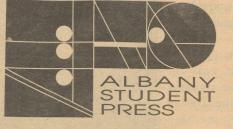
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# conference

BY TIM STATLER Staff Writer

A workshop at the Third Annual Northeastern Latino Collegiate Conference titled "Civil Rights: Where Do We Stand?" urged Latin American college students towards social activism and personal transformation to bring about change in society.

The workshop was just a part of the weekend long Conference which featured several well know leaders of the Latino American Community, student forum, a job and internship fair, cultural exhibits, and a dance in the Campus Center ballroom. The conference was sponsored by Fuerza Latino, a Student Association funded

According to a program handed out to all participants, the Conference is "targeted towards the Latino community, particularly Latino students, to raise the social, cultural and political awareness of the members of college and university student organizations.

Dr. Carlos E. Russell, Professor Emeritus at Brooklyn College, was the presenter at the civil rights workshop.

From a historical perspective, Russell said of the Latino community, "Our role in the Americas has been one of labor."

"The society that was developed was not developed for African-Americans or Latino Americans... It is a system that is unjust and unequal."

Russell said it is false to assume that those in power will give up their position without a fight..

To assume these people will share [their power] without a struggle is asinine. People don't give up power unless there is a push for it," Russell said, "Any system will protect itself anyway it has." Russell said the struggle for Latin Americans is a struggle for power and "the transformation of a system that has oppressed [minorities] since the advent of the European."

Russell said social change begins on a personal, individual level.

"I'm asking you to examine what's in your head. The transformation begins with you," Russell said.

"It is imperative that you question the premises of the road of the future that is the twenty-first century."

Russell challenged the assumption among Latin American college students that "all you have to do is get a diploma and you got it made,' Russell said.

# Latino issues Local author's work showcased addressed at SUNYA English professor honors her mentor's work

By PAM RESNICK News Editor

SUNYA English professor and renowned playwright Sarah Blacher Cohen, is expressing her thirty-seven year long passion for the works of Saul Bellow in a dramatic adaptation of the author's best-loved stories.

"Saul Bellow's Stories on Stage" encompasses the lives of Dr. Samuel Braun and his immigrant relatives living in Albany and Schenectady from the 1910s through the 1950s.

"I have been a Saul Bellow scholar since 1956 when I fell in love with his fiction...I thought it would be great to adopt Bellow's short stories," Cohen said.

Cohen has been a writer for years but "only just recently, since 1989, have I been writing plays."

She has been a professor at the University for twenty years and is currently teaching American Drama and Jewish American Drama.

The production is co-sponsored by the New York State Writer's Institute and University at Albany's College of Humanities and Fine Arts and is being performed as a Benefit for a Playwright in Residence.

"They [the co-sponsors] were very receptive to raising money to bring a visiting playwright to the campus and the community," Cohen said.

Cohen places great value on the efforts of the NYSWI. "Because we have the New York State Writer's Institute, there is a great premium placed on creativity," Cohen said.

"When I went to school...we did not



Staff Photo by Edwil Fontanilla Professor Sarah Cohen sits beside the original author of her dramatic production.

have many options in creative writing. [SUNYA] is one of the few places in the country where you can get a PHd for creative writing."

Cohen has devoted a great deal of her life to the writings of Saul Bellow. After discovering her love for his work in 1956, she then wrote her doctoral dissertation on his humor in 1979 at Northwestern University.

The production is a combination of two one-act plays adopting two of Bellow's stories. Chicago playwright and author, Joanne Koch wrote the second of the two plays and it was directed by well-known drama critic, Eleanor Koblenz.

"Saul Bellow's Stories on Stage" will be performed March 27-28 at the Lewis

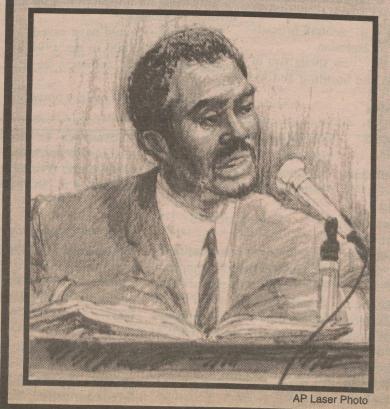
A. Swyer Theater, The Empire Center at the Egg. The Honorary Literary Co-Chairs of the event are authors, William Kennedy and Cynthia Ozick, with President H. Patrick Swygert and publisher-author, Bernard F. Conners.

Tickets for the Saturday evening Benefit Performance are \$100 for Patrons and \$50 for Benefactors. The Sunday afternoon and evening performances are \$15 for adults and \$12 for senior citizens and students.

There will be a Gala Reception after the Saturday evening performance.

Tickets may be obtained by calling the New York State Writer's Institute at 442-5620 or the Egg box office at 473-1845.

#### Rodney King reveals the truth



Rodney King testified Thursday, admitting he had smoked marijuana before the beating which has carried him to the eye of the public since March 3, 1991.

King disclosed new information during his second day on the stand in the federal trial of four policemen charged in the videotaped beating.

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#### **NEWS BRIEFS**



#### Soldier spared tests

(AP) A soldier will be spared arbitrary urine testing as part of disciplinary measures for being associated with someone who used marijuana, a Federal Court of Canada judge ruled in a decision released Monday.

Judge Frank Muldoon temporarily suspended a military order that Cpl. Abby Gayler submit to testing at a time during a 12-month period to confirm she isn't taking illegal drugs.

However, he refused to temporarily suspend other disciplinary action taken against Gayler, a clerk at Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt in British Columbia, while she challenges the order.

Gayler was put on 12-month probation Nov. 4 because of her "involvement" with illegal drugs. She wasn't accused of using marijuana, but military police were told in February 1992 that her boyfriend smoked marijuana in her apartment.

#### Guards ambushed

(AP) Gunmen ambushed two armored truck guards this week, killing one and seriously wounding the other, before fleeing with bags of cash from a suburban shopping center.

The guards were attacked after collecting weekend deposits from a bank at the Rockland Shopping Centre in Montreal's suburban Town of Mount Royal.

Witnesses and police estimated that as many as 30 shots were fired during the robbery. The amount of money taken by the three gunmen was not immediately determined



#### More babies live

(AP) The U.S. infant mortality rate dropped to a record low, but black babies died at more than twice the rate of whites and the gap is growing, federal health

officials reported Thursday. For every 1,000 births in 1990, 9.2 babies died before age 1, down from 9.8 in 1989, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. It credited most of the drop to a new way of treating the underdeveloped lungs that kill thousands of premature and underweight babies.

"That kind of technology is exciting and, yes, it saves lives," said Rae Grad,

executive director of the National Commission to Prevent Infant Mortality. "But wouldn't it be better to give mothers better prenatal care so their babies are born with big lungs instead of tiny lungs?"

The rate in 1990, the most recent year for which data are available, propelled the United States up two notches to 20th place - in UNICEF's ranking of infant mortality in 23 developed countries. Japan has the world's best rate, 5 per 1,000; the United States ranked below Italy and ahead of

From 1980 to 1989. the U.S. infant mortality percent annually. But the

1990 rate dropped 6 percent, primarily because the new lung treatment eliminated almost one-fourth of infant deaths from respiratory distress syndrome.

Premature and underweight babies those born weighing less than 5 1/2 pounds - often have lungs that aren't completely developed. Doctors once just gave them oxygen. Now, they manufacture a chemical often missing from the lining of the babies' lungs, allowing them to breathe, said Dr. Marian MacDorman of the CDC.

Despite this technology, 38,351 babies died in 1990, down from 39,655 in 1989. The District of Columbia had by far the deadliest rate, 20.7, followed by Georgia with 12.4 and Mississippi with 12.1. Vermont had the lowest rate, 5.4.

The risk of dying was 2.3 times greater for black infants than whites in 1989, but had crept up to 2.4 times by 1990. The rate of black infant deaths decreased 3 percent between 1989 and 1990, while the rate for whites decreased 6 percent.

#### **Explosion kills one**

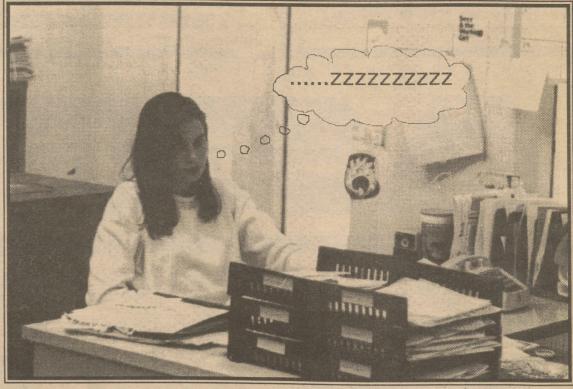
Kalamazoo, Mich.

(AP) An Amtrak train struck a propane truck today, setting off an explosion and killing the truck driver, authorities said.

The accident occurred at a crossing on private land when the truck apparently pulled into the path of the train, said Brent Bahler, a National Transportion Safety Board spokesman in Washington.

The 11:10 a.m. crash shook a Comstock Township office building a half-mile away, witnesses said. Amtrak officials couldn't confirm an explosion.

"It was like a very, very strong gust of wind that shook the building and we



rate dropped about 3 It could be worse... I could be Managing Editor.

Staff Photo by Edwil Fontanilla

couldn't figure out what it was," said Janice Shattuck, the township's treasurer. "We knew something happened somewhere."

Amtrak officials said none of 46 passengers on the Wolverine from Chicago to Detroit was injured. But Kalamazoo County Sheriff's dispatcher Rita Morrison said several people were injured.

Amtrak spokeswoman Debbie Hare in Chicago said the truck driver was killed and the train engineer was burned on his hands, face and arms.

The accident occured just east of Kalamazoo, a city of more than 200,000 in Southwestern Michigan.

The Amtrak 350 left Chicago at 7:30 a.m. and had been expected in Detroit at 1:54 p.m., Hare said. The train's passengers were being taken to their destination by bus.



#### Cuomo backs off cuts

Albany, N.Y.

(AP) Gov. Mario Cuomo said he has backed off a proposal that would have sharply cut the amount of savings elderly couples could keep if one goes into a nursing home on Medicaid.

Cuomo is abandoning the proposal because of recent estimates the state will have at least \$500 million more revenue that expected, said Claudia Hutton, spokeswoman for the governor's budget division, on Monday.

The proposal would have saved the state about \$300,000 in the 1993-94 budget and nearly \$3 million in the next year, she said.

Under the original budget proposal,

individuals would have had to spend all but \$35,000 of their life savings before their spouses could go into nursing homes on Medicaid.

Current rules allow people to keep just over \$70,000 and still be eligible for the health subsidy for the poor. Homes are not counted as assets.

"These are typically very elderly women, about 79 years of age," Jane Gould, director of the state Office for the Aging, told Newsday. "We don't want to make it impossible for them to remain in the community when their spouse goes into a nursing home."

#### **Contaminants halted**

Buffalo

(AP) Federal officials have reached a settlement with the city of Niagara Falls to stop releasing toxic wastewater into the Niagara River.

Water contaminated by chemicals has been released into the river from the city's sewage treatment plant since 1978, Justice Department officials said Monday.

The contaminants were picked up by groundwater flowing near chemical waste sites into the wastewater treatment system, then discharged untreated into the river. An average 2.5 million gallons of contaminated water flowed into the river each day, authorities said.

The settlement requires the sewage treatment plant to filter out virtually all the chemicals before releasing the water.

Federal and state officials had sued the city in the U.S. District Court in Buffalo. A settlement was reached in 1984 requiring Niagara Falls to rehabilitate the wastewater plant to prevent toxic releases. In 1985, the worst of the toxic releases

#### PREVIEW OF

**FREE LISTINGS** 

Fri., March 12

NYPIRG will be hosting its 20th annual Spring Student Action Conference this weekend. For more information call 442-5658.

Sun., March 14

NYPIRG will be rallying at the state capital to save SUNY from additional budget cuts, financial aid cuts and tuition Mon., March 15

Pan-Caribbean Association will be holding auditions for April's CaribFest '93. All talents are welcome including male and female models. Auditions will take place in SS256 at 8:30 p.m.

RZA/TAGAR is sponsoring a lecture with Israeli General Uzi Narkiss, liberator of Israel in 1967 and head of the Z.O.A. The lecture will take place in CC365 at 8:00 p.m. Call Ronn at 442-6847 for info.

Phi Alpha Theta, a history fraternity, will be hosting a banquet at 7:00 p.m. in the Patroon Room.

Tues., March 16

The National Association of Social Workers is organizing to lobby legislature on legislative day from 10:15 a.m.to 3:00 p.m. They will be meeting at Draper Hall at 9:45 and walking to the state capital- Hearing Room B.

Wed., March 17

Footworks is holding a reunion [mandatory for all dancers and choreogrpahers] at 9:00 p.m. in the dance studio.

Haitian Student Association will be holding it's weekly meeting at 7:00 p.m. in CC370. For more information call Carl at 465-

The Irish Club is sponsoring a bus trip to NYC to see the parade. The cost of the trip is \$15 roundtrip. For more information call 427-7847.

Thurs., March 18

Jewish Student The Coalition will be having elections for next year's officers. All members may vote for Exec., Hillel and Council positions. Call 442-5670 for more information.

The ASP News Department will be holding its writers meetings every Sun. and Wed, at 8pm in CC323, All writers and Ed. Assist.

#### Dean Kim at Council



Sung Bok Kim, Dean of Undergraduate Students met with Central Council Wednesday to discuss the suspension of the General Education Requirements.

Kim said he never liked the General Education program because it did not provide the fundaments to all disciplines.

"Gen. Ed. should be distinct," Kim said. He said it should be introductory and broad with a framework.

Kim said the requirements were not bad in concept, but they had "lofty objectives and principles that we could not possibly achieve."

Kim said they are planning to bring back requirements in the future, but for legal reasons, the current program had to

We may not impose new or different Gen. Ed. Requirements (to current students), we can impose less,"

In a survey of undergraduate students, Kim found most students have already completed requirements, "even freshmen."

-BY KAREN STEIN

### Students mourn the death of TAP

BY ELLEN KACKMANN AND TOM MURNANE

Assembly Higher Education Commitee Chair Edward C. Sullivan said Tuesday he thinks the Assembly will vote to restore funding to the state's Tuition Assistance Program.

At a noontime Capitol rally and mock funeral hosted by representatives of private schools from across the state, Sullivan told the crowd of about 100 he had enough votes in the Assembly to demand "at least a partial restoration of funding" to the nation's largest need based public tuition assistance program.

Whether the Republicancontrolled state Senate goes along with his plan to help remains unknown, he said.

The state currently provides over \$550 million to an estimated 300,000 students.

TAP has already been slashed by \$550 in recent years per person and could be facing an additional \$200 cut if Gov. Mario Cuomo's budget request to the state Legislature remains unchanged. Under the Cuomo plan, TAP aid for graduate students would be completely eliminated.

TAP was originally designed to help those with the least amount of money, Sullivan

"It's crazy to me why the state

would try to place more of the burden on those who can afford it the least, instead of putting more of the burden on those who have more than they need," Sullivan said.

Asked how he defined "more than they need," Sullivan said, "I think those who make over \$200 thousand have a little more than they need... meanwhile, the state is losing out on its investment in its future. This is a regressive program."

Mark Lawton, president of the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities said the reductions in TAP are eliminating private schools as an option for prospective

Jennifer Medina, an 18 yearold Manhattanville College freshman from Westchester, went a step further than Lawton, saying the state was using its leverage to force students to enroll at state-run schools rather than private ones.

"If they cut more from TAP, I might not be able to come back to Manhattanville," Medina said, adding the reason she opted for the more expensive school was to enjoy the smaller classes and the personal attention not found as easily at larger state schools.

But Medina had another reason to attend the rally and funeral procession, which was

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# National Weather Service joins SUN

BY TIM STATLER Staff Writer

world The renowned Atmospheric Science department at SUNYA will be getting a further boost for its program in the form of a new building and collaboration with a revamped National Weather Service.

The University announced recently at the Albany arm of the National Weather Service, a government subsidized agency, the Department of Atmospheric Science and the Atmospheric Science Research Center will all relocate to a single facility.

The 75,000 square-foot building, to be called the Center for Environmental Science and Technology Management, will be built on Fuller road.

"This is, in effect, the first 'dividend' that New York's taxpayers and various business communities will receive on the state's investment in the University at Albany's Center for Environmental Science and Technology Management" SUNYA president H. Patrick Swygert stated in a University Press release.

"Our students and faculty will benefit by receiving hands-on

#### Atmospheric Science Dept. expands with government subsidized agency experience with the nation's extremely sensitive in picking academic department on campus

most advanced weather technology and meteorological operations," Swygert said.

For the National Weather Service, the move from their traditional location at th Albany Airport in Colonie, is part of a comprehensive technological and strategic restructuring of the organization on a nation-wide basis, said Mark McKinley, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service.

The Weather Service was established primarily with the responsibility of issuing weather warning and advisories.

Mckinley said the equipment currently in use at most offices is somewhat dated.

"The backbone of the National Weather Service radar observation network is 1957 vintage," Mckinley said, "trying to find spare parts is becoming increasingly difficult."

Mcoinley said the integral part of the new technology that will be introduced to the Weather Service will be Doppler

up snow and where traditional radar can only pick up winds when there is precipitation, Doppler can detect winds even where there is no precipitation, Mckinley said.

Also, to be installed in airports throughout the country are Automated Surface Observing Systems (ASOS).

ASOS will be able to detect clouds below 12,000 feet and will give detailed readouts to aircraft regarding visibility, rain and snow, temperature, wind speed and direction, and atmospheric pressure, Mckinley

From the viewpoint of the Atmospheric Science department the new collaboration is a promising

"It's an exciting opportunity," said G. Garland Lala, Assistant Director of the Atmospheric Science Research Center on Fuller Road.

Lala said the new arrangements will improve communications between the This radar system is Research Center and the

and will make it easier for students to do research.

David Shultz, a doctoral student in Atmospheric Science, said the grouping together of the research and academic parts of the department with the Weather Service will be beneficial to all concerned.

Schultz said often forecasters work by consensus - using other forecasters predictions as sounding boards for their own.

"It helps to have more people to talk to," Shultz said.

Shultz, an active forecaster for a local radio station, said he has sympathy for forecasters who miss the mark.

"A bad forecast makes everybody [in meteorology] look bad," Schultz said, commenting on the generally negative image people have of forecasters.

Schultz also said the restructuring will benefit the rest of the students in the Atmospheric Science program because they will be able to see the operational aspect of meteorology as well as the

academic/research oriented view they receive in class.

"What better way to see the operational point of view than to have the National Weather Service upstairs," Schultz said.

Jon Scott, Chair of the Department of Atmospheric Science, said he is looking forward to the friendly competition that will arise among forecasters at the new

"It will be a lot of fun," Scott

According to Joel Blumenthal of University Relations, the state legislature approved last year a \$10 million package for the construction of the new Center on SUNYA property.

Blumenthal said the groundbreaking for the new building will probably start this summer and will be ready for occupancy by next year sometime.

Blumenthal, speaking on behalf of the University said the proposed arrangements "are great."

The press release from the University stated the Center will also house a Center for Advanced Materials, X-ray optics research, high-technology business development and incubation programs, and new initiatives in science education.

# College applicants say "NO" to SUNY

(AP) The number of students SUNY colleges across the state, vice chancellor for access applying to the State University of New York has dropped by 9 percent this year, and officials suggested Thursday that the economy and budget cuts may be to blame.

could force some to lower their services, told the Buffalo News. admission standards or fail to meet enrollment targets, state officials said.

The drop, which is affecting of us," David Truax, SUNY's

"Where are the students? Where are they going?"

As of late last month, SUNY "Whatever is happening out had received 85,823 applications, there is a little disturbing to all compared to 94,656 at the same time in 1992.

"Usage of public libraries has gone up 20 percent

while our funding has been cut 20 to 25 percent."

enrich minds. Often, they said, they save lives.

The advocates said libraries do more than

Bernie Todd Smith, director of Rochester's

General Hospital Library, said results of a 1991

study in Rochester show that after doing library

research, 72 percent of the doctors surveyed

changed the advice they would have given to

their patients and 29 percent changed their

Smith said the doctors were able to avoid

One-fifth of the doctors said the information

U.S. Rep. Cynthia Jenkins, D-Queens, who is

also a librarian, said, "If the librarians in this

country would take a day of absence, no

discipline could function... Our problem is we are

State Sen. Roy Goodman, R-Manhattan.

holding his VISA card and his library card said,

"If I had a choice of which I would rather lose, it

"Taxpayers get a bang for the buck from their

"helped them to avoid patient mortality," Smith

original diagnoses.

not forceful enough."

would be my VISA card."

libraries," Farley added.

admitting patients and costly tests.

SUNY had managed to keep growing through the late 1980s even though the number of high school graduates in the state had dropped. With a rise in the number of graduating high school students, the state university system also expected its applications to raise.

The state's sluggish economy and service cutbacks brought on by years of state budget cuts may be hurting the school this year, officials said.

SUNY students who have seen classes cancelled are forced to stay five years to complete a degree and may be telling younger friends about the system's troubles, said John Reilly, president of United University Professions, the union of SUNY professors and employees.

Tuition also has doubled at SUNY schools over a three-year period after holding steady for several years.

"Maybe SUNY campuses are tired," said Thomas Freeman, the system's associate provost for planning and policy analysis. "They have been through three or four years of budget cuts and staff reductions. They wouldn't like me saying this, but maybe there's a little bit of malaise out there."

SUNY spokesman Kenneth Goldfarb cautioned that the fewer applications may not

translate into lower enrollment He said students may simply not be applying to as many schools as in the past to save money on the application fees.

The application drop is a national problem, particularly in the east, he said.

Applications are down by 7 percent at the four university centers in Albany, Binghamton, Buffalo and Stony Brook. At the system's 22 community colleges, applications are down by nearly 10 percent.

"I think there are some real and perceived concerns about the quality of the (educational) experience," said a SUNY competitor, Susan Murphy, dean of admissions and financial aid at the private Cornell University.

Some individual campuses have already begun to react. SUNY Buffalo stepped up its out-of-town recruiting and Buffalo State is considering accepting more graduate students to make up for unfilled undergraduate spots.

"We have to look at it closer to see what, if anything, we need to do," Goldfarb said. "It's going to take a little while to sort it all

Reilly said the news made it more important for SUNY to fight for increased aid in the state budget.

## Libraries need

### Legislators join fight for education

BY PAM RESNICK News Editor

State legislators joined the New York State Library Association Wednesday in urging the state to restore funding to libraries after a sevenyear budget freeze.

Sen. Hugh Farley, R-Niskayuna, chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Libraries said, "If the governor's 1993-94 executive budget proposal is adopted, the New York State Library will not buy one single book this coming year .... I don't know how you can have education without books."

"Today our libraries are being funded at a lower rate than 1986.... we are trying to pick up the pieces," he said.

Rustina Wigg, chairwoman of NYLA Legislative Committee, said the \$68 million a year currently dispersed to libraries is "not enough for the libraries to provide what 18 million people need."

NYLA Executive Director Susan Keitel added,

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#### Have fun working on a model railroad

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute will host the second lecture in the Model Railroad Series on March 13.

The lecture will focus on layout construction techniques. It will take place in Davison Hall of the Rensselaer campus in Troy from 4-5:30 p.m.

The lecture will explain and demonstrate the basic construction techniques used on the layout. These sessions are intended to educate hobbyists about the interconnection of technological and cultural development in American history, using the layout and its components as teaching aids.

For more information, call 276-2971.

#### Earn credit for management certificate

Saint Rose Office of Adult and Continuing Education will offer the American Management Association Certificate Program.

Students can earn a management certificate at Saint Rose after completing six of the fifteen courses offered. The next course to be offered will be "How to Build High Performance Teams." The course will meet Mondays, April 5 - May 10 from 6-9 p.m.

The tuition for each of the non-credit courses is \$229, plus the cost of books. Discounts are available for groups of three or more or for those registering in all three courses for the semester.

For more information, or to register for the American Management Association Certificate Program,

#### Grammy winning quartet to perform

The Emerson String Quartet, the first chamber group to win a Grammy Award for best classical album, will perform a program of music by Schoenberg, Schubert, and Schumann on Sunday, March 7 beginning at 3 p.m. in Union College's Memorial Chapel. The group will be joined by pianist Wu Itan, a chamber music collaborator. Tickets, at \$16 (\$8 for students), are available at Schenectady Museum, all Community Box Offices, and at the door. For information, call 382-7890 or 372-3561 (evenings and weekends).

### "Her" story Month observed at Russell Sage

The Helen M. Upton Center for Women's Studies at Russell Sage are sponsoring a lecture entitled 'Women Who Led the Way" on Monday, March 22.

Assistant Professor of Community Health Nursing, Nancy Michela, and Professor of Nursing, Dr. Cathy Adams, will present a slide presentation and lead a discussion as part of this month's Occasional

These forums offer participants an opportunity to discuss issues of gender, race, and class. Open to the public, the program will take place in the French House Dining Room at the Sage Troy Campus from 5p.m. to 7p.m. For more information and dinner reservations, call 270-2306.

### Rodney King spills guts at federal trial

(AP)Rodney King testified today he used marijuana in violation of his parole at some point before the night he was

beaten, and then lied about it to police investigators.

on King's truthfulness came on his second day on the stand in videotaped beating two years

"You admit using marijuana at some time prior to the incident of March 3, 1991?" asked defense attorney Michael Stone, who represents defendant Laurence Powell.

"Yes sir," King answered.

King acknowledged he told internal investigators the day after the beating that "I don't do dope. I don't do it." And he agreed with Stone that he denied using marijuana because it was a violation of his parole.

"So you lied, didn't you?" Stone asked.

"Yes sir."

But King denied he ever took PCP. The officers claimed they used the force they did in the arrest because they feared King was on the drug, which can give users superhuman strength.

King appeared nervous but answered questions carefully and slowly as he began a second

Los Angeles day of grueling crossexamination.

During the testimony on Tuesday, he admitted he was drunk and speeding. But he added that he heard racial slurs and dodged police blows Cross examination focusing because "I was trying to stay

He said he tried to comply the federal trial of four with police orders but heard an policemen charged in the officer shout, "We're going to kill you, nigger. Run!"

Two officers, Powell and Timothy Wind, are accused of civil rights violations for clubbing and kicking King while he was on the ground; officer Theodore Briseno for stomping on him, and Sgt. Stacey Koon for not stopping the beating. If convicted, they face up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000

Defense lawyers have claimed that King incited his clubbing by jumping up and charging at a police officer, then continuing to move as blows rained down on

King testified Tuesday that he didn't obey orders to lie still because "they never gave me a chance to stay still." When he awoke the next morning in the hospital, he said, "I was wondering what did I do to deserve that type of pain?"

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# Oneida Indian Nation prepares to gamble

By WILLIAM KATES

Syracuse, N.Y. (AP) The Oneida Indian Nation is getting ready to open the state's first legalized high stakes casino but a spokesman for Gov. Mario Cuomo said they may be acting prematurely.

Oneidas' federal representative and the state's chief negotiator said Wednesday they had worked out an agreement that would allow the central New York tribe to offer casino gambling.

"All the substantive issues have been worked out," said Paul Veillette, a special assistant in the governor's office.

"We're ready to sign," said Ray Halbritter, of the Oneida

Halbritter said the Oneidas' new \$10 million, 1,6000-seat bingo hall just off the New York State Thruway in Verona, about 40 miles east of Syracuse, is nearly complete.

Cuomo says they are jumping the gun

interior work remains, during which time the Oneidas will begin readying the building for casino games, he said.

The nation also will begin hiring and training workers from the 2,000 applicants its had for casino jobs, he said.

"The biggest hurdle was coming to a negotiated agreement," said Halbritter.

But Cuomo's spokesman, Tom Conroy, disagreed.

Although Cuomo had no comment on the agreement, which he has yet to study, Conroy said the governor is not obligated to approve it. Cuomo can send it back to the negotiators if he disagrees with any provisions, Conroy said.

"No way are negotiations concluded until the governor has said he's agreeable to the product," said Conroy.

Also, Conroy, before Cuomo

About four to six weeks of signs any compact, wants the state Legislature to ratify the agreement, although it is not required.

> The deal must then be endorsed by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior.

Veillette agreed it could take anywhere from weeks to months for the compact to win approval.

He said it's possible the compact could be presented to the Legislature as early as this

Halbritter declined to comment about the specific provisions of the compact, but said it was fair to both sides.

"It was a lengthy and deliberate process, but our agreement preserves the interests of both groups with respect to sovereignty, jurisdiction and other issues. We're all satisfied," said Halbritter.

The Oneidas have run high-

(AP)After the Persian Gulf War ended, the world

was told that as many as 100,000 Iraqi soldiers

were killed. At one point, even Baghdad put the

toll that high, as did the U.S. Defense Intelligence

But U.S. officials have been backpedaling ever since, even though the Pentagon has yet to settle

on an official estimate to release to the public.

Now, one former DIA analyst says the number of

Iraqi troops killed may have been as low as 1,500.

That conclusion by John Heidenrich, writing in

the current issue of the quarterly magazine

Foreign Policy, represents the lowest estimate yet

The revisions suggesting a less devastating Iraqi

toll fit a pattern of vastly moderated U.S. military

claims in the months after the war ended. Claims

stakes bingo games since 1977.

Jackpots regularly reach as high as \$10,000.

Last July, the Oneidas petitioned the state for a gambling compact under the federal 1988 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, which requires that states negotiate with Native American tribes for gambling compacts if the state already allows some form of the games elsewhere.

In New York, state law allows charitable organizations to run "Las Vegas nights" as fundraisers, which means the Oneida can offer the same games.

New York outlaws slot machines, but roulette, craps and blackjack are games that the Oneidas can play, said Veillette.

The gaming compact must specify the games to be played, the rules and how the operation will be regulated.

There have been 84 compacts

Mortality count in Iraq may have

the entire war.

Washington D.C.

for a number of

U.S. weapons

also were scaled

Heidenrich is

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not the first to

down.

states, according to the Tribal Government Service of the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Veillette said most compacts to reach the interior secretary's desk have been approved.

However, the compact may face some obstacles in the state

In Albany, state Assemblyman John Faso said the whole process ought to be slowed

Faso, a Columbia County Republican, said he is thinking of introducing legislation that would suspend Las Vegas nights. He said the most recent report from the state Racing and Wagering Board showed that in 1990 the games raised only \$3.3 million for the churches, fire companies and organizations that run them.

Faso said the suspension of Las Vegas nights would permit time for public hearings on the casino gambling issue in New

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been greatly overestimated question the Iraqi death toll numbers that originally were aired. More than a year ago, Air Force Lt. Gen. Charles Horner, the commander of the air campaign in the Gulf War, said he believed the Iraqi military death was fewer than 10,000 for

> The Pentagon itself still refuses to provide an estimate of the number of Iraqis who died in the 42-day war against the U.S. led coalition in January and February 1991. On Monday, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Joe Gradisher reiterated past statements that "there just isn't a number," that is credible.

> But some current internal estimates range from 8,000 to 25,000 Iraqi troops killed, said one analyst, speaking on condition of anonymity, who is familiar with the Pentagon's reports.

> The House Armed Services Committee staff estimated 9,000 dead and 17,000 wounded after a review last year.

> But Heidenrich, writing in the current issue of the quarterly Foreign Policy, estimated the total death toll from both air and ground as low as

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Agg. Harassment

2/27-3/3-Dutch Quad - Student reported receiving annoying phone calls; also harassment by ex-boyfriend. 3/1-4-Campus - Phone calls to fraternity members.

Assault

3/6-Alden - Two students arrested for fighting (punching) one another.

Burglary

3/2-5-Johnson - Textbook missing from unlocked suite. 3/7 - Waterbury - CD player missing from locked room.

Criminal Impersonation

3/1 - State - False call to long distance company about credit card charges.

Criminal Mischief

3/3-Irving-Screws on gate loosened; causing it to fall and damage couches and also strike the alarm box, causing alarm.

3/6-7-State Quad - Car window broken, leather coat, tapes stolen. 3/7 - Livingston - Fire hose activated, causing flooding and fire alarm system to be activated.

3 / 7 - B.A. Road - Car mirror broken off.

3/8 - Campus Center - Window broken during fight.

Criminal Nuisance

3/4 - Herkimer - Fire extinguisher discharged, setting off fire alarm. 3/5 - Waterbury - Paper towel set on fire, causing fire alarm to activate.

Grand Larceny

3 / 6 - Campus Center - Wallet that was left in coat at coat rack stolen.

Harassment

3/3 - Seneca - Unknown males banging on suite door two different dates. 3/5 - Dutch Quad - Ex-boyfriend bothering female student - shows up at her room, pounding on her door. Judicial referral.

Petit Larceny

3/1-3-Campus Center - Banner missing from lobby.

3/5 - RACC - Boots stolen from locker room.

3/5-RACC - Wallet from pants left at side of basketball court.

3/5-6-Colonial Quad -License plate stolen.

3/7 - Campus Center - Key and speaker missing.

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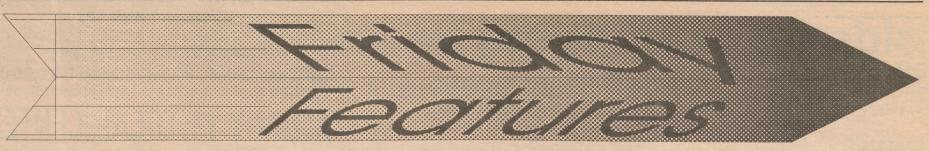
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What has happened to cartoons today? Where are the Wonder Twins (you remember, "Wonder Twin powers activate. Form of....water. Shape of ... a sponge") of Saturday mornings past? Where did Grape Ape go? What happened to all my childhood friends?

It seems that the new generation has forgotten our heroes and friends and adopted a whole new slew of characters, from the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles ("Heroes on the half shell?") to Darkwing Duck. Where is Plastic Man while all this is going on? How about Mighty Mouse for that matter? (I know what you're thinking, but Ralph Bakshi's The New Adventures just doesn't have that old "Here I come to save the day!" pizzazz).

Now, I don't consider myself a very traditional person, but I have to ask: Why aren't the kids today watching what we watched? Those were good cartoons. Hanna they claim) will you see, on a reg-

Warner Brothers' offering of the Monster ("Monsters lead such second childhood. The only Roadrunner, they would regret interesting lives") and Elmer what they'd been missing. They would see the time honored tradition of slap-stick comedy at its finest (along with some ingenious inventions from a company called ACME). They would be able to see animation without the muttering of excessive and useless dialogue. Nine times out of ten it didn't quite fit with the action of the talking lips, similar to a bad 1970's Kung Fu movie.

Yet, even if you tried, you couldn't see the classics as often as you used to. Afternoon viewing is saturated with the "Disney Afternoon's" offerings like the Adventures of Tailspin, and The Rescue Rangers (A nearly sacrilegious transformation of chipmunks Chip and Dale into detectives...yuck!). Only if you have cable television and get stations like TNT, TBS, or Nickelodeon ("preserving our TV heritage," as

Fudd, as he chases Bugs down his rabbit hole. On a good day, we could even get to see Tweety Bird swinging on his perch ("I thawt I taw a puddy tat").

Starting in the forties as time fillers for the movies (not just for kids I may add), these characters have lasted the test of time. Yet. in the wake of the 50th anniversary of Bugs Bunny, one would think that there would be a flood of Warner cartoons showing Taz Coyote running after the Roadrunner (meep! meep!), or Yosemite Sam chasing Bugs ("My biscuits are burning...My biscuits are burning!"). For the most part, this is unfortunately not the case as the classics are seen less and

Luckily, there is a beacon of hope for the quality animationstarved kids of today in the form

redeeming part of the last decade on the silver screen has been Disney's animated cinematic triumphs, like The Little Mermaid, Aladdin, and Beauty and the Beast. You have to love a society that nominates a cartoon for an Academy Award.

What does that leave for this new generation? For those cartoons that glorify violence, (G.I. Joe, Great American Hero, Batman - the Animated Series), the future may be bleak. With running through the forest, new Federal Communications Commission regulations strongly curtailing extreme violence and death allowable in televised animation, they might just become an endangered species. As for the other contemporary offerings, they are just warped imitations of the previous generations. It is not hard to see: The Rescue Rangers is a gross adaptation of Chip and Dale from Disney. Tailspin is a of Tiny Toons. Now this is in the cartoon continuation of another



#### By Debbie McElhinney

Barbara, MGM, and Warner Brothers came up with a lot of fun characters. Every once in a while we'd get really lucky and they would even show the Animalympics, in which the different cartoons competed against each other (Scooby's team was my favorite) and they would paddle through the streets of Vienna. If something like that was done now, it would probably look like the set of American Gladiators, with G.I. Joe battling it out with He-Man ("I have the POWER!"). Is this supposed to be cartoon evolution?

masters of animation like MGM's Chuck Jones of Tom and Jerry fame? You never see characters as cute as the little French mouse-friend of Jerry's ("en garde, monsieur pussy cat") in any of these new-fangled shows.

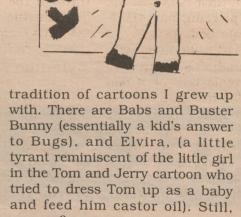
Of course, let us not forget the artistic enrichment that viewing these fine animated spectacles brought to our young lives. Not until I was older did I even realize that most of these cartoons didn't have any dialogue, just music. If you listened long enough, you would have heard the Blue Danube or the Nutcracker Suite. Imagine, we were being culturally enriched by the classics and didn't even know it!

If kids today sat down and watched a cartoon like the great

ular basis, those shows from days gone by (I tip my hat to Mr. Turner).

And yes, this dreadful dearth of quality animated viewing has unfortunately spilled over into our beloved weekends. What happened to those wonderful Saturday and Sunday mornings spent vegetating in front of the TV for hours (before going to church, of course) and watching the 'toons? Now, if you want to see cartoons on the weekends, you have to be up at 5:30 a.m. on a mall, they would surely find a Saturday (near impossible, even for the most discriminating view-And what about all the great er). And on a Sunday morning, a posters, tee-shirts and "cells" (the flip through the channels, would probably yield more television masses and evangelists than cartoon personalities. (If these folks really want to help people, they should get off the air and sit home Sunday mornings and watch cartoons with the rest of us.) The one notable exception to this evil Sunday ban on quality cartoon programming is the occasional episode of Ren and Stimpy (Hallelujah, a repulsive cat and dog team to break the evangelical monotony. "Happy, Happy, Joy, Joy!").

One of the few consistent quality offerings of the cartoon genre left is a nightly showing of Warner Bros.' "Loony Toons" on some cable stations. Gratefully, we can continue to see the exploits of Tex Avery's Poocherini or a Bugs Bunny, that Big Orange



even a fine contemporary cartoon

like this can not be expected to

bring enough attention by itself to

change the genre. On TV that is.

Today, if anyone was to go into cartoon store with Warner Brothers or Disney decals, original artwork from which cartoons are made). These cells are quite the rage nowadays. There are even galleries for these gems, where people spend anywhere from about \$50+ to a couple of thousand on one cell of Marvin the Martian (Greetings, earthling). There is something to be said for the love of one's childhood. I guess this just goes to show the lengths to which some folks will go to recapture the treasures of their youth. (You wouldn't see an animated Beetlejuice cell fetch much of a price, I'd imagine).

It is easy to see that, with some exceptions, we have a social void where good cartoons used to be. The classics are almost forgotten, and if it wasn't for the people at Disney making movies, I would have given up on ever finding my



Disney classic (although by no means of the same caliber as the Jungle Book) and He-Man is a sorry excuse for an updated Superman (He-Man, a mild mannered prince by day, superhero by night).

It seems that TV executives know what works, but can't quite get it right. As a result, children are missing out. With the blatant commercialism and the twodimensional characters, these current cartoons are no match for the ones of yesteryear. In the good old days, our cartoons were for satire, kicking back, and poking fun at "stuff". Today, they seem to be around for the commercial possibilities; to produce the wonderful action figures (batteries not included) and the new faces on lunch boxes. Even though the merchandising craze has seeped into the classics, it is the cartoons which control the marketing, not vice versa. We have learned a lot from those cartoons. I hope they come back to teach us again.

Until Next Time.....

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# Attractive

#### By Rachel Bates

A block of ice is firmly pressed to the girl's navel while she readies a rather long, thick needle in a cup filled with alcohol. When her bellybutton is sufficiently numb, she angles the needle underneath it and begins to slowly pull it upwards. Her face is a mask of concentration as she uses all the strength of her wrist to pull the needlepoint through the top skin of her navel. "You have to concentrate on your entire body, not just the part you're piercing." think of it as causing yourself pain but as beautifying yourself. It's like applying make-up, you can create it for yourself. It's also a way of proving you have control over yourself and your body." The needle finally pops through into the piece of celery she has been using for leverage. There is only a small amount of blood. "Now the hard part- getting the earring in!" she smirks.

This is a relatively normal scene at my friend Sandy's house. Scrotum, eyebrow, septum, lip, nose, hand, nipples and upper ear piercing have all been inexpertly performed in her tiny apartment. Two young men proudly display tongue and penis piercings they've had done elsewhere. Are these people part of a new cult? Not quite, they have all fallen under the magical and addictive spell of body piercing.

When I was thirteen, permission was finally granted for two small holes to be bore into my earlobes. This procedure was proceeded by long agonizing talks with my parentals and group discussions with friends. My mother had her ears involuntarily pierced by two of her college roommates while she was sleeping. To this day, she claims she would never have had it done otherwise. My grandmother wears clip-ons. My brother had to wait until he was seventeen and 6'3 before he was allowed to place a small, delicate gold hoop in his left ear. Earrings, to my family as I grew up, were "sluttish", on the same scale as preteen blue eye make up and pantyhose. They were

unnatural and unneces- parts work better than

Why all the fuss over a piece of jewelry? Why, if my mother found those holes her roommates strategically placed so horrifying, didn't she let them close up? How, in a nation obsessed with being unhealthily thin, smoking, plastic surgery, breast implants, artificial eyes, nails, hair etc., can ear piercing be considered unnatural?

her holes because she finds earrings beautiful. She explains, "You don't just as many men and women find make-up, high heels, and long nails attractive. Earrings are accepted by most people and not often do they worry about whether or not they're natural. Society is always one step behind however, and now that earring wearers have overcome the stigma of being homosexual devil worshippers because they have holes in their earlobes, the art of piercing has developed into body piercing. If mom had difficulties with her daughter's virgin ears being molested, or if dad struggled to figure out if a gold hoop meant his son was gay, the body piercing that is gaining in popularity now would have them at

a total loss. Hardly a new art form, body piercing has only just recently recognized a more widespread acceptance in our culture. Through popular musicians and Perry Farrell's inclusion of a body art tent in the original Lollapalooza, the trend has grown. For the most part it is prominent mostly in what society considers its subcultures: the bikers, the punks, deadheads, artists and the S&M scene - all the people society considers too bizarre to not have the excuse of belonging to some eccentric group ("What! You've got a nipple ring? You must be a punk."). Nevertheless, body piercing is making an upswing into the acceptable. In recent years, nose rings have not only become popular but also recognized as legitimate accessories. Ears pierced up to the top have also become less shocking to the worshippers of 90210.

Just about anything can be pierced, although some

others. Flat piercings such as the eyebrow or places where there is little blood flow, like the navel, tend to grow out rather quickly. Nipple rings must be placed carefully behind the nipple since placement determines how the finished product will look. These piercings and others with normal blood flow that are not flat, usually heal within six to eight weeks and will not grow It can't. My mother kept out. Other areas of piercing are the webbing between the fingers, the tongue (tip or middle), the lip (labette), septum, clitoral hood, clitoris, labia, through the urethra at the base of the penis head (Prince Albert), through both sides of the upper edge of the penis glans (dydoe), through the center of the head of the penis (ampallang), the foreskin, the scrotum, the loose piece of flesh behind the penis head (frenum), and through the ridge of skin between the scrotum and the anus (guiche).

Are people becoming more unnatural in our industrialized world, or conversely, are we returning to our primitive roots? Fakir Musafar, a successful advertising executive who has been experimenting with extensive body piercing and modification since he was twelve, believes it is the latter. Musafar considers himself a "modern primitive" but goes on to explain, "In a way it's a denigration, a cultural conceit, to label someone who does those kinds of activities a 'primisocieties and cultures on earth, and they've all developed different ways. Either they externalize, or they internalize. If they externalize, they develop tools which become technology or organized, rational science. That's what the Western culture is. Or, they internalize and develop the other way, where they can do all kinds of physical things with magic. At this point in history, both approaches are starting to merge."

Piercing has certainly been around for awhile. Caesar's bodyguards wore nipple rings as a sign of ety girls also would pierce world is totally non-

and their shape Navel permapiercing nent, in a was a sign state of flux. of royalty to the Everything's Egyptians, and various

cultures used penis piercings for sexual stimulation or on the flip side to inhibit copulation. Some such piercings are described in the Hindu KAMA SUTRA. In Arabia, youths received scrotum rings as part of their rites of passage, and lastly, the Prince Albert was used in the Victorian era to secure the penis to either the right or left pant leg during that era's craze for extremely tight pants. Of course, many tribal cultures have been piercing

for centuries. So why do people do it now? Perhaps the need for rites of passage isn't extinct in our present day. It is certainly done for the S&M scene for the sexual pleasure some piercings can provide along with the aspect of pain. Monte Cazazza, a founding theoretician of Industrial Culture movement, sees piercing as a way to gain self - identity. "These days who is getting all these tattoos and piercings done to themselves? It isn't just Hell's Angels anymore; it's every social class and age group. And why? What are the underlying psychological dynamics of what is going on? For one thing, these acts change your perceptions; they're something permacourage and to hold up nent you do to yourself their capes. Victorian soci- because the rest of the

changing all the time." Cazazza goes on to tell of people who get pierced just for the sensation. "There are people who do non-permanent piercings, you know - they just do the piercing, but don't put anything in...just for the high."

Many people who get into body piercing start experimenting on themselves. A good deal of piercing can be done with a simple needle and a cork for leverage. Clamps are useful if available. Guns, like the ones used for ear piercings, are not very convenient for other kinds of piercing since different placements and force are needed for different piercbeauty and for pleasure at ings. For those who want the very least. Piercing is to experiment with the tive'. There are different extremely prominent in trickier body piercings (which can be dangerous if done without special knowledge of the body), many tattoo shops can cater to them. If you're interested in body piercing, check out Gauntlet, a store specializing in the art. It's run by Jim Ward, who's been working with piercings since 1972. He also makes and sells piercing jewelry and puts out a magazine for piercing enthusiasts entitled "Piercing International Quarterly.' Gauntlet is located in New York City and San Francisco.

By the way, if you're wondering; no, it doesn't

#### EDITORIAL

#### Whose Rights to Life?

Many were stunned this week when Doctor David Gunn was shot outside a Pensacola, Florida women's clinic by Michael Griffin, a Pensacola native who had just become an anti-abortion activist.

Gunn, a doctor who performed abortions at several clinics in Florida and Alabama, died of multiple gunshot wounds. Griffin surrendered himself to police shortly after the shooting.

Both Pro-lifers and Pro-choicers across the nation were shocked by the act, though the National Abortion Federation claims that there were 186 reported incidents of violence including assault, threats, burglary, vandalism and arson against abortion facilities in 1992 alone. Most Prolifers were quick to assert a distinction between them and Griffin, while many Pro-choicers claimed Griffin's acts were indicative of a whole movement.

One pundit was quick to label Griffin simply an "anti-abortionist, but not a pro-lifer," while a witness to the shooting attempted to justify the act.

The morality of having an abortion aside, it's strange that many don't understand why Griffin felt it necessary to kill an abortionist to stop abortions, to use murder to protect life. Others simply call him a "hypocrite."

Before Griffin committed the crime he was associated with a local Christian church. Strangely enough he did not choose prayer, an act of faith in his religion, to further his belief.

Perhaps in his mind Griffin did think abortion was murder and, because their are almost a half-million such procedures performed in America annually, he was obviously distraught.

Perhaps in his mind, he shot Gunn to end more deaths. Griffin felt justified the same way a police officer feels justified in using lethal force against anyone who threatens the public with violence, a homeowner feels justified in killing an intruder in his home and the United States felt justified in ending Nazi barbarism.

Griffin's actions were not justified, however. America today is blessed with a Democratic system that allows for these matters to be solved by the will of the people and not one man. In Pensacola, Florida one man took matters into his own hands, subverting the Democratic process by denying another his rights.

This militant action is akin to the Los Angeles riots of a year ago where economically disenfranchised people took it upon themselves to redistribute wealth. Here, for the most part, this action resulted in the burning of most of these people's homes and the destruction of this wealth. It was of course, a subverting of the Democratic process.

Americans should remember the teachings of Ghandi, Martin Luther King, and other peaceful protesters by using civil disobedience and democratic debate to establish liberty. The only time violence could ever be justified is when the democratic process has been denied and the threat of violence is imminent.

This has happened during the American Revolution and Civil War, the Nazi Holocaust and to the millions enslaved by dictatorial regimes. In stages of America's Civil Rights movement, even though equality under the law had been denied to many black Americans, most found a way to the liberty they deserved through peaceful means. During the next months as Griffin prepares for trial, the example set by our forefathers, the Civil Rights movement, and the free peoples of formerly dictatorial regimes, should be a lesson to us all.

Militancy is not the way to justice, peaceful protest and democratic action are.



### COLUMN

#### Arthur Ashe: Sentimental Gentleman

Arthur Ashe crossed too many boundaries, touched too many lives and performed too many wonderful deeds to be remembered simply as a great athlete. Nobody has ever brought more dignity or honor to the world of sports than he did.

His life will be largely defined by tennis and AIDS, the sport that he used to become a rich, famous champion athlete and the disease he lived with publicly for the last 10 months before it took his life on Saturday, February 6th

Arthur Ashe, in every sense of the word, was a gentleman. He never broke racquets, cursed umpires or threw temper tantrums that so often are the highlight of today's sports news. Not once could you find him whining or alibiing, embarrassing himself or his family for

#### Ritu Singh

any reason. As an athlete, he won or lost, congratulated his opponent, and moved on. Always with dignity and respect, he kept his sense of self intact.

Today we find ourselves searching for role models; how we wonder whether Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson, Mike Tyson and Pete Rose are worthy of our adulation. It was like Arthur Ashe was never really in our sights, never really appreciated though he was crowned champion of both Wimbeldon (1975) and the U.S. Open (1968). Arthur Ashe has been a role model of mine since I began playing tennis when I was just six years old, when Ashe was in his prime. After all, who better defined what a role model should be? Not only a world-class athlete, but, pioneer, activist, entrepreneur, fund-raiser, eloquent voice

of reason, family man, member in good standing of any and everything he was part of. What else could society ask of an individual?

It was in two extremely difficult moments, times most of us never have to deal with publicly, that Ashe showed the grace that became so characteristic of him. A heart attack and subsequent bypass procedure that ended his career only launched energy previously directed towards tennis into a dozen or so other worthy endeavors. And even after being forced to go public with the fact that he had contracted AIDS, Ashe kept up a frantic work schedule, one that would put any healthy person to shame.

When I heard Arthur Ashe had died, I worried about the next generation. As a young child I remember Ashe, the first African-American, to win Wimbeldon. What concerns me is that this generation doesn't know that what Ashe did was teach all of us that limitations can be shaken if they aren't self-imposed in the first place.

I fear that there are too few strong voices out there, reasonable logical voices that don't get sidetracked. I don't want the loudest voices in America to come from those athletes who think all that glitters is gold. I'm searching for someone to take the baton and run away with it the way Arthur Ashe did. It frightens me because there just isn't anybody like that at the moment and if there is, his or her voice hasn't been heard. It's a face we have yet to see.

Arthur Ashe has left us, and anyone who ever cared about fairness, enlightenment and the betterment of humanity is worse off. There must be some way to mourn his passing while, at the same time, celebrating the many gifts he left us.

### A Small Victory For Students

Recently, residents of Alumni Quad organized and took action to prevent the Administration's suggested closing of Alden and Waterbury halls.

Fortunately for them, the effort was successful. However, the victory should be considered small and temporary at best since the real problem still exists and is much more threatening. The real problem goes beyond the scope of SUNYA's Administration, which has been forced to come up with harsh ideas such as the suggested closing. Why? Because the SUNY system has suffered \$203 million in budget cuts from the state since 1988-89.

The effect on Albany has been a doubling of tuition, a decrease in the quality of education, and a campus falling

#### Wayne Levitzki

prey to physical deterioration. Classes (if you can get in any) are too large, faculty and staff have qualified for the endangered species list, financial aid is shrinking, and many potential students won't be able to enroll for the tragic reason that they cannot afford to. Do you want higher education in New York to be reserved for an elitist class? Do you want a degree from a SUNY school to be the equivalent of passing the 13th grade? If not, then get off your ass and do something about it! Just as Alumni Quad residents bitched to the administration, all of us should bitch to our state legislators to tell them to stop cutting our budget. As long as nobody is complaining, why should they care?

Fortunately, there is an organization on this campus working to inform the legislature of the devastation inflicted on SUNY. However, in order to be sufficiently effective they need the help of lots of pissed-off students. This organization is NYPIRG, and on March 22nd they will be co-sponsoring their second Lobby Day of the spring term. Lobby Day gives students an opportunity to go downtown to the Legislative Office Building and meet with individual legislators to demand an end to the cuts and a restoration of financial aid to its previous level.

Large numbers are far more convincing, so please, if you want to insure the future of this university and prevent the administration from making tough decisions like closing Alumni Quad, you must get involved in this event and actually do something. Because next time just whining to President Swygert may not be enough to accomplish anything.

Think this campus has problems? Anything else on your mind? Bring your columns up to the ASP in CC323 with proper identification and get your viewpoint across today.

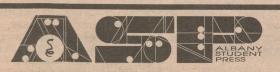
#### **Justifying Racist Hate**

To the Editor:

The Big Lie of modern, "politically correct" racists a la Spike Lee is that "black people can't be racist because black people don't have power." This nonsense - always asserted, never proved - is key to understanding the current spread of racism.

Understand what racism is: it is a philosophical doctrine that reduces an individual's worth and character to his biology. As a philosophical doctrine, it underlies a man's every thought and action, shaping his character and his attitudes towards others. There is, then, no essential difference between two men who share this principle, no matter what their social standing; the thoughts and actions of a racist on Skid Row. The "social" definition of racism is logically unjustifiable.

Yet, it has enormous popularity - because it gives its supporters a moral sanction. What allows ASUBA to scream about "black pride" (as if a genetic accident, skin color, were a badge of honor) - and receive applause from SUNY faculty? What allows Sista Souljah, in a Playboy interview, to call Joan Collins and Erica Kane "materialistic, money-grubbing white bitches" - and avoid the moral outrage of our "enlightened" students and faculty? The answer is: the "social" definition. Should anyone identify these acts for what they really are - racism - their proponents simply hold up the social definition and plead innocent on the grounds of



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vocabulary.

Academia's support of this monstrous misuse has prevented any significant intellectual opposition to the racists, allowing them to thrive. Yet "ordinary people" sense the inanity and the double standard behind this view, though they are unable to name it. Unable to find intellectual expression, white hostility boils over, leading to racial violence.

There is only one solution: the modern racists must be denied their intellectual sanction. It is the responsibility of SUNYA's professors and student leaders to stop glorifying this garbage and reveal the "social" definition for what it really is: a rationalization for racist hate.

Jay Allen

#### **Green Mind**

To the Editor:

We would like to respond to (and applaud) David Rosenthal's column on campus recycling. The possibility of implementing a comprehensive recycling program on the SUNYA campus in the near future is far from an impossibility. Over the last few years student groups such as NYPIRG have put pressure on the Administration to lead the recycling effort. The University, after much ado (and a recycling mandate), agreed to phase in such a program. Several target dates were chosen (all of which have passed) to begin a full fledged program. The bottom line is that the University has failed to implement a practical and effective waste reduction program. To comply with the law the University has implemented a minimal recycling program.

It seems strange that someone is stalling. Why? It costs money? It takes too much time? We're not quite certain. Perhaps the Administration is sitting on their butts waiting for the active student population to graduate (and/or) leave.

What we must keep in mind is that a full program is on the verge of happening, BUT....it must be made clear that a comprehensive recycling program is an essential part of an educational institution. The student and faculty body must take a leading role in waking up the citizens of SUNYA. Enter-SUNY Recycling Coalition (SRC).

The SRC is a pilot project of NYPIRG: designed to bring together all groups involved in waste management: Physical Plant, Administration, Res. Life, UAS, BFI (carting co.) and YOU. NYPRIG and Earthbound (SUNYA's grassroots environmental group) are working to lead this effort. On Saturday, March 20, Earthbound will be holding "Garbage Night" in the CC Assembly Hall (starting at 7:30PM). This event will be the start of a huge effort to raise awareness about the vast amount of waste generated here at SUNYA. The Ominous Seapods (a local rock band) will be playing and various groups will be tabling and providing free education.

If you would like to see recycling at SUNY and are willing to do something about it: call NYPIRG at 442-5658 or come to an Earthbound meeting, every Wednesday, at 5:30PM in the Fireside Lounge.

Do something for once!

John McKay, Peter Siegal Earthbound

#### A Challenge To Serve

To the Editor:

I write to challenge you to join me in a great American adventure — national service.

I make this challenge because our country and our communities need help that government alone cannot provide. Government can make vaccines available to children, but alone it cannot administer shots to them all. It can put more police on the streets, but alone it cannot stop crime. It can improve the quality of our public schools, but cannot alone inspire children to live up to their potential.

It is time for Americans of every background to work together to lift our country up, neighborhood by neighborhood, block by block. It is time to rediscover the excitement and idealism that makes us Americans. That is what national service is all about.

Through national service, thousands will have the opportunity to pay for college by rebuilding their communities - serving as teachers, police officers, health care workers, and in other capacities. But it will take time for these ideas to pass Congress and time to

implement them. We must start now.

That is why I have called for a Summer of Service—this summer. More than 1,000 young people will serve in selected areas around the country, learning to lead and getting children who are at risk ready for school. There are many who believe that young Americans will not answer a call to action. They say you are apathetic, and insist that you measure your success in the accumulation of material things. I know they are wrong, and I know you will answer this challenge.

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**President Bill Clinton** 

#### **Smells Like Hypocrisy**

To the Editor:

Webster defines a hypocrite as "one who feigns to be what he or she is not; especially one who pretends to be pious, virtuous, etc..., without really being so."

I believe that this term applies to the N.W.R.O.C.; their banner says it all. Where do they get the unmitigated gall to accuse the Brothers of Delta Chi of rape? Does the N.W.R.O.C. realize that their banner is counterproductive, in the sense that it does more to harm women's safety than it does to promote it? The accusation of rape is a serious account, and it is a term that should not be casually tossed around. Using this term so loosely as the N.W.R.O.C. chooses to, they in essence, are desensitizing the all important issue of rape. To many groups' surprise, it has been fraternities who have taken the lead in promoting campus rape and sexual assault. Let me simply state, name calling and shit stirring is immature. Come on how old are we?

I firmly contend that the principles set fourth in the University's concept of a Just Community are admirable, and we all must strive to incorporate them into our daily lives. While I personally find the Delta Chi poster distasteful, that is my own personal opinion. The beauty that is America, and the reason why this nation formed, was so that we would be granted the freedom of speech and expression. I do not agree with the content of the Delta Chi poster, but I believe that as long as we are living in the United States, they have a Constitutional right to post it. The N.W.R.O.C.'s banner that hung in the Campus Center, on the other hand, was licentious and libelous. Libel is the key word here; they falsely accused an entire organization of rape because they didn't agree with their poster. We must not allow such a radical and contradictory voice to prevail.

It is the ignorant who generalizes and stereotypes. It is far too easy to be superficial and point fingers at an entire institution or organization, then it is to judge people on an individual basis. The N.W.R.O.C.'s poster is obviously prejudiced and they should apologize for such caustic and false comments.

Louis B. Tobacco, President Sigma Alpha Epsilon

#### Women Defend ΔX

To the Editor:

We are writing in response to the actions of "NWROC and other individuals" against the fraternity Delta Chi. They apparently took offense to Delta Chi's rush poster and seem to think it is offensive to all. They formed an opinion and took actions that were unjust and unfounded. The contents of Delta Chi's posters were not meant to insult women. In response, this group's actions were spiteful and malicious. The actions that this group took were only taken to hurt the reputation of Delta Chi. We, as friends of the brothers of Delta Chi, and as women, find the actions of these individuals extreme and uncalled for. Everyone is entitled to their own opinion as long as it is well informed and presented in a civil manner. The poster that was displayed gave a distorted picture of the brothers of Delta Chi and in the process targeted them as womanizers. We may have presented a biased view, but as friends we see them as they are, not how the poster portrayed them to be.

> Laureen M. Brigati, Nicole Cohen, Kristen Corkery, Deb de Vries

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LungCookie -Happy six months coach. Let's make curtains for my room again real soon. How did that happen anyway? I love you so much! -The Squealer

The clocks were ticking each minute was fun. We were sorry, when it was done. Love  $\Delta Z$ 

ΣTI

The mixer was great. We were impressed by the quality and service. It was first rate. Love  $\Delta Z$ 

Mixing with you was really a blast. The party, as usual, went too fast. Our mixers with you are so much

We're always sorry when the night is АЕФ

Sun!

Just when we were having fun, Our mixer ended before it begun. The cops came at 10, Let's do it again. How 'bout some more Sig Surf and

ΣΧΕ,ΨΓ, ΔΖ

These teams we were told, Let's go for the GOLD!

ΑΤΩ

We're sorry we were a little late, But the mixer was really great! Thank you! Love AOII

АЕП Black out was a lot of fun

We can't wait to have another one!

The Sisters of  $\Delta Z$  would like to wish everyone a safe and happy St. Patrick's day.

To the ΔZ Spring 93 Pledge class, keep up the good work. We love you! The Sisters of AZ

To the Sisters of  $\Delta\Phi E$ ,

Thank you for all the hard work you did for us to make our weekend memorable. We had a great time! We love you with all our hearts and we promise to make you proud! The NU'S

Get psyched Red Team!!! ΑΕΦ, ΑΧΡ, ΔΧ, ΤΕΦ

To the Brothers of ZBT Mardi Gras was really great. To mix again, we can't wait. Too bad you gave us the beads at Maybe next time you'll see some

The Sisters of ΑΕΦ

Wayne's World Sucks

Sorry I had to bail on you. You've been a great boss. It was fun, but you won't be getting rid of me that easily. I'll be up here bugging you all the time with my troubles.

Love ya The former Classified Typist

Mumble mumble housemate mumble mumble 2 bedroom mumble mumble sin mumble. Our paths haven't separated YET! PEACE BE WITH YOU, The present Chief Typist

#### SKA PARTY HOE-DOWN 3/27!

HELP!!! Glenn is holding me here against my will to write personals! Now he's telling stupid dog stories.

Mike-It was cool visiting you and Hosmer I must come by again real

Noelle-my eyes were temporarily blinded by your beauty keeping me from seeing you. Ellen C .- are you willing to be my surrogate girlfriend. Joe, Pat, Glenn, and Kevin-let's show these upstart women who is smarter and faster. Tien-what's your last name? Ellen K .- good work and I want to see more of you. Allison and Pam-soon you will be iniatated in the mysteries of the dark room. Dan-yo homeboy who you want me to hook you up with next. -EDWIL

DARLENE-I hope you realize now that there are easier ways to pick up men! (or to have men pick you up!) I hope you feel better real soon and come back to reality so I can bug you! Love, Keren (your roommate-in case you forgot!)

Joe, Ed, Kevin, Pat, We are going to crush them tomorrow. I'm ready to break a few

Keren,
I love giving you a hard time. You take it so well. Next Thursday, I'll be nicer(maybe). Glenn

Pam -I can't believe you and Wack are probably off to Florida next week, you'll probably take AL, leaving who to run news???? Al- jeepers we never get to talk, I hope this Saturday is the chance.... just kidding.... I mean not kidding....oh never mind - at least I don't have to cook-no tomatoe sauce. Pat- look at me I'm doing personals-I'm doing you a big favor, Edwil- Nice Devil's Advocate, Glenn-Editorial at noon next time I promise Mike D- Both I and Maria are happy when you get out early, Glenn, Edwil, Kevin& Pat grrrrrrr-we will crush the oppostion-Ola' ECK- Tienwaste management trust me! That is the presidency.. Tom good to see you back- Kelly wheeeeee!!!!! you can be sooooo happy until Ila finds out Marcthanxs for the files, the poster, the flashlight, the wings (almost), the soda-want to pay for law school?

Jennnnn- that's it just Jen , Has it ever occurred to you that a cocaine addict can't play a bagpipe??Keren nice copying !!!!

Kristen-Holding you hostage am 1? Well, if you think that was bad .. Kenya-I missed you this week, but you know tests and papers kept me busy. Allison-Congrats on the U. article. You deserve it. And nice photo on page 2.Pam-Have a good time at that play. Nice work tonight.

Ellen-Maybe sometime soon I shall return to your house...Kelly and Karen-Disappearing on a production night to get wasted?? Good thinking, now if only I could live a normal life. Mike-You made a big mistake pal, people don't disappoint Hosmer and live. Rob-Thanks for the bluer, you's the best. Tom-It was godd seeing you again tonight. Ed-I think you'll have fun this semester. Joe-Those editorials are coming along well. Can't wait to drop off those ASPs for you.Pat-Dissing on McDonalds, I'll let it slide this week. How many issues is this now? We're finally getting it

To All the People I've Dissed In the Last Month (including but not limited to my brother, my brothers, Lloyd, Hector, Russ, Andrea, Fang, Bean, and Jodi),

I'm sorry. I'll try to get around more often.

There's no production on Monday...

Laura and Norma-thanks for being the greatest suitemates! I know whom to turn to when I need a little pick me up (or a put down depending on your moods)!-Keren

Glenn, Pat, Joe, Ed, Karen, etc...-thank you for making my life so difficult. I truly appreciate it! Sorry I'm so slow to learn the rules of the game!-Keren

Renee Tobin- You see, I told you I would leave you a personal. Thanks for being there whenever I need you. I told you evertything would be fine. You will have to come see me down on good 'ole State Street. Renee E.-I told you ... it's a reciprocal relationship. You help me, I help you. Remember, I'll always be here when you need me. Allison-O.K., so maybe I wasn't in such a great mood tonight but wait until we win that \$1000... I promise my spirits will rise. Jason- Being your source of information is a tough job. So, when do we start working on my campaign? don't ever try to hide a thing from me. Next week, I'm going on Fartman

Everyone else- I am tired. I am exhausted. I am fatigued. I am dreary. I am drowsy.

**GET THE POINT?** GOOD!

Joe, Glenn, Edwil, and Kevin: All I have to say is that we'll be eating well very soon, thanks to some gracious young women who got caught up on the line at the Getty Mart buying cartons of cigarettes for their attempt at the "Quest for \$1,000." They'll be coughing their way to the finish as we sit there and smile at them, our beautiful white lungs exhaling, "Feed us." We'll think of which appetizer we'd like to order at the Cranberry Bog, mmmm...filet mignon sounds good for the main course...apple pie for dessert...we won't gloat will we, guys? Naaah..

Your co-conspirator, Pat

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#### Rodney King

Continued from page 5 Kowalski whether he had attacked an

officer, King said, "No sir. I was trying to stay alive, sir, trying to stay alive."

King raised his voice as he imitated officers he said he heard chanting: "Killer, nigger, how do you feel, killer?" But King acknowledged he wasn't absolutely sure if the word used was "nigger" or

His claims of racial taunting brought the issue of race to the forefront of the federal case, which follows a state trial that ended in the officers' acquittal and an outbreak of rioting that left more than 50 people dead.

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#### Iraqi death toll

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1,500 - with about 3,000 wounded.

Heidenrich based the conclusion in his article on the number of bodies found and buried by U.S. troops - 577 - and on prisoner of war interviews. He noted that only about 2,000 of 69,000 Iraqi prisoners of war were wounded.

Based on the calculation that about half as many wounded escaped as were captured, he put the number of wounded at about 3,000. Using a conservative ratio of one dead to two wounded, applicable to Third World armies like Iraq, he set battlefield deaths at 1,500.

#### TAPS for TAP

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complete with a trumpeteer playing "Taps" as student "pallbearers" carried a fake black coffin to symbolize the state of TAP.

"What I'm really concerned about is the future that will be left for my sister who's still in high school," Medina said. "What's going to be left for her if they take it all away?"

A freshman whose family income is \$20,000 or less will have their grant dropped to \$3375, while the same grant would've been \$4125 in 1990. Another student, whose family made \$42,000, will see their grants drop from \$1,070 to \$165, if Cuomo's proposal is passed.

Lawton and Richard Turan, Vice-President of co-sponsor Association of Proprietary Colleges, called upon Cuomo to make cuts across the board from all TAP grants, not just incoming freshmen as the Gov.'s plan calls for, but to a lesser degree.

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	W	L	Pct	GB
Knicks	40	18	.690	2040
New Jersey	34	25	.576	6.5
Boston	33	26	.559	7.5
Orlando	29	28	.509	10.5
Miami	24	33	.421	15.5
Philadelphia	20	38	.345	20
Washington	16	42	.276	24

#### Central

Chicago	41	18	.695	
Cleveland	39	21	.650	2.5
Charlotte	32	26	.552	8.5
Atlanta	29	31	.483	12.5
Indiana	29	31	.483	12.5
Detroit	25	33	.431	15.5
Milwaukee	23	36	.390	18

#### Midwest

Houston	38	21	.644		
San Antonio	37	21	.638	.5	
Utah	35	25	.583	3.5	
Denver	25	34	.424	13	
Minnesota	14	42	.250	22.5	
Dallas	4	54	.069	33.5	

#### **Pacific**

Phoenix	45	13	.776	
Seattle	40	19	.678	5.5
Portland	35	21	.625	9
LA Lakers	31	27	.534	14
LA Clippers	29	31	.483	17
Golden State	25	35	.417	21
Sacramento	18	41	.305	27.5

#### **Tonight's Games**

Knicks at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Milwaukee at Boston, 7:30 p.m. LA Lakers at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Charlotte at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Dallas at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m. Minn. at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

#### NUMBERS BY THE

#### **Albany State Sports Week at a Glance**

Team	Fri 12	Sat 13	Sun 14	Mon 15	Tue 16	Wed 17
Men's Track	Bowdoin College TBA	,				
Women's Track	NCAA @Bowdoin TBA	NCAA @Bowdoin TBA				
Swim & Diving	NCAA @Emory TBA	NCAA @Emory TBA				

#### NHI Leading Scorers

MUL Lead	iing	2001	er
(	aoals	Assist:	s Pt
LaFontaine, Bf	44	76	12
Yzerman, Det	49	60	10
Oates, Bos	40	69	10
Turgeon, NYI	44	63	10
Lemieux, Pitt	40	67	10
Gilmour, Tor	. 25	78	10
Mogilny, Buf	65	37	10
Selanne, Win	59	42	10
Recchi, Phil	43	58	10
Robaitaille, LA	48	49	9
Bure, Van	53	39	92
Stevens, Pitt	48	42	90
Sakic, Que	44	45	89
Sundin, Que	35	54	89
Hull, StL	46	42	88
Janney, StL	17	71	88
Roenick, Chi	36	49	8
Juneau, Bos	26	59	85
Damphousse, Moi	n 33	51	84
Muller, Mon	32	52	84
Modano, Minn	30	52	82
Fleury, Cal	27	55	82
Andreychuk, Tor	43	37	80
Tocchet, Pitt	35	43	78

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#### College Basketball

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	USA Today/C	ONN Wri	ters	Poll
		Record	Pts	Pvs
	1. N. Carolina(3	32) 26-3	848	1
	2. Indiana (1)	26-3	805	2
	3. Michigan	23-4	759	5
	4. Kentucky	23-3	748	4
	5. Arizona	22-3	700	3
	6. Vanderbilt	25-4	674	8
	7. Kansas	23-5		7
	8. Duke	23-5	599	6
	9. Cincinnati	22-4		10
	10. Seton Hall	24-6	546	12
	11. Florida St.	22-8	508	11
	12. Wake Forest	19-7	429	16
	13. Utah	22-5	404	9
	14. Arkansas	19-7	368	13
	15. New Orleans	25-2	352	17
	16. UNLV	20-6	297	14
	17. lowa	19-8	264	15
	18. Xavier(Ohio)		168	25
	19. Marquette	19-6	122	19
	20. Tulane	20-6	114	17
	21. Virginia	16-8	110	22
	22. Oklahoma St	. 18-5	95	22
-	23. Purdue	15-8	88	18

24. Massachusetts 18-6

25. Louisville

#### Home Away **NBA Leading Scorers**

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	G	Pts	Avg
Jordan, Chi	54	1744	32.3
Wilkins, Atl	48	1413	29.4
Malone, Utah	59	1637	27.7
Mullin, GS	46	1191	25.9
Barkley, Pho	55	1415	25.7
Olajuwan, Hou	58	1437	24.8
O'Neal, Orl	56	1340	23.9
Ewing, NY	56	1331	23.8
Robinson, SA	57	1341	23.5
Dumars, Det	55	1272	23.1
Petrovic, NJ	56	1291	23.1
Johnson, Char	57	1300	22.8

ECAC	Ho	cke	y	
	W	L	T	Pts
Harvard	16	3	3	35
RPI	15	6	1	31
Brown	13	7	2	28
Clarkson	12	6	4	28
Yale	12	7	3	27
St. Lawrence	12	8	2	26
Vermont	10	11	1	21
Dartmouth	9	13	0	18
Colgate	9	13	0	18
Princeton	6	13	3	15
Cornell	5	16	1	11
Listan	•	10	•	•

#### N.H.L.

#### **Wales Conference Patrick Division**

	W	L	T	Pts
Pittsburgh	40	21	6	86
Washington	33	26	7	73
New Jersey	33	27	6	72
Rangers	30	26	11	71
Islanders	32	29	6	70
Philadelphia	24	32	11	59
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Adams x-Montreal x-Quebec	42 37	21 22	6 10	84
x-Montreal x-Quebec Boston	42 37 35	21 22 24	6 10 7	84 77

#### **Campbell Conference Norris Division**

	W	L	T	Pts
Chicago	37	21	10	84
Detroit	36	25	9	81
Toronto	35	24	9	79
Minnesota	32	27	9	73
St. Louis	30	30	8	68
Tampa Bay	21	41	5	47
Smythe Division				
Vancouver	37	21	9	83
Calgary	33	24	10	76
Los Angeles	30	30	7	67
Winnipeg	30	32	6	66
Edmonton	23	38	8	54
San Jose	10	56	2	22
x-clinched playoff spot				

#### **Tonight's Games**

New Jersey at Edmonton, 9:40 p.m. Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7:40 p.m. Vancouver at Winnipeg, 8:40 p.m.

Tuesday's Answer: The New York Mets passed the Philadelphia A's for most losses in a season when they recorded 120

Trivia Question: What is the record for most consecutive wins in a row in the National Hockey League?



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#### Wrestling Roundup



File Photo by Tom Murnane

Albany coach Joe Demeo (left) converses with an Albany wrestler.

Yet another season of Albany wrestling came to a close last weekend at the NCAA Division III Championships in New London, Connecticut.

And even though Albany didn't do as well as expected at the tournament, hosted by the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, the team had a number of noteworthy accomplishments during its long season:

- •They were ranked fifth in the country (twice) by NCAA pollsters, behind wrestling forces such as eventual national champion Augsburg College, Wartburg College and two University of Wisconsin schools.
- During the dual meet season, Albany beat Ithaca College which finished the season as the fourth best team in the country - twice.
  - Albany's dual meet record: 13-5
  - One All-American, three scholastic All-Americans.

#### **Great Danes**

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that's pretty good."

Junior co-captains Jason Graber and Garry Murray, and junior Paul Fitzpatrick were the only Danes to see much of the court last season.

Sophomores Jason Ferrier, Jamie Knight, and Ted Hotaling were joining the Danes' starting lineup fresh off one season of play on the junior varsity squad.

Junior Dan Keegan, who would back up Murray at point guard, and junior Jason Girnius, both of whom sat at the end of the bench the year before, would play much bigger roles this season.

Graber, the leading scorer from a year before, was quick to establish himself as the driving force behind Albany's offense, which would average 67.4 points per game this year.

Graber, a local product out of Schalmont High School in Pattersonville, was a constant inside-outside threat with the ability to hit a three-pointer or slice in

traffic for two at any time.

He was selected eight consecutive weeks to the ECAC Honor Roll and won ECAC Player of the Week a number of times while leading the Danes in scoring 21 of 25 games.

Graber led Albany in scoring with 21.5 points a game, and rebounding with 7.3 boards a game. He was also the Danes' most accurate shooter from both the floor and the line, hitting 53 percent of his field goals and 82 percent of his free throws.

He had 59 steals (second on the team) and 36 assists (fourth on the team).

"Jason is one of my most versatile players ever," Sauers beamed. "He had a

Against Elmira on February 24th at Albany's Recreation and Convocation Center, Graber became only the second University at Albany player to reach the 1,000 career point mark as a junior.

Great Danes' all-time leading scorer Gary Holway (1,851 points) was the first and only Dane to score 1,000 points by

his junior year before Graber's feat in the second to last game.

Graber's 537 points scored this season was the second highest single season total ever by an Albany player. Great Dane legend Morrison "Russ" Teague set the mark of 556 points in the 1988-1989

Currently, Graber is 14th all-time on Albany's career scoring list with 1,040 points. If he can pull off a similar season next year, he will vault to second all-time behind Holway in career scoring.

Hotaling was Albany's next leading scorer with 11.9 points a game. The native of Niverville showed off a deadly shooting touch at many times during the season, but lagged considerably in a number of poor shooting performances.

The ten-point disparity between Graber's average (21.5) and Hotaling's (11.9) spells the biggest problem the Danes' faced this year: unbalanced scoring, with the brunt of the scoring responsibility placed on Graber.

"Graber was a marked man," Sauers said. "He felt he needed to score."

"I worried about our scoring from day one," Sauers continued. "Graber and Hotaling had to carry the scoring...off the bench we didn't get many points."

Murray was third in scoring with 11.3 points a game and led the team in assists with 94, but his scoring touch tailed off at the end of the season. He connected on only 35 percent of his shots, but led the team in steals with 65.

Fitzpatrick provided a spark down the stretch, scoring more points and taking more shots as the season progressed. He ended with 6.3 points per game and was second on the team with 6.6 rebounds a

Ferrier suffered through injury problems and was not as much of a force on the boards as was expected. He played in 24 games, scoring 4.3 points and rebounding 4.1 boards per game, but was slowed by an ankle injury and other nagging injuries.

Keegan came along down the stretch

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like Fitzpatrick, lifting his game. Not a scorer, he dished out some beautiful assists to take third on the team (58) despite playing half the minutes of the starters.

Girnius and junior Steve Brennan were role players who gave some valuable performances but never gave the scoring the Danes needed off the bench.

Freshman Craig Calderon showed potential in a few games, but was used sparingly, backing up Murray and Keegan at the point.

"We could have won a few more games," Sauers said. "The last part of the season was excellent... but we didn't have a good team chemistry... and we had some injury problems."

Next year's schedule will be very much like this past year's, with games against the usual Capital District rivals and other teams throughout New York State.

On a Saturday in early December, Albany will take part in an ECAC double header at the Knickerbocker Arena. The first game will be R.P.I. versus Skidmore College at 1:00 p.m. and Albany versus Union College at 3:00 p.m.

#### Women's Track

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the finals, she went 35', 2" on her first jump and set a record on her second with an effort of 36'.

The record would not stand long as she came back to break it on her final jump by going 36', 3". These scores allowed her to move from seventh place going into the finals to a second-place finish.

This is the first meet in which she scored two jumps over 36'

Somes also scored a second-place finish, registering a personal-best 8.65 in the 55-meter hurdles to send her to the Nationals.

In the preliminary heat, she had run a then personal-best time of 8.73. This performance was made all the more rewarding by the fact that she has been plagued by injuries for the whole season.

Freshman Natalie Baptiste was also at

### Jets look to improve thru free agency

BY BARRY WILNER

(AP) With defensive stars Ronnie Lott and Leonard Marshall on board, the New York Jets now can turn their attention to an even bigger catch in the free agent market - Reggie White.

The signing of Lott on Monday and the agreement reached with Marshall made the Jets the early leader in procuring talent under the NFL's new free agency system. Lott, signed away from the Los Angeles Raiders, and Marshall, a starter for nearly a decade with the New York Giants, might be just the start.

"We hope this sends a signal, to the other players we are after, that we are seriously committed from the ownership level on down to improve this football team and to get it back on track where we started off the first couple of years," general manager Dick Steinberg said.

The Jets made the playoffs in 1991, the second year of the Steinberg-Bruce Coslet era. But their season fell apart early last year, then turned tragic when defensive tackle Dennis Byrd broke his neck and was partially paralyzed. They wound up 4-12.

With such disappointments fresh in their minds, the Jets set out to be major players in free agency. So far, they've lived up to their word.

They plan to continue to be aggressive in pursuing White, the All-Pro defensive end and most attractive

"Reggie White said he originally wanted to go to a contending team," Steinberg said. "But he has revised that to saying he wants to go where there is a commitment."

Lott, a six-time All-Pro and leader of defense when the San Francisco 49ers won their four Super Bowls, said he saw that commitment. He signed a two-year contract worth just over \$3

"I can help them at the free safety spot," said Lott, the first high-profile player to switch teams under the new system.

"Myself added with some other free agents, I think we can make an

One of those, he hoped, would be

"We'll do whatever it takes to try to get him to become a Jet." said Lott. who will be 34 in May. "The Hess family has shown it's willing to take the opportunity to field the best team it possibly can."

That team will include Marshall, who will sign a contract today. Marshall, 31, said the Jets' signing of Lott helped in his decision.

the meet, running a 9.45 in the preliminaries of the 55 meter hurdles and a 7.90 in the preliminaries of the 55 meter

"She's had a great indoor season, especially with hurdles," White said.

Albany's squad at this meet was reduced because White had to leave both a relay team and a thrower home due to illness.

Boyette and Somes will start competing today at 9:00 a.m. This year's National Championships are being held at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine.

# Sports Friday

M&W Track at National Champs.- Today

Women's B'Ball wrap-up coming next Friday

By the Numbers - please see page 18

# Men's track takes second at States

Two NYS champions; Sellers sets record at IC4A's

By Edwil Fontanilla Staff Writer

As two athletes were proving their mettle against the best in the east at the IC4A's, the rest of the men's indoor track team was vying for top honors at the New York State Indoor Track and Field Championships this past weekend.

At the States, Albany came in second with 62 points compared to host team Fredonia State's 170 points. However, two individual State Championship titles were won by Albany.

Junior David White edged out Fredonia's Eamon McHugh by one tenth of a second to win the 500-meters with a time of 1:08.24.

Junior Jay Nixon crushed the competition in the pole vault as he broke the meet, fieldhouse, and school records with a height of 15', 9 1/4".

In the 5000-meters, Bill Vanos, a junior, came in second with a time of 15:13.7. Junior Todd Rogers ran into fourth with a time of 15:36.3.

The 4x400 meter relay was a closely contested match with Albany coming in second in a combined time of 3:30.71. The team consisted of White, freshman Zamafa Chickwendu, sophomore Melvin Keyes, and freshman David Abraham.

In the 3000 meters, sophomore Jason DeJoy earned third place honors with a time of 9:11.

Chickwendu's time of 53.18 seconds was good enough for him to place fourth in the 400-meters.

Junior Scott Durivage earned points for Albany with his fifth place finish in the 55-meter high hurdles with a time of 8.35 seconds.

Albany's Keith Liburd, a junior, placed fifth in the 200-meters with a time of 23.30 seconds.

In the pentathlon, which was held the weekend before last, sophomore Oscar Alemendarez earned 3,389 points which earned him third place.

In addition to Almendarez's point contributions at States, he was also trying to win the gold in the triple jump at the IC4A's, held at Harvard University. However he placed a disappointing 18 out of 24 with his jump of 45', 5".

"My performance was nowhere near what I am capable of," Almendarez said, citing the fact that he was jumping that length at the beginning of the season.

"Physically I was prepared but I wasn't really prepared mentally," Almendarez said. "However, I'm ready to go [to the National Championships] and I've put the IC4A's behind me."

Howie Sellers, a junior, was the other athlete to compete in the IC4A's.

"I was really psyched with the possibility of being the first Division III athlete in history to win a title," Sellers said.

In the trials for the 500-meters, Sellers ran a 1:02.66 which was a school and New York Division III record. However, in the finals, Sellers found himself coming in fifth.

"Naturally, I ran to win it," Sellers said, "but I'm satisfied with my placing."

Both athletes cited the lack of team support (the rest of the team was at the States) as a contributing factor to their finishes.

"A cheering section is really important because you feed off that energy," Sellers commented.

The next and final step of the season is the NCAA Division III National Championships at Bowdoin College in Maine this weekend. Albany will be sending seven competitors (the most ever sent by Albany) to compete in five events.

Almendarez will be taking part in the triple jump.

After Nixon's excellent performance at the meet, expectations are high for him at Nationals in the pole vault event.



File Photo by Edwil Fontanilla
Oscar Almendarez lept his way to Nationals.

Sophomore Shawn Condell is going to run in the 55-meter dash while Sellers will take part in the 400-meters as well as 4x400 meter relay alongside teammates Chickwendu, Keyes, and White.

### Boyette and Somes are going to Nationals

By Ron Balle Staff Writer

What's the toughest way to win a trip to Maine? For juniors Laura Somes and Bonnie Boyette, it was waiting for a phone call, the phone call that would let them know if their performances at this past weekend's ECAC Championships were good enough to qualify them for the Division III National Championships.

Patience proved to be a virtue as women's track coach Ron White received the call late Monday afternoon that let him know that his two athletes had made it.

Boyette made the most of her opportunity at the ECAC meet, held at Bates College, breaking the school record for the triple jump once again.

She almost did not have the chance to prove herself. In the preliminary round, she fouled on her first two jumps. A third foul would have ended her weekend.

Instead, she hit a "safe" jump of 34',2" to allow her to advance. In

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## Danes played well despite youth Graber led the way for Albany in the 1992-93 season

By PATRICK CULLEN
Managing Editor

Second of two in a series

Being left out of the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) playoffs put a damper on the Great Danes' season, but what might not be remembered is the memorable team and individual performances seen this season.

Still, the sting from being snubbed for a playoff bid was hard to shake off, especially considering the circumstances leading up to

the playoff selection.

"It was an illogical political process that knocked us out," Albany head basketball coach Richard "Doc" Sauers said at the conclusion of his 37th season of coaching the Danes. "It was private schools sticking up for each other."

Seven of the eight schools which qualified for the tournament are private schools. Plattsburgh State, the eighth and last seed, was the only public school to reach the tourney.

'There were teams that didn't want to

play us," Sauers said.

After losing six of nine through the midseason, Albany ripped off seven wins in its last ten regular season games to put it in good position for a bid.

"I was dead certain we'd be in," Sauers remembered. "I led them (the team) to believe it. We were cheated."

Despite the disappointing end to the season, the Danes will have virtually the entire roster returning next season with at least a full year of varsity experience under their belts.

Only three players had significant varsity playing time coming into the season, yet the Danes finished out the campaign with a very respectable 15-10 record.

Included in Albany's difficult schedule were ECAC Tournament qualifiers Hamilton College, Binghamton State, Plattsburgh State, Elmira College, and Hartwick College. The Danes lost all these games, except for one win in a two game series versus the Soaring Eagles of Elmira.

Two games each against always formidable Rensselear Polytechnic Institute and Skidmore College, in addition to games versus usual NCAA Tournament qualifiers Western Connecticut State and Buffalo State, made it a tall task for success this season.

"Considering our inexperience," Sauers said, "I was reasonably satisfied with our overall record."

"We started the season with only three with varsity experience," he added. "I think Continued on page 19



File Photo by Edwil Fontanilla

Dan Keegan provided a spark for the Great Danes off the bench.