SUNYA ranks number one in AT&T Challenge

By Lori Hament
NEWS EDITOR

The second annual AT&T Challenge, held last year during commencement, was met head on, as SUNYA jumped to first position and a SUNYA senior was ranked fourth in the country, according to a listing printed in USA Today's update of last Thursday's stock market close.

The Investment Challenge, beginning on Nov. 1, is a game sponsored by AT&T, in which each of the approximately 15,000 participants, begins with an imaginary $500,000. Participants are given 800 phone number to buy and sell stocks on the New York Stock Exchange. 50 transactions are allowed, and the "investor" who has the most accumulated value, wins the prize of $25,000 and a trip to the Bahamas.

Any college student, high school student or professor were invited to participate for a fee of $50.

SUNYA's 62 participants have "amazingly outdistanced the "likes" of Northwestern, Yale, Miami Dade Community College, and Columbia, according to participant, Adam Rowe.

"To add to the reality of the game, we have to call a broker to make the actual transactions and pay commissions on them," Gareb Shamas, a participant, said.

Shamas said players are allowed to sell short by "investing" on stocks with the chance that they will go down, and hoping to buy them back at a lower price at a later date." Participants, he said, are also allowed to buy on margin by "borrowing up to $500,000 at a percent interest rate.

"Last year's winner Julie McReynolds, turned her $500,000 into about $2.6 million," Shamas said. He also said he himself placed in the top ten percent in the competition, and the top three percent in SUNYA, last year.

"The game," Shamas said, "is geared toward giving the students the chance to follow and understand how the stock market works.

The opportunity to learn more about the stock market was seized because SUNYA senior Neal Berger is number four in the country with $759,000, while the holder of the first place position has $855,650 as of Thursday's market closing.

Berger said the game has sought out the "investor" in-depth analysis of stocks. AT&T gave each participant an investment stock guide. "I looked for stocks that increased in earnings during the past few years, ...and will have short term gain because the game only lasts a few months."

Berger said he finds low priced stocks, with the potential to double, so he can buy them at high volume. "The stocks that buy are risky, but that's the nature of the game." When asked if he actually trades on the real stock exchange, Berger said he only has blue chip stock, which he said is "safe investment in a reputable company, such as IBM and AT&T...[because] I wouldn't want my real money to be at risk of such a negative return" like the stocks in the game.

Berger said he thought being named in the top ten listing was a "great honor, but what really counts is who's up there when the game ends."

"In between investments, many students have found their way to various information sessions pertaining to job opportunities. Solomon Brothers, Shearson Lehman, and Kidder Peabody all staged impressive seminars, but promised very little," Rowe said.

"These companies offer a meager ten positions, 80 percent of which are reserved for those attending more reputable schools."

"Maybe they (the big investment firms) should glance over at Albany. They'd be surprised at what's going on at the state's capital," Rowe said, speaking of SUNYA's leading position in the game.

Weekly updates are published Monday in USA Today.

Complaints voiced on graduation ceremony

By Lara Abrash
BUSINESS MANAGER

Since December graduates and their parents have expressed disappointment with this past Sunday's graduation assembly, whereas, the University officials said they were pleased with the program.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, more than 300 seniors participated in the December Graduates' Assembly. The annual event recognized those students who have completed their undergraduate degree requirements at the conclusion of this Fall Semester. Degrees are formally conferred in May of each year during commencement.

The December Graduates Assembly provides an opportunity for students and their friends and family to share in a mid-year celebration. The main assembly was held in the Campus Center Ballroom and closed circuit television were provided in the Fireplace Lounge and Assembly Hall. The closed circuit television were made available last year, for the first time, for all spectators that were not able to view the ceremony.

Jim Doellefeld, assistant vice president for Campus Life, speculated that there were 800 people in the Ballroom, 200 in the Assembly Hall and 75 in the Fireside Lounge. All people that were to perform in the graduation ceremony were allowed to enter at any time. Any other person who attempted to gain entrance the Ballroom after it had reached maximum occupancy of 850, was then sent to the Assembly Hall.

One person who expressed discontentment with the accommodations and presentation of the ceremony was Rochelle Winick of Kingston, New York, whose daughter, Lisa, was a graduating senior. She said she felt that the ceremony was, "very impersonal and insensitive for a graduation. She was one of the spectators who was sent to the Assembly Hall to view the ceremony on one of the closed circuit television. She also said that, "the TV's didn't have sound or video for most of the time."

In response, Doellefeld said, "that the television had lost sound for about 15 minutes because of a problem with the wireless microphone being used. As far for the rest of the programs, the problems were marginal."

He said that amount of December graduates has not increased over the years but the percentage of participating graduates has risen substantially. He said the reason for the increase in attendance is due to a greater percentage of the

'Greeks Take It Off' in contest

By Hope Morrow
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Approximately 950 SUNYA students gathered at LP's Dance Club, raising money for the American Cancer Society by watching Greek's Take It Off, last Thursday night.

More than $4000 was raised for cancer through the event, which was sponsored by Tau Epsilon Phi.

One member of each of the 13 participating fraternities was chosen to perform a strip act that would be judged by eight sorority members. However, in the middle of the tenth act, the event was called off.

According to Howie Wolpoff, the chairman of the event, a fight broke out between one of the bouncers and a patron. "When a bottle was thrown through a window. The police came, and according to a witness, an arrest was made. Albany Police Dept. officials were not available for comment."

Wolgoff also said that between four and seven police cars responded, but, he said, "I don't understand why.

However, once the police arrived at LP's, Wolpoff said they wanted to enter the dance club to check for proper identification of those who were drinking. It was at this point that Wolpoff said he was informed by the owner of LP's that the event was terminated and the club was closing. The owner of LP's was not available for comment.

Despite the early ending of the event, both Wolpoff and Adam Bell, president of Tau Epsilon Phi, claimed the event was successful.

Wolgoff said, "My two reasons for organizing this event were to raise money for charity and to have fun. I think we did both successfully."

Bell also added, "it was awesome. The audience was cheering and everyone had a great time. It will definitely happen again."

Since the event was not completed, Bell said they will have to decide what to do with the $400, which was designated as prize money. Bell said there are several potions being considered, such as donating the money to charity, donating it to Greek Week or choosing from the people who performed the acts.

The contestants were: Tom Troy, Kappa Sigma Alpha; Jon Friedman, Phi Kappa Sigma;
The World

New gov't. sworn in
Prague, Czechoslovakia
(AP) Sirens wailed, horns honked and bells pealed at noon yesterday in Prague and other cities to mark a dramatic opposition victory that ended the Communists' 41 year domination of the government.

Around Prague's Wenceslas Square, the site of huge pro-democracy protests the last three weeks, thousands of Christmas shoppers and workers on lunch break joined in the three-minute demonstration of support, ringing tiny bells or shaking sets of keys.

On Sunday, in his last act as president, Gustav Husak swore in a Cabinet whose members include people he had jailed or stripped of all but the most menial jobs.

The new Cabinet gave the country its first government dominated by non-Communists since 1948.

Soviet strike fails
Moscow, USSR
(AP) Few Soviets walked off the job yesterday despite a call by human rights activist Andrei Sakharov for a two-hour general strike to demand an end to Communist Party domination, according to reports reaching Moscow.

President Mikhail S. Gorbatchev, also facing pressure from hard-line Communists, angrily offered to resign as party leader after criticism of his overtures to reform.

Sakharov and several other parliamentarians on Sunday urged the national strike to pressure the Congress of People's Deputies to vote on rescinding Article 6 of the Soviet constitution, which guarantees the Communists the "leading and guiding role" in society. They also want the Congress, which opens Tuesday, to act on several key reform laws.

The Nation

Judge quits case
Huntington, West Virginia
(AP) A judge who calls himself a born-again Christian has been excused from a case involving a Satanic because he believes he wouldn't be impartial.

Ferguson was removed from the case after writing a letter to state Supreme Court Chief Justice W.T. Brotherton Jr. saying he wouldn't be able to preside over a fair trial.

"Although I am not personally acquainted with the plaintiff, I do know that he is a worshipper of Satanism," Ferguson wrote. "Being a born-again Christian, I am very prejudiced as to this plaintiff."

Talks to resume
Washington D.C.
(AP) Secretary of State James A. Baker III on Sunday defended President Bush's surprise decision to resume high-level talks with China six months after the Tiananmen Square massacre.

During the half-hour show, the governor quizzed the reporter about politics, the homeless, taxes and journalism, but didn't drill him as severely as journalists have been known to question politicians.

Cuomo did, however, beat Pressman to concede that he occasionally feels sorry for the politicians he's questioned, including Cuomo.

The State

Gov. turns tables
New York
(AP) Gov. Mario Cuomo turned the tables by asking questions of a reporter Sunday but didn't use the opportunity to put him in too much a state.

In the planned but unannounced switch, Cuomo told Gabe Pressman on WNBC-TV's News Forum show: "Frankly, you look less intimidating to me from this seat."

Taking a winter shortcut...

PREVIEW OF EVENTS

Free listings

TUESDAY, December 12

Philosophy Forum meets at 8pm in HU 209.

Judo Club meets on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 pm in the wrestling room of the Gym. All levels, everyone welcome.

Chess Club meets at 7:00 pm in the RAT. For more information call 426-1633.

SA/NYPIRG Book Exchange meets at 6:30 in the SA lounge.

Class Council of 1992 meets at 8:30pm in CC370.

University Percussion Ensemble and the University Community Symphonic Band will appear in a free public concert at 6 pm in the main theatre of PAC. For more info call 422-3995.

The African American Theatre at State University at Albany presents Willis Richardson's play "Ade Head".

on Dec. 12, 13, and 14 at 7 pm at the Trinity Institution Inc. located at 17 Trinity Pl.

For more info call Yvonne Moore at 442-6402.

Chi Alpha College Ministries meets at 7pm in ED 126. For info. call 438-3841.

WEDNESDAY, December 13

American Marketing Association meets at 7:30pm in SS256. All are welcome.

Albany State Outing Club meets at 8:00pm in LC5. All are welcome.

NYPIRG's Bank on This, a project on banking services, meets at 6:30 in CC382.

For Info. call 442-5658.

Korean Student Assoc. meets at 7pm in HU 13 (Except 11/9). 

Pine Hills Neighborhood Association will meet at 7:30 pm in St. Vincent's Community Center at the corner of Madison and Ontario.

Hillel's World Jewry Club meets at 7pm in CC320.

Also, she was quoted as relaying information call 426-1633.

NYPIRG's Small Claims Court Action Center meets at 7pm in CC382.

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EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

By Patti Martino

A revised on-campus alcohol policy that will be implemented in January of 1990 will include arbitrary room searches nor will it make SUNY a alcohol-free campus. Mitchell Livingston, Vice President of Student Affairs, said the existing policies and procedures will be largely unchanged. "Our intent is not to make a dry campus or dry spots on campus," Livingston said. "Our only intent is to enforce the law."

Steven Rhoads, Chair of the Students Affairs Council of the University Senate, said alcohol will be allowed at events on campus, provided that proper permits and procedures are followed.

Recent amendments to the New York State Alcoholic Beverage Control Law have prompted the University to review current alcohol policies. Under the new law effective Jan. 1, 1990, persons under the age of 21 will be prohibited from possessing any alcoholic beverage with the intent to consume the beverage.

Exceptions would be made for consumption in an instructional setting and in instances when the alcoholic beverage is provided by a parent or guardian. Current law does not prohibit the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21, but regulates the purchase and distribution of alcoholic beverages to persons under 21.

The University has tried to alleviate the ambiguity of the phrase "with intent to consume" by assuming that possession is the intent to consume, Livingston said. According to Rhoads, this is the only way the University can enforce the new law.

Livingston said the University does not intend to conduct arbitrary searches of students' private living areas. The law, he said, does not warrant the University to seek out law-breakers but to respond to undergraduate drinking when we find it.

"In many respects that leaves us with an enforcement problem. The problem is how do you communicate to students (that) if the door's closed it's not alright," he said.

Under the new state law, violators are subject to a fine of up to $50 per offense, but are not subject to arrest, Livingston said.

If the person is a repeat offender the student could be suspended for violating University rules. "If you're violating the University rules, Livingston said.

Rhoads said that although the major details have been agreed upon, the details regarding enforcement still need to be worked out. Rhoads said he will submit suggested revisions to Livingston's initial proposal after Wednesday's Student Affairs Council meeting.

"In all respects we're trying to make sure students get due process before any action will be taken against them," Rhoads said. "Whatever the policy will turn out to be, students will be informed of the changes that will be made."

Livingston said he views the new law as an enforcement strategy not an educational antidote. He also said he has been concerned about the effects of the current law which has forced drinking behavior into the privacy of individual rooms and off campus.

What we currently have is students drinking more hard liquor than beer and drinking in their room. (That's) going off campus to parties where beer and other liquor is available and then coming back to campus, often in pretty bad shape," Livingston said. "Now with this law it's even more stringent, that might further exacerbate that particular phenomenon."

Rhoads said that students under 21 who insist on drinking should be on guard. "Students should be well warned that the University is taking this issue very seriously. The University administration is going about this with the expectation that enforcement of the law will be strict. Anyone caught in violation of the law would indeed be prosecuted, at least through the University's own judicial procedures," Rhoads said.

**Blood donor policy is protested**

(CPS) - Nassau County (N.Y.) Community College President Sean Fanelli said he will allow no more charitable blood drives on campus until a federal policy that excludes blood donors from Haiti and other parts of Africa is rewritten.

Fanelli agreed to ban future blood drives after about 40 students — including one who handcrafted himself to a chair — staged a sit-in outside his office Nov. 8.

The controversy arose Oct. 19, when nurses stopped Nassau student Alexandra Jean-Baptiste, who had noted she spent most of her childhood in Haiti, from donating blood to an on-campus drive.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) guidelines, the nurses said, prohibit them from accepting blood from people who were raised in or have spent time in Haiti or most central and western African nations since 1977.

The AIDS virus has been epidemic in those areas. Since the virus often is spread by transfusing contaminated blood products, the FDA reasoned it could also spread AIDS to this country by keeping the U.S. blood supply free of blood from such "high risk" areas.

To NCC students, however, the guidelines smacked of racism. Student David Suker handcuffed himself to a chair outside Fanelli's office to protest them.

The next day, Fanelli announced that future blood drives would be held only if the FDA policy is "based on a sound medical basis."
Region offers many ways to while away winter hours

By Katie O'Shey

Light the lights, deck the halls, hang the mistletoe, then sip some egg-nog and jump into your one-horse open sleigh, because the Capital District offers so much to do and see this holiday season that there's absolutely no reason to be staying home by the fire. If you wonder about Christmases of the past, be sure to check out downtown Schenectady. Merchants have joined together there to celebrate the season Colonial-style, with strolling carolers and musicians, hayrides, animated characters and animals, a model railroad and decked-out shop windows featuring the 12 days of Christmas.

Proctor's Theater is offering an array of entertainment over the next few weeks, including "Hometown Christmas-Jack Daniels Band," "Handel's Messiah," "Adventures of Rudolph," and "A Dickens Christmas Carol."

"Hometown Christmas-Jack Daniels Band" will be on Dec. 13. It is a show about a band, a town, and Christmas at the end of the century.

"Handel's Messiah," directed by George Moss leading the Octavo Singers, plus professional soloists and a full orchestra, will be presented Dec. 20. It is a show about a band, a town, and Christmas at the end of the century.

"Adventures of Rudolph" is on Dec. 18. It is "an enchanting magical adventure" featuring the most famous reindeer of all, performed by Syracuse's Center for Dance and Ballet.

"A Dickens Christmas Carol," Charles Dickens' timeless tale of Christmas spirit past, present and future, will be presented in a musical format by the touring Nebraska Theater Caravan on Dec. 21.

Another holiday classic, Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," will be performed Dec. 16 and 17 by the Berkshire Ballet at The Palace.

With school closed for a few weeks, the holiday season can also be an excellent time to enjoy winter sports. There is ice-skating at the Empire State Plaza, Swineburne Park, and Washington Park. Albany Country Club, Normanside Country Club, and Elm Avenue Park all have excellent hills for sleigh-riding.

Skiing is another activity many enjoy, especially with so many mountains close by. West Mountain is just 45 minutes away, near Lake George. The mountain is limited, but can still be a lot of fun and it's very close. Hunter Mountain, in the Catskills, is an hour and 15 minutes away. This is a much larger mountain with a real ski village that has an excellent nightlife, interesting boutiques, and shops to browse through.

Other mountains close to Albany are Catamount, Windham, and Jimmy Peak.

Albany offers a variety of good restaurants, bars, and nightspots to explore, especially around Lark Street in the downtown area. Metroland, a free local newspaper, is an excellent source of what's going on locally in different bars and restaurants.

On Dec. 31, "First Night" is celebrated in Albany to bring on the New Year. More than 50 downtown sites participate, and entertainment includes live music, comedy, magic acts, ethnic and cultural performances, and a parade.

Admission to most events is gained by wearing red-and-black "First Night" buttons. These buttons can be purchased for $8 in advance, and $10 the weekend of the event.

For the art lover, there are many excellent exhibits in and around Albany, and close by in Vermont and Massachusetts. "Mary Cassatt: The Color Prints" will be shown at the Williams College Museum of Art in Williamstown, Massachusetts through Jan. 21.

At the Albany Center Galleries on 23 Monroe Street the exhibit showing is "Crossroads," and features paintings, sculptures, drawings, and photography by 44 women artists in the Capital Region.

Tim Golzenlogen, the New York City artist, will be showing some of his drawings and paintings through Dec. 29 at the Rensselaer County Council of the Arts, 189 Second St., in Troy.

The Bennington Museum, on West Main St. in Bennington, Vermont is presenting "Images of Childhood," portraits of children from the 19th and early 20th centuries through Feb. 11, and the Albany Institute of History and Art, at 125 Washington Avenue, has two exhibits: "Oh! Christmas Tree," which has Christmas trees that are everything from enchanting to ridiculous, and "Modern Times: American Art From the 20's, 30's and 40's."

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Pro life group withdraws request

A proposal to Alumni Quad Board to fund a bus to Washington for an abortion rally was pulled at Sunday's meeting.

Joseph Carragher, an Alumni Quad resident had introduced the proposal. The bus would have been open to all Alumni Quad residents.

When giving his reasons for pulling the proposal, Carragher said that if the proposal passed, it would set a "dangerous precedent," and would be "letting out another can of worms."

Alumni Quad Board, Dan Mitola, said that contrary to a report published in last Friday's AS, it was not a delegation from the Pro-Life Committee that approached the Quad Board, and that groups can't get money through the Quad Boards. Mitola said that the proposal was submitted by a group of interested students headed by Carragher.

Carragher said that at the beginning of next semester, they will go through the Pro Life Committee, who in turn will go through Central Council, in an attempt to receive funding for the bus.

FRATERNITY DONATES CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity recently donated a holiday dinner to the St. Catherine's Center for the Children.

According to the fraternity's Community Service Chairman Anthony Angello, the money was raised through pizza sales on Indian and State Quads.

The pizza was sold by their recent pledge class. Angello said that the purpose was to teach the pledges the value and importance of community service. He said, "It's not just about parties, there's serious work to be done."

Pat Ingstrom, the Special Projects Coordinator for St. Catherine's said, "We are more than appreciative. We were particularly happy to have the food that was donated for the children. It was a nice touch."

MONTREAL WOMEN ARE MOURNED AT VIGIL

A vigil for the women slain in Montreal was held at the Trinity Church on Lancaster Ave, Sunday night.

Last week, a man shouting "I hate feminists" shot and killed 14 University of Montreal students.

The vigil was organized by Carol Clas, Sue Millstein, Jill Person, Paula Rosenberg, and Amy Sullivan. The event was planned last Thursday. Advertisement was mostly word of mouth, with some posters and flyers going up.

Clas said that the event was one hour as planned, and that more than 100 people attended. SUNYA student Emer Geraghty attended the vigil. She said, "I expected something really radical. It wasn't hateful at all, and there was no man-bashing. It was very moving and

NYPIRG asks for test ban

By T.E. Kane

New York State should ban standardized tests until after the second grade because they inaccurately assess the abilities of young students, a New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) study revealed last month.

NYPIRG has called on The Board of Regents to end the use of the exams as soon as possible, and to develop an alternative to testing that would accurately reflect a student's ability and needs.

The study found a vast overuse and misuse of standardized tests in New York Public Schools that was harmful to the future of many children's educational growth.

The report said standardized tests given to young children are only a "snapshot" of their abilities, and does not give a complete view of child's performance in school.

The report said the widespread use of these types of exams narrow the child's education because they emphasize learning "the tricks of multiple choice test taking" and neglect the fundamentals of reading and writing.

The study was based on a mailed survey to all Public schools, asking them to report the types of tests used, and the ethnic make up of their school's population. More than 20 percent of the schools responded to the survey.

The survey revealed that 75 percent of the schools reported the use of standardized tests on children in kindergarten, 88 percent said they administered these exams in first grade,

The survey found that one quarter of the schools tested pre-kindergarten students as part of a "readiness" or "screening" procedure for applicants to kindergarten, NYPIRG project coordinator, Joan Harris, said.

"The education system is relying too much on standardized tests at too early of an age," Harris said. She added the use of such exams only categorize young students, and leads to the incorrect "tracking" of young children that is "developmentally harmful."

NYPIRG said each child develops differently and if a student is "tracked" for certain kind of classes at one point by standardized tests, but improves or changes in performance during the course of the year, it is difficult for the child to move into a different level of classes.

"At this age a child can progress in a matter of a week, and these tests do not accurately assess a child's growth because most exams are given on a yearly basis," Harris said.

The public schools emphasis on standardized tests leads to changes in teachers' approach to educating children the report said. Instead of taking into account each student's needs, the teacher is forced to drill all students on general contests in the tests, giving much less time to the basic curriculum, according to Harris.

"The amount of time the teacher uses in gearing students for the standardized tests cuts into what teachers should be teaching: the fundamentals of reading and writing," Harris said. "Again this

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"Beating the system and getting into school."

Brian Romanchiek

"My first day of college. I was so scared that I was afraid to leave my room."

Lena Graia

"The whole relationship between Russia and the U.S.-how things progressed--how people's attitudes change. They're just like us."

Bobby Carlton

"What is your most memorable experience of the 80's?"

PODIUM PERSPECTIVES

"A president who knows his ass from his elbow."

Joe Hykrin

"Nuclear war--basically the complete and total decimation of life on Earth... without regard to race, color, creed, or religion, of course."

Erich Tompkins

"What are you most looking forward to in the 90's?"

"The eventual legalization of drugs--and the opening of the Iron Curtain."

Dan Sisley

"What is your most memorable experience of the 80's?"

"I don't know... but my guess is that our continued over-consumption of fossil fuels will further aggravate the global warming crisis, while the economic rift between lower and upper income groups will widen considerably... I'm also hoping for a new Slayer record."

Maureen Landers

"I'm looking for a good GPA, but most importantly, a decent MATH grade."

Chanemia K. Singleton
New decade brings with it thoughts of the Eighties

Students and faculty ponder the failings and successes of a decade

By Kerri Lewis

STAFF WRITER

What does SUNYA think about the 1980's?

AIDS, Chernobyl, Glasnost, nuclear waste, yuppies, VCRs, MTV, Trivial Pursuit, condoms, Michael Jackson and frozen yogurt are all important items that students and faculty cited when describing "the Eighties."

Dr. Livingston, vice president for Student Affairs, characterized the eighties as a "decade of social decay," He explained that reforms made by civil, women's and student's rights groups in the seventies were reversed in the eighties. He said the abortion controversy was an example. In addition to the dissipation of social progress, Livingston called the eighties a time of uncertainty: in politics, jobs and personal relationships. He talked about the decline of the American family, environmental decay, and a formation of a drug culture.

He said, "Students are in a quiet state of desparation" as a result of coming of age in a world plagued with so many problems. He also said, "Students aren't relating to the progress that is occurring around the world."

On a more optimistic note, he said he classified the unfreezing of the cold war as "one of the most important issues in the history of mankind." He compared the tearing down of the Berlin wall to Gabriel blowing his horn and the walls tumbling down.

Livingston said that reform in Eastern Europe will aid the superpowers to redirect their energies towards issues of global stability.

Psychology Professor Dawn Storr views today's college students as more materialistic than those of her generation. She said she also is concerned with the influx of violence and sex on television that became popular in the eighties such as video games and satirical comic strips. On the subject of music, she said, "Old groups have had a resurgence in popularity."

New types of music were also introduced to record buyers. Sophomore Melanie Wold said that Madonna started a trend of "pop" music. Livingston also talked about the emergence of Rap music, such as groups like "Run DMC."

Sheila Mahan, assistant to SUNYA President Vincent O'Leary said, "There has been an enormous growth of fraternities and sororities on campus in the last five years." Other changes she said she observed in the eighties were the introduction of household computers and a trend toward a more conservative national climate.

In addition, she said, the drinking age has had an effect on the activities of students on campus.

Sophomore Naomi Weinblad said she is concerned about the popularity of tie dye and peace symbols, fashions that surfaced this decade, although these fashions are back in style...they've lost their original was become glorified in the media. She said that hypocrisy exists in America with regard to environmental preservation, and that Americans are both recycling and destroying the environment at the same time, in that while trying to protect the environment, and increase a technology is aiding in its deterioration.

Many students said they are concerned about corruption in many of society's institutions that surfaced in the eighties. Livingston said, "I feel that morals have declined. He listed television evangelists and the Gary Hart scandal. Weinblad said that there had been a decline in American politics as evidenced by "mud-slinging" in the last election.

A less detrimental trend of the eighties was the health kick. Sophomore Andrew Weisman said that foods, such as frozen yogurt and bottled water were symbolic of the fitness craze. He also said that jogging and health clubs became popular traditions.

The eighties also saw a transformation in the content of popular television shows to a more diverse ethnic nature, said sophomore Mathew Dockins. He said the "Cosby Show" was a good example. Sophomore Jeff Gluck listed some other successful television programs of the eighties as "Family Ties," "Cheers" and "Miami Vice."

Livingston explained that part of the uncertainty of the eighties was formulated in a lack of job guarantees after college graduation, however, Gluck said that a realization of the eighties was that a college degree was a necessary starting point in the career market.

The fashions of the times were a statement on the political climate of the country. Women started wearing boxer shorts, Lohman said. Wolf said, "The androgynous look became stylish; women started

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Storr also spoke about the development of women's issues in the eighties and said she was astonished that a
Students could lose federal aid due to budget

(CPS) — Nearly 200,000 students could lose grants and another 1 million could get reduced grants during the 1990-91 academic year under the new federal college budget signed into law by President George Bush.

Others predicted obscure rule changes in the new budget also would provoke more banks to drop out of the Stafford Loan program.

On paper, the budget increased minimally when Bush signed it Nov. 21.

Of the $24 billion set aside for education in the law—which provides money for the U.S. Department of Education for the Oct. 1, 1989, through Sept. 30, 1990, fiscal year—$10.6 billion was for postsecondary education, a 2.2 percent increase over last year's budget.

But the small increase in funds for the department, which administers most federal school programs, was more than wiped out by the inflation rate of 4.5 percent.

"The overall numbers on the budget are not very informative," said a House Appropriations Committee aide who asked not to be named. "Although there are increases in the budget, there are more students applying for financial aid.

Almost as soon as the bill became law, moreover, automatic cuts triggered by the Gramm-Rudman deficit-reduction law lopped another $226 million off the Education Dept. budget.

The Gramm-Rudman cut, maintained department budget director Sally Christensen, "has not really harmed the education programs. The cut is prorated among 200 programs. It's not significant."

"That's a lie, but what can you expect from the Education Department," countered Becky Timmons of the American Council on Education (ACE).

The ACE projects the budget will force 192,000 students to lose their Pell Grants next school year. About 1 million more will have their Pell Grants reduced, while 12,000 students will lose Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants, 16,000 Work-Study grants, 3,000 Perkins Student Loans and 3,000 students will be cut off from State Student Incentive Grants.

"We think (the cuts) are harmful in a lot of respects," Timmons said. "The biggest problem is the Pell Grant shortfall. We already have less than what is needed to fund the maximum grants of $2,300."

Congress appropriated $4.48 billion for Pell Grants, up from $4.42 billion last year, Timmons noted. After the Gramm-Rudman "sequester" cuts, however, the amount available for the 3 million students who get Pell Grants this year will be a little less than last year.

President Bush and Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos at a September summit.

Last year's budget, moreover, wasn't enough.

Last spring, ACE and other education groups warned that budget woes would soon force schools to stop giving students the maximum amount of money they could get in Pell Grants for this school year.

Now Timmons worries the same thing will happen for next school year, especially for students from middle-income families who need the grants.

The shortage "clearly has consequences for the budget submitted next year. There is the possibility that the maximum (Pell Grant) award will be reduced in the future," she warned.

"There is the possibility that the budget could cause a small reduction in grants," conceded Tom Skelly of the Education Dept.

Timmons blamed the higher budget losses on the government's unwillingness to raise taxes to get the money to fund the programs.

"In part, this was an almost inevitable outcome of the president's stance on no new taxes," he claimed.

President Bush initially vetoed the education budget Oct. 21 because it included an amendment that would have allowed women who had become pregnant through rape or incest to use Medicaid funds to get abortions. Bush, who is pro-life, threatened all abortions except in cases in which the mother's life is in danger, refused to sign the bill.

Congress subsequently stripped the abortion amendment from the bill, and reenacted it to the president, who signed it Nov. 21.

The budget contains no new major college programs, and is not dramatically different from the budget Bush first proposed at the start of the appropriations process last February.

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Fall of Berlin Wall shakes up history courses

In Maryland, Towson State University's Armin Mruck, a naturalized American citizen who left Germany in 1951, has scrapped his lesson plans for the beginning of the term, accurately reflecting the collapse of rigid Stalinist polities in Eastern Europe. Winds of change are also blowing through Czechoslovakia.

Mruck has made "weekly revisions" in his lectures this semester, forced to rely on notoriously unscholarly newspaper and magazine articles for scholarly information.

Michael Sodara, a political science professor at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., also has altered his lectures to discuss the latest events.

"I've spent more time on current events, and I am discussing East Germany during my lecture on the history of the division of Europe — the Berlin Wall — "fell" as East Germany's government announced its citizens could travel freely and that it would soon hold popular elections.

"Courses will not be exclusively on European history," said Philippe Schmitter, director of the Center for European Studies at Stanford University.

Schmitter said college courses would be fundamentally changed, too.

"Courses will not be exclusively on Eastern Europe, but all of Europe. There isn't anything like that now."

St. Lawrence's Wells concurred. "It seems that any courses have to reflect the events of the last three years don't show that," he said.

Responding to economic failures, leaders in the Soviet Union, Poland, Hungary and East Germany have been adopting reforms, and seem to find that each reform demands another, more basic change. Now the nation's politics seem to be changing, as the Soviet Union adopted a new legislative structure, Poland elected noncommunist leaders and Hungary's Communist Party even changed its name.

"I would imagine that these changes, plus 1992 (when western European countries will implement an open market among themselves), are going to fundamentally change European history," said Schmitter.

"This is one of the great epochs of our era," Wells said. "It makes teaching about the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe a lot more exciting."

"It seems that any courses have to reflect the significant changes and include the role of the Soviet Union in allowing those changes."
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in Washington, D.C., while
disappointed the president
was advocating slight cuts
in most campus programs,
seemed almost relieved
Bush had dropped
President Reagan's efforts
to make drastic cuts.

During his first six years
in office, President Reagan
had asked Congress to
slash as much as 50 percent
of the federal college
budget. Congress did in
fact accept many of the
president's recommendations in the
early 80's, eliminating or
dramatically reducing the
budgets for student Social
Security, National Direct
Student Loans, campus
housing and library
programs, black colleges,
College Work-Study, Pell
Grants, Stafford Loans and
Middle Income Student
Assistance funds, among
others.

In 1983, however,
Congress began rejecting
the White House's
proposals for drastic cuts,
and generally has granted
modest cuts, increases or
freezes in most of the
remaining programs each
year since then.

The 1989-90 budget
continues that pattern,
though it includes a few
small-print items that could
adversely affect students.

For example, the budget
includes special rules that
temporarily raise students' loan "origination fees" from 5 to 5.5 percent of the value of the loan, at least through this December.

In effect, that means
students would pay an
extra $2.50 fee on a $500
loan.

Christiansen also noted
the government lowered
the subsidy it grants banks
that make student loans
from 3.25 percent to 3
percent above the current
Treasury Note interest
rates.

Although there won't be
much of an immediate
effect on Stafford Loans
for now, Timmons warned
that banks may threaten to
stop lending money
because of the lower
allowance.

Already, 53 lenders in
California and two in
Illinois have pulled out of
the Stafford Loan program,
reports the Consumer
Banking Association
(CBA), a lobby group in
Washington.

"Some banks in the
program have already
dropped out," said the
CBA's Fritz Elmendorf. "If
the cuts go further or the
temporary cuts become
permanent, it could be a
big blow. This could be the
straw that breaks the
camel's back."

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EDITORIAL

A personal message

It's a tradition at the ASP that the Editor in Chief, in the last editorial of his or her term, gets to use this space to write a personal message. Here goes.

This journalism gig is an awfully enjoyable way to make a living. It's a career choice I sort of stumbled on to. Thankfully, people I respect have told me I have a knack for it. What I like most about it is the people I get to meet.

Of course, there are other perks - the smug pleasure of knowing things before everyone else, the powerful rush of people waiting to read what you say, the sweet satisfaction of seeing your peers in a cafeteria with an ASP in their hands, opened to the page on which your story appears.

And the simple pleasure of the work - the deciphering of information, the distillation of the facts of an event, with the sole purpose of explaining it to the person who makes a newspaper necessary: you. The fun of using a beautiful language (and I suspect they're all beautiful as a tool. You keep looking at your story, in all its stages - the copy you hand in, the raw page waiting for the printer, and especially the neat, crisp, folded copy you pick up off the stand. You're proud of it when it comes out good.

But the best part of the job is the people.

From powerful politicians to the average person, I have very rarely met someone I didn't like. We newsfolk are characterized as a cynical bunch; still, I'm very impressed that most people are good, and those that put themselves in the public eye have sincerely decent motives.

Having said that, I'll get a bit more specific. I admire the faculty and administration of SUNYA very much. I think they care deeply about us, and while solutions to the problems we face may be slow in coming and clumsy when they arrive, I honestly don't think it's because of a lack of understanding or caring. These people work long days and aren't doing it to get rich. They love their work, and it's people like that who do a good job.

I could say, almost word for word, the same thing about the active members of the Student Association.

Central Council members, legislative branch officers, quad boards, group leaders, at - these people work hard. Maybe I'm naive, but I think they're for real. They deal with issues of policy, ethics, morality; they deal with a million dollars of our money. Believe me, they lose sleep over it. Do they screw up? Sure, all the time. So do you. We're all here to learn. If we were all pros, we'd all be out making payments on sofas, wouldn't we?

Of course, the people I love the most are those I work with here in the ASP offices. I'd be doing them a disservice if I didn't take this opportunity to tell you that they work very, very hard, and take their jobs very seriously.

You, the reader, appear in this piece where you belong: the bottom line. Like I said, you're the reason an enterprise like this exists. We hope we fulfill our obligation to you. We try like hell.

Thank you to listening to these ramblings. It's an honor to have your ear twice a week, one that I and my co-workers don't take lightly.

Happy holidays.

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Animal Rights Movement Hinders Greater Goal

Over the last 10 years, I have witnessed the increasing growth of the animal rights movement and its effect upon scientific research. With so much research conducted in college laboratories, the campus has become a focal point of anti-animal research debate and the free inquiry after the truth. What of the cost to human welfare if responsible animal research is ended?

I am convinced that the animal rights movement poses a greater hazard to human health than cancer, heart disease, or AIDS. For the use of animals in medical research, scientists have little hope of finding a cure for these and other diseases. Computer and cell cultures are useful tools, and their growing use by scientists should be encouraged. But they simply cannot replace the knowledge to be gained from the study of living animals.

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Herbert Pardes, M.D.

Scientists who enter research to learn how to alleviate suffering must care for the animals involved as humanely as possible. In most research the animals experience no pain or receive anesthesia or painkillers. Each university receiving federal funds has an Animal Care and Use Committee responsible for stringent review of proposals involving animals and facilities for animal care. According to some studies, the use of laboratory animals has dropped by as much as 50 percent in the last 20 years.

Nonetheless, the goal of the animal rights movement is the complete elimination of animal research, even where it is absolutely essential to our search for cures for serious human diseases. To that end, animal rights protestors harass professors with bomb threats and obscene telephone calls. Theyicket buildings, break into laboratories, destroy data, and release test animals. At Stanford University mice and rats used for research on a vaccine for the AIDS virus must be guarded 24 hours a day. Many researchers from other campuses report similar disruptions to their work.

Vital studies have been ended or curtailed, researchers discouraged from using important models, and institutions across the country are currently grappling with amendments to the Animal Welfare Act that promise to increase the cost of animal research by at least $1.5 billion. At a recent pro-research press conference at New York University, a panel of researchers, administrators, and NIH officials stated that researchers are being forced to spend 30 percent of their research funds to improve security and meet new federal regulations for animal housing and care.

There has been no estimate of the lost productivity or emotional cost to researchers and administrators subjected to harassment, groundless attacks, stolen animals, or destroyed data. Each time a new medical breakthrough is announced that was based on animal research, the scientists involved can expect to be targeted by animal rights supporters.

Faced with such threats, new and experienced researchers are increasingly opting to avoid some research areas because they cannot use animals altogether, or because they are forced to switch from large animals to less desirable models. A number of researchers have left the country in order to continue their studies. Young scientists must balance their interests against the growing difficulty of conducting animal research when choosing a career path. Who knows how many promising young scientists are being lost to medical research because of the animal rights movement, or what discoveries will not be made?

Much needed research that has already been stopped or destroyed includes work related to addiction, AIDS, Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, cancer, emotional disorders, head injury, heart disease, infant blindness, infertility, malaria, Parkinson's disease, toxoplasmosis, and transplants.

And yet, the animal rights movement is composed of a small but extremely vocal minority of the public. A poll conducted by the American Medical Association showed that 77 percent of adult Americans support animal research. Few, however, are aware of the threats posed to their health and that of their loved ones by increasing restrictions upon the use of animals in research. It is one of the ironies of this issue that the same animal research that has removed the public's memory of the devasatation of polio, smallpox, and diphtheria epidemics has made it possible for them to believe that such research is no longer necessary. We must all speak out to make the public aware that without humane animal research there will be no new cures or treatments for our modern plagues—cancer, heart disease, AIDS, drug addiction, Alzheimer's, or mental illness—and no hope.

The writer is President of the American Psychiatric Association.
DINNER IN THE ‘80s

It’s true that teenagers in the 80’s faced the same pre- and post-puberty blues as teenagers in any other decade, such as combating acne, and trying to do good in school without being nerdy. But we 80’s teens had so many more pressing problems to deal with, problems much more severe than worrying whether or not to pop that pimple.

Susan Friedman

Techno-pop, which blossomed in the early 80’s, was a big problem that we faced. We females worried about which member of Duran Duran was to be the cozy, and how long we had to wait to MTV ‘til they played one of their videos. The males worried that someone would find out that someone would find out that they liked Duran Duran, and we all grieved when we blew 20 bucks on Depeche Mode tickets and then realized after the concert it would’ve been cheaper just to play the album really loud.

Music trends such as techno-pop, rap, and hardcore came equipped with their own vocabularies, and we 80’s teens faced another problem: we had no idea what the hell everyone else was saying. Surfers used long, flowing metaphors like “Dinner is served,” more instead of saying “It’s cool,” and those of us not in the know wondered what was to eat. Personal pronouns became obsolete, and all of us lost our sense of identities as we became referred to as “Dude” or “Yo.” And the new idioms just confused us. Every person became our friend, and we all knew every single one of them.

Dinner in the 80’s

The home of the compassionate

As the decade comes to an end, we look back and see many tragic events. The hostage crisis, the AIDS epidemic, murders, rapes, homelessness, earthquakes and plane crashes are just a few that come to mind. But along with those tragic events, we see a lot of human compassion. Remember “We are the World”, Live Aid, Farm Aid and Hands Across America? Remember Ryan White, the boy with AIDS who won our support and taught us not to be afraid? Remember how we celebrated with the hostages in Iran as they were released in 1981? Remember how the entire nation sat on the edge of their seats as rescue crews tried to save little Jessica from the well?

We’ve come a long way in the past 10 years and we still have a long way to go. Its nice to look back and see that we did do some things right and we’re pleased with our progress, but we still have a lot more to do. The 80’s taught us that the future is not something that we should look to for some ideal, but in looking back, we can see a lot of progress that we’ve made so far.

Christine Magurno

The biggest hand came from the entertainment industry. There were a host of powerful films and television shows that made us aware of the unpleasant realities. The film industry brought us Animal House (homelessness), The Accused (rape) and Rainman (autism) to name a few. The television industry has a more constant influence in our lives and they, too, are beginning to learn how to use their influence positively. St. Elmo’s Fire (1982-88) set the pace by entertaining us and dealing with some very serious medical and ethical problems at the same time. L.A. Law (1986) brings us everything from mental retardation to child abuse and drugs. Even shows as simple as “Golden Girls” and “Wonder Years” have important messages to bring us. We close the eyes of our children to what is going on in the real world. Remember “We are the World”, Live Aid, Farm Aid and Hands Across America?

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The 80's was a decade of nostalgia and comebacks. We saw music from the 50's, TV shows from the 60's and 70's, and clothes from all times make their way back into mainstream culture.

**Gil Kaminer**

The Cleavers, minus Ward, made their return in the "New Leave it to Beaver," where Wally and the Beav try to advise their children the way June and Ward did them.

That loveable mutt Lassie has also made a comeback.

Howard Beach and Bensonhurst questioned just how much progress has been made, or perhaps allowed to be made, since the Civil Rights period. The burdens facing minorities, and those economically disadvantaged, are greater than ever.

There was hope, though, on nearly all fronts. The eighties were a time of quiet revolution and social upheaval. The real heroes were the unnumbered volunteers, environmentalists, and activists without an eye on the dollar. A thousand points of light existed on all fronts before George Bush's campaign manager employed that slogan as a handy hook. Greenpeace, Amnesty International, social workers and volunteers helping those afflicted with AIDS took on the duties shirked by our government. Compassion was something talked about greatly by the presidents of the decade, but carried out by the most part by unknowns.

Deja-View

Music was inspiring, if you took the time to look past the turgid AOR formats of commercial radio. REM, U2, and the Replacements all made music that challenged the best of rock's so-called giants. And while the numerous reunion tours garnered the most attention, the real magic was in out of the way clubs and on college radio.

"People always complain, "Oh, there's no good music today," " REM guitarist Peter Buck noted in a 1986 Rolling Stone interview. The great music of the decade, however, was largely ignored. It took years of self-supporting tours and slow record sales for Buck's band and U2 to make it into the mainstream. Not quite so lucky were Sonic Youth, the Feelies, or Pylon, who made inventive, original music largely forgotten by the mainstream.

The punk spirit of 1977 was carried over into the decade. While most of the punk groups, including the Clash, were wiped away by mid-1980's, the attitude and aggression could be found in the Replacements, Soul Asylum, and Husker Du, three bands from the Minneapolis, Minn., area. The Red Hot Chili Peppers, Jane's Addiction, and Fishbone were blistering, un-phased bands like no fiercely independent groups determined to be original.

Perhaps the biggest musical revolution was the rap movement, which truly, as compared to the ethos of the punk movement, was truly bandstand. Rappers like Public Enemy continued to outrage and confound critics.

Also fitting about rap music was the way the rappers turned the tables on white dinosaur groups, Led Zeppelin in particular, and freely sampled and restructured their music. Zeppelin, remember, was notorious for stealing the songs of black bluesmen, Willie Dixon and Bukka White, included, without giving proper credit. The tables were turned in a fitting way.

The value of movies during the decade was often determined by the amount of advertising dollars spent, and how much hype could be generated. "Batman" was the best example, a movie damned by the fact that it could never live up to its advance publicity. More quietly, movies like "My Life As A Dog" and "Matewan" were true classics, relying on storytelling and originality rather than the talent of a Hollywood press agent.

So, contradictions in art were much like those in society. Art came at a price, since the cards were stacked against those determined to produce an honest vision, far removed from commercial demands.

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The 80's was a decade of nostalgia and comebacks. We saw music from the 50's, TV shows from the 60's and 70's, and clothes from all times make their way back into mainstream culture.

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Top Ten Flicks of the '80s

In one way or another, all of these following titles have accomplished something whether it be setting a new trend, producing a new star, eliciting a behavior change in its audience, or swaying of public opinion. More importantly this ten film package defines the last ten years of movie making. Here is the list with release year, director, and personal rating following each choice:

1. Platoon (1986, Oliver Stone, 4 ASPS). This drama finally opened our eyes to the horrors and controversies of the Vietnam War. Offering a first rate script, deep emotional power, excellent acting, and outstanding direction it is easily the best film of the eighties. After accumulating an unexpected $138 million dollars at the box office, the industry latched onto its success by spawning dozens of related films on the era.

2. Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981, Steven Spielberg, 4 ASPS). The revival of the formula B-serials of the 30's opened a new door for Hollywood in the 80's. Spielberg's tale of the airport movies and...well, almost everything else...brought slapstick comedy to new heights. The genuine laughs were bolstered by the surprise debut of Leslie Nielsen in a comic role that spawned a second career for him. Furthermore, much of the silliness of the decade is exemplified here.

3. Batman (1989, Tim Burton, 3 ASPS). The hype for this one induced the biggest mass hypnosis of America in recent history. That suited Warner Bros. just fine, as they lived off its commercialization of "Batmania" for most of the summer of '89. Its dark style and performance by Jack Nicholson assured the caped crusader a bright future into the nineties.

4. Airplane! (1980, Jim Abrahams, 4 ASPS). Arguably the funniest film of the decade is exemplified here. Following each choice:

5. The Thing (1982, John Carpenter, 4 ASPS), Alien and Dawn of the Dead were both 1979 films, so this is my pick for the most unexpected entry, this flawless rejuvenation of Howard Hauds 1951 classic will not be forgotten for one reason: Carpenter. He weaves his tale with such terror (backed by state-of-the-art special effects) that he leaves you second guessing who is, and who isn't the Thing throughout the entire film. Also features the always likeable Kurt Russell.

6. Fatal Attraction (1987, Adrian Lyne, 3.5 ASPS). Talk about an entertaining little gem on the surface that explored some very important topics - computer hacking, video game addiction and nuclear war. And its message: no one can win a nuclear war.

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8. Untouchables (1987, Brian DePalma, 4 ASPS), audiences flocked to see this dark horse story about Chicago during the prohibition era. It signified the teaming of two actors, one (Kevin Costner) on the way to a promising career well into the next century; and one (Sean Connery) giving the performance of his life in the twilight of his career. Also don't forget Robert DeNiro's almost hilarious portrayal of Capone.

9. WarGames (1983, John Badham, 3.5 ASPS). Talk about an entertaining little gem on the surface that explored some very important topics - computer hacking, video game addiction and nuclear war. And its message: no one can win a nuclear war.

10. Who Framed Roger Rabbit (1988, Robert Zemeckis, 3 ASPS), Called the crowning achievement in animation, this feature, which combined live-action with cartoons, put the movie industry's faith back in the drawn image. And if you look at the bombardment since including: An American Tale, The Little Mermaid, and The Land Before Time it's easy to see that animation may never die.

— Clarence Eckerson

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Abortion "facts" racist

To The Editor

The dangers of extending reproductive rights to all women are discussed in a forthcoming Abortion stickers which include a question: Beth, who are you to decide what is or is not "appropriate humor"? The humor of suicide has been used, effectively, for years. I believe many humorists, Woody Allen and Mary Beth Healy among them, would be interested in reading your discourse on distasteful humor. Is it published? I would not want the student body to think that all of Beth's (do you mind if I call you Beth?) discussions were moral. In fact, she cleverly managed to compare Hukom with Hitler. I must admit the logic of this comparison does escape me, but I'm sure her reasons are well founded. I'd like to assure the Central Council that Hukom does not advocate genocide. If it did, I would probably resign.

I urge the Central Council in their next vote on this bill, to let reason prevail, not hysteria caused by absurd comparisons, prevail.

Finally, since I am a humorist; a joke! What six headed monster resembling Jesse Helms recently appeared on campus? Another "centrist"? Gee. Its Great.

Jay Greenspan

More letters on page 4
Pay college athletes

To the Editor:
I am not in favor of sports on campus. My reasons are primarily concerned with academic tradition and economics.

As societies developed and expanded, man’s thirst for entertainment and rivalry in games naturally carried over into the schools of higher learning. Among these, sports blossomed into a major activity on campuses. This was due in part to the sponsorship by major sports organizations’ interest in developing athletic programs. But with the ever burgeoning expenses of buildings, teachers’ salaries, and equipment which colleges have incurred over the years, sports have just become too big a commodity for the academic community to handle.

One suggestion might be for the development by major sports of athletic programs off campus in which these athletically talented students could excel and compete for athletic careers and be reimbursed for it while at the same time pursuing school work on campus. I think the time for the extraction of sports from campus has come if colleges are to survive as genuine institutions of higher learning.

Jerry Murphy

Aspects review biased

To the Editor:
While I am happy to see one of our Theater Council productions reviewed in your paper, I am appalled that you auditioned for and were not cast in.

Stephen Adly Guirgis

Aube letter hurt VP candidate Halber

To The Editor:
I wanted to shed some light on the purpose of the Minority Assistance Program (MAP). Do not be misled by its name. The focus of the program is to promote Multicultural Awareness in order to help people of color make the smooth transition to life on a predominantly white campus and provide an understanding of diverse cultural groups to all people on campus, regardless of background.

MAP is not just for people of color, but cultural programs are for the benefit of the student body as a whole. It is our hope that we promote cultural understanding through our programs that will help to eradicate the stereotypes and misconceptions people have about different ethnic groups. However, our programming is not just cultural. Many of our programs have dealt with careers, majors, the abortion issue, relationships, stereotyping, stress, and other issues that are important to students in general.

Each quad also has a resource room staffed by Minority Students Assistants (MSAs). The office is a resource for information about cultural and informational events on campus, a referral service for other campus contacts, and a resource for materials on cultures, job outlooks, texts, encyclopedias, and masses of other information. If you have a problem or concern, the MSAs are there to help. It can also be a nice place to study or just to hang out.

Take time to find out about MAP through an MSA or by coming out to our meetings (look for flyers), I’m sure you will not be disappointed. Support student input and make this program successful. Challenge us to do something for you. Support your local MAP!

Lloyd Harmetz and David Levitt

Laughing eases pain

To the Editor:
“I’ve found out why people laugh. They laugh because it hurts...because it’s the only thing that’ll make it stop hurting.”

“Find me something that makes you laugh...sweetheart...a joke, anything—but something that gave you a belly laugh, not just a smile...Then we’ll see if there isn’t a wrongness there—and you would laugh if the wrongness wasn’t there.”

She said grimly “Apparently the prank falls is the peak of all humor. It is not a pretty picture of the human race, Mike.”

“Oh, but it is! I had hoped—I had been told—that a ‘funny’ thing is a thing of goodness. It isn’t. Not ever is it funny to the person it happens to...The goodness is in the laughing.”

—From Robert A. Heinlein’s Stranger in a Strange Land

Jennifer C. Cutrone

Article corrected

There are many inaccuracies in the December 8 ASP article about the charges I filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Ms. Bolotnick’s charges were more directed under discrimination and retaliation for my prior history of resisting discriminatory practices. I know that the article was submitted by staff writer Tracey Bolotnick is different than the one that appeared under her name because after reading the article, I called her up to inquire about the inaccuracies and she was kind enough to meet with me and to give me a computer printout of the article she submitted to the ASP. Most of the inaccuracies involve the ASP (not Tracey Bolotnick) attributing statements to me that I did not make.

Of all the statements that I am erroneously alleged to have made, the two that distress me most are about my students. The ASP contains the following: “Many students, she said, wrote that I was the ‘best class’ they ever had and that she was ‘the best teacher’ they ever had.” I never said this. My students are highly articulate and intelligent people who can eloquently express their own opinions. It is demeaning to them and to me to imply that I would make the above statement.

Regarding my teaching, my students express their views every term on teacher evaluation forms. Copies of these evaluations for several semesters for three courses I taught were included in my promotion file. I had given Ms. Bolotnick a copy of my file because I believe that our university community has a right to know how personnel decisions are made and because I have nothing to hide. Ms. Bolotnick again wrote, after reading the student evaluations in my file, was: “Many students wrote that her Psy 340 class was ‘the best class’ they ever had and that she was the ‘best teacher’ they ever had.”

Also regarding students, the ASP alleges that I said that I had “an unusually great amount of student support both now and in the past.” Not only did I not say this, but in my interview by Ms. Bolotnick, I never even discussed the issue of student support. Ms. Bolotnick actually wrote: “She has an unusually great amount of student support from both student groups and students.” Ms. Bolotnick did not attribute this statement to me.

The ASP repeatedly and erroneously portrayed me as saying that other people in my situation are in a better situation than me. An example: “She said Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Warren F. Ilchman wrote in a letter to O’Leary, ‘Her scholarship is not what one normally expects of a full professor at this university.’” The previous sentence was written by Executive Vice President Ilchman and is in my file.

There are many statements in the December 8 article which contain the words “Waterman said” or “she said” which in fact refer to statements that other people wrote that were in my file. I did not say what Dr. Donna Byrne (the former Chair of the Psychology Department), the College Personnel Committee or Executive Vice President Ilchman said. They all spoke for themselves in documents that are in my file. Ms. Bolotnick was quoting those documents.

Among the other things that the ASP attributed to me that I never said and that Ms. Bolotnick never indicated that I said is: “In terms of the ASP criteria... my performance was evaluated as very strong in the teaching area, adequate in the service area and weak in the research area.” In addition to never having said this, I don’t agree with it. I also didn’t say that “My biggest contribution... has been the creation for a video called Your Right to Fight: Stopping Sexual Harassment on Campus.”

Even the title of the article “Prof sues for discrimination” is incorrect. I haven’t sued anyone. I have filed charges.

Finally, I would like to point out that there are 17 (not 12) Full Professors in the Psychology Department. All of them are men.

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students and their families who are willing to participate in the ceremonies at the institution. "This is ample evidence that the event needs to occur in a larger venue," Doellefeld said.

Winick said that she knew someone who fell faint in the Ballroom and was not able to exit. "Once the ceremony began, the doors were locked and no one was allowed to leave." Doellefeld said that, "no doors in this building, the Campus Center, are ever locked from the inside. If anyone wants to get out, there is always open access and egress."

Kevin Armant, another December graduate, said he liked the ceremony and thought it was nice that the school does something for these winter graduates. Although, Armant said that, "it would have been nice if all the graduates could have walked in together." Similar feelings are expressed, by Winick, who said that there was no list of graduates published, no march and the graduates did not even get a diploma.

"This is not a graduation ceremony. SUNY Albany holds graduation once a year, and that is in May," Doellefeld said. Everyone who has graduated since last August, this December and May will legally graduate in May.

Armant said, "My parents enjoyed the ceremony but, my father would have killed someone if he couldn’t have gotten into the ballroom." Armant said his parents arrived at the ceremony shortly after noon, and that is why they were able to be seated. In the letter, sent to all the graduating seniors, by Doellefeld, it stated that seating would be first-come first-seated.

At 12:50 p.m., ten minutes before the scheduled start of the ceremony, the doors of the Ballroom were closed, with all the seats filled.

As far as the continuance of the ceremony, the class of 1990 President, Holly Bernstein, said she thinks that, "these people (graduates) deserve the ceremony, maybe even more than the May graduates. A lot of these people have worked full-time during their school experience."

"The May graduation is given much more attention; it is more of a ceremony," Bernstein said that the administration is giving the ceremony more attention and more people are showing up, more than expected.

Doellefeld said he is prepared to investigate the accommodations for next December’s assembly and all future ones. He said that, "space is the type of problem; a student development specialist would rather deal with, than having rooms show up at the event and wondering why."

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Epsilon Phi; Cary Fischer, Sigma Lambda Sigma, and Eric Goldstein, Zeta Beta Tau.

The judges were: Deborah Orlitch, Alpha Epsilon Phi; Monica Gugel, Alpha Omicron Phi; Ilene Tablinsky, Alpha Phi; Debbie Finkenstein, Delta Phi Epsilon; Joan McCullagh, Phi Sigma Chi; Sue Levy, Sigma Delta Tau; Dawn Connely, Phi Sigma Sigma, and Sandra Caldero, Phi Gamma.

Santos was in the middle of his act when the owner of LP's decided and closed down the event. The last two strippers scheduled, Fischer and Goldstein were not able to perform their acts.

In addition, Wolpoff said Di Pieto was kidnapped by his pledges and could not attend the event.

Since final are coming, Wolpoff said that he did not think it would be possible to finish the show. However, he said he was positive the event would be scheduled again.

Wolpoff said the students obviously want to attend such events, as proven by the large number of people who attended. Bell estimated that almost half of those who attended were Greeks.

Wolpoff said one of the biggest problems, was with the community, because it "doesn't really want to do things with Greeks. I guess it's understandable considering we are a relatively new Greek system. We'll just have to wait until we form a working relationship with the community."

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wearing short hair and business suits." She said that the implication of this fashion trend is that it was an attempt for women to gain equal status in society. However, she also said that this attempt was not entirely successful since women still receive unequal salaries for the same jobs as their male counterparts. Some students said they were concerned about the influx of multinational corporations and the increasing effect that capitalism had in society. Junior Sharon Levy said, "Music in the eighties has become profit oriented." She explained that record companies moved into the realm of big business. Lohman said that every popular movie had a sequel in order to increase revenue.

Levy said the eighties generation witnessed great tragedies such as the Space Shuttle Challenger and the Pan Am flight 103 crash. Another negative aspect of this decade was the corruption of big business. Sophomore Chris Candee talked about white collar crime and insider trading.

Despite the fact that Livingston described the eighties as a decade that lacked direction, he said he feels that in the future, students will be more willing to "live effectively in a pluralistic world." Stoor said "Today's college students will be the ones to implement changes in the nineties."

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Not the end, but just the beginning; A farewell column

By Christopher Sciria
SPORTS EDITOR

I've got my favorite things to write. I struggle with them because I want them to be so perfect.

This is my farewell column. For the last 93 issues, I have been the sports editor of the Albany Student Press. This is issue 94. That's two years of my life.

But when you're 22, what is two years of your life?

Part of me wants to reminisce, and part of me wants to look ahead. I remember joining the ASP, my first story, my first promotion and then eventually my last one, two years ago so sports editor.

There were a lot of my in that last paragraph. The last two years have been a lot of ours. All of the experiences I've had with so many people. Our experiences.

The trip to Dippikill, the production nights, the business office people, dealing with Photo Service, interviewing athletes, traveling to games, watching our teams win and lose, going to class with sleep, going out to bars with other ASPers, and so many others.

So many people, so much fun, time flew by. I'd like to thank all of them.

I'm sitting what we call Room 3, at the ASP. I'm surrounded by old MDT's and our old headline machine. They're junk now, but as I look at them I remember typing stories on them or certain headlines. Oh so many memories.

Albany: For those before I leave this newspaper, there are a few people I'd like to personally say good-bye to.

Lori and Josh at the Sports Information office: You two are a class act. I never knew how hard some people work until I saw you two, thanks for everything.

Football Coach Bob Ford: Another reporter for a real newspaper told me that someday I would remember my days with you and look back fondly. He was wrong. Someday is today. Thanks for some great quotes, coach, best of luck to your team next year. Somewho, I'll be there.

The ASP: You've changed my life. You took a political science major and turned him into a sports writer and editor. I'm glad you were there.

Women's basketball coach Mari Warner: I was assigned your team when I was associate editor. I kept it after I became editor. I felt that I shouldn't beg all the "big sports," so I let someone else cover them. Our experiences.

Women's basketball coach Romi: You were a part of you.

Women's basketball coach Mary Warner: I was assigned your team when I was associate editor. I kept it after I became editor. I felt that I shouldn't beg all the "big sports," so I let someone else cover them. I don't regret it to this day. I learned a lot about basketball, women's sports among other things.

WCDA, Alex, Adam, Vince, and Larry: We had some good times on the road. Remember the iron machine. They're junk now, but as I look at them I remember typing stories on them or certain headlines. Oh so many memories.

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On the next day, the women competed in the Stony Brook Invitational. They finished third out of four. The other teams were Stony Brook, Southern Connecticut and Marist.

In the dual meet format, Albany's scores would have been a 178-114 loss to Southern Connecticut, a 152-143 loss to Stony Brook, and a 158-95 win over Marist.

The Danes did not win any of the events, swimming or diving. Stony Brook competed in the final four events as exhibition, which is why the score was as close as it was.

Before I finish, I wish all good things to my successor Wayne Stock. Enjoy this job Wayne. It can be fun and it can be hell. Keep a sense of humor, and you'll be okay.

Well that's it. It's your ball Wayne, run with it.

Dane swim teams in action

Women get off to 2-1 start, men are winless

By Jerry L. Kahn
STAFF WRITER

Over the past two weeks, the Albany swimming team's have competed six meets and won both of their meets and finished third in an invitational, but the men lost all of their meets.

The women's record is 2-1, while the men's is 0-4.

"Our women's team is doing very well," coach David Turnage said. "We have not yet had a meet where everyone's been there. I'm looking forward to next semester hoping to have a stronger team." Chronologically, the first meet was the men's November 21 competition, which was against New Paltz. Albany lost the meet by the score of 127-60. They had few highlights in this meet. The Great Danes won only two of the events.

Jason Kaye won the 200 butterfly with a time of 2:02.35. The Albany team of Kaye, Marc Potash, Ken Brandes, and John Bonade emerged victorious in the 400 freestyle relay, which was the final event.

New Paltz swam the final three events as exhibition, which prevented it from scoring points in them.

Against Stony Brook on December 1, the Albany men lost by a similar score. The final rally was 130-81. However, there was some good news—the Great Danes finally landed a diver.

Freshman Aaron Caporuscio, whose sister Andrea swims for the women's team, became Albany's first male diver of the season. He also doubles as a swimmer. Caporuscio was voted as the Athlete of the Meet because he swam in two relays and dove.

However, the Danes did not win any of the events, swimming or diving. Stony Brook competed in the final four events as exhibition, which is why the score was as close as it was.

For the men, the winners were: Rob Sullivan in the 100 breaststroke, with a time of 1:04.29. John Lewis in the 200 breaststroke, with a time of 2:08.26. Bridget Walter in the one meter diving, with a score of 162.30. Edseld in the 100 butterfly. Her mark was 1:05.42.

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The Danes host Green Mountain tonight from the Capital District area.

The men's winners were: Caporuscio, McDonald, Klein, and Robin Brown in the 400 medley relay. Their time was 3:47.21. Brown in the 50 freestyle, at 28.16. Bridget Walter in the one meter diving, with a score of 162.30. Edseld in the 100 butterfly. Her mark was 1:05.42.

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Women's basketball defeats Ithaca, 65-58

Richardson scores 15 in second half as Albany goes to 5-3

By Christopher Sciria
SPORTS EDITOR

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After pondering the situation myself, I find that SUNYA should make the move. But it should be done in a certain way.

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From there the Dane defense did its job. Richardson on one play stole the ball near the sideline and as she kept it alive, she hurled over the Ithaca bench into the stands.

Beach Franklin was sent in on a Bomber free throw opportunity with 37 seconds left and the score, 63-58, Albany. Karen Fischer missed the front end of the one and one and Franklin grabbed the board and was quickly fouled.

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Dane wrestlers move up to 11th in nation

Victory over Oneonta raises record to 9-1-1; Ithaca remains No. 1

By Adam Dolan

In front of an enthusiastic Albany crowd the wrestling team continued its success.

Friday night saw the Danes take a resounding victory over their long time rival, Oneonta State. Impressive victories were recorded by Eric Hagin in defeating Oneonta's Pascale 11-3, while Jan Fronhofer and John Paulin both recorded pins. In the final match of the meet, Al Gordon thoroughly frustrated his opponent into a disqualification.

This victory lifts the Danes record to an impressive 9-1-1.

"I was very impressed with our team's performance and also with the big crowd turnout," Albany coach Joe Demeo said.

"As of now it looks as though they have the best team, but anything can happen by the end of the season, and it is really too early to tell who will end up number one," Demeo added.

Because of the youthfulness of his squad, Demeo plans an improvement and a rise in the rankings throughout the year.

Two of the young stars responsible for much of the Danes' success this year are Fronhofer and Paulin.

Fronhofer, a freshman out of Salem High School is undefeated in dual meets. In high school, Fronhofer went to the Espoir Nationals and qualified for the U.S. world team. He took 11th place at the World's in Budapest Hungary. Fronhofer intends to wrestle through the remainder of the season, and he hopes to continue to win.

If he keeps up his intensity, Fronhofer has a great chance at winning the Nationals.

Paulin, a sophomore, out of Catskill, has also been a force for the Danes. He qualified for the Nationals last year as a freshman, and has a record of 11-3-2. Despite his impressive mark, Paulin believes he must be more consistent in order to be at his best. He looks forward to a possible National Championship for the Danes.

In preparation for the Nationals, the Danes will wrestle at a meet in Monclair in the 23rd. This is unattached from their regular schedule. Their next scheduled meet is on January fourth when they host the Albany duals.

Great Danes win fourth straight over St Lawrence

By Wayne Stock

Alex McLean and Michael Shene combined for 33 points to lead Albany (5-3) to a 89-75 victory at St. Lawrence, Saturday night for the Danes fourth consecutive win.

McClean led the Dane scoring with 17, going six for ten from the field and adding seven rebounds.

Shene, coming off a season high 23 points against Hamilton, had 16 and pulled down 12 boards.

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In the high jump the tandem of freshman Courtney Tanvir Choudri leaped 19'4" to combine for a new school record.

In the long jump the Danes were missing the services of one of their best, John Ashley, due to illness. This team has such depth, they still placed third.

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Men's track takes 2nd at CTC

By Michael Director

Unlikely most Albany teams, men's track frequently faces top notch Division I competition. Last Saturday at CTC's at Seton Hall this again was the case.

With half of the competition coming from Division I, the Danes' still placed second out of 22 teams losing only to Division I Seton Hall. The Danes' amassed 23 points to Seton Hall's 31. Rounding out the top three was another Division I school, Fordham, who scored 20 points.

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Unfortunately in the 4X1600 relay, this cost Albany precious points. The team was on a school record setting pace, in third, when they were caught in a lap mix up with another school and moved to sixth.

In the shuttle hurdles, Albany had the favored team. Sophomore Wilfredo Rodriguez and junior Juan Sanchez (both state hurdle champions) combined with freshman Courtney Smith. They looked to easily place in the top three.

Disaster struck and the team was disqualified. With Rodriguez on the line, and the gun about to go off Rodriguez moved and disqualified his team. To add to this Seton Hall won this event costing the Danes valuable points in the team standings.

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