



## Standards Up for SUNYA Admissions

by David Wieselberg

It is becoming increasingly apparent that SUNYA is setting higher than ever standards for its next entering freshman class. Last year, freshmen applications to this university increased 33% over the previous period and according to Rodney Hart, director of Undergraduate Admissions, that increase "is being maintained" this year.

### University's Goal

The University's goal, as Hart termed it, "is to register 1600 freshmen" next term. The admissions office has "given out 6000" acceptances or "bids" from a total of 13,700 applicants wishing to attend SUNYA this autumn, Director Hart said that "Applications are up over the past couple of years, very definitely" adding that this year especially, "there has been a marked increase of EOP and transfer applications" to this school. He explained that there are several reasons why SUNYA is and will probably continue to be bombarded with anxious enrollees.

Hart cited "location, size, economics, reputation and programs sought" as five factors contributing to the increase in applications to this school. Hart feels that these days it is "not difficult to get into college at all," and that schools today are "bidding for

students." The Admissions Director said, "Colleges more than ever are concerned with filling their empty spaces. Not only a question of filling; it's a question of getting quality students. Some colleges face the problem of attracting enough students, but every college faces the problems of attracting quality students." Hart added that the "academic records for people entering as freshmen is continuing to increase significantly." He mentioned that the "quality of the transfer class entering has improved as well."

Hart revealed that the "main private competitors" in SUNYA's bidding for students include "the University of Rochester, Syracuse University, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Hofstra and N.Y.U." Albany's quality enrollment competition with the S.U.N.Y. system includes "Binghamton, Stony Brook, Buffalo University and Oneonta." Hart believes that within S.U.N.Y., Albany and Binghamton are "consistently" the hardest to get into.

### Upward Trend

Assistant to the President, Ted Jennings said the "the basic upward trend of applications and the maintaining of all the measures of aptitude suggest that this campus is a place where a lot of people want to come to study." Jennings added that

S.U.N.Y.'s rate of retention is "higher than most." Admissions Director Hart attributed the high rate of retention to the "high quality of the student body" and "the services (personal, financial, medical, etc.) provided to students here." He also asserts that S.U.N.Y.A. is "very much involved in undergraduate education," another retention rate factor.

Hart blames the recent S.U.N.Y.A. budget cuts for an interruption in this school's growth. "With the budget cuts, we can't handle what we have now." Hart also believes that, "If we don't grow, we get further cuts." Hart is "aiming for a 23% return in the bids sent out" and hopes that the overcrowding that occurred last year can be alleviated with better planning this year.

The FSA Advisory Board has decided to reduce the weekend guest meal ticket from any six meals for \$7.50 down to any four meals for \$5.00. The Board, made up of seven students, Norbert Zahm and Peter Haley, made the decision because many guests missed two of the six meals. The guest meal ticket can be obtained at the Food Service office on State Quad (Fulton Hall, Rm. 108) before 5 p.m. on Fridays.

# NEWS BRIEFS

**EGYPT (AP)** President Anwar Sadat of Egypt may meet with President Ford early next month, informed sources in Cairo said Thursday. Egyptian political sources said Sadat plans to announce Friday that he will meet a "major foreign personality" in a European capital on June 2-3. Informed sources said Ford, who goes to Brussels on May 28 for a North Atlantic Treaty Organization summit meeting, may be the foreigner. Neither the U.S. Embassy in Cairo nor the Egyptian Foreign Ministry would comment. Diplomatic sources said American and Egyptian officials in Cairo are tight-lipped because they don't want to detract from what is expected to be an announcement from both capitals.

**BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)** Guarded by soldiers and police, the people of Northern Ireland voted Thursday in an election that has been called the province's last chance at a political solution to its sectarian war. A tight turnout was blamed by polling officers on general apathy and a boycott urged in Catholic areas. The voting, expected to divide along Roman Catholic and Protestant lines, was to elect 78 delegates to a constitutional convention that will try to work out a new form of provincial government for Northern Ireland, ruled directly from London for nearly a year.

**SOUTH VIETNAM (AP)** The Viet Cong announced Thursday they were in complete control of South Vietnam and issued a series of policy decrees stressing revolutionary government and an end to 15 years of U.S. influence. A broadcast warned people against "acting like American." Among the decrees was an order nationalizing virtually all the country's business and industry, the Cuban news agency reported.

**THAILAND (AP)** Thailand's foreign minister, Chatichai Choonhavan, told newsmen withdrawal of a substantial part of the 25,000 U.S. servicemen and 350 warplanes based in Thailand has been agreed on and will be announced in Washington and Bangkok next Monday.

**WASHINGTON (AP)** A formerly secret Senate report says American nuclear weapons have been stored in Europe under conditions so lax that they have been vulnerable to attack by terrorists. In one case, according to the censored report released Wednesday, atomic bombs were stored in the basement of an office building with only minimal protection. However, the Pentagon indicated that since the report was written in 1973, it has corrected most of the deficiencies.

**WASHINGTON (AP)** Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger said today he expects no new Communist military challenges in Asia as a result of North Vietnam's victory and other U.S. reverses in Indochina. At the same time, Schlesinger said "it is particularly inopportune to contemplate major changes" in military deployments because the confidence of many countries "in American power and American steadfastness" has been shaken.

**WASHINGTON (AP)** The House rejected Thursday \$327 million in humanitarian aid for South Vietnamese refugees—an act President Ford said was "not worthy of a people which has lived by the philosophy symbolized in the Statue of Liberty."

Declaring he was "saddened and disappointed" by the House vote, Ford said in a statement: "This action does not reflect the values we cherish as a nations of immigrants... It reflects fear and misunderstanding, rather than charity and compassion."

**WASHINGTON (AP)** Smokey the fire-fighting is retiring, his youth long since reduced to ashes by the creeping infirmities of age and arthritis. On Friday at the National Zoo, where Smokey has lived since taken there as a cub in 1950, there will be an official retirement ceremony. A new Smokey will be christened, a six-year-old black bear selected in 1971 to be his adoptive father's understudy.

**NEW YORK (AP)** A committee of judges active in criminal trials throughout the state has been selected by State Administrative Judge Richard J. Bartlett to prepare model criminal jury charges, or instructions, for use in all of the state's criminal courts. A grant from the federal "Safe Streets" fund will finance the project.

**NEW YORK (AP)** The cost of buying stock became fully competitive today for the first time in 183 years. While active traders and institutions are expected to use their new bargaining muscle to get rate discounts of 15 percent or more from brokerage houses, the small individual traders' commission rates will be basically the same or higher at some Wall St. firms.

**ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)** The chief judge of the state's highest court called Thursday for the redrafting of the entire Judiciary Article of the state Constitution, saying the legislature's "piecemeal proposals" for court reorganization are inadequate. Chief Judge Charles Breitler said he was already reviewing a draft of the proposed Judiciary Article that had been prepared under the supervision of the state Office of Court Administration.

**ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)** The legislature has put the finishing touches on a deal that state officials believe will save the Urban Development Corp., the giant building agency which for the past four months has been in danger of collapse. The Assembly and the Senate approved measures Wednesday appropriating another \$88 million to the UDC and setting the stage for renewal of bank financing for the agency.

**ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)** The state's highest court, in a ruling with broad implications for the legal process, held Thursday that a poor person seeking a divorce does not have the constitutional right to be represented by a lawyer at public expense.

## Capitalism Doesn't Even Work on Paper, Says Camejo

by Linda Fried

"You've all heard that saying that socialism is beautiful on paper, but doesn't work in real life. Well, capitalism doesn't even work on paper." Peter Camejo's listeners burst into laughter at that, one of his speech's light moments. Over one hundred and fifty people were gathered in the Campus Center Assembly Hall, Monday, to hear the Socialist Workers Party 1976 presidential candidate speak. Camejo observed, adding later, "They don't want people to hear the alternative ideas."

He then told of his experience trying to hear Gerald Ford make a speech. "I don't know if they do it by plastic surgery or what," he mused, "but secret service men all look the same." Next came the description, then, "and they all wear these little buttons so they won't arrest each other." Again laughter, after which Camejo informed his audience that he never got to hear the speech, because he, a friend, and two innocent bystanders were jailed for six hours. "The capitalists prevent the socialist workers' alternative from being known," Camejo repeated, "because they know it will be liked."

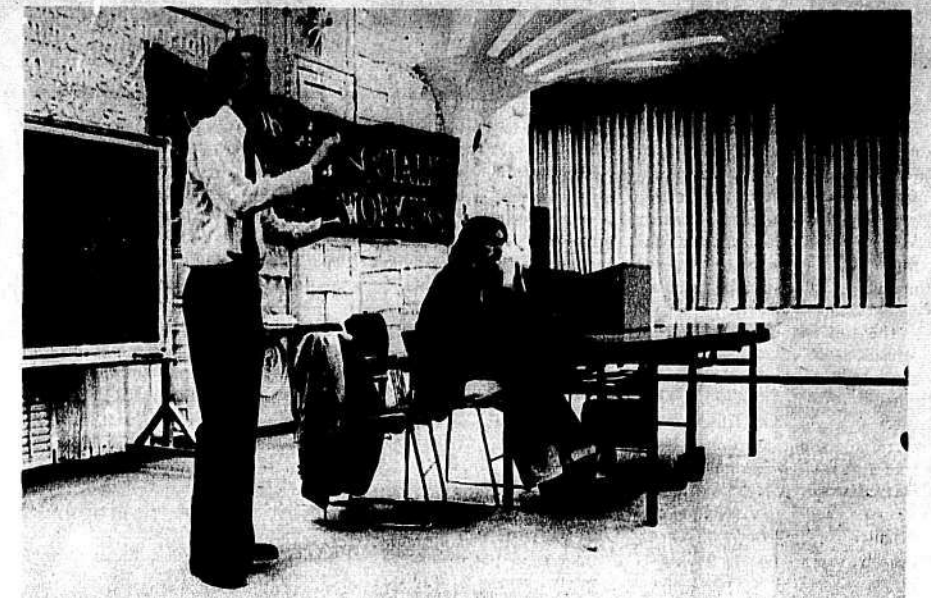
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Camejo began his speech with a few reminiscences about his campaign, primarily concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The F.B.I. has clashed with Camejo on several occasions. When he brought the organization to court for interfering with his campaign, Camejo emerged victorious. A short time ago, Camejo revealed a sizable collection of F.B.I. secret memos on television, and published them in "The Monitor," a socialist

newspaper. Allegedly, these documents give proof of the F.B.I.'s involvement with hundreds of dissenting organizations and criminal groups. "Harassment by the F.B.I. follows a pattern," Camejo observed, adding later, "They don't want people to hear the alternative ideas."

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The Socialist Workers Party 1976 presidential candidate Peter Camejo spoke to SUNYA students on topics such as the F.B.I., President Ford's economic policy, and racism last Wednesday night.

This led into some examples of those who, "by birth make the decisions about our lives," those born rich. The point, although very humorously presented, came across. Camejo turned next to scapegoatism, a solution currently practiced. "In the 40's it was the Jews who had all the money, and now it's the Arabs. And Blacks have a crime gene. When they reach puberty it becomes active." Camejo explained that the Democrats and Republicans think to solve the crime problem with more prisons and more police. "It could end," he contended, "by giving everyone a job at union wages and a free education."

The oration became rather heated on the subject of Boston—the symbol of a new rise in racism. Camejo related the conditions prompting the Boston racial conflicts. Black children were bused past their superior neighborhood schools, to an all black school farther away. When they attempted to go to the school nearer them, they were confronted by hostile whites who barred their entry. Camejo was actively involved in the anti-sect activities that followed.

After speaking a bit longer on the racism, Camejo made a few points about the Viet Nam war. The audience cheered and applauded when he introduced the fact that, "This is the first time in history that the American empire is being defeated." Describing the growth of

the anti-war movement, Camejo reflected, "If we were able to win the majority of the American people to be against a war half around the world, why can't we show them what's happening here? The hardest thing to conquer is the cynicism of people who already agree."

The presidential candidate stated that the main issues in 1976 will be to point out what is happening to the economy and to pay attention to the real issues. Also, whether the country should be run by the upper class or the working class.

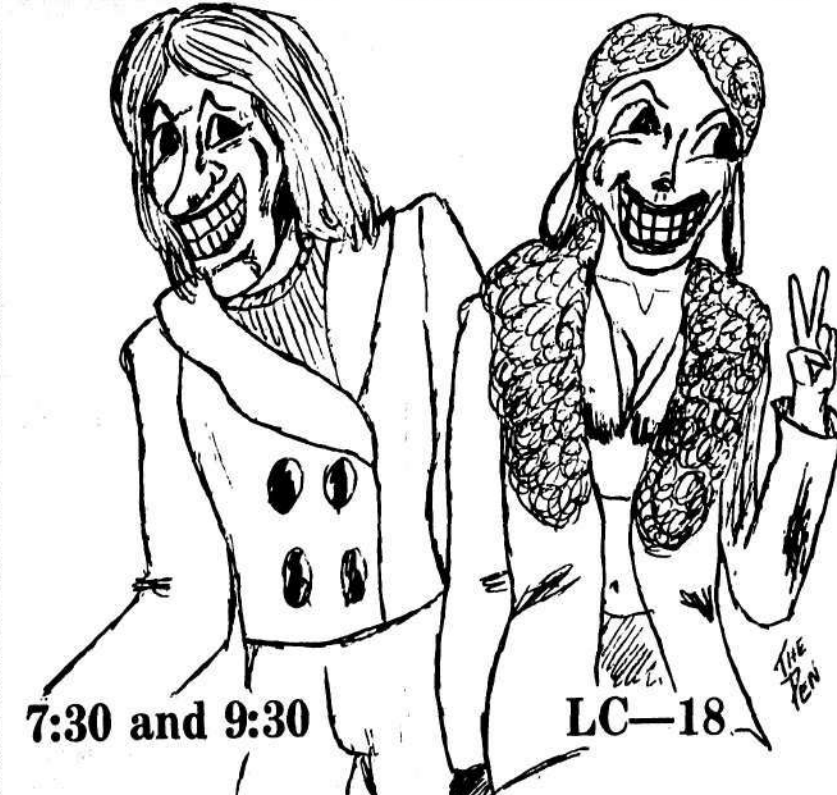
In the question and answer period that followed, tempers got hot as members of the audience entered into conflict with one another. When asked how he might unite the many socialist organizations, Camejo replied that we must recognize the need to work together where there is agreement, despite the fact that there are other irrelevant areas of disagreement. Another question concerned the Soviet Union and its becoming a bureaucracy. "We must," Camejo included in his answer, "build a socialist alternative on a mass level."

The two hour speech, sponsored by Fuerza Latina and a number of SUNYA's political organizations, began with an introduction by Spencer Livingston. After the presentation, those in attendance were able to purchase pamphlets, buttons, and newspapers.

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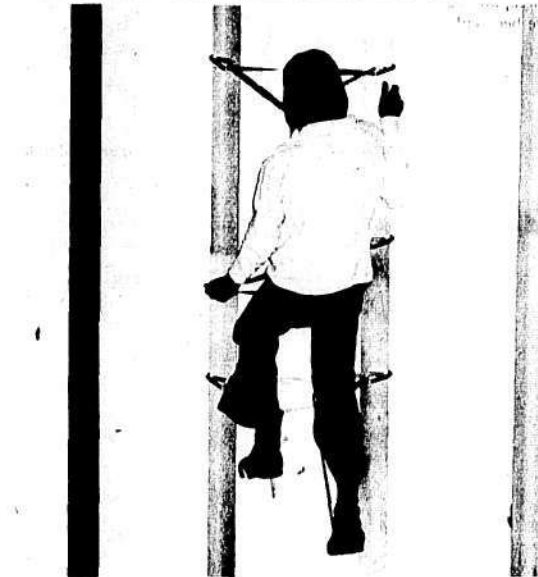
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# Central Council News

by Pat Sakai

Several decisions were made at Wednesday's Central Council meeting that will directly affect students. One concerns the approval of spending \$675 for beer parties in front of the Campus Center on sunny days (8 days are included in the \$675). This idea was first proposed by Jon Martin and Lew Fidler. Another bill, reducing the price of the *Torch* for students with both semesters' tax cards to \$1.00 instead of \$1.50, was passed, 17-2-2. Note: Seniors only will be allowed to

purchase a *Torch* on Monday.

Three hundred and ten dollars was allocated to cover the cost of chartering and advertising for late weekend night buses for the rest of the semester.

The turnout for the elections so far, has been "exceptionally good," according to Elections Commissioner Kelvin Dowd. There was a slight problem with running out of ballots, but that has now been alleviated.

In case you haven't heard, Commander Cody, Baldorf and Rodney,

and the Good Ol' Boys will be here next weekend for a free concert outdoors.

Michael Sakoff was appointed to investigate the possibility of proclaiming May 4 "Kent State Day" at Albany State, and having the bells ring for fifteen minutes at noon.

Also acted on were several other bills: Dutch Quad Board received a supplemental appropriation of \$690. This money will go towards redecorating their coffee house.

The Bicentennial SUNYA Initial Appropriation of \$410 passed. The money will be used for a Jazz concert, and for national and state dues. The group is in the process of being recognized by the National Bicentennial Committee.

Alumni Quad Board will receive \$200 for repairing their pool table, which is 15 years old.

Also considered on the agenda were seven budget hearings, the meeting was not adjourned until 3 a.m.

## Public Should Pay For Elections Says NYPIRG

The New York Public Interest Research Group, Inc. (NYPIRG) recently urged the Senate Committee on Election Law to make a commitment to working for the institution of total public financing of state elections. Nancy Kramer, NYPIRG staff attorney, told the committee, at a hearing held in New York City, that total public subsidization of state campaigns is the only solution to the campaign financing ills that have plagued New York and other states. After discussing the problems of the current system, she said:

Any system that allows private contributions has a major fundamental drawback which no amount of exquisitely careful drafting or full and fair enforcement can overcome. It gives a greater say in the electoral process to those who have wealth or access to wealth. And, in so doing it makes our public officials beholden to those people who have made it possible for them to reach public office. Therefore, a system based on private contributions is an inherently unfair system—no matter how well-designed and administered.

As a solution, NYPIRG offered its own public financing bill. Highlights of the bill include:

- Bank on private contributions of all kinds (sole exception: volunteer services) to state election campaigns.
- Establishment of State Election Campaign Financing Fund to pay actual costs of campaigns for all serious candidates in all state elections (primary and general elections for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney-General, State Comptroller, Judge of the Court of Appeals, and members of the State Legislature).
- Proportionate subsidization - comprehensive system to insure that the amount of money disbursed reflects the amount of voter support for a candidate.

Monitoring and enforcement by Political Practices Commission, a totally independent, agency with power to sue and to enforce substantial criminal penalties for violations.

NYPIRG is a research and advocacy organization funded and directed by college and university students in the state who support a full-time professional staff of 13 which works out of offices in Albany, Binghamton, Buffalo, New York City, and Syracuse. Good government, particularly at the state level is one of NYPIRG's major concerns, according to Donald Ross, its executive director.

Before drafting this bill, NYPIRG's legal staff evaluated the wide range of solutions proposed in New York and other states and concluded that it was necessary to go beyond their partial solutions. The result, said Mr. Ross, is the most comprehensive and far-reaching state election subsidization bill yet proposed, which, if enacted could make New York State the leader in election finance reform. As Mr. Ross explained,

The only way to minimize the disproportionate influence of big money in politics is to ban outright from all campaigns. That means exclusive public financing, with funds allocated proportionate to voter support in the previous election. We recognize that this raises several complex mechanical and theoretical issues. But the complexity of the subject must not be allowed to continue to dictate inaction or to perpetuate the existing totally unpalatable system.

We might have grabbed you at a basketball game. Or maybe in the library while you were studying. It could be that one of your friends was in front of our lenses when the shutter was pressed at a dance sponsored by "Friends". One way or another, we managed to get a lot of people's pictures in this year's TORCH.

So when you get your yearbook on Monday, tear into it. Leaf through it like everyone else does to see if you or your friends are in there. But after that, sit down with the book. It'll take about a half hour to read from cover to cover.

Check out the end sheets, front and back (they're not the same). Then read it through. Check the photos on pages 82 and 83 (they're not the same either).

TORCH 75 has attempted to capture and interpret the past year at SUNYA. Check it out. It's a book to think about.

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## Extended Weekend Bus Service Scheduled

by Sam Michael

Off-campus students and those living on Alumni Quad often feel, not without cause, that the bus schedule imposes an unfair curfew. After a substantial amount of work the Off-Campus Student Life Committee of Central Council has arranged with the Capital District Transit Authority to run additional buses on Friday and Saturday nights for the rest of the semester.

The original bill requested \$270 from SA Operating to subsidize the service. Taxpaying riders would have been charged 25c and non-tax payers would be charged 40c. There was also an appropriation of \$40 to

advertise the new service.

The bill was amended to eliminate the charge for taxpayers. If the demand for these late night buses makes itself apparent, there is a good possibility that the administration will run late buses beginning next semester. This was told to Stu Simon, who has been instrumental in setting up the late night buses, by Frank Kopf, the Director of Plant Administration. The buses will stop at the circle and at Partridge and Western only.

The schedule of the late-night buses that will run on May 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, and 18, follows:  
Buses will leave the Circle at: 1:00

a.m., 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, and 3:50; buses will leave Partridge and Western at: 1:20 a.m., 2:00, 2:45, and 3:30.

The Off-Campus Student Committee requests students to remember that this service will be continued only if it is patronized.

The rationale for the new bus schedule is to alleviate the "Cinderella curfew" that has long hampered students living downtown. With the new schedule in effect, off-campus students and Alumni Quad residents will not be required to leave on-campus movies and other functions early in order to catch a bus downtown.

By the same, token students living uptown will be able to stay downtown until the later hours without being stranded.

The bill was largely a product of Central Council member Gary Bennett's efforts. Bennett created and tabulated a survey on Alumni Quad last March. "The results of that survey showed that there would be justification [for late buses]," stated Bennett.

The sponsors of the bill were Gary Bennett, Sue Leboff, and Stu Simon.



CDTA buses such as the one above will provide students with late night service.

## Earthlings Victims Of Space Blackouts

(ZNS) Astronomy Magazine is suggesting that residents of the planet earth may be the victims of intergalactic radio blackouts being im-

posed by highly advanced civilizations in space.

The magazine, in its May issue, says that Earth scientists with their newly-developed radio telescopes now have the ability to aim their instruments toward nearby stars and possibly to listen in on other intelligent beings communicating with each other.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) recently proposed a \$10 billion (dollar) project dubbed "Project Cyclops" that would employ an array of radio telescopes to cavedrop on the stars around us.

NASA figures indicate that with \$10 billion (dollars), we could systematically attempt to detect intelligent signals from a million nearby stars over a period of 30 years.

There's one catch, however: The magazine says that it's very possible that advanced civilizations don't want us to know they're out there. Astronomy says that if extraterrestrial beings are, in fact, responsible for the thousands of U.F.O. sightings over the past 30 years, there's a good chance they are deliberately hiding their existence from us.

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Time To Come in From The Cold

The Government

by Ron Hendren A quick survey of some 30 representative American newspapers reveals that all but two support a normalization of trade and diplomatic relations with Cuba. Public opinion polls show that a majority of the American people want a warming up towards our 90-mile-away neighbor. And more politicians seem to be trucking to Cuba for pictures with Fidel Castro than are lining up to pose with Gerald Ford.

What seems to be taking place, is a fundamental shift in the popular attitude toward our little island neighbor.

It all happened very quickly. In fact, Cuba's disappearance from the list of controversial political issues here in the United States took place faster than the collapse of the South Vietnamese army and almost as fast as the Secretary of State's fall from grace.

And that is why, in light of the present low state of his prestige, Kissinger's ambivalent attitude toward Cuba is puzzling. Everybody except him seems to have seen the grail. So far he remains aloof and Hamlet-like, postponing a decision on what to do about Cuba.

Perhaps recent failures have made him gunshy. At this writing, step by step diplomacy in the Middle East has been abandoned, the governments of South Vietnam and Cambodia have fallen, Portugal is lurching leftward, Cyprus remains divided, Greece becomes more anti-American every day, Chile lives under a repressive dictatorship, and Thailand wants U.S. troops to leave.

Cuba could provide Kissinger with the coup he needs to re-group his forces, but instead the Secretary has taken the low road to more criticism. America's silence at the November meeting of the Organization of American States last year resulted in a continuation of the economic embargo against Cuba even though well over a majority of member

nations favored just the opposite. Only the United States and three other nations (each governed by a pseudo-fascist military dictatorship) opposed the "opening" of Cuba. One is led to the conclusion that Kissinger's planned "consensus building" visit to our Latin neighbors is misnamed inasmuch as the consensus by all accounts is already there.

Surely the man who designed detente and the the Nixon trips to Russia and China cannot believe that it's wrong to deal with communists. As for the Castro threat to the rest of Latin America, very few if any experts will argue that Cuba poses any kind of threat, direct or indirect, to the domestic stability of its neighbors.

For all his brilliance and finesse, Kissinger seems locked into the same error that hurt him so badly in Southeast Asia: putting his and America's prestige behind an outdated policy opposed both by the American people and the rest of the world.

The advantages of America taking the lead in normalizing relations with Cuba are manifold. Both the Cuban and the American people would benefit economically from renewed trade relations. Our diplomats, politicians and academicians could study the economic advances made under Castro (despite the emotional rhetoric about Marxism, Castro has put much of the Alliance for Progress to shame.)

Countries like Argentina, Canada and England already are trading with Cuba. Bluntly put, these sales are taking jobs away from Americans.

America has had the good sense, with Kissinger's help, to come in from the cold to our east and the west. It is time for us to come in from the cold at home.



BICENTENNIAL BANQUET

Great To Be Gay

by Ira Philip Shabronsky

My name is Ira. I've passed you many times in hallways, in the dining hall, at the bookstore, anonymously. I've spoken with you, been in your classes, and perhaps smoked with you. I look like any "normal" human being. Basically, I am no different than any of you. But there is one small difference. I am homosexual. This in itself means that I am an outlaw because, in case you weren't aware, there is a law on the books against this sort of thing. Yet it's funny, but I don't feel like a lawbreaker. I feel proud to finally be myself, after suppressing my homosexuality for over 8 years.

It was a difficult period for me when I finally "came out," but I'm glad I did. "Coming out," in my mind, means admitting to yourself your sexual preference and living your life as a homosexual. When I came out, just less than one year ago, almost nobody knew about it. This was because: 1) I was afraid of the reactions I would get from my straight friends, and 2) I wanted my new friends (especially my suitmates, with whom I'd never lived before) to get to know me as a person before getting to know me as a gay person. Even up until this semester, some people did not know I was gay. Little by little, I became more confident in myself, and now all my friends know. Nothing has really changed. We all still feel the same toward each other, except that I feel even more love and respect toward them for their acceptance of a "new me," a person quite different than when I came here some 2 1/2 years ago. And I suppose that this is the case for many gay people.

There are many like me. In fact, latest reports indicate that somewhere around 10% of the population is homosexual. Kinsey states that, by the time they are 30, 37% of the males in the United States will have had a homosexual experience. There have been many historical figures about whom speculation has been made of their sexual preference. According to Noel I. Garde's book Jonathan to Gide: The Homosexual in History, some of these people were: Aeschylus, Socrates, Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, Sappho, Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, Shakespeare, Moliere, George Washington, Beethoven, "Wild Bill" Hickok, I Chaiakowsky, Oscar Wilde, and a host of others. So I'm in good company, I suppose. In the present society, gay people are not readily accepted as human beings. We are jeered at, abused, hurt, and persecuted. But

because of an incident involving gays and police in a raid of a gay bar in Greenwich Village, the Stonewall, in June 1969, the gays of New York saw that something had to be done to organize themselves to fight for their rights and the rights of all other minorities. This was the Gay Activist Alliance formed. This group was the basis for the many Gay Alliance groups formed all over the country.

SUNYA's own Gay Alliance group first met in the Fall of 1970. The group has evolved until, at this time, we are one of the more active gay groups on college campuses in New York State. We have sponsored dances, weekends, trips, and other successful events. Gay Alliance is a social group, where we have informal discussions on many subjects—racism, prejudice, women's liberation, men's liberation—to make us all aware of the world in which we live. We have had sensitivity sessions to become more understanding of ourselves and thus toward each other. This is necessary if we are to work as a unit. We are a political group, willing to help other minorities, as well as ourselves, gain dignity and strength. Just a few weeks ago, a talk-show host on a local radio station, Boom-Boom Brannigan, made some quite derogatory remarks concerning homosexuals. A member of the Gay Alliance went to his office and "canned" him, that is, gained entry to his office and demanded a public apology. We are also a community group, participating in projects for the benefit of the university community. In these ways, we are able to get to know ourselves and to educate the public to what Gay Alliance is and does, that we are not just a bunch of "freaks" who have affairs with people of their same sex.

Love is a complex thing, and we are prevented from loving each other. Because of the present consensual sodomy law, two adults can be arrested for any sex act other than "missionary"-style coitus. Oral and anal sex are forbidden. This affects heterosexuals as well as homosexuals. According to a recent newspaper article, a married couple is now in jail for at least 5 years for having oral sex. It seems that their child saw them by accident, told his friend, his friend told his parents, their next-door neighbors, who called the police. The police arrived and asked the couple to sign confessions, and that this type of thing usually doesn't get prosecuted. This time, however, was an exception. We of Gay Alliance want to see this law repealed, because no one should dictate what goes on in anyone's



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bedroom. This incident shows that "Big Brother" is watching, but few people are aware of this law and its effects. It affects all, but gays are singled out as the law's primary offenders. Luckily, there is action being taken to repeal this law. Unluckily, it is taking too long.

There are a great many myths that seem to pop up about homosexuality that I would like to dispell once and for all. MYTH #1 - Homosexuals want to be of the opposite sex. False—Homosexuals are quite happy with their anatomy. It is the transsexual who feels that he or she is in the wrong body with the mind, emotions, etc. of the sex opposite to that into which he was born. MYTH #2—Homosexual men dress in women's clothing and vice versa. FALSE—People who dress in the clothes of the opposite sex and are turned on by that are transvestites. There are a number of gays who cross-dress, but they are considered homosexual transvestites. The true transvestite feels that sex is between a man and a woman, and often

male transvestites are some of the straightest people, except for their desire to cross-dress. MYTH #3—In sexual relationships, one homosexual takes on the role of the man, the other, of a woman. FALSE—Gay sex, as in straight sex, is a shared experience. Either of the participants may initiate the sex act; no one assumes any role-playing. The only real difference between gay sex and straight sex is that there are two of the same sex participating rather than a man and a woman. MYTH #4—Homosexuality is a mental illness. FALSE—The American Psychiatric Association has removed homosexuality from their list of mental disorders. MYTH #5—All gays are in the arts, hairdressing, or interior decorating. FALSE—Gay people are in all walks of life: football players, businessmen, homemakers, janitors, students, doctors, nurses, etc.—in every profession and vocation.

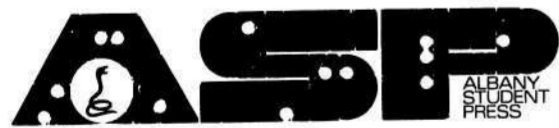
The list goes on and on. All these myths are stereotypes, the kind we all are taught from when we were born. The people fitting these stereotypes are "homosexual", and one must be careful of these people, because they might attack us in the night, or molest our children, or other such sick things. But then, the Irish are drunks, Poles are stupid, Italians are greasy, Blacks steal, Jews pinch pennies, and women have inferior mental capabilities... don't they?

Why am I telling you all this? Because on Friday, May 9, 1975, the SUNYA Gay Alliance is sponsoring "It's Great to be Gay Day", a day-long group of events. Tentatively slated for this day are: A display in the library, an all-day table in Campus Center with literature and information about gay life-style, a Lesbian poetess, Janet Cooper, who will give a poetry reading and lecture, a workshop on the legal aspects of homosexuality, a panel discussion and question-answer period by some of the members of the Albany gay community and in the evening, a dance. A schedule of finalized events will be published at a later date.

These events are geared to the general public—this means YOU—because we know who we are, and we want you to become more familiar with us and with what Gay Alliance does in the community. All are extended a warm welcome to join us on this day. Help make "It's Great to be Gay Day" a really great day. You have nothing to lose but your stereotypes.



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## RPI Explodes with Urbaniak's Fusion

By Linda Fried  
By eight o'clock, the McNeil Room of the R.P.I. student union was full, and more people gathered on the upstairs balcony. Onlookers eyed the stage curiously, the drums, electric piano, electric guitars, synthesizers, and various other electronic devices, not really knowing what type of show they were about to witness. The house lights dimmed as one by one five informally dressed men and one similarly clad woman stepped onto the platform.

A slightly overweight man in a white T-shirt, his long black hair tied back and partially hidden by a multi-colored baseball hat, picked up a strange looking rectangular box, plugged the cord attached into an amplifier and secured the box under his chin. Michal Urbaniak raised his bow till it touched the strings on the box, and the room exploded in music.

This was Michal Urbaniak's Fusion, presented by R.P.I. on Friday, April 25, 1975. Urbaniak's music is, to say the least, unique. Some of his intricate compositions are written in such off-beat meters as seven beats per measure. Urbaniak's proficiency with the electric violin is indeed impressive and adds flavor to the sound. Unfortunately, the volume to which certain high notes were amplified gave one the uncomfortable feeling of being in the vicinity of a dentist's drill.

Ursula Dudziak contributed to the performance in an unusual, interesting, and creative way. Her vocals were an experience hard to believe and impossible to describe. Unlike most vocalists, she did not just sing, but with the aid of an electronic device, "played" her voices as if it were an instrument. The outcome drove the audience wild. At the end of the number, Dudziak was showered with thunderous applause and shouts for more.

Every so often, Urbaniak would mumble the song titles in his thickly accented voice. Few listeners un-

derstood what he said, but as the compositions themselves were more important than their names, few cared. Unlike many performers, Urbaniak does not believe in show. He does not try to sell himself to the audience, but confident of his musical genius he merely plays and lets the sound sell itself.

The concert was not long, beginning at eight, and ending at nine-thirty. After a few minutes of stamping, yelling, and screaming, the audience was granted an encore. The performers did a cut off their newest Columbia album, to be released in the near future.

Even one only superficially aware of the structure of Urbaniak's music could sense the complexity. Certain patterns repeated in many of the numbers, could indicate a slight stagnancy. The musician appeared to be somewhat bored, but neither of these detracted much from the quality of the concert. Ursula Dudziak overflowed with enough enthusiasm to compensate for anyone else's lack. The evening with Michal Urbaniak was well spent.

record review

## Hammond Sings the Blues His Way

by Alan D. Abbey

**Can't Beat the Kid**—John Hammond  
John Hammond always seems to be around. He shows up at the Shaeffer Music Festival in New York City every summer, playing his dobro guitar and warming up a Focus or Mahavishnu Orchestra crowd. The people there try to turn him off, but he just sits there blowing his harp, stomping his foot, and grabbing peoples' attention.

The second side of his new album, *Can't Beat the Kid*, contains that type of music: solo blues, with only a guitar, harp, and a foot for backup. This sets John Hammond off from other blues musicians. Almost all other blues interpreters rely on electric guitars, loud instrumentation, and female vocalists. Hammond relies on the blues. With him, the words stand out, and reach the listener. In Robert Johnson's "Terraplane Blues", he sings, "When I mash down on your starter, your sparkplugs will give me fire." He keeps it really simple, but effective. Hammond doesn't pick a great

blues guitar like Eric Clapton, or Duane Allman; he strums hard and fast, and scratches and whines when he plays slide. "Rag Mama" is a perfect example. While keeping the beat with his stomping foot, he plays above and below the beat with his



Whereas his guitar playing is effective, his harmonica is superb. It is the most distinctive sound on the album, especially on side one, where he has a backup hand—bass, piano and drums. "I Hate to See You Go," and "Help Me," are memorable for their harmonica breaks. They tremble and wail, and plead for his woman to stay.

The other songs on side one are not memorable. Their arrangements are uninteresting, the chorded guitar riffs are boring, and his vocals seem desultory. On the other hand, side two's vocals are animated and expressive. Without the backup musicians Hammond has to work harder and the effort shows. His "Statesboro Blues" is fast and jumpy, original despite the many recordings of it.

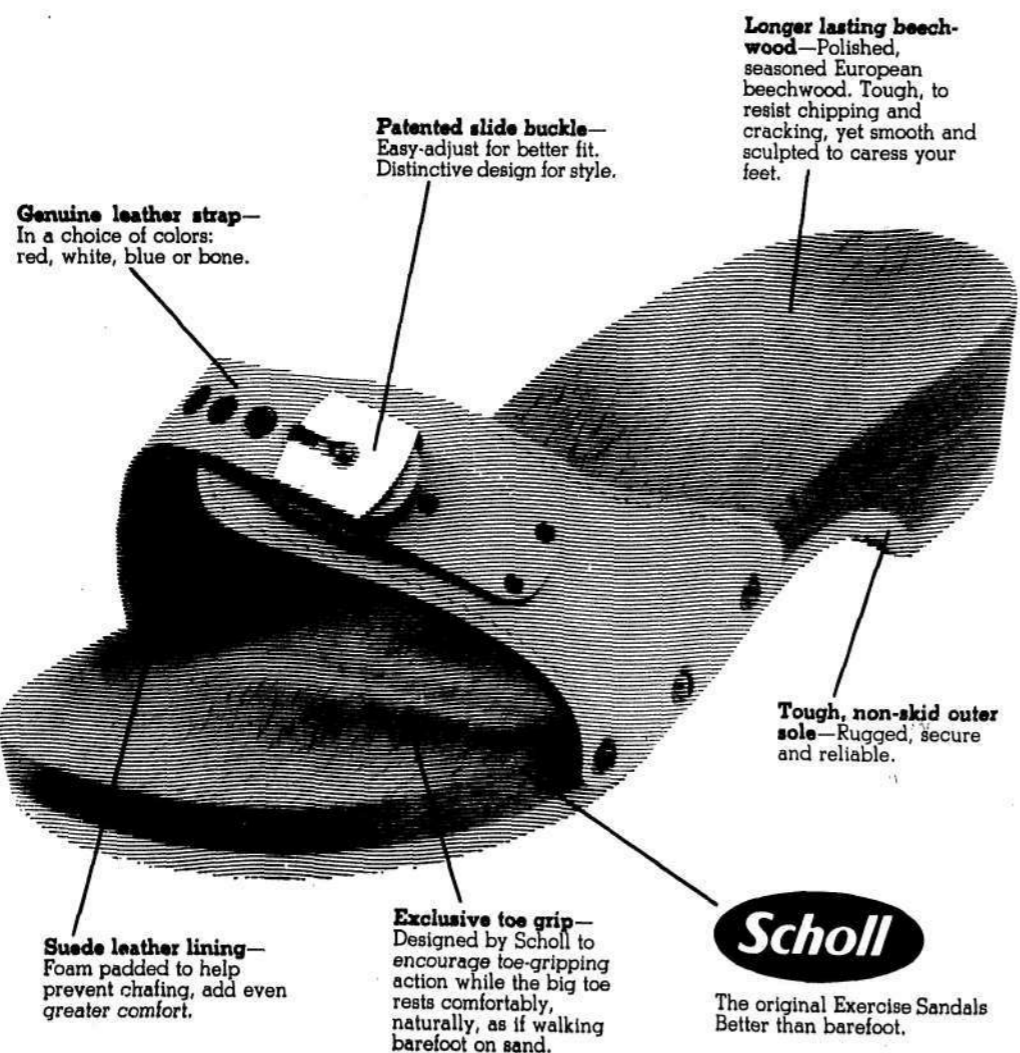
Hammond invites the listener to pay attention to an old song they won't recognize, and then launches into a bouncy version of "Chattanooga Choo-Choo." Its too fast to tapdance to, but has a great feeling to it.

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## Ryan's Starry Plough Filled with Spirits

by Eileen Oshinsky

The 70's may well be the age of ethnic pride—witness such courses at the university as "Italian Studies," "Puerto Rican Studies," and "Judaic Studies," new additions to the curriculum of academia. And while over-emphasis of one's culture can be dangerous (if it leads to hostility or a sense of false worth) and often creates what Kurt Vonnegut calls a *granfaloon* (a group of people who merely think they have something in common because of the accidents of birth, time or place), it is nevertheless fascinating and moving to learn the history of any people, especially an oppressed people, and extra-especially when their story has been notoriously neglected by the

all-but-recent "world" history textbooks in American schools.

On the other hand, there is a pub in downtown Rensselaer that offers more than any course can. It's called Ryan's Starry Plough. It is located at 27 Second Ave. in Rensselaer. I use the term "pub" because it's about as close as you can come to one without journeying overseas. Not because it has Guinness on tap, or an over-abundance of Gaelic blessings on the walls, or even because its name, "The Starry Plough," refers to an I.R.A. flag. It is truly full of spirit, a community effort, an all-join-in-and-have-a-hooley atmosphere.

The people at Ryan's are trying very hard to create a cultural ex-

perience, and a political awareness for their native land. It is owned by the Bryces, a warm-hearted, generous family originally from Belfast. On a quiet night, Jean Bryce (nee Ryan) may tell rich and colorful stories that will have you in stitches. Her husband, John, is a fabulous tenor who often treats his patrons to a lyrical rendition of "Ashtown Road," a melancholy ballad about a lad who died for Irish freedom.

Vince Forde, the dedicated leader of the James Connolly Republican Club is an eloquent spokesman, well worth listening to. Tommy Fegan is a great wit and a talented tin whistler. He holds classes on Wednesday night on the art of play-

ing the tin whistle, and Wednesdays are a nice night to go down to Ryan's. After the lessons, there's a "session" of generally folk music, and anyone is welcome to bring their own music-making devices or just come down.

Denny Davis and Duke Grey, a harmonicaist. But you never know what to expect—a few weeks ago, he was joined by an old friend, Jim Corr, a chanty-singing balladeer of great charisma. One night, two songstresses in the audience got up to do "The Boys of the Old Brigade." There was a delightful yodler two weeks ago, and an accordion player last week-end.

Often, members of the Irish Arts Center in New York City entertain with their fiddles, Erin pipes, mandolins. They play jigs and reels and teach everyone the dances. There is an exceptionally talented Celtic "Rock Band" called "Banish Misfortune" who do bluesy-sounding Gaelic melodies and blend electric guitars and drums with more traditional instruments. They also play some country tunes, replete with a steel guitar. Their fine music is interspersed with the talents of Tony Callanan, a sweet-voiced folk singer of poetic subtlety.

On Sunday, the Irish Revolutions, a very popular commercial group from Boston, often entertain. The Revolutions can play anything, and, compared to other groups of this sort, are superior musicians. Everyone dances. But the groups always pauses to do a few moving ballads, and Dick McManus' version of "Kevin Barry" will move you close to tears.

There are also plans to hold classes in Gaelic, and in dancing jigs and reels.  
If you come to Ryan's, you'll find there's a lot more to "Irish Studies" than a drunken rendition of "Danny Boy" or a few dressed-in-green Hibernians marching on St. Patrick's Day and congratulating you for Irish surname (if you have one).



Weekends, there is a variety of entertainment. Often, it is Vince Colgan, an expressive singer of traditional ballads and rebel songs. He is generally accompanied by

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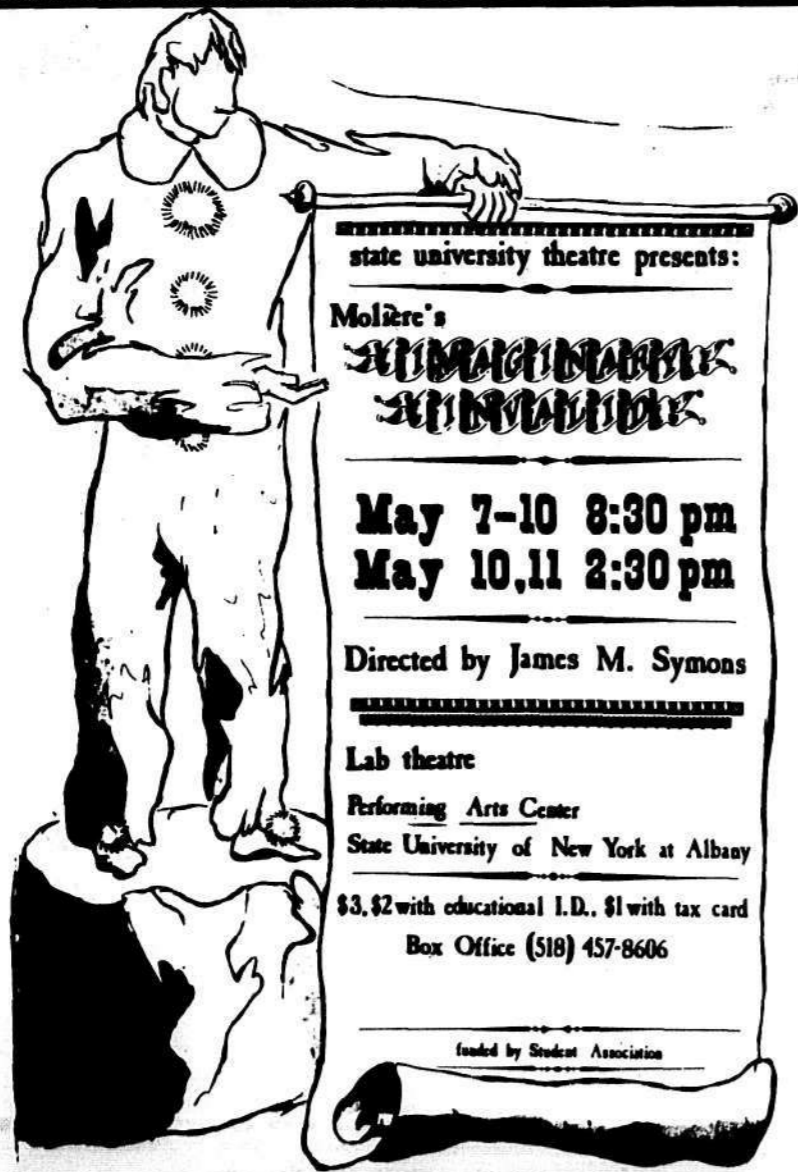
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## Zappa: An Interesting Experiment

by Spence Raggle and Matt Kaufman

In concert, the musical repertoire of Frank Zappa and the Mothers of Invention is seemingly limitless; they appear to have enough material to perform for several weeks straight

without repetition. Their music ranges from lyrical narrative to pure instrumental, but when it comes to college performances Zappa has always put aside his better known pieces for more experimental musical forms, as he illustrated last

week to a full house at the Palace.

Experimental is not necessarily better, though. The show was interesting—and "interesting" is Gertrude Stein's single qualification for determining whether or not something is worthwhile—but the concert could have been much better. At times the music slipped from free-form into slush. Sickness was partially to blame; Zappa and several members of the band reportedly almost fell off the stage at the end of the show.



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Frank Zappa, guitarist/songwriter/orchestrator/leader of The Mothers.

Things started off with a free-form jam, involving some strange pulsating lighting effects, as a manner of introduction for the members of the band: Bruce Fowler on trombone, Terry Vozio on drums, George Duke on keyboards, Tom Fowler on bass, Napoleon Murphy Brock on lead vocals and saxes, Denny Walley on rhythm guitar, Capt. Beelheart on harmonica and vocals, and Frank Zappa on lead guitar, vocals and low grumbles.

Throughout the rest of the concert, the group continued in the same fashion, relying on instrumentals

Zappa and The Mothers of Invention playing to a packed house at the Palace last week.

and solos rather than the more popular narrative. Playing only a handful of vocal numbers, the group then ventured off into more unorthodox musical ground, a move that unfortunately evoked complaints from many in the audience, and snored from several others.

On lead guitar Zappa presented himself as quite fluent, accurate and intelligent. A recurring criticism of Zappa's musicianship is that he doesn't seem to be trying, and this was the case at the Palace. Zappa, like the whole concert, was good but

could have been much better. George Duke showed a great desire to "fiddle about" on keyboards, at times successfully but more often not. In comparison with the many keyboardists who have played with Zappa in the past, or even in comparison with any of the keyboard men performing in rock right now, Duke does not emerge favorable.

It was a big surprise to see Walley on rhythm guitar. It's not often that Zappa will even permit another guitarist on stage, and for him to throw a few leads (mainly slide) to Walley was even rarer.

Capt. Beelheart, who joined the tour after it had started, injected some humor into the strangely un-Zappa-like seriousness of the show with his spirited harmonica and his energetic darts about the stage. The music itself, while not what most people think of as standard Zappa fare, exuded an air that immediately and definitely informed the audience that this was The Mothers of Invention.

The main set was unusually short also attributable to sickness—but the audience brought them back on stage with a standing ovation, and Zappa and the Mothers kept them on their feet with an excellent rendition of "Willie the Pimp", one of Zappa's more popular numbers. It looked like Zappa and Co. had finally woken up, the concert seemed like it was really ready to move but after "Willie the Pimp" they walked off stage and only the return of the house lights were able to quiet the audience down.

All in all an interesting experience, but one that gave proof of Zappa's potential rather than of his ability.

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## Netters Beaten

by Mark Plevin

The University of Massachusetts defeated Albany's tennis team for the second year in a row as State lost 5-4 on Tuesday. The defeat ended Albany's dual match winning streak at ten.

Coach Bob Lewis called the two teams "evenly competitive." The close scores of five of the six singles matches support his statement. Albany #1 Joe Kestenbaum lost to Chris Post of Massachusetts 6-1, 6-2. Freshman Mitch Sandler, Albany's #2 singles player, lost to Bill Karol 3-7, 6-6. Bob Diskin, Albany's #3, lost to Barnaby Kalan in three sets, the scores being 6-2, 3-6, 6-2. Massachusetts' Marc Oullet triumphed over #4 Jon Weinberg 6-4, 6-4 while Arthur Cloutier downed #5 Josh Connell 1-6, 6-2, 6-4. Albany's only singles win came as #6 Leo Sternlicht beat Kevin Gerrihan of Massachusetts 6-0, 6-7, 6-1.

Albany fared far better in the doubles, as the Danes swept all

three. The number 1 team of Kestenbaum and Sandler triumphed 6-2, 6-4, the number 2 team of Diskin and Weinberg won 6-3, 6-1, and Sternlicht was joined by Stefan Taylor in winning the #3 doubles match 6-1, 6-3.

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Coach Lewis seemed perturbed afterwards. "They weren't that much better than we," he said, "but they won the important points when they had to, and we didn't." He added that although his players haven't changed since the fall season, their patterns of play have. "We won the big points in the fall, and so far we haven't in the spring. I don't know why."

Hopefully, Coach Lewis and his team will find the answer for this afternoon, when they play Plattsburgh State here. Starting time is 3 p.m.

The junior varsity tennis team also played Tuesday, and they defeated Cobleskill 6-3.

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## Tracksters Hosts SUNYACs Tomorrow

by Jon Lafayette

On Saturday, the 8th annual State University of New York Athletic Conference Track and Field Championships will be held here at University Field. Coach Bob Munsey "will get no sleep this week" in order to make sure that this meet is run right. There are 289 athletes entered by the ten teams in the 17 events that will be run, a very large number for a one-day meet.

Last year's champion Brockport, will be led by senior Mark Lineweaver, who is entered in twelve events. His time in the hundred, 9.9, ties Plattsburgh's Harold Horton for the top speed in that event.

Cortland's Mike Lawry checks in with the best time in the 220, 22.2, but is followed by two Plattsburgh runners, Gary Gillis and Harold Horton, both of whom have run 22.3's. Paul Kirchoff, also of Cortland, has an impressive 49.0 in the 440 leading Gillis of Plattsburgh.

Anthony Haslam of Plattsburgh and Tom Painting of Buffalo are the class in the 880. Fredonia is strong in the discus with Fred Siegler (160'3") and Joel Villani (143'8") and paces the field. Long jumpers Barry Crawford of Plattsburgh with a jump of 22'11" and Randy Jacque of Cortland are the favorites in that event, while Oneconta's Van Noy and Oswego's

Robert Doran come in as the leaders in the triple jump. High jumper Rod Galster's 67" leap and Oneconta's Brooks' 6'5" are the marks everyone will be aiming at. Plattsburgh's Joe DeMaria, who holds the Albany field record of 14'9" in the pole vault, will be back as the favorite over Oswego's Steve Wark, who has cleared 14 feet this year.

Albany Coach Munsey feels the competition in the mile and three mile should bring out the best in runners Brian Davis and Carlo Cherubino. Plattsburgh's Evens and Cortland's Marvin Wilson are the favorites in the three mile and Wilson, Plattsburgh's Bruce Teague (who won both the mile and the three mile here two weeks ago) and Buffalo's Tom Painting are favored in the mile.

Albany's Roger Phillips and David Cole are the fourth and fifth seeds in the 440 yard intermediate hurdles, behind Ron Cameron of Plattsburgh (who's time of 54.8 is incredible). Cortland's Kirchoff and Oneconta's Pierce Perry Hoeltzell's throw of 176'10" places him second in the javelin behind Brockport's amazing Lineweaver. Albany's strongest events, though, are the 120 high hurdles and the shot put.

Jim Pollard, Siew Finton, and Dave Cole are number one-three-four in the hurdles, giving Albany great strength there. In the shot put,

Rudy Vido goes for his fourth straight SUNYAC shot putting championship, a feat that no one can remember anyone else doing.

Coach Munsey feels that Cortland, last year's second place team, and Plattsburgh, who won a four-way meet between them, Albany, Oswego, and Oneconta, must be made the favorites over last year's champ, Brockport. Brockport lost five of their top point scores, but Lineweaver, who placed in six of the eight events he was entered in last year's meet, is entered in the 100, 200, high and intermediate hurdles, the javelin, shotput and discus, the long and triple jump, and is on the 440 relay team.

Munsey feels Albany can improve on last year's third place finish although the Danes are definitely a dark horse. "For us to win, everyone is going to have to be chopping at everyone else's good events, while most of our men come through."

Munsey feels that this meet will definitely be a great meet to watch, given good weather. "It is possible that as many as eight field records can be broken Saturday." Athletes in the 440, mile, 120 high hurdles, 440 intermediate hurdles, 440 and mile relays, pole vault and long jump have bettered or equaled the marks now standing. The meet will begin at 10:30 and refreshments will be available in the gym.

## Stickmen Beaten

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cond goal of the game at 9:42 and for a second it looked like Albany was going to come out of hibernation as both Brady and Goggin peppered Jim Gritman, the Siena goalie, with shots. But Gritman held on and the Danes went down to their second defeat of the year.

Terry Brady was called for four major penalties including one for unsportsmanlike conduct, and was benched in the second and third periods until he cooled off.

When Arnie Will was called for an illegal stick, and the Danes played a man down for three minutes, not only did Siena not score but the Danes themselves got one. Although Bob Wulkiewicz chalked up sixteen saves he was not his usual sharp self.

The Danes, now 4-2 on the year, travel to Long Island to face the tough Pioneers of C.W. Post Saturday. Post is 5-4 on the year but all their losses have come at the hands of Division I clubs, Brown, Yale, Rutgers, and Bowdoin.

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## Batmen's Rally Falls Two Runs Short

by Mike Plekarkl  
It was one of those almost-but-not-quite deals. A simple case of "too little, too late" as the Great Dane varsity baseball team saw their late-inning rallies fall just short enough to allow New Paltz to walk away with a 4-2 decision at University field on Wednesday.  
That loss puts the Danes' record at 3-5 on the spring and effaces any hopes they might have entertained about copping the SUNYAC crown.  
Trailing 4-0 after seven, the hosts began to come to life in the eighth, as they tallied twice, before being harnessed with the potential trying runs on the base paths. In the ninth, they kept the fans on their feet once more and, for a while there, it almost looked like they were going to pull this one out. However, a one-hop shot down the third base line was turned into a game-ending force-out, stranding two more and sending the fans home with a bad taste in their mouths.

A comebacker to Dollard for what should have been the third out moved both runners up, before Larry Panella's two-run single capped the scoring.  
And that, really, was the ballgame. It didn't matter that Dollard was settling down after that; picking up six strikeouts and allowing one walk. And it didn't matter that the Danes were starting to get to right Whitaker. Those three runs were just too much to overcome.  
When New Paltz added a fourth run in the fourth, this one of the earned variety, it made matters even worse.

### Insurance Run

Rocco Arle singled, stole second, and scored on a fly ball double just inside the right field line by Ken McClost to tally that run, which turned out to be nothing more than an insurance marker.  
The hosts, meanwhile, were reaching Whitaker for five hits through the seventh. The only problem was they never had more than one an inning! Every time Dollard pitched a fine inning, he would see a maximum of four teammates at the plate in the Dane half, before marching right back out for the next frame.  
Heading into the last of the eight, it was still New Paltz 4, Albany 0. With one out, however, things finally began to happen. Paul Nelson lined a full-count single to right and

booted it, Nelson was able to jog home with the Danes' first run of the afternoon. Vic Giulianelli then drilled a shot to right scoring Oliveras and now it was a ballgame! The ninth started off dimly as Willoughby and Breglio went down meekly to open it. But when Mark Fuchs walked on four pitches and Nelson beat out an infield hit, the crowd began to think "miracle."

Oliveras then smashed a hard grounder toward third but when Pante came up with it and jogged to the bag for the final out, it was all for naught.  
Tomorrow, the Danes will travel to Union for a 10:30 a.m. Capital District encounter as they try to salvage the final third of the season.

## Siena Upsets Stickmen

by Craig Bell  
Being mentally prepared for a game is as important as being physically ready... and that was the story Tuesday afternoon as the Siena Indians downed the might Albany Great Danes, 9-7.

State, who had just come off a big 14-7 victory over I3 ranked Genesee and have a big game this Saturday at C.W. Post, never seemed to get into the game.  
Siena opened the scoring in the first quarter when midfielder Ken Springer beat Bob Wulkiewicz, after a nice pass from Tom Natoli. Steve Schaus then got goals number seven and eight on the year and State led 2-1 at the end of the first quarter.

Even though the Danes found themselves ahead at this juncture, they were not playing their style of lacrosse. The attack was playing one on one and the Indians were doing something that the Danes had done

in every game prior to this one, controlling the ground ball.  
It looked like the Danes would get away with their sloppy play when Kevin Hilly scored as the second quarter got under way. Hilly, after a nice clearing pass from Dave Ahonen, rolled around the right side of the cage, stopped and put the ball into the net to give Albany a 3-1 advantage.

Siena's hard work then started to pay off, as Bill Ranogan and Tom Natoli scored to tie the game at three a piece. Ranogan, the Indians leading scorer, tallied after a nice feed from behind by Natoli, and Natoli rolled right around the cage for his. Amie Will then blasted one home for State and they enjoyed the lead for the last time 4-3. Siena then got two more first half goals and walked off the field leading 5-4 at the half.  
Albany's first half was reminiscent

of the Colgate game, a game which saw Albany trail throughout, only to comeback in the last minutes to pull it out. But it would not be that way today. Siena was still out hustling and out playing the Danes into the third quarter.

Goals by Ranogan, his third, and Natoli increased Siena's lead to 7-4. When Dan Goggin scored while the Danes were a man down for three minutes, it looked like the Danes might catch fire. But Siena quickly put an end to those hopes as Jim McCarthy and Ranogan both scored. Steve Schaus then bagged his third goal of the game to close out the scoring in the third quarter. State now had to play catch up lacrosse and the Indians were more than equal to the test.  
State could not get into their offense, mainly due to Siena's inspired play. Amie Will got his sex

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## NYPIRG, Tax Win; Full SA Election Results on Pg. 5

## Wax Concedes; Bauman, Meckler Win

by David Winzelberg

In a move described by Andy Bauman as "a very decent thing to do", Ken Wax conceded defeat to the Student Association President-elect though none of the five candidates received the majority necessary to gain the presidential post. Wax and Bauman would have been in a run-off.

Rick Meckler beat Jon Levenson for Vice President, the NYPIRG referendum passed overwhelmingly, the student tax referendum was passed, and Linda Kaboolian and Gary Bennett won the two SASU positions. Complete results on page five

Faced with a similar situation in last year's SA vice-presidential balloting, Wax lost to Ira Birnbaum in a run-off, though Wax received a 44% total to Birnbaum's 24% in the original vote. Wax said, "It's possible that a similar reversal could have happened this year, but I just wouldn't feel right holding the Presidency because of an election law section that I believe is unfair." Earlier in the year, Wax and Birnbaum co-sponsored a bill that would amend that law to cut the needed margin of victory, reducing the occurrence of runoff elections. The reasoning behind the bill was that runoffs in the past have been criticized heavily for their unfair and often illegal electioneering, with the runoff winner not always being the highest vote getter in the first election.

The bill failed because of Central Council's "railroading" at that meeting, believed Wax. "The bill was discussed late, at the end of one of Council's longer meetings. Unfortunately, some people will vote something down to get it out of the way rather than spend time on it."

Bauman, who received 48.5% of the vote, spoke on Wax's decision: "He put his own self interests aside to do what he felt was right." Bauman ran on a ticket with Rick Meckler who soundly defeated Jon Levenson for the SA vice-presidential position. Bauman believes that running as a ticket helped the two victors, adding,

"I ran the campaign how I thought it should be run."

Meckler, who dislikes the term "machine", explained that he was "not in favor of 'railroading' candidates, however very few students are involved in the operations of SA, and the fact that many Central Council members supported myself and Andy was not a result of promises or favors, but rather the reflection of the fact that in working with us often, they thought we were better qualified."

Levenson, who ran an independent campaign, was "sorry that there was so much politicking during the race." Levenson said he, "lacked the time and resources to run a full scale and totally organized campaign" adding that "one person can only do so much." The Ombudsman will be returning to Central Council and will be a University Senator in the fall.

The turnout for the voting was heavier than previous SA elections, and was partially attributed to NYPIRG's extensive campaigning, which paid off. The referendum was overwhelmingly approved to give the group \$2 from every student's activity tax. Bauman attributed the large turnout partially to the length of the campaign itself: "The short serious campaign didn't allow for students to get sick of the whole thing, as I've seen in the past."

Complaints were lodged against the Class of '78's endorsement of the Bauman-Meckler ticket. Mark Benecke, '78's class president, and campaign coordinator for Bauman and Meckler, was instrumental in making the endorsement. Meckler, the V.P. victor commented, "I don't think the '78 endorsement was fixed in any way, and that the class council members were acting independently."

Levenson believes that, "On the basis that Benecke is so involved in both groups, he shouldn't have made any endorsements." Wax labeled the endorsement another way: "This is yet another case of Mr. Benecke's"

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The new administration: President-elect Andy Bauman (left) and next year's SA Vice-President Rick Meckler (right) congratulate each other on their victory.

## Members of Campus Police Armed Full Time Against University Policy

by Betty Stein

In apparent contradiction to university policy, seven members of the Campus Police force are presently armed at all times.

This discovery comes over a year after the University Senate passed a bill, later adopted by the administration as official policy, restricting arming of Campus Police to certain instances:

—guarding and transportation of large amounts of cash,  
—arrest by warrant for serious felonies or execution of search warrants when the use of force may be necessary,

—escorting of distinguished campus visitors,

—in response to a reported or suspected felony in progress (including conduction of an investigation where there is substantial possibility for the occurrence of a felony involving serious danger, and circumstances allowing rapid response to a report of suspected felony).

This bill was passed on March 11, 1974. It represented the culmination of months of research on firearms policy, research sparked by the discovery in September of 1973 by then SA President Steve Gerber, that certain members of Campus Security were carrying firearms illegally.

Gerber alleged that some security officers bearing arms lacked the necessary training to do so. Gerber's allegations turned out to be true and, after numerous charges and countercharges, denials and discoveries, the situation was righted.

But certain questions remained unanswered. Amidst talk of "sufficient training" and "Presidential discretion," a larger issue slowly, painfully emerged - under what circumstances do we want Campus

Police to be armed, if at all?

There were no easy answers, but then, none were expected. The Senate came up with what it felt was a reasonable compromise, and the administration apparently agreed. Finals were coming, and students had long since directed their concerns to more scholarly matters, and Campus Security had slowly returned to a more comfortable position of low visibility.

A year has passed. All five supervisors and both investigators at Campus Security now carry firearms routinely, a fact they admit to with slight hesitation, but justly quickly. The memory of past controversies has not yet left them.

"It seems to me that, if we do the full law enforcement job, there's really no valid issue about out people carrying firearms," says James Henighan, Assistant Director of Security. Henighan defended the bearing of firearms by Campus Police. He pointed out that, in practically all cases, University Police were the only respondents to crimes reported on campus. He cited several cases in which guns had been taken from individuals, and emphasized the fact that SUNYA gets its share of armed robberies, burglaries, and drug-related crimes.

However, when asked whether it was consistent with university policy to arm any security personnel on a full-time basis, Henighan cited what he called the "blanket authority" to bear arms that had been given to Security several years back. Henighan did not once mention the Senate bill of 1974. Instead, he pointed to a policy statement drafted several years ago and said confidentially, "For as long as Benezet has been here, we've had authority to carry firearms."

Campus security is ultimately responsible to Vice President for Management and Planning John Hartley. Hartley was not immediately familiar with the bill, but when handed a copy of it, he quickly scanned it and said, "I think we're in compliance with this policy."

Asked if it were consistent with university policy for any member of Security to carry arms constantly, Hartley appeared startled, saying, "I don't know whether they carry weapons all the time." When assured that this was the case, he hesitated a moment, then explained that this was because "they don't have time to go back to the office and get a firearm" when an emergency arises: "the investigator's job is such that he can't predict."

When asked if this same interpretation of the bill could some day be used to justify arming the entire Campus Security force at all times, Hartley said only, "We have the least amount armed that is possible to be consistent with policy."

SA lawyer Sandy Rosenblum described Hartley's interpretation of the bill as "baloney."  
"I don't think it's a fair reading of the bill," said Rosenblum. "It [the bill] does not imply that any police officer will routinely carry a firearm." According to Rosenblum, the bill says that qualified University Police will carry firearms "occasionally, from time to time, . . . on occasion, when called for - but not all the time."

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