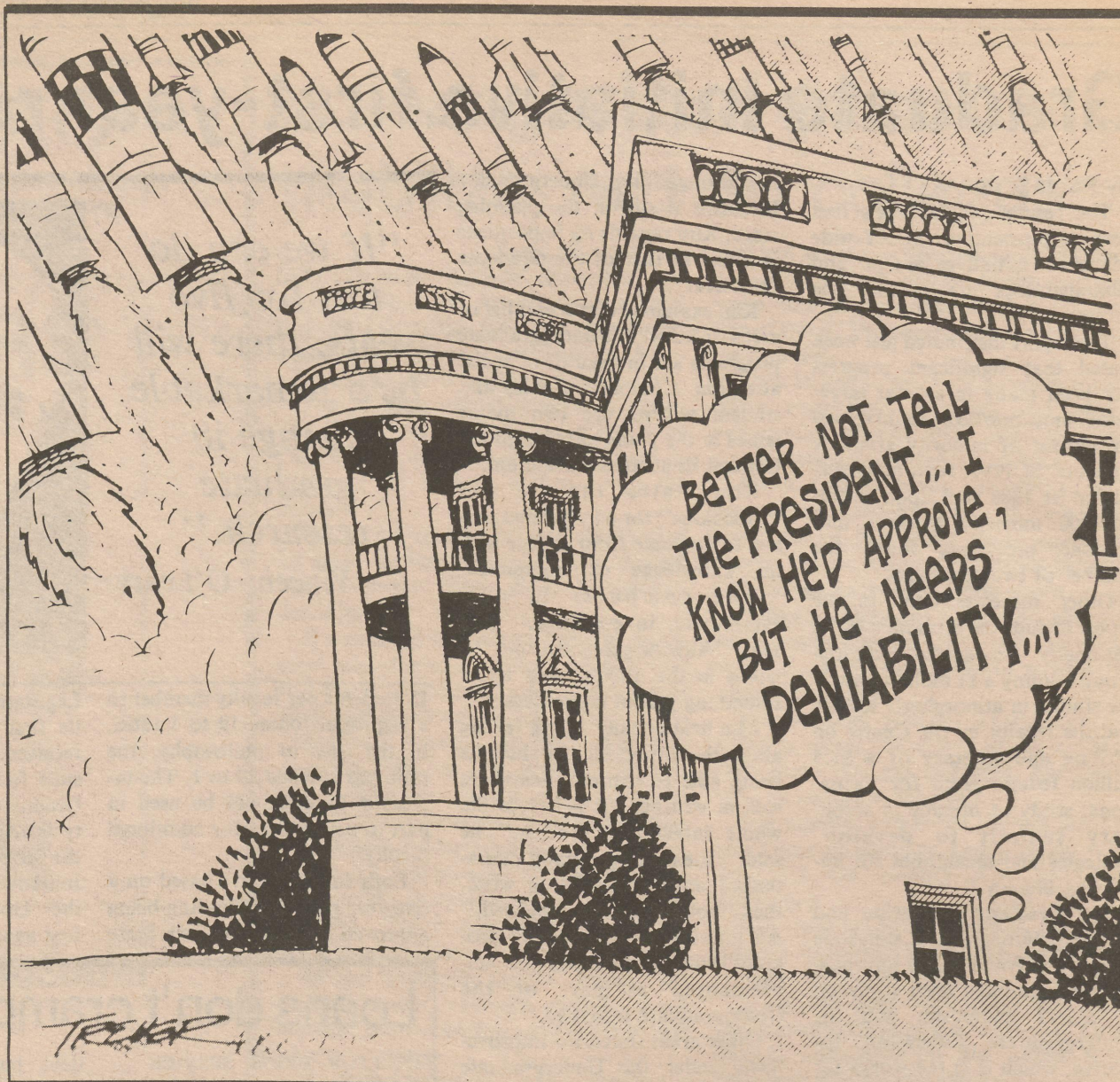
Theoretically, SA should spend just as much as it takes in and break even every year, but of course it's not that simple. A lot of variables crop up in the budget process and SA is bound to have surpluses and deficits. But variables can't be allowed to grow to the size of \$126,000.

SA should not have tried to solve its deficit problems all in one year because it's not fair to take student monies from one year and use them to make up for past years of deficits. Just ask anyone who graduated in May.

Because of last year's overzealous budgeting, the current SA administration inherited a large gift that shouldn't have been given in the first place. Now some of it should be given back.

SA should set an ideal figure for what the general fund should be and then set out to reach that figure over a period of five to ten years. In the meantime, it would only be fair to run a *controlled* deficit for this year to negate some of last year's surplus.

Three-quarters of the students at SUNYA today helped to fatten a bank account. Now they should expect to see some of that money spent on them.



COLUMN

Let my people go!

In the Soviet Union today there are 3.5 million Jews, the third largest Jewish community in the world. At least 400,000 of those have expressed a desire to leave and emigrate to Israel. A smaller but significant number have actually applied to leave and have been refused permission. These are called refuseniks. All this in a country that in the past 50 years has actively tried to deny Jews any Jewish identity. Why do these Jews want to leave so badly?

Mitchell Shapiro

The answer to this question is simple: The Jews of the Soviet Union face persecution — sometimes subtle, sometimes overt. Jews there are denied the opportunity to go to better universities get better jobs, join the Communist party, children are beaten up in schoolyards, etc. etc. The refuseniks unfortunately share a worse fate. Once someone applies and is refused permission to leave, he or she is fired from their job and is forced to find other employment. This leaves engineers working as janitors and mathematicians tutoring high school math. What often happens to these people is that if they don't have any other skills they cannot find a job (some try to teach Hebrew but soon find that teaching Hebrew is not a legal occupation in the U.S.S.R.) and in the Soviet Union not having a job is called parasitism, and is punishable by prison or labor camp sentences.

This situation should not surprise people. Anti-semitism is not a new thing to Russian Jewry. Russia historically has been one of the most anti-Semitic countries in Europe. (And Europe was never short on anti-Semites.) From the pogroms of the mid-1800's, the government-supported Kassack pogroms at the turn of the century, the pogroms of World War I, World War II, and Stalin's murder of over 1 million Jews for being Jewish through the anti-Semitism of today, Russia has never given up on their anti-Semitism.

Now the question comes up: What effect do we have on the Kremlin? The answer to this question is not a simple one. No one in the west really knows how the politburo of the USSR actually makes its decisions. But we can analyze the situation from the facts we have. The Soviet Union is going through a major economic reformation. One after another the Communist countries (Hungary, Yugoslavia, Poland, etc.) have realized that strict, centralized planned (non-market) socialism does not work. So one after another they have reformed their economies in different ways. (For more info. take Eco.440) The USSR, even though it was one of the last holdouts, is now coming to the realization that it must also reform. There are things they need to do so. One of the main things they need is capital, and the ones with excess capital are the Western capitalist countries. It also seems that they want Star Wars. The Soviet Union, who is at least five years

behind the West in technology, is afraid that the America might find something useful in the Star Wars research that they will not have the technology to reproduce. This being the case, the Soviets are trying to play 'Mr. Nice Guy.' We saw similar things in the mid 1970's when at the time they were talking detente.

Where do the Jews fall into all of this? The Soviet Union, now wanting concessions from the West, are willing to make concessions of their own. Now is when they are most susceptible to pressure from the west. If we make the issue of Soviet Jewry a major point, we can save those people. The Soviets will be forced to let them go. This is what happened in the 70's and this is what could happen in the 80's and 90's. The Soviets know this, and this is why they have been letting out all the prominent dissidents. They want to take away our rallying points while keeping the emigration rate at a trickle. We must not let this happen.

"This situation should not surprise people. Anti-semitism is not a new thing to Russian Jewry. Russia historically has been one of the most anti-semitic countries in Europe."

Gorbachev will be meeting Reagan soon for a summit in Washington. This is our greatest opportunity. A once in a decade. There will be a march on Washington when Gorbachev gets here. Every one of us must go. There will be 400,000-plus people at this march. Before this meeting, we must put pressure on Reagan to make this a major issue by letters and protests. We have the power to make things happen now.

When people's lives are so directly in our hands, let us not turn our backs on them. Let us not miss our chance, as our parents or grandparents did in the 40's, for if we do we must live with ourselves. As the great Jewish sage Hillel said:

If I am not for myself
Who will be?
If I am only for myself
What am I?
If not now
When?

The writer is President of the Revisionist Zionist Alternative.

Aspects

November 4, 1987

Suspect commits few crimes

("Suspect" with Cher and Dennis Quaid. Directed by Peter Yates. From Tri-Star. Rated R.)

Recently, Hollywood has been cranking out a great many films which deal with cops and robbers, district attorneys and public defenders, judges and the basic court scene. While one might wonder what's left that *hasn't* been covered, *Suspect* is covering it — with a twist.

April S. Anastasi

Though its storyline focuses mainly on Kathleen Riley (Cher), an overworked, underpaid lawyer with the public defender's office, playing almost as major a role is Eddie Sanger (Dennis Quaid), a juror on one of Kathleen's cases. Eddie is a suave Capitol Hill lobbyist who tries to get out of jury duty because of the upcoming vote on a bill which is critical to his cause.

Assigned to defend Carl Wayne Anderson (Liam Neeson), a homeless deaf-mute accused of a vicious murder, Kathleen struggles to build a case as the odds pile up against her and her client. Eddie becomes suddenly, inexplicably involved, to the ex-



treme of trying to track down the disturbed, raving indigent who actually committed the murder.

Perhaps the largest flaw in Eric Roth's otherwise adequate script is the seeming lack of motivation on Eddie's part. By contacting Kathleen, not only is he breaking the law, but he is also putting his own life in danger due to his radical crime-solving methods. No reasons are provided for his highly unconventional behavior, and

viewers must try and fathom what it is that is going on behind Eddie's dancing eyes.

Quaid, as has become his style, brings a playful likability to Eddie. He allows the Wisconsin farm-boy youth to shine through the dapper double-talker. Seconds later, Quaid is able to make the screen sizzle as a debonair Don Juan.

Apart from the instances in which Quaid appears on screen with her and charges the air with sexual electricity, Cher's perfor-

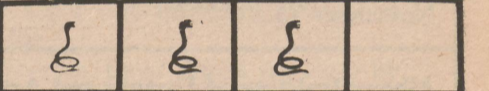
mance is more fizzle than fire. Her Kathleen is agreeable enough, yet Cher is very flat in the role — too flat for the faults to be blamed solely on scriptural problems.

Roth's script, however flawed it may be, certainly has its moments. It casually creates unbearable tension and suspense as solid as a brick wall. The edge-of-the-seat, what's-going-to-happen-next feeling of the sequence in the Library of Congress is classic, even more so than a later, supposedly scary chase scene.

Neeson's performance as the accused is very nicely executed and reaches the heights of excellence when one takes into account the fact that he doesn't have a single line of spoken dialogue. The emotions he portrays are rarely nonintelligible, unless intentionally so.

Overall, *Suspect* is a respectable film which, at times, truly shines. Under the capable direction of Peter Yates (*Breaking Away*, *The Dresser*), there are some wonderful cinematic moments and some beautifully aesthetic shots.

Is *Suspect* a worthwhile film? Guilty as charged. □



Ponty brings his Gifts to Albany

The futuristic sounds of the electric violin come alive once again with the release of *The Gift of Time*, a collection of new musical images by Jean-Luc Ponty. His appearance at Albany's Palace Theater on Friday, November 6th, coincides with the release of this new work.

Gary J. Palmer

As with previous albums, Ponty turns the violin into a new instrument, bringing it into the world of jazz fusion, where it was previously unheard of. His skill at the use of synthesizers also creates an ideal backdrop for his powerful soloing work, resulting in a new form of modern jazz which will earn the listener's respect.

The Gift Of Time presents a relatively broad spectrum of Jean-Luc Ponty's talents in music writing. For this album, he has enlisted the assistance of two extremely proficient musicians, who form the core of his band at present. Rayford Griffin, who had played with Ponty several years ago, returns on drums, providing a stylistic sense of rhythm for Ponty's works. To complete the band's rhythm section, Baron Browne executes powerful electric bass lines that assist in the formation of moods for Ponty's works. The combination of Griffin and Browne leads to one of the most competent rhythm sections in modern fusion.

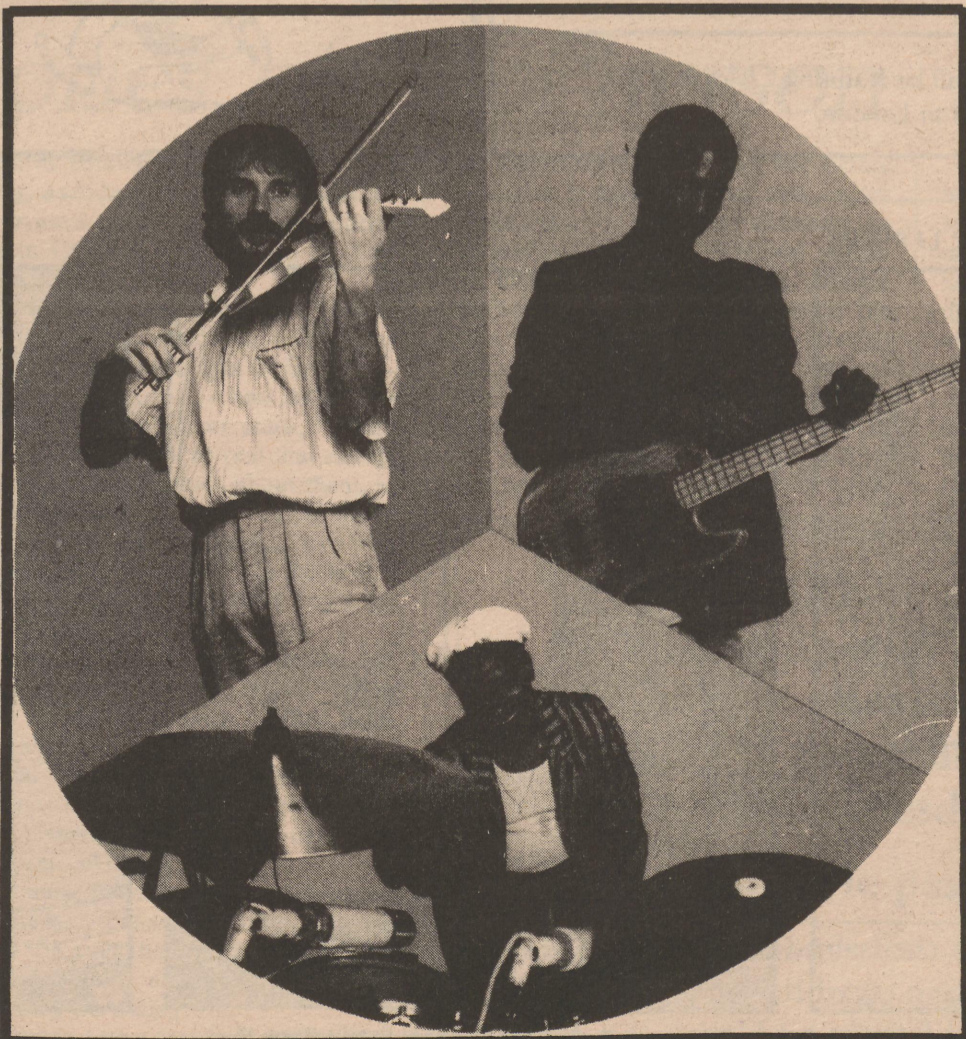
Ponty opens the album with a synthesizer-enhanced piece entitled "Prologue." By channeling his electric violin through a Synclavier synth, he is afforded the opportunity of modifying the violin's sounds, virtually creating a new instrument. The listener does not hear a violin from an orchestra, but a rather 'spacey' violin that sounds like nothing a synthesizer could produce alone. "Prologue" is simply a hint of the electronic wizardry that is to follow on the album.

In many of his works, Ponty begins by

programming a synthesizer to repeat a defined pattern of notes. This has been one of his trademarks, for he is also an extremely talented keyboardist. Thus, Ponty is able to use fewer musicians for his creations, while expanding his musical possibilities at the same time. A prime example of this technique can be found in "New Resolutions," the second track from the new album. As Ponty's violin solo stands in the foreground, the Griffin/Browne duo main-

tains a steady pulse in coordination with the synthesizer. Added electric guitar rounds off the musical mood, resulting in an extremely entertaining piece.

Ponty is a master of creating moods with his music. With any one of his works, the listener can probably associate a personal feeling or mood. A prime example of his ability is "No More Doubts," which can be described as nothing less than ominous. Ponty's synthesizer programming con-



Clockwise from upper left: Jean-Luc Ponty with his violin, Baron Browne on bass, and Rayford Griffin at the drums.

tributes to this piece that sounds as though it belongs in a movie soundtrack. In repeated sections of the piece, the synthesizer creates an impression of inevitable doom or threat that the listener may associate with a James Bond-type atmosphere. As with almost all of the album's selections, the talented combination of Rayford Griffin and Baron Browne forms the backbone for the work and lauds respect at their musical proficiency.

Another composition which exemplifies Ponty's mood-generating technique is "Metamorphosis." The track begins with a simple note pattern from the synthesizer and minimal percussive effects, and slowly escalates into a heavier beat. When Ponty writes, he maintains a constant attention to the emotions which his music evokes from the mind. Being the expressive instrument that it is, the violin is Ponty's most effective implement for translating feeling into emotion. "Metamorphosis" is a very literal title, for the piece is an absolute transition from relative calmness to energetic motivation.

"Introspective Perception" is another track of the album which deserves exceptional merit, due to the fact that it was entirely composed and performed by Ponty alone. In the composition, Ponty has once again programmed his backing accompaniment into a synthesizer, but the pace is distinct and new. He uses the synthesizer to allow the unrestrained exhibition of his violin mastery. As one listens to the piece, the true talent of Ponty shines through, stunning in its capabilities.

The Gift Of Time is certainly one of Ponty's best albums yet, and should hopefully open a few listener's ears to appreciate that talent that he has been presenting in his past albums. Jean-Luc Ponty's November 6th appearance at The Palace Theater marks his long-awaited return to the Albany area. With the amount of material that he has amassed over the past several years, the audience should be presented with a spellbinding plethora of jazz fusion talent. □

SPECTRUM

THEATRE DANCE MUSIC

Capital Rep (462-4534)
The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe—The Play, thru November 8.
Siena College (783-2383)
The Hot L Baltimore, November 13, 14, 19 thru 21, Foy Campus Center Theatre.
Palace Theatre (465-3333)
 Squeeze, Thursday, November 12.
RPI Fieldhouse (266-6262)
 Jethro Tull, Tuesday, November 10, RUSH, November 12, Alice Cooper, Friday, November 13.
Circle Theatre Players (674-3664)
Close Ties, by Elizabeth Diggs, November 6, 7.
ESIPA (443-5115)
The Crucifer of Blood, November 6 thru November 20.
Cohoes Music Hall (235-7969)
Nunsense, November 5 thru 8, November 12 thru 15, November 19 thru 22, November 26 thru 29.
Home Made Theater (587-4427)
On Golden Pond, November 6 thru November 21.
Performing Arts Center (442-3997)
Biloxi Blues, November 13 thru 15, 18 thru 21, Main Theatre.

CLUBS

QE2 (434-2023)
 Elephantlip with Brian Ritchie and Spot 1019, Wed, November 4, Mambo X, Thurs, November 5, The Silos, Sun, November 8, Roger Miller with PJ and the Magic Bus, Tues, November 10, The Pressure Boys, Wed, November 11, Miracle Legion, Thurs, November 12.
Bogies (482-4368)
 Strange Arrangement, every Monday.
September's (459-8440)
 Starbound, thru November 8, Hyper Active, November 9 thru November 15.

ART

Albany Institute of History and Art (463-4478)
Albany's Families: 350 Years of Growth and Change, an exploration of the history of ethnic groups in Albany, Spirit of Democracy: Celebrating the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, thru November 15, Art Wear at the Harmanus Bleecker Center, thru December 12.
New York State Museum (474-5842)
Diamonds Are Forever, Artists and Writers on Baseball, thru November 15, *Dinosaurs Alive!* thru December 28, Super Science Lecture: *Who Said Dinosaurs are Extinct?*, Sunday, November 8, *Blacks in America: A Photographic Record*, thru January 3.
University Art Gallery (442-4035)
Twentieth Anniversary, A 35 year retrospective of the work of Edward Cowley, founder of the Fine Arts Department.
Schenectady Museum and Planetarium (382-7890)
Black Dimensions in Art thru November 15, Planetarium shows for adults and children.

This weekend the University Cinemas will be featuring *Children of a Lesser God* and *An American Werewolf in London*.

Great Expectations HAPPY HOLIDAYS?

When I was a little kid (and actually even all the way through high school), at the first sign of snow, I would refuse to get out of bed until I was positively sure that the radio announcer had *not* said my school's name in the list of closings. Suddenly, when I came to college, it all changed.

We *NEVER* seem to get snow days. Somewhere along the line (the summer between high school and college, I suppose), Fate cruelly intervened and decided that there should be no more snow days. No more *fun* days, where you could just sleep late and wake up to Mom's hot chocolate — always made with milk, never water, and filled with marshmallows or topped with mountains of whipped cream — and then stay in and watch reruns of all those great, corny 60's and 70's shows like *Gilligan's Island*, *The Addams Family*, *Bewitched*, and *The Munsters*.

Come to think of it, we never even seem to get the same days off that the rest of the world does. Consider Columbus Day and, more especially, Election Day.

Oh, sure, you may be thinking. Columbus Day. Big deal. It's this senseless holiday which celebrates some misguided Italian who wasn't even sailing under his own flag, let alone having any sense of direction. Yeah, yeah. I know. It's true. But the rest of the people around the world (Get it — *around* the world?!?! Oh, forget it. Good old Chris would have appreciated it.) get the day off, why not the students of higher education? Honestly. If we were better informed, perhaps another such as Columbus would not be scoffed at.

And then there's Election Day. What's the deal? Theoretically (and probably statistically), colleges should give their 'patrons' the day off sooner than high schools should. Think about it. Even if every high school senior in the world is 18 or older (which I strongly doubt), there are still *more* college students eligible to vote. So, *why* should they get the day off (or at least 1/2 a day) while we have to go to classes ALL DAY. Yeah. *That's* really promoting good citizenship.

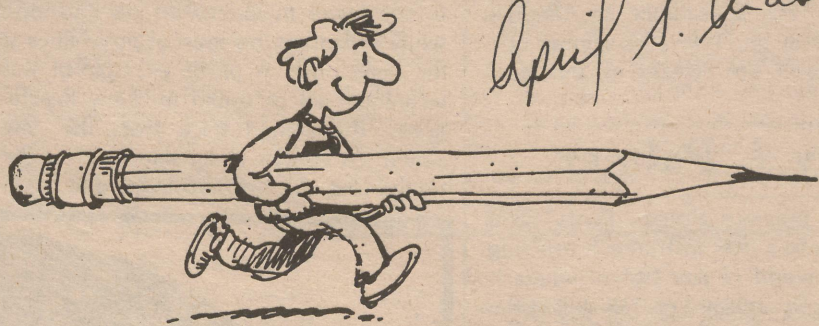
Perhaps the only *really* logical way to combat this mysterious, highly infectious disease which renders victims (school holiday lawmakers) helpless and uncelebratory is to . . .

Create your own holiday!!!

Enjoy yourselves, no matter what holiday you choose to create.

Oh, and by the way, don't forget to celebrate this Friday — it's "National Aspects' Staff Artist Appreciation Day." Thanks, Gary.

April S. Anastasi

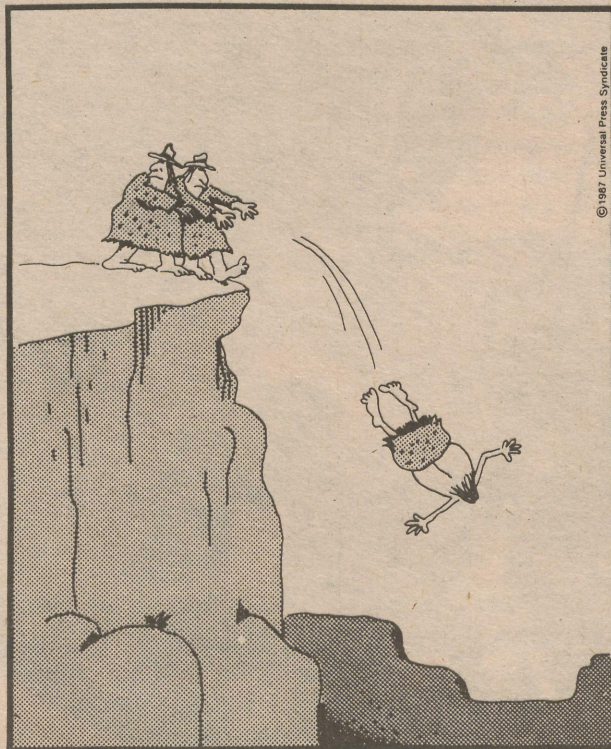


THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



Giraffe beach parties



Although their descendants firmly deny this, Neanderthal mobsters are frequently linked with the anthropological treasures of Olduvai Gorge.



"Speak of the Devil."

In Case of Chaos, Break Glass

Once upon a time a girl named Lana and I visited this campus. I was a senior in high school and she was a junior. The result of the visit is the stuff books are made of. Indeed, maybe one day a book will be written. Certainly the individual components of that weekend are the stuff short stories are made of. Here's one now.

Eric Berlin

One of the numerous reasons for our visit was a guy named Darren. He was then a freshman living in the middle of one of the towers. Lana and I weren't his only visitors. He was also surprised by the appearance of four high school buddies, visiting from another college. They showed up drunk. They remained drunk throughout the weekend. As alcohol was absorbed by their collective bloodstreams, they added more, keeping their state of intoxication at a constant.

Every beer they had seemed to make them louder. It was as if Budweiser hits the volume control on the way down the throat.

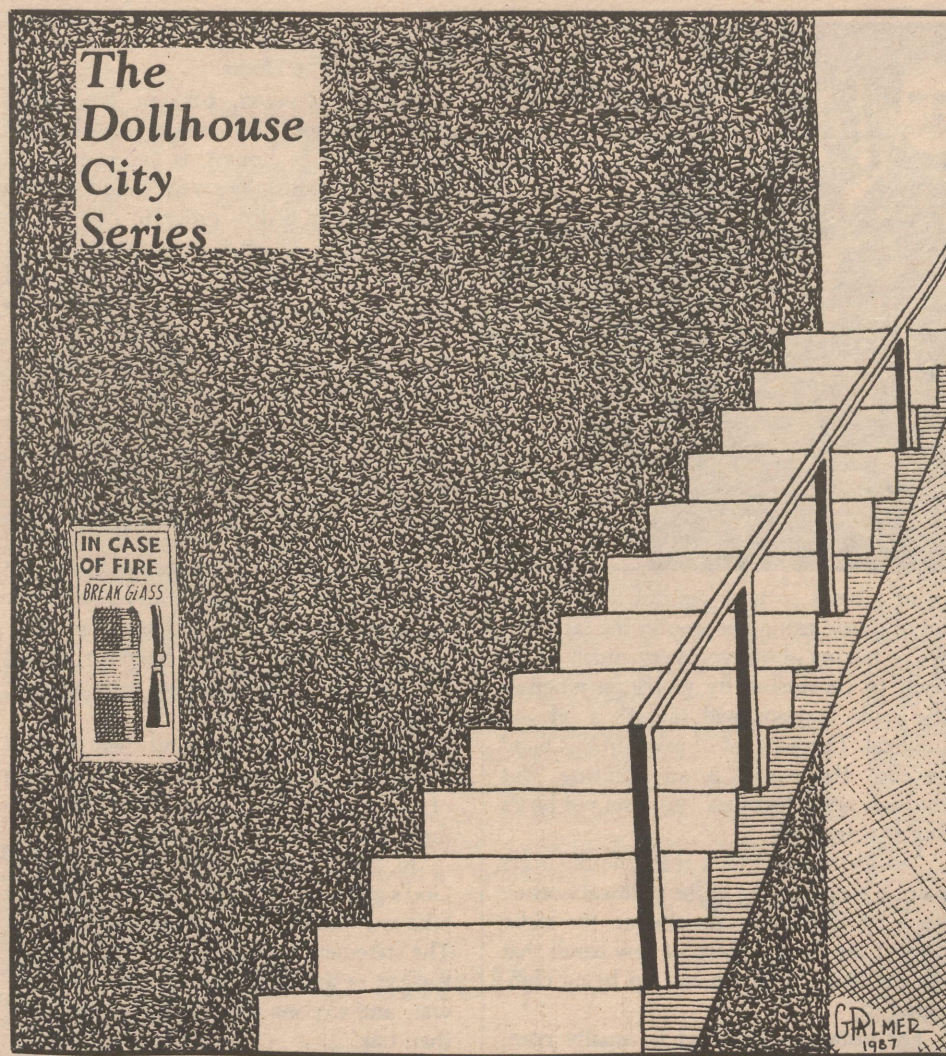
The four friends were absolutely determined to live life to its fullest, all in one weekend. You never know when some fool's going to let all the air out of the earth, sending us swirling around the universe like a punctured balloon. Better condense your good times even if you have to kill yourself doing it.

The four friends didn't kill themselves. They scared themselves halfway there, however.

Darren plays keyboards, and he was considering joining a small band. This small band was going to get together in one of the low-rise pits and play some music, and Darren was invited to bring his synthesizer and jam along. He packed up his barely portable keyboards and invited everybody along.

Since he lived on the eleventh floor, we had to go down one floor to have a better chance at getting one of the painfully slow elevators. Darren led the line of people downstairs. The convoy looked something like this: First, Darren, half-dragging, half-carrying the keyboards. The easiest way to get them downstairs was to lay it down and ride it like a sled. That, however, would have done more harm than good, so Darren opted for the more painful method.

Second in line was the collective unit of



the four friends. They were jumping around, doing a *Miami Vice* act, whooping and yelling and shooting thumb-and-forefinger guns at each other, never running out of ammunition.

Third was Lana and myself. We followed soberly along. So this was college. Seemed a lot like second grade, actually. Except that more people had beards and less people thought that members of the opposite sex were icky.

Darren finally reached the bottom step with his clunky case. He was followed by one of his friends, who will indiscriminately be called 'Paul', even though I have not a single clue as to what his real name is.

Paul was very much into the *Miami Vice* scenario. He was on the fifth step, shooting at one of his friends, yelling "BANG BANG!!". He then, pumped by the pure emotion of the fight, jumped down the remaining stairs, landing in front of a fire box. On the glass of the box was an urgent

looking little red sign. "Break Glass In Case Of Fire," it said. Paul read only as far as "Break Glass".

"HI-YAHHHHHH!" he bellowed, the way Miss Piggy did before she sent Kermit flying. He drew his arm back and then delivered a rocketing punch into the center of the little red sign, which was in the center of the glass, which shattered immediately.

Everything went very quickly after that.

Paul drew his hand out of the box, immediately sober. He held his still closed fist out and away, like some giant insect, as if the fist had acted under its own power.

The last bits of glass fell out of its frame and hit the ground, making little tinkling sounds.

Paul said, very distinctly, "HO-LEE SHHHIT!!"

Now, even before we had brought our little drama to the tenth floor landing, somebody else, long ago and far away, had

brought a bucket of red paint by here and had conveniently spilled a thick line of the stuff where we now stood.

Paul's hand, which was as drunk as the rest of him, never even felt the blow, and hence never knew that it was supposed to be broken. Or bleeding. Or anything. Paul's hand was absolutely no worse for the wear.

Of course, here, exactly one-half second after the glass shattered, nobody knew this, not even Paul. Lana saw only the thick line of red paint, and then promptly froze up. Her mind choked off one last thought:

"BLOOD!"

and then shut down completely. Lana sat and stared ahead as if absorbed in a particularly good movie.

Darren was the first one to have an honest-to-God, thought out reaction to the event. He ran. He picked up the keyboards he had been lugging around like dead-weight, and ran with it now, like it was a football.

The four friends decided that running was indeed a very good idea. Paul still stared at his hand as he ran. He seemed scared of it, like it might just lash out again at anybody who was standing around. And here Paul was, connected to the thing. It might pummel him to death in his sleep. He thought of all this while he ran.

I wasn't too far behind them. Except I came back a split-second later, because Lana was still sitting on the stairs. Whatever movie she was watching, it wasn't over yet.

"Uh... Lana?"

She turned and blankly looked at me like I was a very interesting example of alien life.

"Come on, Lana." I took her away by the arm, holding her around on the way down to the elevators. She told me later on that she had no recollection of leaving the staircase. I couldn't blame her for being in shock. Given a choice, I probably would have joined her. □

The preceding is a semi-fictionalized true story. Names have been changed. If you have an anecdote about daily life on campus, tell it to ASPects and thus the whole school. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A WRITER! Just call Eric Berlin at the ASP office (442-5661) or at 442-6016 and tell him your story. Thanks.

The short stories of McPherson

One of the most difficult writing genres has to be that of the short story. Defining a cast of characters, giving them a plot to live through and a conflict to solve (or not solve) in a considerably shorter amount of time than a novel is no easy task. Author Frank O'Connor once said that in a short story, "A writer has to fix on the psychological moment after which nothing is ever the same again."

Peter LaMassa

James Alan McPherson is an American writer who has attempted and succeeded at this task many times. Self-described as a writer who "looks for the human situation — that crystallization of character that goes beyond, in a crisis, the contingencies of caste or class or race or sex," he lectured of Albany State on October 27th as a part of the New York State Writers Institute's Literary Conversations Series.

Born and raised in Savannah, Georgia, McPherson graduated from Morris Brown College in Atlanta in 1965 and went on to earn a degree from Harvard Law School. Then, as host for the evening Tom Smith jokingly put it, "He became, alas, a writer and not a lawyer." McPherson made the right choice, it

seems, as he has gone on to win many writing awards, including the MacArthur Award in 1981, and the Pulitzer Prize in 1978 for his collection of short stories, "Elbow Room."

McPherson has the ability to put his character into situation in which they "struggle with their masks of identity — racial, sexual or social — and seek elbow room for their minds or souls," Smith added. They become so real that merely one line can say so much about them, as well as comment on the society in which they are living. This is especially true with The Minister-Barber in "The Faithful," who quips, "You can shape a boy's life by what you do to his hair."

His lecture featured not his fiction, but an autobiographical piece called "Going Up to Atlanta," in which he gives poignant characterizations of his family. The emotion he felt as he was reading the selection could be sensed by all, despite the fact that McPherson was struggling with a case of the flu.

The most powerful of these character sketches was that of his father, possibly due to the guilt that McPherson felt for not seeing him enough in the years preceding his death.

He began with a description of the only picture he had of his father. His father was wearing a down jacket in it because it

was comfortable — this was way before they were fashionable. The look on his father's face was not one of cockiness; he suffered from narcolepsy and was asleep. He had small hands, so the younger McPherson believed that, although the older McPherson was a master electrician, he was not meant to be a laborer. This was only a paraphrase of McPherson's reading, yet it became apparent that he can say much with few words. This pattern continued through his work.

When asked to decrease the difference between autobiography and fiction, McPherson replied, "There were so many things I repressed. Sometimes you have to write the truth — your imagination cannot embellish it." He did not write to evoke sympathy, he just wrote what he felt.

Finally, this writer/teacher/lawyer sarcastically said that he would return to fiction writing, "once the country leaves fantasy alone and goes back to fact." □

memo:

TO: Anyone with a creative flair

FROM: Aspects

SUBJ: Short Story Contest

DEADLINE: Tuesday, November 24,
at 6 p.m.

PRIZES: Movie passes for two

All submissions should include author's name, address, and phone number and should be placed in the Aspects mailbox in CC329 (ASP office).



A Letter from The Silencers



The Silencers, a fresh new band from Glasgow, Scotland, are out to change the world with their debut album, *A Letter from St. Paul*. They will be opening for Squeeze on November 12th at The Palace. These enthusiastic, political activist musicians have conjured up a series of heavy-handed, sometimes bordering on depressing, lyrics embedded in a melodious, uplifting musical backdrop. This creates a somewhat haunting feeling for the concerned listener, in tune to both the music and the lyrics.

Raymond Rogers

Martin Hanlin, the band's drummer, speaking from Florida, a recent stop on their current solo tour, explained the band's outlook. "It's not so much that we

paint a bleak picture, we just think that a lot of music around us ignores the facts that we're talking about and very much opens itself to censorship by worrying whether the radio stations will say it's a bit too political. There's a lot of irony in this band because the music is so uplifting. But through uplifting music, you can put lyrics like that in there.

"So it's not so much that The Silencers paint a bleak picture of the political (scene); it's a bit like everyone else on the radio doesn't say much. There's a few bands that do and that's who we end up being compared to."

For instance, the band is usually compared to bands like U2, The Waterboys, Simple Minds, and The Alarm. The band has been influenced somewhat by these bands, as well as Scottish and Irish folk

music, American blues, and early 60's bands like The Doors.

Hanlin, however, told of the band's main influence: "The reason this band got together, to be honest, is because we all loved The Smiths. We were so fed up with watching this British program called 'Top of the Pops,' which is just so bland; same old disco. We call it dance music now, but I always remember it as disco. When The Smiths came along, we saw this four piece band and when we got together, that was one of the biggest influences."

The band's strong influences really shine through in several songs on the album, especially in the band's current single, "I See Red," said Hanlin. "We spent a long time writing, but we were really looking for something that the band could find an identity with. We hadn't played together; we never played live, and when we did, we were looking for The Silencers' sound and we found something we were all very happy with in 'I See Red.'"

Although the band found their musical identity in "I See Red," it was in the writing of "God's Gift" that they found their formal identity, explained Hanlin.

"In this song we were sort of saying God's gift is life and no one has the right to take any else's life; no one can decide that. The statement is an anti-war song, not anti-Reagan or anything like that; it's just anti-war, anti-anyone who would rather fight than talk.

"That's the reason why we're called The Silencers. We just felt that if there's just a little bit more quiet about things, if people were silent for a little while and thought

things over and then spoke, it may be a better place to live."

The band carries this thought over to a very serious tune, "Painted Moon," which really hit home personally for the band members themselves. A very concerned Hanlin related the meaning behind this tune. "The whole song is about the Falklands War. At the time we were just getting the band together and writing the songs before the war had come and gone. We couldn't believe that in this day and age, the country would even think of war. We were writing the album, taking our own time, and the first people that were going to be called on (for the draft) were people like ourselves. We just thought, 'This is crazy, we could've talked this one out.'"

Although songs like these are very serious and display strong political convictions, the average listener needs a break among the heavy lyrics. Luckily, the band realized this and put on a few lighter songs, like the title track, "A Letter from St. Paul." This song is not about an address to the Corinthians, but, rather, it's a hysterical commentary on the modern-day groupie.

The new band with their mix of political arguments for world peace and uplifting melodies are currently out on the road spreading their message. The band will be in Albany at The Palace on November 12th, opening up for Squeeze. Although The Silencers are far from becoming the next U2, it is more than likely than not that they just might take over The Smiths' recent vacancy and really get a chance to speak out. □

Cock Robin's innovative Midland

What this duo is looking for may very well be "just around the corner, half a mile from heaven," as the opening track suggests, but the inevitable success of Cock Robin is most assured. Cock Robin vinyl has been produced to prove it. Their latest album is *After there Through Midland* (also the last track on the B-side), and the sound is gutsy, yet charming, instinctual yet innovative, and sort-of-but-not-quite technopop. If you're familiar with such a sound you've obviously already heard this album.

Steve Ferguson

The band (with the help of various others on the record) is but two: Peter Kingsbery, songwriter/vocalist/keyboardist and bassist, and Anna La Cazio, helping out in a big way, also on vocals. Kingsbery, as a lyricist, never gets too philosophical in all his romantics, but he's also not another trite, boring bastard from L.A. That is to say, it was no mistake to print his lyrics on the record sleeve, exposing his elevated soul all the more. Admittedly, he's not the socio-political disheveled songwriter that is oh-so-popular today. But he's a man of nature, instinct, romance and feeling. A storyteller, but also an analyst of his own stories. And he's articulate (and figurative) enough to exemplify that he is thinking and not just blabbering. He's saying more than "I-love-you-and-you-love-me-isn't-that-wonderful?" His words have value in both the way they're sung and what they mean.

Although LaCazio is genuinely a true singer compared to her counterpart, Kingsbery's voice doesn't necessarily need to be beautiful. He has one of those

character voices (like Declan McManus — although hardly in the same league) that will lead him to be respected just for singing his songs and playing his music his way.

All said, it's a wonder why this wasn't just Kingsbery's album — with the help of LaCazio. The best guess is that there's probably more between the two than just



music. But that's their problem.

What's going on here is more than what might be expected of a trendy, wind-blown Beverly Hills band. Despite geographic origins, Cock Robin is not a representative 'California Band'. Most of

this can be attributed to the artful arrangements of Peter Kingsbery. If his only interest were the big bucks and being a rock-and-roll star, he didn't need to work so hard. But he did. It's obvious he had all of the latest technological wonders at his

fingertips in the studio — there for him to abuse. But instead, he *used* them. He collaborated the synthetics with real musical elements, furthering the union of two worlds that have experienced great difficulty in merging.

Cock Robin's use of keyboards is more thoughtful than the repetitive strains that we're bombarded with daily by the WHAM's and the Janet Jackson's. Cock Robin's bass lines get around — they don't just hang out on the root of whatever triad that comes along. The guitar rips are U2-ish, the vocalese is suggestive of 'til Tuesday, and the drums, many times, aren't real and often are programmed — but not always; and most importantly, when they put it all together, it works.

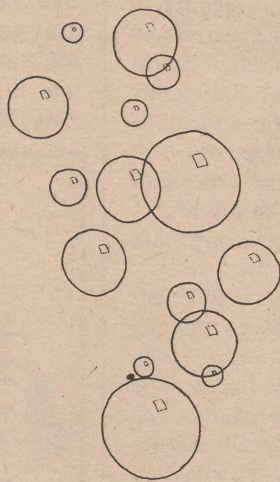
Cock Robin is embracing and transforming. A successful marriage of words and music — none sacrificed.

Get an earful. □

8 September

cast in a
bubble
stuck
imprisoned like a
figure in glass

Trapped in a
void no
entry no
exit just
me just
wish
someone would come
and
set my colors free. — David F. Vesely



there.

Mother stands, controlled by motherhood,
watching numbly as Child plays,
obsessed with whys, whynots, cans,
cannots, and Mother

who, allowing herself to stop a second,
freezes an image she will only remember
as Child, now grown,
brings flowers, and candy, and helplessness
to be placed at the bedside as Mother

lies, consumed by life, confused by
memories, comforted by Child,
looks, listens, loses touch and
remembers Child as Child was,
who stands, controlled by childhood,
becomes Mother,

there.

— Kinsella Farrell

A lot of garbage!

To the Editor:

I would like to address a problem that affects most of us who live on campus. It is the general cleanliness of the dorms.

While I have been generally aware of dorm conditions, referring to cleanliness, I apathetically accepted the the circumstances. Comments made by several parents and visitors on Parents Weekend brought things back into focus. That weekend, much to my dismay, there was little clean-up or cover-up some eyesores on campus. The defaced walls around the elevator buttons in State tower were covered with large pieces of paper with welcome messages. The tower lobby and many of the hallways were absolutely filthy with ground-in dirt and litter which was not picked up until Monday. The elevators and hallways are left in similar condition for days and weeks.

Does the Board of Health or the State Dormitory Authority ever see these conditions? While I can understand some people not minding living like slob, that is their own business and it is fine if others are unaffected. Most people, I believe, do not prefer to live under these conditions and should not be subjected to such unclean and unhealthy environments.

The issue here is not the expected amount of garbage from normal use, but the neglect in these common areas.

— David Nissenbaum

Caulky death

To the Editor:

While walking on the podium this past weekend, I witnessed a spectacle that sickened me beyond composure. The podium is made of concrete slabs which have caulk applied between them to prevent water damage. The caulk must be replaced periodically, for it deteriorates. In one of the freshly caulked spots, a poor brown field mouse caught his hind legs and tail in the sticky caulk. In this place, the small creature was stranded in the cold overnight and died.

Was it an accident? I see banners protesting CIA death

squad hiring on campus. Perhaps these CIA recruits are setting mousetraps in order to practice techniques that will later be used on people in foreign nations. You never know, huh?

— Eric A. von Sneidern

Mandatory freeze

To the Editor:

In response to Robert Goetz's column, "SA — A private party?" Mr. Goetz states some of the low-lights of SA this year: "SA freezes the funding of 47 student organizations for failing to attend a mandatory meeting which outlined a politically-oriented SA hiring practice" was one of the low-lights that offended me greatly.

Yes, I'm a minority and the Affirmative Action policy does help me and other groups that have been discriminated against. The reason I am writing this letter is to educate all those Robert Goetzs in this country.

First, Mr. Goetz, Affirmative Action is a policy that the United States government has instituted and so has the University at Albany. Secondly, it's giving minorities and others who have been discriminated against (handicapped, elderly, etc.) a fair shot at achievement.

Ever since the first African arrived here in 1619, he has been discriminated against, held in slavery, and had codes of law expel him from society. He is the first American immigrant to reproduce and have a generation behind him at the time of the American Revolution.

So, Mr. Goetz, this is nearly 300 years of torture. Eventually, but not finally, society has tried to correct this mistake. One way is through Affirmative Action, which tries to reverse those years of discrimination. That's why I agree with SA in freezing of groups' budgets. Remember, they did not attend a "mandatory" meeting.

— Reggie Easton

Fire safety

To the Editor:

On Monday afternoon, Oct. 26, I saw people running hurriedly around State Quad posting memos declaring that there would be a "Mandatory Fire Safety Presentation tonight." I asked a resident assistant on the quad how they planned on enforcing attendance and how they planned on fitting 1,500 students into the cafeteria for an hour and a half. He told me that they didn't expect many people to show up and that the suites with the fewest people in attendance would be most likely to have their rooms inspected.

Certainly I did not have one and a half hours to spare with two midterms, one computer program and an article to write this week.

I have three questions to ask: 1. Was it fair to give us one afternoon's notice? 2. Is it fair to penalize those who could not make it? 3. If all 1,500 residents had shown up in the cafeteria, as was required, wouldn't that have been a fire hazard at a fire safety presentation?

— Bill Taverner

Procrastination!

To the Editor:

This is in response to Friday's article on the Central Council split. As 3 council members we would like to tell you what goes on at a Central Council meeting.

Let's take a 4 hour meeting. There is 1 hour of issues, a half hour of socializing 1 hour of cross debates across the floor and 1 and a half hours of apologizing to fellow cronies and council members.

A apologizes to B because C gave D a dirty look in the campus center all because E picked up F at the Lampost.

Seriously guys this B.S. has got to go! We have more important things to do with our time such as schoolwork and sleep. We don't care about who is fooling around with who, and frankly we don't care about the naming of the van. And we are certainly not Sara Meyer groupies.

— Names withheld by request

Sorry no trophy

To the Editor:

Homecoming is a time when different student organizations on campus come out and celebrate and boost up school spirit. Each group is supposed to display and present to everyone what their organization represents.

Being a major event during the academic year, this parade was not well planned. As one of the participants in the parade, I found it disappointing and inconvenient that the parade took place on a Friday evening rather than the ideal way — a Saturday afternoon.

Pan-Caribbean Association, a minority organization composed of a diverse group of students from the Caribbean and those with an interest in Caribbean culture, won for best dance.

Unfortunately, we are unable to embrace our trophy because all of the orders did not come in yet. Sigma Alpha Mu was the only organization who received its trophy. I can't understand why an annual competitive

event like Homecoming can have a major missing link — trophies for all the winners. A \$50 gift certificate was offered as an alternative for the delay in trophy order which would not satisfy myself or my organization.

Hopefully, the next time we participate in the Homecoming parade, it will be better planned and prepared for.

Despite all that, I would like to say Pan-Caribbean had an enjoyable time, thanks to the high spirit of its members.

— Yerlie Chatelain

President, Pan-Caribbean Association

All rise please

To the Editor:

There's a great service on campus available to the University community — absolutely free of charge — that's just might be one of the best-kept secrets we have. It's the Small Claims Court Action Center, and it's run by the New York Public Interest Research Group people. Although they tell me it's only two years old, everything I've seen of it seems to be run with the competence and confidence of years of service to those in need.

A few months ago I was new in Albany, beset from day one with disputes with an unreasonable landlord. It became evident that small claims court was the only way I could gain any ground, but the thought of actually having to go through with it all was nothing less than terrifying — I had never been in court before. Luckily, someone suggested NYPIRG, and I set off immediately for the third floor of the Campus Center.

The people at NYPIRG lent as many ears as they could spare, and guided me with steady hands down the long and red-tape-strewn road which would eventually lead to court. Fortunately the ordeal ended before court became necessary, but had it been necessary I felt sufficiently armed with information about court procedure and laws pertaining to my particular situation to have been well equipped in representing myself effectively.

The Small Claims Court Action Center is open now to advise and assist those in the university community who think that a day in small claims court may be looming in the not-too-distant future. Small Claims Court Action Center really makes a difference — NYPIRG really makes a difference.

— David Howland

New aides

To the Editor:

The Affirmative Action Office is pleased to announce the addition of three new ombudspersons: Lauren Grey, a sophomore at the University at Albany; Milton Smith, a graduate of SUNY College at Oneonta; and Pamela Vargas, a graduate student in our School of Social Welfare. Ms. Grey, Mr. Smith and Ms. Vargas are part-time aides who have two major roles: 1) To assist students who feel they have been harassed because of race, and 2) to encourage a welcoming, respectful and supportive environment in our increasingly diverse university community. To these ends they will make themselves known on campus and work with individuals and groups who share similar concerns.

— Gloria DeSole

Affirmative action director

Registration odds

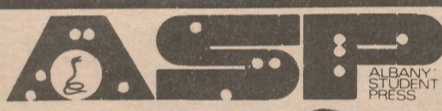
To the Editor:

As a sophomore I have heard a lot of students and faculty complaining about how impersonal SUNYA is toward its members. The administration has gone one step farther. Under the new and improved (?) registration system the power of the professor has been weakened. I had gone to pre pre-register for English courses (a privilege justly awarded to English majors) and to my dismay I found that I may not be able to enter a particular course offered by a favorite professor of mine.

I knew beforehand that the class was closed, but after talking to the professor she promised to let me add the course next semester. This I mentioned to the advisor and was promptly told that it is not up to the professor to admit students into their classes. Rather, all of the classes have a set number; once that number is reached the class is frozen. My experience has taught me, however, that many students sign up for courses (with full intention of passing) but later must drop the course due to circumstances; also the odds of the full enrollment to attend class is very slim (except on days of exams).

The purpose of this new system is to cut down on time and paperwork that supposedly clogged the old system and to halt students who sign up for courses with the intention to drop. As I see it, the end result is that the professor has no idea whom is in his class and if a student wants to take a class taught by an instructor that he/she likes it is not possible. Rather, the student must hope that the class is open when time to register. This just impersonalizes Albany State a little more.

— Mark Allman



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To Katie B.,
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The ASP Editorial Board meeting has been changed to today at 6 p.m. in the newsroom. All editors and managers must be there.

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Chief Casey called 'a man of confidence' by speaker

By Eric Lehrfeld
STAFF WRITER

University Libraries played host to political speechwriter Joseph E. Persico last week, who discussed the late William Casey, former CIA director.

A friend of Casey, Persico centered his talk on Bob Woodward's new book *The Secret Wars of the CIA*, calling the book "on target," but with one exception.

"William Casey was a fascinating man . . . I sometimes didn't understand his motives."

— Joseph E. Persico

Casey, who was reportedly a central figure in the Iran-Contra affair, allegedly confessed on his death bed to having conducted the entire operation without fully confiding in the President. The veracity of this confession is untestable, but Persico described Casey as a devout Catholic, and was of the opinion that Casey would not have made such a confession lightly.

Persico called Woodward's discussion of the aforementioned death bed confession "guesswork".

Persico concentrated his talks on Casey the man, rather than the actions he took during his tenure, calling him a man of confidence, to whom rules were only obstacles to overcome.

"William Casey was a fascinating man, there can be no denying that, even though I sometimes didn't understand his motives."

Persico stated that Casey's outlook on

religion colored his outlook on life into a black and white, us and them mentality.

A point was raised that William Safire wrote in a column that in his final years, the pressure from Casey's brain tumor, along with the shadow of his own mortality, caused Casey to be more arrogant and "shoot from the hip" in his policies.

That, combined with Casey's already defined outlook of life, may have caused Casey to carry out some of the actions he did, although Persico would not comment of this.

Persico also described Casey's background during World War II, how he met Donovan, the CIA's wartime predecessor.

Casey's ties with Donovan, also a prominent New York legal fixture, helped him both to secure the position of CIA chief, and also to exercise that power through the outside channels of the New York legal system.

He cited the example of the kidnapping of bureau chief William Buckley in Lebanon. Casey wanted to go right in and get him, but other government authorities were wary, due to the negative image the CIA already had. Casey therefore went to other sources.

"They've got one of ours and they're torturing him, we've got to get him," Persico characterized Casey as saying. As a whole, Persico characterized Casey as a man who wanted to do his job, to play the chess of the Cold War. His strategies may have been bolder and too reckless for the country to tolerate, but he didn't care about tolerance, he just wanted to serve at his post, Persico said.

The presentation was one of a continuing series of noontime talks sponsored by the University, U.L.B, and the Friends of the Library Organization, entitled "Wednesday Wanderings". □

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both passed. One provided for Civil Service exams to state residents who are wartime veterans and the other mandated the widening of state ski trails.

The veterans amendment passed easily with 70 percent of the vote. The ski trail vote, however, was much closer, with a 52 to 48 percent of the vote.

A recount vote may be called for Col- onie County Legislator between Conser- vative Democrat Robert Reilly and Republican Warren A. Hopson.

With 100 percent of the votes in, both Reilly and Hopson received 50 percent, with only 11 votes separating the two. Most SUNYA students did not vote in this race. □

Audit

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want to come close to breaking even."

In fact, Kaplan said if SA had another profitable year like last year they could jeopardize their non-profit, tax-exempt status.

Doddo could not put a label on what constituted a proper surplus, "There is no real acceptable level for the general fund," but added he was fairly comfortable with the \$186,000.

Kaplan indicated this was the level the fund was at several years ago, and said a normal year's loss or gain can't be anticipated. "The budget is made up in April and it's impossible to tell exactly what will be needed. I hope to either gain or lose \$10 to \$20 thousand." □

Students

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of running polling booths for students, said Plattsburgh Student Association Executive Vice President Jacqueline Cianfrocco.

Plattsburgh students have been fighting the decision and attempted to overturn it through the court system.

Rallies and student forums have helped to muster community support: "So many people are with us," Cianfrocco said.

Working with the Student Association of the State University, the Plattsburgh SA has passed a Senate resolution demanding "a speedy redress of the current situation." Copies of the resolution have been sent to state legislators asking for their support. □

Andrews

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number of registered voters. Andrews blamed this on lack of exposure, poor weather, and basic voter apathy.

"The Silent Majority was yawning and remaining very silent today," he remarked after the election. "I'd like to thank everyone who supported me. I appreciated it. The reason I ran remains unchanged — I genuinely care about what happens to students in the community," he said.

Andrews also said he hoped his example has set a precedent for other students to run for local office. He said he would like to see more people coming out and actively taking part in what goes on in the community, rather than trying to turn SUNYA into an entity unto itself. □



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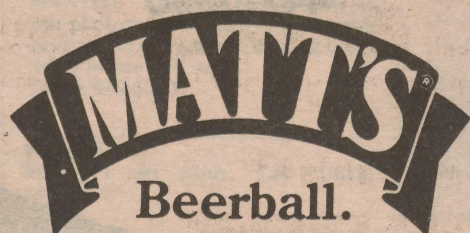
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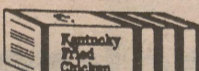
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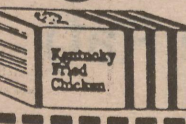


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AIDS disease demands attention of students

By Roni Ginsberg

AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) is a disease characterized by the breakdown of the body's immune system. AIDS leaves the body susceptible to a number of opportunistic infections such as thrush and pneumonia and rare forms of cancer. AIDS is caused by HIV, or Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HTLV or LAV).

As of July 17, 1987 there were 11,625 confirmed AIDS cases in New York State. This figure does not include asymptomatic carriers. The number of people who are antibody-positive to HIV, without the disease, may be 10 times higher.

Although these people may not get the disease itself, they may be able to pass the virus and the disease to others through sexual contact.

Why should SUNYA students care about this? "Hey, I'm not gay and I'm not a junkie, I'm safe" may be crossing many student's minds. AIDS is not a "gay

disease." AIDS does not discriminate. The American College Health Association's pamphlet *AIDS... what everyone should know* states, "It is important to remember that "risk behaviors" are much more relevant than "risk groups". It isn't who you are, it's what you do, that matters." AIDS can be spread by heterosexual intercourse and possibly by oral sex. A significant chunk of the SUNYA population comes from downstate, where 87.2 percent of N.Y. State's AIDS cases are.

There are now 35 cases in Albany. By 1991, the Surgeon General predicts there will be 270,000 cases of AIDS nationwide — almost 10 times the current number. A good deal of these cases will be among heterosexuals.

The amount of cases in the gay community is leveling off, due to a very successful campaign to educate gay men and their changes in sexual behavior.

AIDS has spread to the heterosexual population partly through bisexual infected men, but mostly through IV drug use.

Drug users and their sexual partners are being infected in increasing numbers. These drugs include heroin, cocaine and so-called "designer" drugs. Sharing infected needles provides an ideal blood-to-blood transmission for the virus. Most heterosexuals do not consider themselves at risk, ignoring this means of transmissin, so do not take precautions during sex. This is dangerous behavior.

Couples in long-term, monogamous relationships are probably safe, if they know their previous behavior is low-risk. However, casual sex is very risky. When you have sex with someone, you also have sex with the partner of their previous partners. Has he or she engaged in "unsafe" sexual behavior? What about their previous partners? Were any of them HIV carriers? One-night stands do not give you a chance to evaluate your partner's health and risk factors.

If you are going to have sex, you can make it "safer sex." Use condoms for intercourse and fellatio.

Condoms are available on cam-

pus at the student Health Center pharmacy, first floor bathrooms, and through planned parenthood.

AIDS is transmitted through the exchange of bodily fluids, such as semen, blood, vaginal secretions, and possibly saliva. Safe forms of sex are masturbation, touching, massage and fantasy. And of course, there's abstinence. Or get to know your partner before you have sex with them. AIDS is not spread by casual contact, such as hugging, holding hands or even "dry" kissing. You can not get AIDS from a swimming pool, a drinking glass or by touching something an AIDS victim touched.

Drugs (alcohol, marijuana, speed, poppers) may act as co-factors and can interfere with the immune system. This may contribute to developing the disease once you've been infected.

There is currently no cure for AIDS. Several drugs, such as AZT, are somewhat successful in slowing the disease's progress. They may prolong an AIDS patient's life, but most patients die within two years of being diagnosed as having AIDS. ARC,

AIDS Related Complex, is a less lethal form of the disease characterized by less severe opportunistic infections, weight loss, fatigue, and frequent colds. Eventually, ARC may progress into full blown AIDS.

Symptoms of AIDS include unexplained night sweats, bleeding, prolonged coughing, weight loss of 10 pounds or more, chills, fever, persistent sore throat, swollen lymphnodes, fatigue, persistent diarrhea. Many of these symptoms are indicative of other ailments. The key word is *unexplained*. Several of these symptoms occur in the flu. Chances are, it's probably the flu if your whole dorm is coughing. Don't panic.

If you have questions, contact Middle Earth, the student Health Center. Or you can call the AIDS Council of Northeastern New York (518-445-AIDS) or the New York State Department of Health AIDS Hotline 1-800-462-1884. □

The writer is assistant to the Middle Earth coordinator.

Middle Earth Roots

Munk

to conduct a write-in campaign. During an Oct. 6 phone conversation with Lawrence, one day after the elections had begun, Munk said that he was led to believe he was unable to run at all.

"[Lawrence] told me I was no longer able to run in the election, but she wished me good luck in the spring," Munk said. "That's what I based on the fact that I could not be a write-in candidate. I felt I couldn't run anymore."

Alumni Quad representative Jonathan Waks testified, however, that he had seen Munk in the Snack Bar the next day. "We discussed what happened and he said he was running as a write-in candidate," Waks said.

The court must return a decision within two weeks of the hearing date. □

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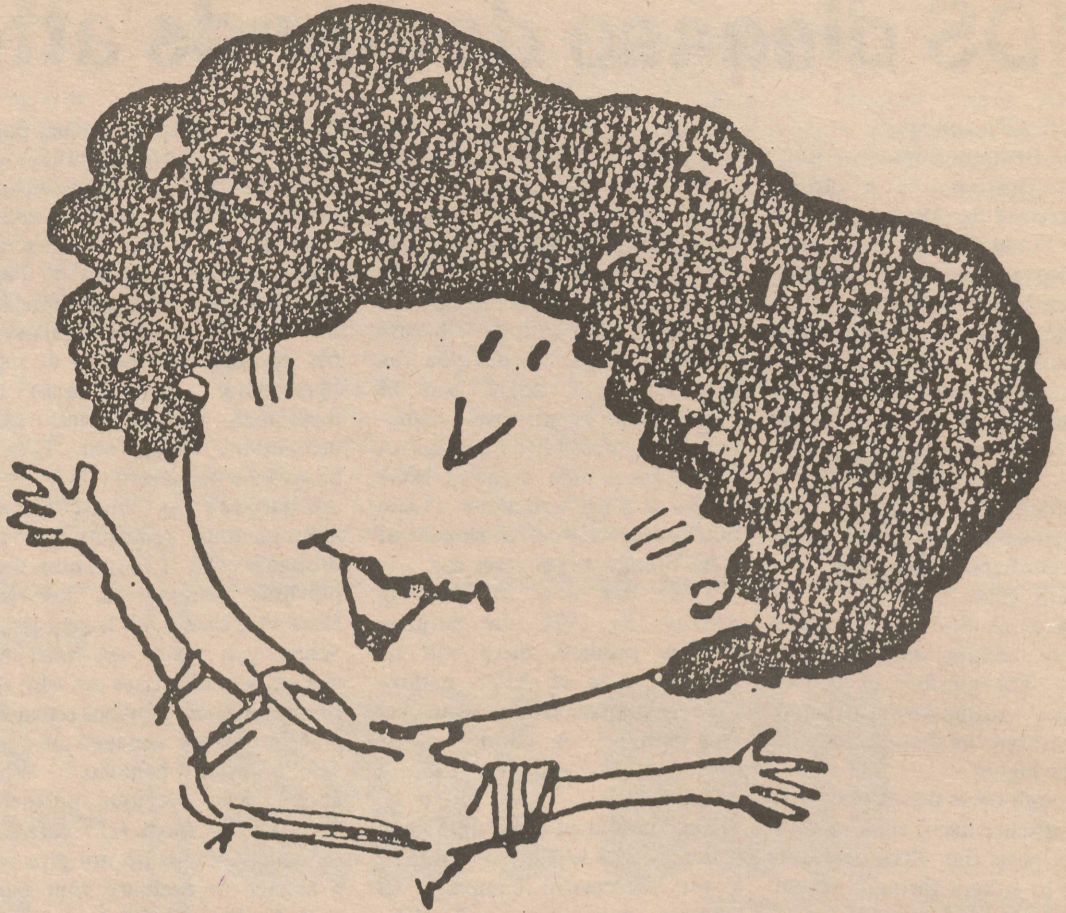
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Dane women runners take sixth at State meet

By Jerry Kahn
STAFF WRITER

This Saturday the women's cross country team finished sixth out of a field of eighteen in the NYSWCAA meet held here in Albany. The field included R.I.T and R.P.I., among others.

The scores were: Ithaca 31, Rochester 90, Cortland 91, Plattsburgh 108, Fredonia 126, Albany 142, Union 222, Hamilton 263, Stonybrook 272, Siena 273, Oneonta 287, Binghamton 312, Brockport 356, Alfred 362, Hartwick 391, and Mt. St. Vincent 477.

Although they placed sixth, Coach Ron White said that he was hoping for the top five. However, he also commented, "We did very respectable. It's just that we haven't had the big breakthrough as a team...We are solid as a rock...We've got

a very spirited group."

Roseanne Smith, one of the top Great Dane runners, said, "We were disappointed in our place but overall everyone did pretty well."

However, it must also be mentioned that Denise Buneo missed the race due to an ankle injury and Kate Ferrie sprained her ankle after she lost her sneaker in the mud during the race. Three of the runners finished wearing only one sneaker for that same reason.

The runner who won the race was Rochester's Josefa Benzoni; her time was 17:13, which broke a course record by one second. Coach White said that the previous recordholder went on to become a national champion.

Albany State's first finisher was Kerrie Charron, who set a personal best with a

time of 19:22. She was twenty first overall.

Smith said "Kerrie did really, really well."

White remarked "Kerrie did have her breakthrough...she is very determined and works hard."

The next SUNYA runner to come in was Barbara Ascher; her twenty fourth place time was 19:29.

The coach noted that "We are nursing her foot." That may have slowed her down.

Mary Lou Webster was Albany's next runner and her time of 19:43 earned her a twenty-seventh place finish.

Coach White explained that "She's overcoming some sickness. She's a very tough-minded runner."

Webster's mark was a personal best.

Rachel Braslow finished fourth for

Albany with a finishing time of 19:57 and thirty-third place.

White announced "Rachel is coming on strong."

The coach was pleased that the Danes' top three or four runners finished so close together and broke the twenty minute mark.

Kathy Bellantoni came in forty-seventh with a time of 20:19 and was the Great Danes' fifth finisher. Albany's next finisher was Smith. Her time was 20:40, and she came in fifty-fourth place. "We are...looking forward to the ECAC's and the Regionals," Smith said.

The ECAC's are the next meet and will be held on Saturday November seventh at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts. □

Dane grapplers take to the mats

By Nanci Cohen

Last year, Albany State wrestling coach Joe DeMeo knew what he had...a group of talented veterans who were some of the best in the country. This year, DeMeo knows he has a lot of potential, but how far his young wrestlers will get is unknown.

This Sunday DeMeo's grapplers will open the season by hosting the Great Dane Classic at University Gym. Approximately 15 Division I, II, III and Junior Colleges are expected. This competition will be a preview of how well individuals will do later in the season.

Success depends heavily on the quality of the young freshmen and the leadership of returning veterans.

Albany's team is coming off a hot season with several great performances. Based on the loss of experienced wrestlers it will be difficult to match the quality and the success of last year's team.

DeMeo's goal is always to have a successful team for the Danes. The success of this year, however, depends on the improvement of the team as a group. DeMeo is confident that they will develop to their potential.

"We've had seven great teams in a row," he said. "It will be tough to live up to, but we do have some great freshmen."

Last year Albany placed third in the nation with four All-Americans and two Academic All-Americans.

The loss of Shawn Sheldon, 118, Matt Ryan, 167, Marty Pidel, 177, and Chris Tironi, heavyweight, is a major blow to the program. Sheldon, with the most wins in Albany history, Tironi, two time Division III Champion, and Ryan, Division III runner up, are now training for the Olympics.

Another major loss this year is Isaac Ramaswamy who (has made the Junior World Team and) is ranked seventh in the world in a Greco-Roman style. He is redshirting in order to train for the Olympics.

Returning wrestlers include Andy Gordon who finished fourth in the S.U.N.Y.A.C.'s Chris Zogby, who was runner up for the Junior World Team, and Chris Ramsdill, who took sixth place in the S.U.N.Y.A.C.'s. Junior Paul Prosser and sophomore Jason Bross should also be strong. There are no seniors on the team so in the upcoming year there should be visible improvement as the wrestlers gain experience.

In addition to these veterans, DeMeo will rely on a strong group of recruits.

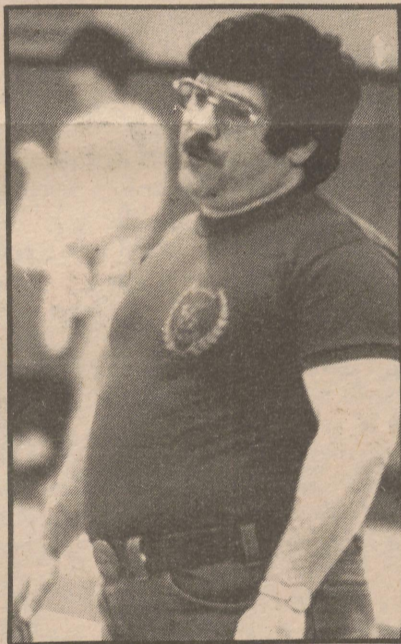
"This is clearly the best group of recruits in one year, either here or when I coached at Stanford," said DeMeo.

Transfer student Ricky Florio, a junior college All-American, will be wrestling at 126. Frank Smith a junior transfer with a lot of potential is also expected to do well. First year wrestler Tony Laduca has shown

outstanding ability as a walk-on.

This freshmen class is the most talented and sought after in the history of the Albany wrestling program. Freshmen Dave and Billy Mallin and Harry Wigler are promising athletes in the lower weight classes, as are Mike Golini, John Mankowich and Chris Roberts in the upper weights. They each have excellent chances at starting this season.

As the Danes enter the tournament on Sunday, the mood will be one of guided optimism. □



DAVE ASHER UPS

Coach Joe DeMeo

There's always plenty of running room at the back of the marathon

By Mike Brewster
SPORTS EDITOR

New York, N.Y.

Carolyn Jackson went for a walk Sunday morning and a marathon broke out.

Jackson did not much know, or care, who Ibrahim Hussien, the winner of Sunday's New York City Marathon, was.

Crossing the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, sort of hobbling along at a pace which allowed for a very comfortable interview, Jackson was aware of two things — her feet were hurting and her four kids were most likely skipping church.

"I bought these a couple of days ago," said Jackson. "I haven't been running in them at all yet. Maybe I should have broken them in a little first."

By the way, those were basketball shoes Carolyn was wearing. Not running.

Jackson's less-than-traditional attire — she was also wearing a...ahem, a jean jacket (which she mercifully discarded at the one-mile point) — correctly implied her skill level. Yes, out of 22,352 runners, Jackson was in dead last place.

As one might guess, the thoughts of the last place runner in the New York City Marathon do not center on the idea of somehow weaving your way through the other 22,000 people in order to finish in the top ten. In fact, Jackson's ruminating was decidedly less secular than simply winning a race.

"I know," said Jackson, "the kids are skipping service now that I ain't there to make 'em."

She was not above, however, making light of her family's suspected moral corruption.

"If anybody needs praying today, it's their mother," she said.

Jackson was not the only runner who could have used a little help from above. Or from any limo service. She was just one of several runners who was cruising along at about a 20 minute mile pace.

Indeed, whether it was the attraction to a pen and notebook — people who run seven hour marathons are not usually hounded by the media — or the desire to run with others of your own speed (translation: walk with others with your own lack of speed) — by the time they had come to the middle of the bridge, a little fraternity had formed between the last five or six runners.

Pathetic as it was, being more or less a group therapy session for marathoners who were trying to simply make it to the next water stop, glimpses of people who would do anything to run a marathon.

"I broke down on the Mass Turnpike last night," said Greg Billingham, a Harvard graduate student. "I hitchhiked her and got into New York at about 5 a.m. That's why I'm starting slow."

Billingham said this with the intention that he would get faster.

"Yes, I plan on winning this thing," said Billingham. Oh.

The senior member of this group was Angelo Pizzati, a 68 year old native of Italy whose zeal for the Marathon was excelled only by that of the beer tent at the end of the race, and the World Cup performance of Italy in 1982.

As the group came off the end of the bridge and headed into Queens, Jackson broke into a trot. People would be watching.

However, there was one negative reminder of hen plight as she left the bridge.

"24 miles to go," said the volunteer at the second checkpoint. □

NY marathon won by Hussien

By Christine Elliott
STAFF WRITER

New York, N.Y.

It was early Sunday morning. The sun was climbing lazily into the sky, a few birds were about, and the smell of Ben-Gay hung heavily in the air. Preparations for the New York City Marathon were in progress.

Multitudes gathered at the foot of the Varazano-Narrows Bridge in Staten Island, engaging in pre-race activities. Bodies in knots littered the grass as some took the traditional approach to warming up. Others loaded up on liquids and then paid the price waiting on Porto-San lines longer than those found outside the Registrar on the last day of Drop-Add.

As individualistic as running may be, it has a unifying effect nationally for those from other countries. Many run together at the same pace, lending each other support. When asked, those who could

speak English cited running for their country as a major motivating factor.

As the time for the start drew close, a mass exodus to the toll booths began. Left behind were empty cups, vacant bathrooms, and countless articles of clothing hanging from trees and lying in roads.

Once there, a human chain of Navy men and other assorted volunteers restrained the dedicated athletes all waiting for the Howitzer's signal to start.

When it finally did go off, there was a pause, but within minutes, the bridge was filled from Staten Island to Brooklyn with people some call health nuts, others call dedicated, and still others, insane. The only thing standing between them and the finish line now were 26 miles and their own ability to stick it out.

Two hours, 11 minutes, and one second later, Ibrahim Hussien of Kenya crossed the finish line, signal-

ing the end of the race. He was preceded only by his motorcycle escort, and cheered on to victory by the crowds gathered there.

Fifteen minutes after he came through, a runner came within three yards of the finish line, only to have his legs give out. He made three valliant attempts to rise again but was unsuccessful. With the determination only a marathon runner could have, he crawled to the finish line on his hands and knees, bearing testimony to the strength of spirit human beings have when involved in athletic competition.

The age barrier was broken by many runners, especially by the women's first finisher, Pricilla Welch of Great Britain, who is 43 years of age. "You think that over 40 is some kind of social disease, but I showed it's not," she said at the press conference afterwards. □

Sports Wednesday

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Marathon.
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Danes held off by Dutchmen, 24-13

By Mike Brewster
SPORTS EDITOR

They were contenders. Then they were spoilers. Head coach Bob Ford's Great Danes are now, however, among the masses of college football teams that don't get qualifiers when they are spoken of.

The Danes got little of what counted Friday night in a 24-13 loss to Hofstra until it was too late. They didn't score until the fourth and were betrayed again by two aspects of the game which, rather straight forward in concept, have emerged as maybe the Dane's two biggest problems: the kicking game and taking unnecessary penalties.

A game touted as a display of offensive firepower quickly became that of the three yards and a cloud of dust variety.

Neither team scored in the first quarter. That, however, was not even indicative of the style of play. Both teams were playing a very conservative style of football. The Danes, who have lately been sealing their fate with their own mistakes, were wise in sticking with their familiar running attack. But the flying Dutchmen, possessors of potent offense from all different angles, were puzzling in their lack of offensive adventurism.

"I think that was a feeling out period," said Mickey Kwiatkowski, head coach of Hofstra. "There's a period in there that you have to establish what you're doing."

Neither team established much of anything until just under two minutes remained in the first half. Following a long drive, helped out by the Danes' first crucial penalty — a pass interference play — Hofstra sophomore Joe Bush kicked a 30 yard field goal with 1:44 left in the half to give the Dutchmen a 3-0 lead.

Albany was not through, however, and seemed to be coming to life as they reached the Hofstra 20-yard line with four ticks remaining on the clock. When Albany kicker Tony Chechile's attempt was blocked, though, the Danes had come up empty.

"You could say we're struggling with our kicking game," said Ford.

Speaking of struggling with a kicking game, this brings us to perhaps the single biggest play of the day.

After the Danes had been stopped cold on their first possession of the second half, they lined up to punt. But, once again, the Danes kicking game self-destructed. Bob



TYGAR UPS

Randy Banks and the rest of the Danes came up short against Hofstra Friday.

Wolfkiel, a sophomore defensive back, charged through and blocked the kick, giving the Dutchmen a first down inside the Dane 20. Four plays later, it was junior fullback Mike Codella who plunged one yard to give the Dutchmen a 10-0 lead.

Hofstra would soon strike again. Following an Albany punt the Dutchmen marched 57 yards for another score with 5:37 remaining in the third period. The touchdown came on a 14 yard reception by Jim Moore. The point after by Bush was good and the score was 17-0.

Down 17-0 and entering the fourth period, it looked like the Danes would be on the wrong end of a blowout. But they soon showed persistency will payoff.

"I think they started to wear us out in the fourth quarter," said Kwiatkowski. "And they execute so well, they're bound to break through. They're really first class kids."

The Danes did finally break through, but ironically, utilizing the pass instead of the run. After a Brad Acker interception, Dane quarterback Pat Ryder through a nine yard touchdown pass to Glenn Carlin,

who was on his way to breaking John Donnelly's Albany single season reception record with 34. Carlin caught four on the day.

Things looked even brighter later in the quarter for the Danes when Pete Pedro did his usual — plow into the middle — and then kept going. He ran 33 yards for a touchdown, and all of a sudden it was 17-13 with 5:25 remaining.

Knowing they had to stop the Dutchmen in order to get the ball back, the Danes had appeared to have done so after an unsuccessful third down conversion. However, cornerback Josh Frankl was the victim of a highly controversial late hit penalty. This gave the Dutchmen a first down, kept the drive alive, and essentially sealed the Dane's coffin. Hofstra scored with 1:02 left, but the big play had clearly been the late hit call.

"I went up to the official after the game," said Ford, "and asked him how bad it was. He said it was bad enough to call. I've learned that you're not going to change anything by arguing." □

Danes take seventh in conference

By Steve Silberglied
STAFF WRITER

The Albany men's cross country team did not know what to expect in their conference championship debut meet on Saturday at Van Cortland park, but they fared quite well anyway.

The Danes finished a highly respectable seventh of 22 complete teams, 32 teams overall, with 198 points.

Since the SUNY Albany Administration voted to leave the SUNYAC conference last winter, the men's cross country and track teams joined the Collegiate Track Conference. This conference is comprised of over 30 teams, a majority of which are Division I and II schools.

The leaders in the race were La Salle, with 39 points, Fordham with 52 and Glassboro (NJ), 75. The Danes finished second amongst Division III schools behind Glassboro, who is ranked tenth in Division III.

The Albany strategy was to get out at the start hard. They were determined not to make the same mistake that they made

just one week earlier when the race got away from them.

Senior co-captain Patrick Paul led the entire field of close to 200 runners through the half mile, and paced the Danes through the mile in 4:45. He was closely followed by sophomore David Spencer in 4:47 and Seniors Trevor Hash and Paul Dietz who passed through the mile in 4:57.

"We went out hard because we expected the race to be like that and felt we had to stay close," said Paul.

By the three mile mark Albany Freshman Eric Bush had moved up from the back of the Albany pack crossing the three mile mark at 16:05. Right behind him was Paul, in 16:07, and Spencer, in 16:09. Hash and Dietz passed the three mile mark in 16:24 and 16:28, respectively.

The team did not change positions in the last two miles. Bush was the Danes top finisher, the third consecutive time he has paced the Danes at Van Cortland, placing 29th in 26:55, a personal best time.

Paul was the next Albany runner to

cross the line. Although he tired on the last mile after hitting Cemetery hill, he ran a seasonal best time of 27:11, to place 38th.

"He was very aggressive and went out hard. I think this was his best race in two years," said Coach Vives of Paul, the "Runner of the Meet."

The Danes next three placers were Spencer, 42nd in 27:18, Hash whose time of 27:30 placed him at 48th, and Dirtz who was clocked in at 27:37, good for 52nd.

"I was very proud that we went out hard at a meet like this," said Vives. "It was hard to do so because the last mile is the hardest and the heat (65 degrees) really got to us. However, we still accomplished our goal of placing in the top ten and I still feel we are ready to break through at the N.Y.S. meet and regionals."

Paul added, "The times aren't what we want them to be but we are still competitive. If we put it all together we could be a very tough team."

The Danes will compete next in the New York State Meet on Saturday, held in Saratoga. □

Spikers claim Elizabethtown tourney title

By Stef McDonald
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

It was a characteristic win for the Dane women's volleyball team. Characteristic of their season and characteristic of their winning tradition, too.

This past weekend, traditionally reserved for the SUNYAC Championships, the Dane spikers went to Pennsylvania to participate in, and win, the Elizabethtown Invitational.

"The tournament wasn't that strong," said junior Pat Incantalupo. "It wasn't challenging."

"The competition wasn't as high as it's been," added Coach Pat Dwyer.

But, then again, the Danes have had trouble all season finding tough competition to challenge them.

So the spikers, heading into post-season play, ended their regular season with a 39-3 record, defeating Messiah College in the finals of the tournament.

"It's very unusual to meet a team in the finals we met in the pool," said Incantalupo.

Unusual or not, though, the Danes met Messiah twice. After easily topping Moravian College in two games, 15-8 and 15-3, they played Messiah first during round-robin play.

In their only match of the tournament that went to three games, the Danes dropped the second game to Messiah, then dominated them 15-6 in the third to decide the win for them.

Next came another Pennsylvania team, Swathmore, who the Danes surpassed in two games, 15-4 and 15-9.

"They weren't tough at all," said senior captain Chris Hofer.

The semi-finals matched the Danes with West Maryland, a team ranked 20th in the nation.

"We beat them pretty easily," said Hofer, of the 15-1, 15-5 defeat.

In other semi-final action, Messiah defeated host team Elizabethtown, and so the two teams met again.

"We were playing better," said Hofer.

Apparently, they were playing better. The second time around, it took just two games for the Danes to defeat Messiah, 15-9 and 15-11.

As far as facing teams that aren't as competitive as the nationally ranked Danes, they have exercised some fine-tuning skills.

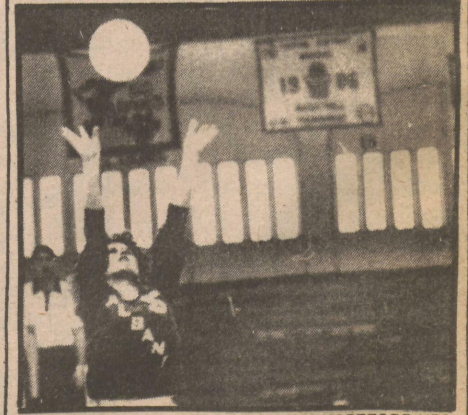
"We were working on playing well together," said Dwyer.

"We were able to sub a lot of people," said Hofer.

"There wasn't a real need to sub," added Dwyer, "but it's nice to."

"We played better than at Ithaca," said Hofer of their recent competition. "It just flowed better."

The Danes go into the State Championships ranked first and are scheduled to play Binghamton, Nazareth and Clarkston. □



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