



Cagers Open With Wins Over Marist, Cortland

by Mike Piekarski
The "Doc's" opening week prescription was "two wins and call me in the morning." And when the Albany varsity basketball team woke up Sunday morning, they had followed the doctor's orders...

But that was to be the closest they would come for the next few minutes as Marist went on an 11-2 spree to open up a big 13-point lead. Lajeunesse, with five, and guard Ken Grimes with four, were the main culprits in that surge.



Danes' Mike Suprunowicz goes up for layup in second half of Saturday's game as Staten Winston trails play. Albany won 79-53.

After Cavanaugh connected, Staak pumped in two more baskets from the perimeter, and Cortland led for the first time in the game, at 22-21. But Keane hit on a driving layup and Verdejo — in for Cavanaugh — snared a bucket to give the lead back to the hosts.



Winston Royal, Albany's lightning-quick rookie guard, drives around Oliver Jones as Staten Winston (30) sets a pick.

Brothers Spark Swim Team

by Andy Firestone
The Ron White-coached Albany State men's swimming team opened its 1976-77 regular season this past Saturday on the road with a decisive 77-34 victory over New Paltz.

Grapplers Drop Two Of Three

by Eddie Emerman
The Albany State varsity wrestling team opened its 1976-77 season Saturday in a quadrangular match at home. The grapplers captured one match out of a possible three.

strength is their weakness and their weakness is our strength."
This, however, turned out not to be the case. Union handed Albany its second loss of the day, 36-15. For the Danes, Berger, Gagliardi, Palkovic, and Cleary all won; Berger forfeit.

Theft Victims Plan To Sue Hotel

by Ed Moser
"You can't expect the city to keep paying out money," said Gershowitz.
Director of Student Housing John Welty agreed with Gershowitz, saying, "I don't see the basis for a valid claim..."

all rooms will be double locked beginning Friday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.
no one will be allowed to reenter room until Thursday, Jan. 13, 1977.
students will be able to leave their valuables in a separate locked storage room.



Director of Student Housing John Welty said it appears that the Wellington Hotel cannot be held responsible for recent thefts.

Chance of Winning
According to Alan Adler, a clerk at the Rosenblum-Leventhal law offices retained by Student Association, the students have a chance of winning a lawsuit.

Fire Victims Consider Lawsuits

Not Hotel's Liability
Gershowitz commented, "It specifically states in the contract that thefts are not our liability."

by Bryan Holzberg

Four of the six people injured in a Nov. 17 Dove St. fire have approached lawyers to investigate the possibility of bringing lawsuits against the owners of the residence.
Co-owners Michael Rickman, Lawrence Sioman and Norman Liebowitz were arrested on charges of violating a building condemnation order and not providing a sprinkler system or fire escape...

"These students [George DeLuca, Monica Leonards, Ralph Polk and Ellen Deutschman] pressed for an apartment and got to his sympathies," said Roe about Rickman.
Two of the residents said that suits against both the landlords and the City of Albany for negligence were being considered.

Tuition Assistance Puzzle Slowly Unravels

by Jonathan Hodges
SUNYA Financial Aids Director Donald Whitlock is urging all students who have applied for TAP awards and whose names do not appear on the list in the Student Accounts Office to reapply for the awards.

The Tuition Assistance Program, administered by NYS Higher Education Services Corporation, has been plagued by a series of mishaps this year. The resulting delays have caused serious difficulties for students trying to meet tuition obligations and for colleges who depend on a steady cash flow.
Manpower shortages, the inclusion of CUNY students into TAP, problems with the new emancipated student applications, computer failures, and the action of the state legislature in regards to TAP eligibility have all been cited by HESC President Eileen Dickinson as prime factors contributing to the problem.

mittee is expected to have a report ready for the legislature at the beginning of its next session.
According to a memo issued Nov. 12 by Dickinson to college financial aids offices, of the 305,000 applications received from all colleges (excluding CUNY), only 136,000 awards have been sent to students.

1976-77 STUDENT PAYMENT APPLICATION FOR REGENTS SCHOLARSHIP AND TAP AWARDS

Students whose names do not appear on the Office of Student Accounts' master list should reapply for TAP.

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House of Lords Loses Prominence

LONDON (AP) The House of Lords, the ancient, sometimes somnolent upper house of Parliament, is again under attack. And some critics say their unelected lordships, like powdered wigs and handbag coats, will inevitably pass from the British scene.

A concerted effort to abolish or drastically alter the Lords has been mounted by Labor party members of the House of Commons. Parliament's lower house, because the Lords have delayed or amended key legislation prepared by the Labor government of Prime Minister James Callaghan.

The House of Lords has existed for more than seven centuries, reeks with tradition, and besides having a constitutional prerogative to amend legislation submitted by the lower house, it serves as the highest court in the realm. "The days of the Lords are quite genuinely numbered," says Anthony Wedgwood Benn, energy minister and a prominent leftist leader of the campaign. Benn says he thinks that within 5 or 10 years Britons will vote in a government with a campaign pledge that "the Lords must go." Benn himself is an aristocrat who in 1973 renounced the title Lord Stansgate so he could sit in

the popularly elected House of Commons.

In one of the angriest confrontations between the two houses this century, some 60 Labor members of the Commons jointly accused the Lords of using their constitutional power to amend legislation in "a wilful and politically motivated attempt" to wreck Labor party bills. "The critics in the House of Commons can jump into the Atlantic for all I care," retorted Lord Shirwell, who held ministerial posts in several Labor governments before being made a life peer in 1970. "We have to make a stand."

The confrontation and the threat of a constitutional crisis has prompted such front-page headlines as "Mutineers in Ermine" in the Daily Express and a national debate on

whether the Lords should be reformed to make them more representative, perhaps by some form of popular election. The 1,100 or so members of the House of Lords acquired their titles and ermine robes through birth, political patronage in the case of life peers, or by virtue of their office, for example the archbishop of Canterbury.

Its critics view it as the political embodiment of Britain's class system. But few political observers believe the Laborites will succeed in outright abolition of the Lords, and any tampering with a part of the nation's heritage is likely to proceed slowly.

But the Lords have had their troubles, and their critics, through the years. The Duke of Wellington said "Nobody gives a damn for it."

Lebanon Begins Rebuilding

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) Moslem banker Salim el-Hoss began trying to put together a new Lebanese government yesterday and said it "will not take much time."

The 48-year-old premier-

designate, tapped on Wednesday by Christian President Elias Sarkis, said it would be "a government of work, reconstruction and reconciliation." The president told him to pick men of proven administrative ability instead of politicians to launch the monumental task of reconstruction after 19 months of civil war. Sources close to Hoss said he would seek exceptional powers from parliament to proclaim a state of emergency for six months and reinstate capital punishment.

Hoss and Sarkis reportedly agreed that a tough debut by the new government, backed by the Syrian army, is necessary to ensure a secure and stable climate for a colossal reconstructive drive.

Leftist newspapers express a fear that the emergency powers would be used to impose censorship on the only free press in the Arab world. In naming Hoss, Sarkis brushed aside strenuous objections from former President Camille Chamoun, who controls the second largest Christian militia that fought in the civil war. Chamoun said that instead of a cabinet of technocrats, "only a government of politicians would be strong enough to shield the president's efforts to lead the nation out of the civil war."

CORRECTIONS

In the article entitled "Landlord Is Arrested In Dove Street Fire Case" in the Dec. 3 issue of the *ASP*, the tenth paragraph should have read, "Roe said Rickman could be fined from \$10 to \$200 or be imprisoned for 30 days or both if found guilty of the charges that have been leveled against him." Inaccuracies were due to a typographical error. Also, it was recently learned that Ralph Polk, injured in fire, is a SUNYA student. Thus a total of four of the six people injured in the blaze were students.

In the article entitled "Letters Hope to Influence Budget" in the Dec. 7 issue of the *ASP*, the SUNY Board of Trustees was incorrectly identified as the Board of Regents. It is the Board of Trustees that makes budget recommendations to the Governor, and Pennsylvania's equivalent of the Board of Trustees that decided not to raise tuition at Pennsylvania state schools.

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NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. and Yugoslavia Plan to Cooperate

BELGRADE (AP) U.S. Sen. Jacob Javits, R-N.Y., conferred Thursday with Janko Smole, member of the Yugoslav cabinet, about cooperation between industrialized nations and developing countries. They also discussed promotion of cooperation of Yugoslavia, itself a developing nation, with the European Economic Community, with which Yugoslavia has close commercial ties. Javits, here as a guest of the Yugoslav Parliament, also met with Trpe Jakovlevski, chairman of the federal committee of science and culture, reviewing Yugoslav-American cooperation on science, technology and culture.

Kissinger Warns NATO About Soviet Power

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) Outgoing U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger delivered a last warning to North Atlantic Treaty Organization—NATO—foreign ministers today—that growing Soviet economic power means growing military power, sources said. Kissinger also brought a message from President-elect Carter saying that America's commitment to NATO "shall be sustained and strengthened." The two-day session is Kissinger's last NATO meeting as a member of President Ford's administration. According to one source who attended the closed-door session, Kissinger told the ministers that the broad outlines of American foreign policy will be the same under the Carter administration as they were under Ford.

Waldheim Predicts Peace in Middle East

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim says he believes the chances for peace in the Middle East have never been better. Waldheim told a news conference Wednesday after the General Assembly re-elected him by acclamation that he is "cautiously optimistic" that the Geneva Arab-Israeli conference... will convene within the first six months of the next year. The 146-nation assembly was expected to adopt a resolution today calling for a new Geneva conference by the end of March. Arab diplomats predicted that the resolution would get well over 100 affirmative votes and perhaps as many as 120.

Carter To Seek Understanding With Russia

WASHINGTON (AP) President-elect Jimmy Carter sent a public message of reassurance to the Soviet Union on Thursday, declaring through a special defense secretary that he has a "deep desire to find the basis of understanding" with the Russians. The informal message was expressed by Clark Clifford, who headed the Pentagon under former President Lyndon B. Johnson. He told reporters after lunch with the President-elect that he would impress Carter will instruct his secretaries of state, defense and treasury to "join in finding the basis for this understanding."

Northeast States Request Special Treatment

WASHINGTON (AP) Gov. Michael S. Dukakis and other leaders of the Northeast met with President-elect Jimmy Carter today to ask for some of the special treatment they feel his region has received for decades. They want help to deal with the problems that nag the industrialized northeast states, among them unemployment, high energy costs and big welfare bills. The governors have prepared a list of specific items they feel could reverse the grinding slowdown of the region's economy. Most of the governors and congressmen from the nine Northeast states planned to meet first with Carter to discuss their mutual concerns and strategy.

Carter Reviews Urban And National Proposals

WASHINGTON (AP) President-elect Carter was presented on Thursday with options for dealing with such issues as air bags, super-sonic airplanes and aid to the cities. Several options, if adopted, would reverse recent executive decisions made by the Ford administration. In the first major public encounter between Jimmy Carter and his housing and transportation policies, Carter was briefed on issues he'll face in 1977, most specifically on the "three days, according to one person familiar with preparations for the meeting. Details of a multi-billion dollar housing plan were unveiled, according to several sources.

State Advises Cuts in Welfare And Medicaid

NEW YORK (AP) The state Department of Social Services disclosed Thursday that it has given Gov. Hugh L. Carey suggestions for ways to save spending for welfare and Medicaid. The goal, according to a spokesman of Social Services Commissioner Philip L. Toia, would be achieved by a "bold" reduction in the annual multi-billion-dollar welfare-Medicaid outlays. "If we close a projected \$1-billion gap in the state budget next April, the best thing we would want to see is a reduction in grant levels," the aide said. Basic welfare payments for the needy. Everything else is under consideration," he said. "Rent allowances are being reviewed."

Convicted Killer Demands To Be Set Free

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) Convicted killer Gary Gilmore says the state of Utah blew its chances by not heeding his demands for a speedy execution, and now must set him free. Attorney Ronald B. Stanger petitioned the 4th District Court in Provo on Wednesday for Gilmore's release on grounds that state law required that the firing squad execution be carried out within 90 days after his Oct. 7 sentencing for killing a motel clerk. Stanger said a series of delays ordered by the courts and the governor constituted "torture and unusual punishment." "If given the alternative between life in prison or execution, he wants execution," Stanger said in a telephone interview. "But given the alternative between execution and walking out a free man, my impression is that he would want to walk out a free man."

Early False Alarms Plague Waterbury Dorm Dwellers

by Steve Brackett

During the past three weeks, a number of early morning fire alarms have plagued Alumni Quad's Waterbury Hall residents, according to the Hall's Director Jeannie Whiting. "We have had four alarms in the past week and a half," said Whiting. "They were all set off in stairwells, hallways, and lounges on the second floor's east section."

According to Whiting, the alarms were activated by setting off heat sensors in the hall. In three instances alarm boxes were pulled in conjunction with the sensors.

Though one activated sensor was traced to a second floor room, Whiting was of the opinion that the residents in that section of the hall were not the type of people who would set off alarms.

"I have no idea who's pulling them," said Whiting. "I assume that it's someone from Waterbury, but I can't say for sure."

The utility plant engineer for the downtown campus, James Fontaine, feels that with each false alarm the fire department is responding a little less promptly. "We have to call the department five minutes after each alarm," stated Fontaine.

Waterbury Hall's rash of false alarms has been placing a serious strain on the local fire department. "One time there was a two-alarm fire in another area of the city the same night a false alarm occurred at the dorm," said Fontaine.

At the meeting of the University Senate last Monday, a number of student senators expressed concern at the recent increase of Alumni Quad false alarms. They suggested that one possible reason for the rise could be due to the recent University Police disclosure that downtown

patrols have been stopped.

Though Whiting disagrees that there is a link between the false alarms and the termination of police patrols, she does acknowledge that a great deal of money and manpower have been wasted in replacing bells and heat sensors.

Whiting has stated that if the perpetrators are caught, they would be prosecuted. Due to the approach of final exams, there is a growing concern that students will begin not to leave the dorms during an alarm. "I can't blame them [students] for being upset," said Whiting. "But it's crucial that everyone get out of the building anyway."



A series of false alarms have plagued downtown Waterbury Hall residents in recent weeks.

SUNYA Research Granted Increased Funds

by Florie Shertzer

Research money awarded to Albany amounted to \$6,088,780 an increase of 21 per cent over the previous year, according to Vice President for Research Louis Salkever.

According to Salkever, this increase is due to the quality of the proposals who work hard to develop good proposals.

Grants Coordinator Frank Lucarelli agreed saying, "The faculty generates the money. They have submitted exceptional proposals this year, and are therefore able to gather funds on merit."

According to Lucarelli, the natural sciences, the atmospheric science department, the School of Criminal Justice, and the School of Social Welfare were the biggest recipients of funds this year.



SUNYA has been awarded an increase in research grants this year.

Lucarelli also said that proposals concerning solar energy, environmental problems, the problems of aging, and the training of social workers were among those which received the most money.

The science proposals traditionally require more money than those of the humanities department. "A philosophy professor," stated Lucarelli, "can get by on several thousand dollars, when a scientist needs \$100,000 and up."

According to both Salkever and Lucarelli SUNYA receives the majority of its funds from federal agencies such as the National Science Foundation, the Public Health Service and the United States Office of Education. Only eight to ten per cent of the funds come from private foundations.

Salkever said that this is due to the SUNYA rule that all research must be available to the public. "Most private corporations want research to be kept secret so that it can be used exclusively by the corporation."

Tuition Assistance Program's Puzzle Finally Being Pieced Together

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HESC to meet their various expenses.

According to wire service reports yesterday, New York State Assembly Minority Leader Perry Duryea has proposed legislation that would allow HESC to pay colleges in a 75 per cent lump sum.

Duryea was quoted as saying that the proposed legislation will help to "alleviate financial hardships for colleges and students caused by the snarl in administering the State Tuition Assistance Program."

According to Whitlock, SUNYA is not expected to adopt this option due to the fact that as a state institution, it can afford to wait until the SUNY Fiscal Office issues the 600,000 individual checks.

At the Senate subcommittee's first meeting in Albany, SASU Legislative Director Joel Packer expressed a wish to see students represented in the corporation, an increase in TAP aid, the extension of eligibility to part-time students, and the elimination of the "green monster" petition for emancipated students.

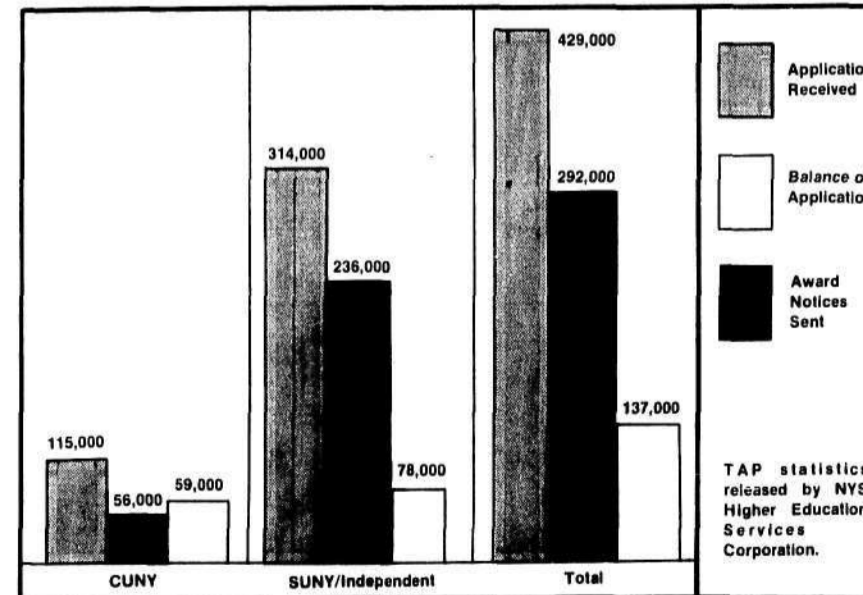
In Anderson's charge to the subcommittee, he suggested possible questions the subcommittee might want to answer. They included assessing whether additional legislation is necessary; HESC can be

decentralized to the campus level; HESC has the research capacity to project accurately its future costs; and whether the corporation should

stay with the legislatures funding guidelines.

As for the immediate future, Whitlock said, "We don't anticipate

a great improvement in the situation, and for that reason the institution will continue to defer [TAP payment] liberally."



According to statistics released by members of the New York State Higher Education Services Corporation, nearly 25 per cent of those SUNY/Independent students who filed TAP applications have yet to receive award notices.

Crime Declines

by Laurie Geller

For the second consecutive month, the Department of Public Safety's statistics have shown a decline in the number of reported crimes on campus as compared to 1975.

Reported offenses for the month of November declined six per cent from November, according to the statistics compiled by Dept. of Public Safety Director James Williams. Total reported crimes for 1976, however, are up 13 per cent as compared to last year.

There were 94 total offenses reported in November, property stolen was valued at \$6,253. For the year, there have been 987 total offenses, with stolen property totalling \$78,055.

The most frequent offense committed, according to the report has been petty larceny, followed by criminal mischief.

For the year, assaults, aggravated harassment and harassment offenses have nearly doubled as compared to the same time period in 1975. Public lewdness has nearly tripled, and grand larceny had increased by over 30 per cent.

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Thursday, Dec. 9	CC 315	3:15 pm
Monday, Dec. 13	CC 315	2:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 15	CC 315	8:15 pm

Garbage Course Students Unearth Trashy Conclusions

(CPS) Students in Professor William Rathje's anthropology class think the course material he offers really stinks, but it's okay with them.

Rathje's University of Arizona classes study garbage you see, not the usual kind of college course garbage but the real odiferous McCoy: gooey, smelly, throwaway trash, huge manky mounds of it complete with rats, empty coke bottles and bulky plastic sacks of sticky TV dinners.

The students gleefully wade into this foul-smelling mess, clad in high boots, surgical masks and plastic gloves. They scoop up carefully measured chunks, weighing and recording them to the smallest fraction. Then they go back to class and talk about it.

This is what the students call "Le Projet du Garbage" (accent on the last syllable), where for the past five years students have been studying the city of Tucson's trash. It's a real class; students do papers, take tests and receive grades.

"Le Projet" uses a computer to analyze its findings and employs, among others, a nutritionist who

helps the students study throw-away food. And, as Professor Rathje is quick to point out, one of "Le Projet's" main objectives is to aid students in their study of archeology. "We've got a whole program in garbage here," he says. "That doesn't mean you get a degree in garbage but it means you get to participate in an on-going research project—something most students don't get to do."

Rathje figures garbage study is a good way to study archeology methods since scientists study the refuse of ancient cultures to piece together theories about what life was like in those times. He also thinks "garbology" is a useful way to study consumption and waste in our own society, a study that few people have ever attacked with any sort of academic ferocity. "It's all there in the trash," he quips.

Rathje and students have found that cheap vegetables and breads are thrown out more than meats; that when prices rise, people throw away more of a product, not less; that the 360,000 Tucson residents throw away 12,000 tons of edible food each

year (Canadians could live on America's annual waste); and that middle class families throw away more than the rich or the poor.

Students have also branched out from the study of garbage. Like archeological sleuths traipsing through ancient Mayan villages, they have poked through numerous corners of Tucson studying every aspect of contemporary material culture. "We get really bizarre studies," says Rathje.

One student last year did a study correlating people's use of ketchup with the way they dressed. Entitled "Pass the Ketchup Please," it showed how the nattily attired poured

their ketchup in neat patterns while people who covered their food with great hunks of red were usually slobs. "It was a fairly sophisticated study," Rathje added. Next semester someone will be looking into toys.

"Le Projet" has received more than 1,000 information requests. Each time the course is offered about 80 students sign up and everybody within the university has given it great support. "Garbage is more recognized now as a national problem—a source of resources—and a major area of study," explains Rathje, 31, a Harvard Ph.D who sits at a desk beneath a sign that says: "Garbage Dump." "We touch on

economics, ecology, nutrition, anthropology and sociology. I think we fit in pretty good."

Last Halloween Rathje threw a party at which students came dressed as their favorite piece of garbage. A stuffed olive won the grand prize with honorable mention going to a fruit fly and a box of crackers.

Says three-year veteran Shelley Smith, a senior archeology major who has found silver studded boots, false teeth and a diamond ring in her many trips to the dump: "My mother thinks I'm crazy, my friends think I'm weird. But I love to sort garbage just to relax. I just enjoy ripping open the bags."

Medicaid Program Under Fire

WASHINGTON (AP) A report describing Medicaid health care of poor children in the South as "a national disgrace and an inexcusable waste" prompted an influential congressman Wednesday to threaten to abolish the program.

Unless the nine-year-old program meets its obligation to screen 13 million poor children and treat their medical problems, Rep. John E. Moss, D-Calif., said he would attempt to kill it.

Moss did not state what legislative strategy he might employ to abolish the program. He blamed the program's failure on bureaucratic ineptitude.

Implement Regulations
He criticized Secretary David Mathews of Health, Education and Welfare for failing to implement new Medicaid regulations proposed in August 1976, and said that the former University of Alabama president has "an unusually high tolerance for doing nothing."

"Secretary Mathews has not been a whiz kid as an administrator," Moss said. Mathews had no immediate comment.

Moss said the findings of a year-

long investigation of the Medicaid child health program by the Southern Regional Council in 11 Southern states mirrored the conclusions of his own House Commerce subcommittee on oversight and investigations that mismanagement "has caused unnecessary crippling, retardation or even death of thousands of children."

The council's president is Patricia "Patti" Derian, former deputy director of Jimmy Carter's presidential campaign and a member of the Carter transition team in the health

field. The council is a nonpartisan, privately funded organization founded in 1944 to fight racism and poverty.

Lack of Treatment
The council's report, "Medicaid for the Young," was based on investigations in 23 southern states.

It found that poor children in the South are being screened for the health problems but are not receiving medical treatment because most doctors refuse to see Medicaid patients.

Book Aids Dorm Food Blues

(CPS) Students holding their stomachs and moaning and groaning about the alleged food served in their dorms will be heartened by Terry Fisher's new cookbook.

Fisher, 21, a student at the University of Virginia, has written a cookbook aimed at dorm dwellers. Its title is "The International Student's Guide to Cooking Without Getting Caught." In it, she outlines handy methods for preparing dorm room cuisine with only a thermos, an iron, and a hot pot for boiling water.

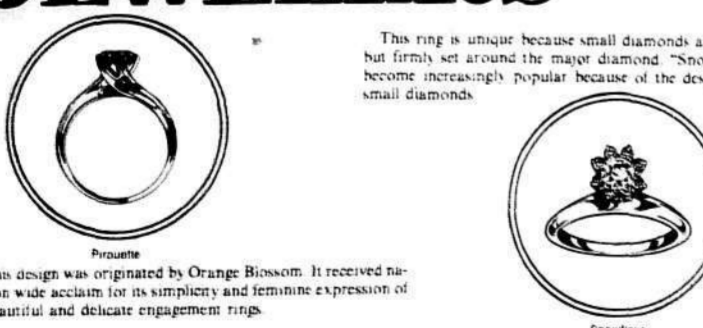
Fisher says it is possible to grill a cheese sandwich with the iron, cook macaroni in the thermos, and to make fruit crunches, bread and

casseroles in the hot pot.

To make grilled cheese sandwiches, Fisher advises students to wrap the sandwich in foil, set the iron on "cotton", and place the iron on top of the sandwich as if it were a handkerchief, being careful not to squeeze the sandwich. For macaroni, put boiling water and pasta in the thermos and let it sit for an hour.

As for casseroles, desserts, and breads, Fisher says cook them by placing the ingredients in a tin can, covering it with foil, putting it in the hot pot with boiling water and steaming it for an hour or more. Voilà! A repeat unmatched in any two-bit college cafeteria.

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New markets have caused textbook industry to take an upward swing.

GOP Blasts Budget Projections

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) Top legislative Republicans reacted to Democratic Hugh Carey's latest budget maneuvering by asking for an end to "wolf-calling" and "maladministration."

"The interests of the people of this state will be best served if their governor stops making outrageous, inflated and unbelievable statements implying that there is a billion-dollar gap facing us," said Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson of Binghamton in a prepared statement.

Although it took Carey's budget projections to task, Anderson's

statement was subdued, and so was Assembly Minority Leader Perry Duryea's. Duryea of Montauk, is the GOP chief in the Assembly.

Billion Dollar Economy
Duryea agreed with Carey that the state's economy is not in good shape, but laughed at the billion dollar figure Carey threw out at a news conference.

Anderson said the billion-dollar figure, which Carey aides tried to defend at a hastily called briefing that followed the governor's sometimes vague and confusing news conference, was artificially constructed with selective accounting.

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Textbooks Bring Financial Boom

(CPS) When students begin studying for their first economics exam, chances are they will overlook one very rich lesson in basic supply and demand theory. That textbook, for which the student has probably supplied between \$13 to \$15, is happily and steadily filling the publisher's demand.

The textbook industry is a financial oasis in the publishing business as new markets open up in adult education, women's studies and text which one leading publisher says are down-shifted for the increasing number of junior colleges, community colleges and night school courses. There is also a "return to basics in education philosophy in 1976," reports Jim Bradford at Scott, Foresman and Co. publishers.

This trend marks a change from the past five years. "In 1971, we were still in Vietnam. Today, students are more interested in what this course will do for them in terms of coping

with the world. There is a focus on the consumer side of economics," Bradford said.

Textbooks are being geared more towards practical education. Today a student can open a textbook and learn how to borrow money for a new car, finance a house, or even balance a checkbook, instead of confronting one hundred years of historical data. In fact, the all-time best-seller on the college textbook charts is a volume called Accounting Principles by C. Rollin Niswonger and Phillip C. Fess which has been on the list for 2444 weeks and is in its eleventh edition. And for anyone who thought that textbooks existed only for that rare student who is adept at memorizing dates and figures, Prentice Hall publishers put out a text called *Life Insurance* that has been selling steadily since 1912. The new edition is priced at \$15.95 and is expected to sell 25,000 copies in 1976.

But the words "new edition" are enough to bring tears to the eyes of a student taking introductory courses like economics or political science. These courses often require texts which are revised regularly and that means that a student cannot buy the book used and possibly save as much as fifty percent.

For the publisher, though, the used book business is a pain in the profits. In fact, one of the main reasons for revisions, according to a leading college textbook publisher, is to cut out the used book market. Apparently there is no money for publishers in used books.

Barnes and Noble, which operates used book franchises, buys books back at 40 percent of the original cost and resells them at 60 percent. The author of the book being resold receives no royalties as songwriters do.

The publisher of the college textbook must also deal with an interesting form of rip-off, that of the free sample. Periodically, publishers will distribute thousands of complimentary books to professors for possible sales or reviews. However, these books are often sold to the used book dealer.

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Fieldhouse Follies

by Daniel Gaines

Let's say you wanted to construct a building. You knew there were many possibilities, but you decided that another building for athletics would be a nice addition to SUNYA. You call it a fieldhouse.

The university has no money for a fieldhouse. The Student Association has no money for a fieldhouse. And the University Auxiliary Services (UAS-food service) has no money for a fieldhouse. You don't think you can get a foundation to pay for it. How do you build it?

You decide that if you were to take \$27 each year, for 20 years, from every SUNYA student, you could build it. You find out that the present student body could probably legally bind the next twenty classes of students to pay for your fieldhouse. You gather all the important people in the university and convince them that a fieldhouse would be nice. You include Vice President of Business and Finance, the Dean of Student Affairs, the General Manager of UAS, the officers of Student Association, and officials from the plant department, student recreational groups, and the gymnasium.

You show them beautiful slides, films and pictures of another college's fieldhouse. They look at the building and imagine it at SUNYA. They begin to get excited about having a SUNYA fieldhouse.

When people begin to wonder whether or not you can have concerts in the fieldhouse, you invite them to your meetings, convince them that your fieldhouse would be a nice place for concerts, and ask them to join the committee.

After all these important people are on your fieldhouse committee, you prepare a proposal. Some of the important people volunteer publicity money from their budgets. You go to SA's Central Council, which spends student tax money and ask that they authorize a referendum, and help fund the publicity. You need the referendum, but before you actually go to the Council, you hold a series of informal meetings with small numbers of Council members so as to indoctrinate them. Let's say Council gives you the money and authorizes the referendum.

Your referendum proposal requires that a

certain percentage of the student body come out and vote on it. You prepare to use your publicity money to educate students on the subject of the fieldhouse, so they, too, can get excited about it.

Many people on your committee are in charge of different parts of the campus. As a result, several details needed for your proposal's success are handled conveniently. Free computer time and lists of students from the registrar come more easily; so does the publicity money.

By the time the referendum comes, in the spring, several students will know about the idea of the fieldhouse. It is a glamorous idea. The \$27 will not be retroactive, thus it will not cost the voting students a great deal. Present Freshmen and Sophomores will be able to use the fieldhouse before they graduate. If you're lucky, the students will vote favorably, in large numbers. Then you have another problem.

Is there a bank which will finance your project? It is a possibility, but you must show proof that you can raise the money. It will be difficult to offer the bank collateral; the land is state land. But you'll work out that problem, too.

After much work and the aid of many important people, the university may get a fieldhouse. Some students will be very happy. Then you can begin another project, using student pockets as your financial base.

... may be hazardous to your health

by Dr. Janet Hood, M.D.

With the University reluctant to assess a fee of even \$1 per student, per semester, to maintain Student Health Services which are basic, and to obviate the necessity for multiple small nuisance charges costly to administer, it seems incredible that they might be willing to commit students for the next 20 years to a mandatory fee of \$13.50 per semester for a field house!

Editor's Note: Dr. Hood is Student Health Service Director at SUNYA.

viewpoint

editorial questioned

To the Editor:

Since the "Potsdam Press" article made front page news in the Dec. 7 issue of ASP, perhaps you will think more about your own censorship and discrimination policies. You print a "welcome of letters" on your editorial pages, yet have been consistently criminal in your non-publication of letters from the U.S. Labor Party, an organization that has typed and submitted, as required, letters to the editor, including a refutation to your slanderous articles on the USLP.

At present, world history is being made by the USLP and our pro-constitutional allies in the Conservative, Republican, and American and American Independent political parties in the U.S. A Federal court suit challenging Carter's fraudulent election has reached evidentiary hearing status in N.Y. In Ohio, Ted Brown, Secretary of State, has ordered a statewide fraud investigation "to preserve the people's confidence in the electoral process." In Wisconsin, a joint suit has been filed to bar certification of the electors.

The success of the U.S. vote fraud action is being welded by our pro-development allies internationally. As a result of on-going negotiations between the industrialized nations and the Third World, strong support from Western Europe has emerged for a Third World debt moratorium and a new monetary system to restart world trade and production. All this despite Rockefeller lackey Kissinger's continued attempts of sabotage! The response of the rest of the world to Carter's vote fraud and his monetarist backers plans for austerity and war is negative. The European and Third World press have depicted Carter advisors Cyrus Vance, who engineered the escalation of the Vietnam War, and James Schlesinger, a "limited nuclear war" maniac, as "Rockefeller controlled."

We in the U.S. have a heritage from the

First American Revolution—a heritage that is based on the principle of progress. Men like Sir Thomas Gresham and Alexander Hamilton were committed to policies based on the necessity of expansion of per capita wealth. In opposition stand the Hapsburgs, Fuggers, Vichers, Rothschilds, Rockefeller—a legacy committed to looting and genocide to create wealth.

Once again we must create the environment of progress and throw out the traitors who want to de-industrialize and de-populate the world. Debt moratorium on the bankrupt Wall St. banks and world development now. Elizabeth Dzurinko, U.S. Labor Party

misinformation results in mess-up

To the Editor:

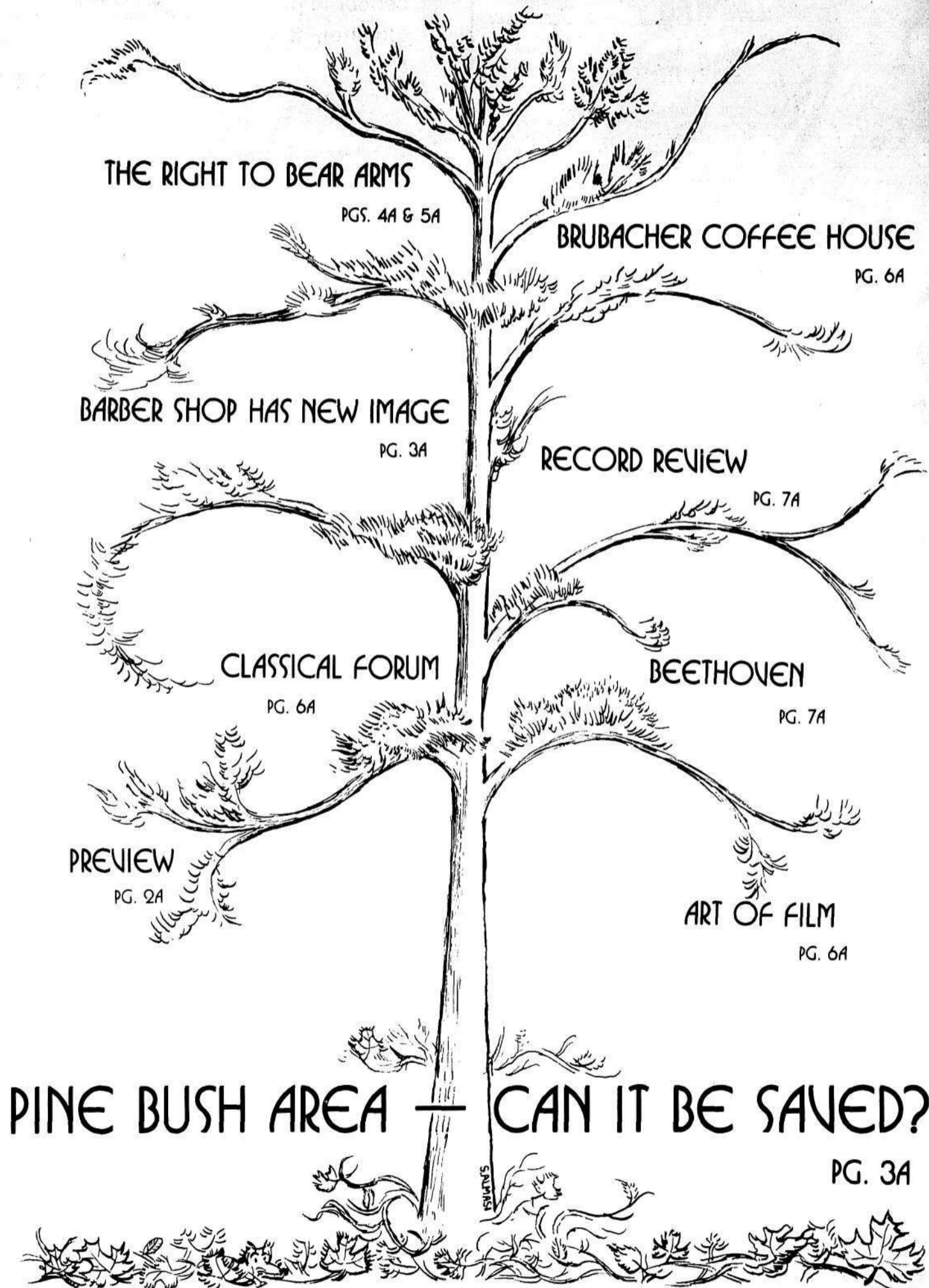
I was extremely upset by the article in Tuesday's ASP entitled "Letters Hope to Influence Budget." I had hoped that the article would be informative and educate the readers as to the budgetary process and SUNY, however, there was much misinformation and misinterpretation by the author that prevented this from happening.

I never said that the rally last March at the Capitol was a failure and I also never said that it was CUNY's fault. What I did say was that the rally was not as successful as it could have been and this was partially due to SUNY and CUNY having different reasons for being there (we were fighting against an increase in tuition and CUNY was fighting against the implementation of any tuition).

The author also only mentioned a tuition increase as a possible outcome of a budget cut. I had tried to stress that other alternatives to raising tuition, including cutting more programs (something which SUNYA certainly cannot afford) or closing one of the state colleges would be just as detrimental. It is not only students who will be hurt by another budget cut but everyone involved with the State University system. It does not matter how many letters we get but rather that we do get people to show they care by writing one.

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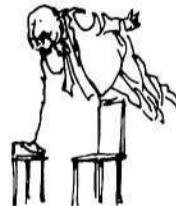
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Leaving the ivory towers



what's happening

Caffe Lena 1-584-9789
Michael Cooney, a one man folk festival will perform this Fri. Sat. and Sun. evenings.

Eighth Step Coffeehouse 434-1703
Neil Rossi will perform bluegrass, country, old-timey, new-timey and country music on fiddle, guitar, banjo and mandolin Fri. & Sat. at 8:30 p.m.

Dave Weissman and John Greer will perform traditional and contemporary American and Israeli folk songs Wed. at 8:30 p.m.

A country dance will be held Fri. Dec. 17 at the Emmanuel Baptist at 8:30 p.m.

Kevin McCann will perform classical guitar in the Kottke style Sat. Dec. 18 at 8:30 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra 465-4755
Susan St. Amour, soloist, will perform the works of Mendelssohn, Walton, and Tchaikovsky Fri. at the Troy Music Hall and Sat. at the Palace Theatre.

The Nutcracker Ballet by Tchaikovsky will be performed Sun. Dec. 19 at 2:30 and 8 p.m. at the Palace Theatre. The dancers will include artists from the New York City Ballet and Ballet North.

Cohoes Music Hall 237-7700
"Bebes In Arms", based on the energetic musical film that made Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney stars, will be performed now through Jan. 2. Performances are this weekend; Sat. at 8:30 p.m. and Sun. at 3 & 8:30 p.m.

Jewish Community Center Drama Workshop 438-6651
"The Willoughby Chase Murders" will be staged this Sat. and Sun.

Schenectady Civic Players 346-9951
"Night Must Fall", an English mystery by Emelyn Williams will be performed Fri. & Sat. at 8:30 p.m.

Slingerlands Community Players 439-9811
"Old Times", Pinter's drama of menace, mystery, and unexpected humor, will be performed Dec. 10-12 and 15-18th. All shows are at 8:30 p.m.

R.P.I. 270-6511
California, will appear in Mother's Wine Emporium Fri. and Sat. evenings.

The R.P.I. Jazz Ensemble will perform a Jazz Nite Club Sat. at 8:30 p.m.

C.S.R. 471-5111
A modern dance workshop and demonstration will be held Fri. at 6 p.m.

Workspace Loft 434-3241
Jan Galligan, in a one man show will perform an evening of theatre events Fri. at 8:30 p.m. Titles of two of the themes will be: "Every State Capitol Building in the U.S.A.", and "Survey of Bicentennial Used Car Prices."

A Film Night will be held Sat. at 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Poe's "Premature Burial", Laurel & Hardy's "The Chimp", and Chaplin's "The Count" will be viewed.

Albany Institute of History and Art 463-4478
Far Eastern Art in Upstate N.Y., paintings, sculpture, prints, and forms from China, Japan and Korea; For All Occasions, For All Seasons; Silversmithing as an Art; National Small Print Exhibition; Paintings by Albert Handel, Woodstock artist; Historic Beverwyck, Dutch Mini-Room are all on current exhibit.

Amy Winn, flutist, will perform the chamber music of Bach, Chopin, Poulenc, Copland and Mikhashoff Sun. at 12:30 p.m.

Van Dyck Restaurant 374-2406
Carole Britto, a famous Canadian pianist, will perform Fri. & Sat. at 9 p.m.

Schenectady Museum 372-3386
Designer Crafts Council 1976: Old Toy Trains, electric and clockwork model railroads manufactured before World War II; Elliott Ervitt, photos of NYC champion of avant garde are all on current exhibit.

The planetarium show can be viewed Sat. at 2:30 p.m. and Sun. at 2:30 & 3:30 p.m.

Education for Women's Health
The above is the topic for a lecture to be given by Dr. Donald P. Swartz, professor and chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Albany Medical College. The lecture will be at the National Commercial Bank and Trust Co. on Western and Tryon Aves. Dr. Swartz will speak Thur. Dec. 16.

Ribbon Grass Restaurant 489-5059
Macrame Wall Hangings by Cathy Frank will be on exhibit through Sat. at the restaurant on 33 Central Ave.

Women's Coffeehouse
"Mischief Mime," amazeant guaranteed, will be the event Fri. Dec. 17 at 8:30 p.m. at the coffeehouse on 3 Lodge St.

Freeze Dried Coffeehouse
The Highlands String Band performing old-timey music, will appear Fri. & Sat. at 8:30 p.m. in the CC Assembly Hall.

Performing Arts Center 457-8606
"Uncle Vanya" by Chekhov will be staged Fri. at 8 p.m. in the Lab Theatre.

"Women In and Out of Love", a one woman show about getting, keeping and losing men will be performed by Suzanne Seher Fri. & Sat. at 8:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

"The Firebugs", and "George Washington Crossing the Delaware" will be staged Sat. at 8 p.m. in the Lab Theatre.

The Rathskellar Pub
The Silver Mine Cole Company, performing with 6 and 12 string guitars, bass and electric guitars, harmonica and piano for the best in folk rock, will appear Fri. & Sat. from 6 to 1:30 a.m.

University Art Gallery 457-3375
Marilyn Giersbach, "art of unconscious impulse" is on exhibit. Grad exhibitions can also be viewed through Dec. 19. The gallery is open Mon. through Fri. 9-5 and Sat. & Sun. 1-4 p.m.

Holiday Sing
The 25th annual Holiday Sing, sponsored by Pan-Hellenic Council will be this weekend! The event will take place Sun. from 7-11 p.m. in the CC Ballroom.

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Troy Musical Arts 235-4370
Troy Musical Arts, women, in conjunction with the Mendelssohn Club, men, will perform a Christmas concert Fri. at 8:30 p.m. in Shanler Hall.

Albany State Cinema
Bananas and Sleeper.....LC 18-Fri. 7, 10
Hard Days Night.....LC 18-Sat. 8
Help.....LC 18-Sat. 9:30
The Beatles at Shea Stadium.....LC 18-Sat. 11

Tower East Cinema
Young Frankenstein.....LC 7-Fri. & Sat. 7:30, 10
Colonial Quad Bijou
The Valachi Papers.....LC 2-Sat. 7:30, 9:45
Colonial Quad Flagroom-Sun. 8

India Association
Aavishkar.....LC 3-Sat. 7

Center 459-2170
Marathon Man.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:15, 9:40
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Carrie.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:20, 9:20

Cine 1-6 459-8300
1. Car Wash.....Fri. & Sat. 7:10, 9 Sun. 7, 10:40
Silver Streak.....Sun. 8:45
2. How Funny Can Sex Be?.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:30, 9:25
3. Special Delivery.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:15, 9:10
4. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7, 9:30
5. Seven Beauties.....Fri. & Sat. 6:30, 10:30 Sun. 6:30
Sweet Away.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 8:30
6. Face to Face.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 6:30, 9

Fox-Colonie 459-1020
1. The Song Remains the Same.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7, 9:30
2. Boob Tube and Booby Hatch.....call for times
Reefer Madness and Sex Madness.....Fri. & Sat. 12

Mohawk Mall 370-1920
1. How Funny Can Sex Be?.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:30, 9:30
2. Peter Pan.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:10
Gus.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 8:30
3. The Riz.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 8, 10

Madison 489-5431
The Omen.....Fri. Sat. & Sun. 7:15, 9:10
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Two Minute Warning.....Fri. & Sat. 7:15, 9:45 Sun. 6:40, 9

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Land Developers Threaten Pine Bush

By THOMAS MORMILE
When the glacial lake which covered the City of Albany, drained into the Atlantic Ocean, it left behind a thick layer of sand above a layer of impermeable clay. Winds blew the sand around, forming large dunes five to seventy-five feet high, ranging from one hundred to a thousand feet long.

Vegetation covered the dunes protecting them from high winds, making them stable. Pitch pines became the dominant tree species and scrub oak covered the sand.

Over the past few hundred years the Pine Bush went from forty square miles of rolling dune, to less than four thousand acres of land. The Pine Bush is another name for an ecosystem commonly called the Pine Barrens.

The majority of the Pine Bush presently lies within the City of Albany and the towns of Guilderland and Colonie. Now the ecosystem is being threatened by housing projects, since the Pine Bush is the last part of these towns capable of such development.

The Pine Bush is a unique ecosystem. Many of the animals which adapted to it are not found anywhere else in the Northeast.

Some of these include the Eastern spadefoot toad, the prairie warbler, and the Starnose mole.

The Pine Bush is also unique in being the only home in the world of the Karner Blue butterfly. First discovered in the 1860's, the Karner Blue was classified as a separate species by Dr. Vladimir Nabokov, the renowned lepidopterist and novelist, in 1944.

Don Rittner, the historic sites archeologist for the City of Albany said, "Having the Karner Blue is like having a Grand Canyon. It may not be as big or as magnificent; nevertheless, it is one of a kind. This alone is a major reason to save the Pine Bush."

One of the ways the ecosystem has been affected was through sand mining. Sand mining in the Pine Bush began in earnest towards the end of the nineteenth century when foundries in Albany used the soil for molding sands. A recent controversy involved a grading contractor that was taking sand from the dunes to be used as a landfill for a post office in Colonie. The contractor never filed an environmental impact statement. This was in violation of the state mining law that says you must have a permit and must also explain your

intentions before you start to mine.

The town of Guilderland handed the contractor an injunction to appear in court but a decision was never reached. Finally the case was brought before Supreme Court of New York. During the trial that ensued, John Forst, the original owner of the land who sold the mining rights to the contractor, was questioned at the trial.

Mr. Petersen, the chairman of the eastern chapter of the nature conservancy, who was at the trial said, "He (Forst) claimed that he was improving the grade of his land down to road level." There is in fact a law which permits you to do this. Whether that law applies here has yet to be decided as the trial is still in progress.

As the court battle on sand mining continues, the Pine Bush is being threatened more seriously by land developers. Private landowners own a large portion of the Pine Bush; a lot of these people sell out to construction companies. Don Rittner, the city archeologist said the problem was, "These people sell out because they can't afford the high property tax which can be as high as twenty thousand dollars a year."

It is ironic that the destruction of



Pine bushes such as these are continually threatened by human carelessness.

SUNYA's Barber Shop Thrives

By MIKE PIEKARSKI
Anyone remember the campus barber shop? You know, the place that Student Association kept complaining about last year, claiming only the faculty used it? Remember how it was unceremoniously removed from its campus center location and left for dead among the labyrinths of the podium tunnels - to make room for a "student oriented" food co-op?

Well, you can save your wreaths and eulogies; the barber shop doesn't need them. "The worst is over," explains Dan Gatto, one of the two relocated barbers of the University Barber Shop. "We're doing fine now."

Better than that. Business has actually improved since the switch. And not because of an increase in faculty use. "Seventy-five per cent of our business is students," says Gatto.

Ted Morell, Gatto's long-time partner in the enterprise, agrees, and adds, "Business has been better." But why? "They (the customers) like the seclusion. There (at the Campus Centre) they're on display."

Gatto concurs with that analysis. "Some students have told me they like it here better," he explains, careful not to upset his young customer sitting in the barber chair. "They're not going to be seen by people while they're getting their hair cut."

scene, too, has changed. It's a lot more difficult to even find the place today.

It lies underneath the Social Sciences building, about 100 feet from the post office, and is found by veering off the main tunnel onto a perpendicular alley. A white fluorescent light with the traditional red and blue barber colors painted on it is the first clue that such a place does exist. And an unadorned 1' x 2' wooden sign, "University Barber Shop", that hangs from the ceiling, ends the mystery.

Mirrors Dominate
Once inside, however, one is certain of his whereabouts. Two barber chairs with their accompanying full-length mirrors dominate one wall while five vinyl-green waiting chairs, complete with arm-rests, border the opposite wall. A large framed picture of a wooden bridge spanning a stream is on the waiting-chair wall with a picture of a well-groomed youth to either side.

"We get, you figure, two 'styles' or three regular haircuts an hour," Gatto explains between sips. "It usually takes a half hour per style and 20 minutes for a regular. But we've never rushed a customer in ten years. That's why we're still in business."

He must be doing something right. Before coming to SUNYA, Gatto worked in a barber shop in Latham for six years until the SUNYA offer came up. "The manager of that shop was a friend of mine and he asked me if I wanted to come here. I talked to Neil Brown, the Dean of Student Affairs, and he told me the conditions and the benefits: pension and insurance and things like that. So I came. And I felt that working with students and professors could improve my own mind."

Gatto has a certain intensity about him. Whether working on a particular cut or carrying on a conversation, he seems greatly concerned with the results; not wanting to

risk a mistake. His hair is jet-black; thick and almost unkempt. He obviously does not cut his own.

Morell has dark brown hair and seems to have had it styled. His mustache, too, is trim and neat and he dresses much more stylishly than his partner. He does not wear a jacket-smock like Gatto, adding to his air of casualness.

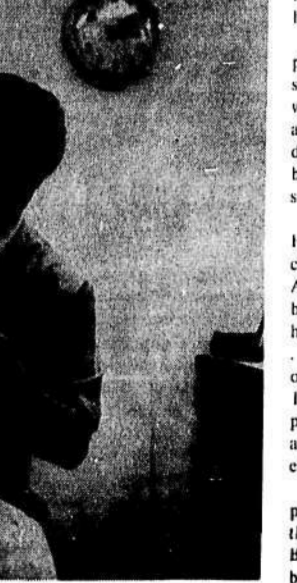
But he is not casual about the location of the barber shop. He is still upset about the move. "The SA president (Andy Bauman) said we were just serving the faculty, and because of the food co-op and that, they told us to leave." But he cannot escape the fact that things are working out well. Still, something is missing.

"We miss the flow of traffic," he says. "You don't get the people walking by that see us and say to themselves, 'Yeah, I could use a haircut.'"

But more than locations have changed. "Now styles have changed," says Gatto. "People in this generation, on the whole, want to take care of their hair better, they want a certain style." And the particular hairstyling technique is mainly the domain of the students, according to him. "An older gent, say 50 or so, he won't usually go for a style. But students usually will."

The peak hair-cutting dates are usually before vacations. "Right now, there aren't as many customers as there were last week," says Gatto. But they are decidedly not in a slump. And that goes for their relationship too.

On January 14, Gatto and Morell will have worked together for ten years. But how much longer can it last? "At least for another ten years," says Gatto. "That goes for me, too," chimes in Morell.



Dan Gatto has been cutting hair at SUNYA for nearly ten years.

this ecosystem may make the homes being built less desirable. This is evident by the effect sand mining and bulldozing to landscape for new homes, has had on water drainage. If these dunes are destroyed or paved over, the water that they would have absorbed must go someplace else.

This means that in the spring areas below the water table will become flooded. If there are any homes nearby, flooded basements will be the result.

The homeowner who is ignorant of these problems could be in for trouble. Don Rittner remarked, "The poor guy that pays seventy or eighty thousand dollars for a home gets his sump backed up every spring." And if he's below the water table, he added, "When the water level goes up - he's swimming in his basement."

Besides creating water problems, development may eventually obliterate the Pine Bush altogether. In order for the Pine Bush to survive as it is, there must be periodic burning to keep the leaf litter from building up. Without fire the thin soil layer becomes thickened by dying organic matter. Another plant species which is better adapted to this turtle soil layer, would invade the Pine Bush and eventually take over. The Pine Barrens might turn into a more stable forest, such as oak.

In the past these fires were natural occurrences caused by lightning, or perhaps by a careless settler. Today, because houses crowd the area, a fire poses a threat to the property of those living nearby. For this reason fires, whether they occur naturally or not, are extinguished before they have a chance to spread.

If the Pine Bush is to be saved, periodic burning must occur. One solution is to start planned fires. This would entail starting a fire in a given area around which fire breaks are dug. This method of using fire has been used successfully in New Jersey since as early as 1850.

Throughout the history of the Pine Bush there has always been a concern for its preservation. In 1686, Albany was declared a chartered city by the English. In that year people had been stealing sand which came from a top of ye hill where ye old burying place has been . . . That year a law was passed which prohibited the removal of that sand, and a few years later, workers replaced the missing sand.

In 1810 an Albany resident complained about the amount of wood that was being taken from the Pine Bush to be used as fuel for steamboats traveling on the Hudson River. He remarked, "If this practice is to be tolerated, what will in a short time be the consequence."

Guns and Other Issues . . .

The issue: Security. Guns and other security issues have become a major topic of conversation around the campus lately, and so here we print excerpts of recent WSUA interviews with two of the key decision-makers in security issues.

Following are excerpts from a recent WSUA Straightline show. Host Daniel Gaines spoke to Jim Williams, the Director of Public Safety (University Police).

Blue vs. Brown Uniforms

Gaines: Security uses different kinds of uniforms. What are the differences?

Williams: Officers in the brown uniforms are police officers; officers in the blue uniforms are security officers, and do not have police authority. This past year, Civil Service has changed the security officer job description. As the lines become vacant [present officers leave] and the new people we hire come from a list known as trainees, and they will automatically become officers after two years. Part of the program is that they have to acquire twelve credits per year as a condition of employment, and then go through a formal training program.

The police officers are all trained, they receive the same training as all the surrounding police departments. As a matter of fact, our training is with the Colonie Police Department, generally.

Gaines: Are both types of officers allowed to carry guns?

Williams: No. They are not. The people in blue uniforms are not sworn police officers, so they do not carry fire arms at all. The only time they would be if they seized a firearm that somebody else is carrying illegally.

Moving Violations As Crime

Gaines: We all know that getting a parking ticket on campus is not the same as getting a ticket on the streets of Albany. But there is some question in people's minds as to what the difference is with a speeding ticket and other moving violations. Can that go to Albany City Court?

Williams: This year, we're running at the rate of 700-750 traffic arrests for the year, and those are all uniform summonses. They go either to the Guilderland, Justice of the Peace Court . . . or the Albany Traffic Court. Speeding is classified as a violation. There are various levels of seriousness of crimes. Violation is the least serious. Disorderly conduct, speeding, going through a stop sign are violations. Petty larceny, for example, is a misdemeanor, which means you get up to a year in jail. A felony is anything that you can get more than a year in prison for.

Parking Tickets

Gaines: Can you send someone to court on the basis of parking tickets given on campus?

Williams: . . . No. Very rarely does anybody wind up in court in this state for parking . . .

Many campuses, . . . have far less crime rate than we do. Why, I don't know. Maybe the moon?

Gaines: On campus, how are tickets handled?

Williams: We have an appeal board which has students, faculty and staff as judges.

Gaines: Does the system work?

Williams: Well, we give out a lot of tickets, and the

system works to the extent that they don't have a backlog . . .

Fine Income

Gaines: What happens to the income collected in fines?

Williams: The fines and vehicle registration fees that are collected are deposited in a state-authorized account known as an income fund reimbursable, an IFR . . . it stays on this university. We've been able to build up that fund on this campus—we've probably collected as much money on this campus alone as most of the other campuses in the system put together. One of the reasons is, on some campuses, rather than give out a university ticket . . . they will issue the local city ticket.

Gaines: Who can authorize the spending of the fund?

Williams: There's local authorization. The control is under the Vice President for Finance and Business . . . that's who I directly report to . . .

Gaines: What happens when the university is sued?

Williams: A typical example would be, say a child playing in the big reflecting pool, running around as they tend to do in the summertime, and falling and cutting themselves on the sharp concrete edges. The university will be charged with being negligent in allowing the child to be there, even though in most cases, the parents brought the child there. So they'll charge negligence and sue for damages. To my knowledge, none of them have been successful.



Jim Williams, Director of the Department of Public Safety.

Gaines: What is the university defense in those cases? I've seen those brass plaques saying that no wading is allowed in the pool.

Williams: Basically, the university takes reasonable care to chase people out. We do go over and tell people not take their kids there. Obviously, we don't have enough officers to post someone.

Gaines: When there is an auto accident on campus, do you send a report to the insurance companies?

Williams: Yes we do. Normally the drivers involved come in and give us the names and addresses of the companies.

Gaines: What is the total budget for the department?

Williams: If you include everything, wages, fringe benefits, cost of vehicles, gas, electricity: close to \$950,000 a year. When I came here about six years ago, we had forty-nine people; now we have forty-two. It's been reduced.

Crime Statistics

Gaines: How much crime is there on campus?

Williams: Well, we only know what is reported to us. If this campus is not too different from a typical middle class community, perhaps one-fourth of what occurs is reported to us. But we will have, this year, 110 or 1200 offenses reported to us.

Gaines: How does that compare to other universities and other communities the same size?

Williams: Most universities are places that may be

called "high crime" areas. In terms not so much of street crime, but theft in particular. The FBI in the past four years has been putting in separate tables, so you can compare universities. Before that, university crime statistics might be buried in some local city statistics. That's true of most private campuses. No one knows, publicly, what the crime statistics are at Columbia University, for example.

Gaines: How does this school do?

Williams: Compared with other universities: normal. Many campuses, particularly in the south and southwest, have far less crime rate than we do.

Williams: Why, I don't know. Maybe the moon?

Those officers who are allowed to carry firearms are not allowed to carry them in situations that are confrontations . . .

Gaines: What is most of the crime on campus?

Williams: Most of the crime here, and anywhere in the world is larcenies. Books, wallets, coats, vehicles, small items, TV's and radios.

Gaines: What item is stolen the most on campus?

Williams: I'd say about seventy per cent of the property stolen is personal property; the other thirty per cent is state property. Items from dormrooms are common. Dormrooms are left unlocked.

Gaines: Is that a common problem?

Williams: It is a common problem. You can go to probably any dormitory at any time, and start trying doors, if you're a thief, for example. And you'll find one that is unlocked and unattended, and likely to have a camera or a wallet, small TV or calculator . . .

. . . Most people are careful. But if you go in and out of your room several times a day, and there are three of four of you, it's easy for someone to forget, and that's the problem.

Gaines: How about car thefts?

Williams: We don't have many student or faculty cars stolen. Maybe five or six so far this year. We do recover stolen cars on the campus . . .

Gaines: That come from other places?

Williams: Yes. Easier than hitchhiking in some instances.

Gaines: Do you get reports of stereo systems stolen from cars?

Williams: Absolutely. CB radios, CB thefts are the big thing. They've taken over the ten-speed bikes for awhile. But we did make an arrest as the result of a stakeout and those have gone down to nothing. We had, over the weekend of September 18th and 19th, fifteen or twenty CB radios stolen. The next weekend, we were able to develop a pattern, and guess what type of person was doing it, for one thing, and where they might strike next and we were lucky.

Gaines: Who are the people who commit crimes on campus?

Williams: In the instances that occurred, we judged it was juveniles who were not very sophisticated because their pattern would be to break a window to break into a car rather than try to see if the door is unlocked . . . so we guessed we'd probably wind up catching seventeen-year-old high school drop outs in Indian Quad parking lot.

And the next weekend, we caught two seventeen-year-old high school dropouts smashing cars over in Indian Quad.

Gaines: How about in general? Are crimes committed by people who live here?

Williams: Seventy to Eighty per cent of the arrests that officers make are non-students. Virtually all of the violent offenses that occur when arrests are made are done by non-students. Now, if we infer from the arrest statistics and put that out to the total crime picture, you could almost say then that seventy-eighty per cent of the crime is by non-students

Williams: Rates are always very tricky. On the one hand, it's easy to posture, and say we're in the midst of a crime wave. Reported offenses are up about twenty per cent over last year. Now, whether that's because there are more crooks or because people are more ready to report is unclear. The same total number of offenses may have occurred.

Gaines: Does this apply to rape?

Williams: There are two schools of thought on that. I'm tending to believe that most women who are victims of sex offenses do not report those offenses, here or in the outside community for reasons that are well know; embarrassment, fear of what they'd have to go through in the courtroom process. Fortunately, we have the rape crisis center that our officers work quite well with . . . it's understandable if a victim doesn't want to prosecute.

But what they can do is come to us in confidence and we can seek to develop a description and find out who the assailant is . . .

Guns

Gaines: A recent issue on campus has been that officers carrying guns. How long have public safety officers had guns? What changes have there been?

Williams: Supervisors, detectives, and the administrative staff, who total twelve people, have been authorized to carry firearms on duty for four years now.

Gaines: Have they ever been used in an arrest?

Williams: They have been. We have armed robbery, at gun point and knife point, reported to us on campus.

Gaines: Has that increased? The reporting of it increased?

Williams: This year, so far, we have about eight of those instances and that's five hundred per cent over last year, but again, remember, what do they mean?

Gaines: Has a gun ever been fired, in pursuit or any other reason?

Williams: No. And we've had a couple of instances where officers could have fired but they did not.

Gaines: What is the purpose of having guns on campus?

Williams: For protection of the officer and for response to the type of offense they have to

respond to. Albany police for example, do not respond to offenses on campus, period. So, when, for example, an armed robbery is reported to us, our officers have to respond. Other campuses will



The reporting of rape incidents is affected by embarrassment, according to Williams.

call outside local police to respond and their officers do not respond.

Gaines: What was the reasoning to have armed officers on campus four years ago? Were there more armed robberies?

Williams: No, when I came here we had unarmed officers responding to incidents—gunshots—which quite often turn out to be firecrackers in fact, but you don't know that when you go out . . . and to armed robberies, which is simply and untenable position. The policy of the university is to not summon outside police departments on campus.

Gaines: Could you outline the department's organization?

Williams: There are three broad divisions, the law enforcement division, the safety division and the traffic division . . . law enforcement responds to reports on campus, does follow-up investigations, is involved with arrests.

The safety division has become increasingly important over the last few years with the federal OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Act) which doesn't, at yet, apply to the university. However, we're assuming that it will at some point in the future and so are seeking compliance with all

the requirements now for safety on campus. The other important function they do is follow-up investigation on accidents that are reported on campus, because quite often, maybe a year or two after an injury to a citizen, we find ourselves involved in a lawsuit. So we do follow-up investigations, take pictures, that sort of thing.

Traffic Division of course is involved primarily with registration of vehicles and collection of parking tickets on campus.

Gaines: Students often wonder to what degree security officers are "real" police. What is your relationship to local courts?

The uptown campus is roughly two-thirds in the city of Albany and one-third in the Town of Guilderland. You'd best describe it as: All of Indian Quad, the phys ed building, part of Dutch Quad and the Power Plant are all in the Town of Guilderland. Criminal offenses that occur in those areas are taken to the Guilderland town court. Criminal offenses in the city of Albany go to Albany Police court.

Crowd Control

Gaines: Do you have crowd-control preparations? Many universities did so during student riots of the late sixties. Do you have any contingency plans?

Williams: Well, we don't have that many officers, and we have been fortunate, We've never been in a situation where we even considered invoking the emergency civil procedures to summon the Sheriff through the Governor and the State Police . . . incidents have been handled rather low key. One of the formal requirements are, and this is one of

The policy of the university is to not summon outside police . . .

Trustees regulations, is that those officers who are allowed to carry firearms are not allowed to carry them in situations that are confrontations or demonstrations . . . as a matter of fact, when we had that incident over at Colonial Lot, the supervisors and investigators who normally carried firearms had them locked up in the safe at the time.

The following are excerpts from a recent WSUA Straightline show with John Hartigan, Acting Vice President for Business and Finance. Hartigan is directly responsible for the Department of Public Safety. The interviewer is Paul Rosenthal.

Rosenthal: Several officers have demanded that they be armed with handguns for their own protection and to facilitate the protection of students and others. What is your role in deciding what the situation will be?

Hartigan: We can clarify the present situation: Currently, about twelve officers, of different title, are allowed to carry handguns. The proposal under concern has to do with the motorized patrols that take place particularly in the evening, when the people now authorized to carry handguns are not available because they're not on duty.

In terms of response, or stopping a suspected vehicle, the men in the patrol car, without firearms, are in a perilous situation.

The major concern right now relates to two cases within the last two months, in which security officers stopped vehicles. In one, there were loaded guns, the other one they stopped and then were called off the scene, but this particular vehicle was connected with having shot at other cars. In both cases, the people stopped were neither students, faculty or staff. Basically, there is a concern for the life and safety of the patrol officers. There is a concern that I have and I know President Fields has for the safety and security of the people who live here . . .

Rosenthal: . . . the issue is before the University Community Council?

Hartigan: Yes, the process provides that University Community Council reviews,

deliberates, and based on what it hears, make a recommendation to the University Senate, or a report. Only the President, and by law only the President, can make a determination.

I would emphasize that we're not talking about trying to arm the police force, which includes roughly forty officers. We're talking about particular stations and situations. There's all kinds of safeguards — and I find them kind of remarkable — in the Board of Trustees guidelines, which restricts in many cases even the presence of firearms.

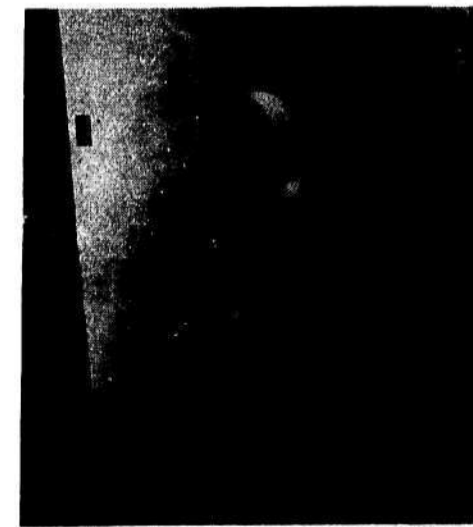
Rosenthal: Is there any provision covering private security personnel who come on campus, notably those that bring cash to the Campus Center and Administration on a regular basis?

Hartigan: I don't believe there's anything to restrict it.

Rosenthal: One of the major issues that has confronted you is lighting on campus . . . this past year there have been instances of rape and attempted rape. What has the progress on that?

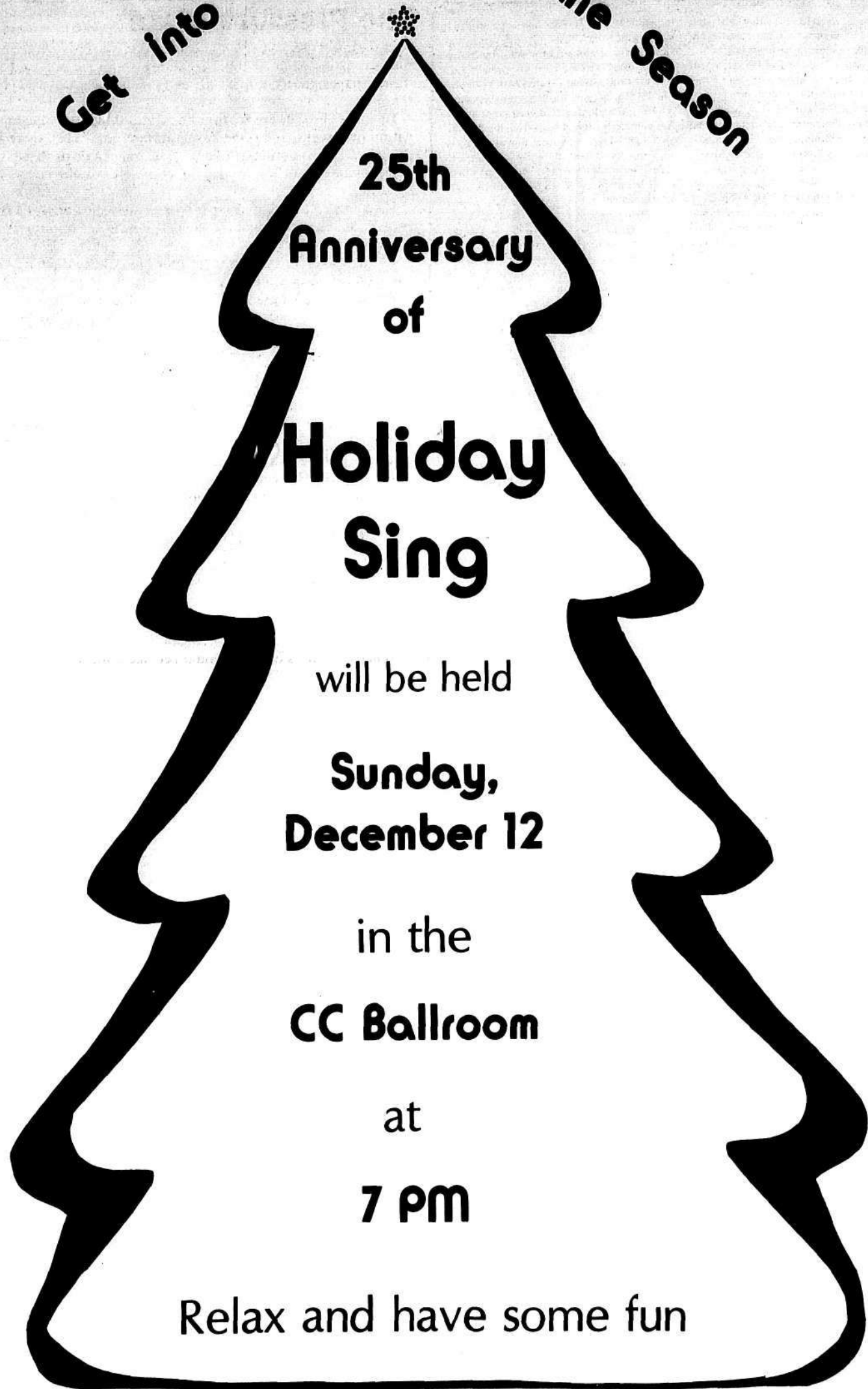
Hartigan: I think the progress emanates from student concern, and someone listened to that concern. There are problem areas on campus. One that I believe is important and has been corrected is the lighting immediately joining the bus stop in front of the podium and the podium itself. We installed six lights there. The lights now, of course, are on all evening, which was a major concern.

We have looked at some of the other specific ideas that the students have, and a number of us took a personal tour on campus a month and a half ago. For example, the lighting in the Colonial Quad parking lot across perimeter road; that is a problem and corrective measures will be taken. The pathways between the Colonial parking lot and the quad itself, and also between the State lot



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Finally, it amazed me that the last paragraph appeared at all, since it totally contradicted the rest of the article. It was also totally twisted. I spoke to Joel Packer, SASU Legislative Director, and he explained that although the Board of Regents report was very biased in areas and will probably not be implemented as written, this does not mean that the Governor will not cut the budget a little anyway, nor does it mean that the legislature will not decide that there should at least be a slight increase in SUNY's tuition. Another point to keep in mind is that SUNY needs 60 million dollars to continue operating at its present insufficient level (this is due to cost of living increases and interest on debt service bonds) so even if our budget is not actually cut, we will need to make up an additional 60 million which will undoubtedly come from our pockets.

It is unfortunate that this did not come out in the article, where it belonged. I would hope that in the future the author and the ASP will try to present all the information on a subject and do it correctly.

Kathy Baron
 SASU Coordinator

the problem with zionism

To the Editor:

Let's set the record straight. In the Nov. 12 ASP, the ad for Israel Awareness Week specifically said, "SA funded." In my concern for seeking the truth, I read this as well as the letter from the Jewish Students Coalition published several weeks ago. Part of this "awareness" included denunciations and even slanders about legitimate Arab governments—something which most of us would say constitutes "political activity."

Then there is the matter of my "distinct lack of historical knowledge and insight." Back in 1971, I was arrested with Meir Kahane (and 800 others) for sitting in front of the Russian Embassy. Despite my staunch Zionist attitude then, which I was willing to sacrifice my "freedom" for, I maintained enough historical knowledge, insight, and open-mindedness to discover there is indeed another side to the story of Israel. It is unfortunate that most of us will never get a chance to see the sordid side of Zionism.

Tom Scherbenko

earthlings, angels and security cops

To the Editor:

Ah yes, the holiday season is here. You can tell this is so because of the many "benevolent" elves who are seeing to it that the Security Police have a bucket of coal and a switch with which they can make their rounds alter the New Year.

Why all the furor? Is it because toy gun sales are increasing at local department stores during Earthling-Angel week? Or is the problem rooted in anti-authoritarianism? Police represent the authority granted by the state for its protection; they need an adequate means of carrying out this essential function. The University is no different from a city; all 10,000 odd of us—plus those who reside in the surrounding areas—don't qualify for Santa's list of worthy gift-getters. Those opposed to this

increase in arms for the police on campus would like to think that a university does not suffer the same crime-ridden woes that a city, or any organized settlement of people, does.

It has been pointed out that SUNYA is the only SUNY campus which has armed police. SUNY at Buffalo was mentioned as one which was considering this. I come from the Buffalo area, and I know how inept that situation is since there is a reliance on area police forces. It takes precious time to respond to the many calls that are necessitated by those criminals on and off campus. The police forces have enough trouble covering the vast districts they're responsible for, without having the added headache of patrolling the sizeable SUNY Buffalo campus.

Put yourself in the place of a cop. You, and a few others, are responsible for the welfare of thousands of people on and off campus.

Is there a fear lurking in some people's minds that SUNYA students will then take up arms themselves in retaliation? If you want to be overly pessimistic, you could argue that they could try to do that now. If you were cynical, however, you could go on to say that maybe we should take away their patrol cars, too.

In this case logic should overrule emotion. I don't mean to advocate guns; they are indeed powerful weapons. But the desire for pacifism, in terms of non-violence, is being furthered. The police, though not perfect, are extremely well-trained. I, for one, would rather risk the slim possibility of a police error, than be shot by some nerd with a weapon who got away because he knew a local cop could not possibly be able to stop him.

Dave Shambach

tower tribune commits a sin

To the Editor:

The function of a university-wide publication is to "avoid taking sides." By neglecting to publish a crucial resolution passed at Central Council's meeting on Nov. 17, the Tower Tribune is doing the bidding of the administration.

The resolution expressed the Council's collective outrage at the action of the University Community Council (a committee of the University Senate) who denied students the right to attend the afternoon meeting of Nov. 17. At this meeting, the issue of security officers carrying guns on campus was to be discussed.

The Tower Tribune routinely publishes the bills and resolutions passed by Central Council. We refuse to accept that their failure to print this particular resolution was merely an oversight. Evidently, the publishers of the Tower Tribune do not consider the gun issue important, or are reluctant to publicize it for fear of antagonizing the administration.

The Tower Tribune has fallen prey to censorship. Many students read the Tower Tribune. This type of selective filtering does not constitute journalism, thus damaging this publication's credibility.

David I. Weprin, Co-chairperson, Committee on Health, Safety, and Law, Central Council
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The Pressure Is On

In the midst of all the snow, a lone student sits studying. Sometimes he wants to panic; often he does. He thinks about the optional mid-term; the late paper; the incomplete grade. It seems there will never be enough time.

He makes lists. There are four important things that must be finished within two weeks, and three less important ones. Then there are all the things that have nothing to do with school, finals or degrees.

He thinks about the coming vacation. He wonders why two weeks seem like much more.

He wonders if he should care about grades. He wonders if there's any reason for all the pressure. He wonders if he is inventing pressure — not everyone feels it.

But he wakes up nervous in the morning, when he gets any sleep. His stomach is tied in knots.

He ponders asking for an extension — and spends painstaking hours trying to figure out whether he really needs it. He imagines the professor's reaction — hundreds of times. Finally he gets the extension.

Now he finds ways to spend his time away from books. He eats out. He watches Silver Chicken at the Rat. He reads the paper. He thinks about all the work he has to do.

He is either annoyed with or jealous of his friends. Annoyed at those who don't seem to care. Those who believe they don't want the things that grades can buy. Annoyed at those who do only what excites them. Jealous of those who finished three courses already. Jealous of those who claim they have no work. Jealous of those who graduated — and those who dropped out of school and into jobs.

He wonders if he's really learning anything. Panic is part of an education, he figures. Is nausea?

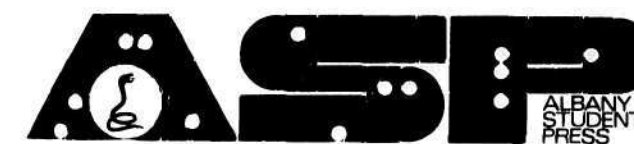
Logically, intellectually, honestly, he knows it really doesn't matter all that much. A course here, a grade there, he'll never remember when he's 30. If he could use this knowledge to relax, he'd do better. He might even do well. But he cannot.

Instead he worries. He suspects people are out to get him. He feels he's falling behind whenever he sees someone studying.

When the marks on his calendar become tomorrow, it seems as if he'll never make it.

But he bears down, he does what he must do. He celebrates when it's finished.

Then he goes home, and wonders if he's learned anything. He decides he has, but certainly, it isn't what he expected to learn at the State University of New York at Albany.



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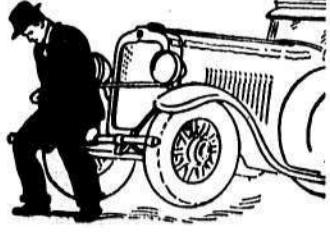


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columns **Thoughts On A Pyramid Of Beer Cans**

Money: Hello, Goodbye

by Gary Parker
 Student Association needs an audit. SA is composed of approximately 8900 students, each of whom pays thirty-three dollars a semester. This money is commonly called a mandatory student tax. For the year ended June 30, 1976, Student Association collected \$907,269. According to any reasonable definition of a government, SA was obligated to spend this money to serve those 8900 students. Did they? The information to answer that question is not presently available. What is known is that the total expenditures by student organizations for the year cited above was \$887,990. Who spends this money? Operations of SA are for the most part initiated by Central Council. Council is composed of thirty-one students, one for every 350 undergraduates. In most cases, it takes less than 100 votes for one council member to gain a seat. With the constant turnover of student representatives, and with the inexperience that most SA officials have, it is very difficult for SA to keep track of the groups' financial dealings. Working with the skills and advice of professional accountants, SA could set up a solid enough financial system to offset the lack of long-term personnel and the resulting inexperience. Students would benefit if financial waste was discovered, which Marc Benecke has shown is, at the least, possible. In the past several years, Student Association has had financial statements prepared by a large accounting firm. Each year the firm reprints figures already known to SA in a fancy folder. They state at the beginning of their report: "The accompanying balance sheets of the several funds of Student Association . . . and related statements of changes in fund balances and student organization funds revenues and expenditures for the year then ended were not audited by us and we express no opinion on them." [emphasis is mine]. The firm's report has not been made public. Even if this information was made public, SA still would not know where the \$907,269 went. Is this government meeting its fiduciary responsibility to its citizenry? Opponents of a "business-style" SA say an audit of SA is not necessary; SA is too small, an audit costs too much, and no one really cares. Each student has a right to receive a portion of their tax in services. But there is no way for students to know if they are receiving a fair return on their tax money, if the money is not fully accounted for. Therefore, each student has the right, and SA has the obligation, to account for every penny spent, and to open its books to anyone who shows cause, including independent auditors. Are SA tax monies spent responsibly? Does SA need \$66 per year from each student to provide the services it presently does? Does the present accounting system prevent theft? A certified audit would answer these questions, and provide useful information. Is there going to be one?

by Bob Cinque
 There it lay, shattered beyond all recognition. Its member parts recalling weekends spent emptying its parts, the former majesty now humbly vegetating on the floor; it marked the end of my beer-can period. Three hundred of them, which I had come to know quite well (almost by sight) in the month-and-a-half that they graced my window. Don is clearing the debris now, muttering about taking his Bud cans (ninety-four of them) and building his own pyramid. He could do a good job of it, but that is not in the spirit of the pyramid game. All superior pyramiding is a group effort, and I'll never forget the effort our suite put forth to fill our window with these tributes to American ecology. I'll also not forget the beginning when it hardly stood four-high, and had a point of a single can of Coors. The Coors can is well-suited to such a role as topping off a pyramid; its long slender profile gives the entire structure a sense of skywardness, an uplifting. It is not as long as the Tall Boy, but longer than the average can, and here the troubles began. As a small pyramid, the structure claimed an amalgam of components, beers of all kinds, cans of all sizes. And why not? Ten or twenty cans could be easily rearranged to accommodate a new addition, and a growing pyramid will quickly commandeer all the nutrition it can get. We fed it well and it grew quickly; Buds, Millers, Coors, Tall Boys of various brands, Maximus Supers, Rolling Rock, even Pabsts. It put on weight at an encouraging rate. There were times when it could not ingest another can for fear of exploding itself, and it left them on its night-table. We were feeding it more, but we were not feeding it better. Shortened Pabst cans were finding their way into the pyramid, and the resulting imbalance took its toll. Barely perceptible at first, the strapping young pyramid soon developed a lilt to the left. It fell more often; each time it was a little harder for it to remount its pedestal. Specialists were called in. They blamed poor digestion. "Give it more time to settle itself after you feed it cans," they said in chorus. We did. We placed the cans carefully, not rushing it at all, but it was no good. Major surgery was necessary—no matter what the specialists said. Partly due to my bedside manner, partly due to my steady hands, but mostly because no one else wanted to do it, I was chosen to perform the operation. I worked carefully and slowly, realizing that one false move could leave me covered with pull-tabs. I realigned every row, taking great pains to keep same-size cans in the same rows; Buds among Buds, Coors among Coors, Tall Boys among themselves. All went well until the last row, where three sixes competed for the same space. "It's only the top row," I told myself. "It's not serious." The surgery did a lot of good, but the lilt had not been eliminated completely. "It will heal," I hoped. And it could have, but for the Christmas lights, which dangled perilously close to the top row. "Move it," I told my suitemate, "or we'll have a big crash." He moved it. We had a big crash anyway. I wonder now if I could have saved it. If I had only caught those first two cans and put them back quickly! If I had only been a better surgeon! oh, well . . . to second-guess is useless. Don has withdrawn his cans, and it can never again be what it was. Thank you, Don, for putting it out of our misery.

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Sportsbriefs

*Barbara Palm, associate professor at the university, and the women's track and field coach here since 1971, has been elected national chairperson of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Women's Sports Supervisory Committee on Long Distance Running. Ms. Palm served as the assistant coach and manager of the USA women's track and field team at the University Games in Moscow, in August of 1973. She also officiated at the 1970-73 Women's Indoor Track and Field National Championships in Madison Square Garden in addition to the second annual USA/Russia Indoor Track and Field meet in Richmond, Virginia in March of 1973.

*Anyone interested in playing football in 1977 should come to the football meeting this Monday, December 13 at 4:30 in the wrestling room of the gym. *Tickets for the 16th annual Capital District Basketball Tournament are now on sale at the main office of the Physical Education Building 10 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday through Dec. 22 and again on Dec. 27 and 28. Tickets are \$3 per seat per night for the tourney which will be played Dec. 28 and 29 at University Gym. Besides Albany, Siena, Union and RPI will be participating.

ERRATA: In the last issue, it was incorrectly reported that the gymnasts faced RPI. They really faced New Paltz. Also, the picture was of Julie Acton, not of Lorretta Gastwirth.

Sawchuck Draws Prize

by Judy Fautz

W.I.R.A., the Women's Intramural Recreation Association, has announced the winner of their October 26 logo contest. Lori Sawchuck, of Dutch Quad, won the twenty-five dollar prize, for drawing the winning logo. The logo will be used on letterheads, T-shirts, and any other items identifiable with WIRA.

*Floor hockey is scheduled to start next semester. Those interested can still sign-up in the Intramural office, CC 356.

*The volleyball and basketball seasons are underway. Council and DMT are both tied with a 3-0 record, for first place in the volleyball league. In the basketball league, Negative Funk, the Jockettes, and the Panthers are dominating the league standings.

*Weekly WIRA meetings will be continuing next semester. Planned activities for the spring include: basketball, free-throw contest, swim meet, softball, tennis, superstars, and golf and track and field tournaments.

Colonists Defeat Boys, 5-1

by Andy Firestone

Week Two of AMIA League I Floor Hockey saw some high scoring games, some upsets and a couple of shutouts.

Bob Pape raised his league-leading goal total to eight as the top rated Colonists defeated Boys of the Pin, 5-1. Pape lit the light four times after a scoreless first period.

The second-ranked Stage made it two in a row with a 3-0 victory over the seventh-ranked "A" Team. All three goals came in the second period, and Andy Amico picked up the whitewash.

The Downtown Blades upended the Spinners, 3-1, as Mike Ferrentino scored twice and assisted on the third Blade goal. The all-freshman Blade team was fourth-ranked, and the Spinners were third.

The Rats, ranked fifth last week, demolished Take it to the Limit, 7-2. Tom Monahan's hat trick led the top scoring team in the league over the ninth-ranked Limit.

Unranked Gunther upset the sixth-rated STB club by a score of 2-1.

The Bearded Clams improved their record to 2-0 with a 6-2 thrashing of Roratuscas. The Clams, previously eighth-ranked, scored four in the first period to seal the victory. Scott Kalicki and John Romano each tallied twice for the winners.

Ed Scheingold posted his first shutout of the season, and Frank See added a goal and an assist as the tenth rated Blues Image beat Mother Puckers II, 2-0.

AMF nipped the Nateless

Nanooks by a score of 2-1. Last year's finalists suffered their second consecutive defeat as Bill Beecher tallies his second goal of the game in the third period for AMF.

Tom Monjeau ripped the nets

three times as the Pit walloped Maim, 4-1.

Paul Warkow scored with two minutes left in the game as Poke's Pucks III came from behind to tie the Troopers, 2-2.

Tokens Ranked First in ICW Poll

Basketball-Lg. I

1. Tokens(3)
2. Bushmen(1)
3. Jokers(2)
4. Good Shepherd(4)

Basketball-Lg. II

1. Potter Club(1)
2. Owls(3)
3. Already Gone(2)
4. Desperados(4)
5. SOMF II(6)
6. Grand PoBah(7)
7. No Slugs(8)
8. Run and Gun(9)
9. Sjabmok II(5)
10. Mud(10)

Basketball-Lg. III

1. Cayugees(1)
2. Zoom Platoon(3)
3. Family(2)
4. Penetration(4)
5. Little Rascals(5)
6. Lumberjacks(6)
7. TXO(7)
8. Joint Effort I(8)
9. Myassis Dragons(9)
10. F. Scruggs

Basketball-Lg. IV

1. Vixen(1)
2. GBA(2)
3. WGB(3)
4. TKB(4)
5. Lingers(5)
6. Degenerated(6)
7. Knights(7)
8. Basket Cases(8)
9. Gang Gongs(9)
10. Dishroom D'licts(10)

Hockey-Lg. I

1. Colonists(1)
2. Stage(2)
3. Rats(5)
4. Downtown(4)
5. Bearded Clams(8)
6. Blues Image(10)
7. Spinners(3)
8. AMF
9. 'A' Team(7)
10. Gunther

Hockey-Lg. II

1. Spirit of 7+6(1)
2. Tomahawks(3)
3. Unglicks(3)
4. Harmon's Teams(5)
5. Crazy Guys(4)

Hockey-Lg. III

1. Damned(2)
2. Tomahawks(3)
3. Unglicks(3)
4. Harmon's Teams(5)
5. Crazy Guys(4)

Hockey-Lg. IV

1. Spirit of 7+6(1)
2. Bimbo's Bombers(1)
3. Betty's Boys(3)
4. Murder, Inc.(4)
5. JITB(5)

(ICW POLL as of Dec. 5. Figures in parentheses are last week's rankings.)

Karate Club Triumphs

On November 14th, the SUNYA TAE KWON DO KARATE Club traveled to Queens, N.Y. for an intercollegiate Karate tournament and dominated the white belt competition.

Of the eight SUNYA members that attended, Dan Bessen, Vincent Palmiotti, and Shelly Ingber captured the first, second, and third place trophies respectively.

This is quite an accomplishment for a club that began this past September under the direction of Mr. R.C. Angrist, a 2nd degree black belt in TAE KWON DO KARATE. This new club already has over 40 students.

On December 5th, A KARATE exhibition by Mr. Angrist and his mentor, Mr. Hyun Ok Shin (8th degree black belt), was held in the gymnasium. The exhibition included a demonstration of wood and brick breaking. Ceremonies also included

student tests and promotions.

New beginner classes will be starting next semester. All SUNYA students are encouraged to participate and find out more about this exciting new campus activity. For further information, call Rich at 489-0189.

Wrestlers Pinned

continued from page sixteen talent out there in the university, but the students just don't want to take time out to wrestle."

For Cortland, the victory marked its first dual match win of the season. They had previously lost to Oswego by three points and also finished second in a tournament at Colgate.

Cortland's Coach Gonino thinks his team will be strong during the second semester. "Two key wrestlers are out with injuries and their return will add to our strength."

Garcia is looking forward to the second semester. The Danes will be facing top-notch teams such as the University of Massachusetts and St. Lawrence University, but he feels the team will "surprise many people." The Danes' next match is tomorrow at Geneseo. They will finish up the fall semester in the M.I.T. Christmas Tournament.

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Cagers Win Again; Down Binghamton, 58-49

by Ed Moser

The Albany State varsity basketball team pushed its record to 3-0 Wednesday night by downing Binghamton, 58-49, at the Colonials' home court. An error filled second half saw the Danes survive a five minute scoring drought and a two-shot technical foul on their way to their first victory on the road this year.

During the game's first few minutes, Binghamton star Ted Hull proved Albany coach Dick Sauers' characterization of him as "the best guard we've yet to face." The 5'10" Hull repeatedly drove to the basket or passed to an open teammate to help Binghamton to an early lead.

A breakaway basket by forward Kevin Keane, however, gave Albany a 20-18 edge, and the Danes did not fall behind again.

A few minutes later, forward Vic Cesare and guard Winston Royal hit on consecutive baskets, and after Hull missed a forced shot from outside the key, center Barry Cavanaugh connected on a ten-footer for a 30-22 margin. Later, when Binghamton climbed to within two, Cavanaugh again came through, this time with a three-point play to make it 33-26.

Albany successfully stalled for the last shot before intermission, as guard Mike Suprunowicz spun down the lane with seconds remaining to hit a short jumper. The Danes went into the lockerroom ahead 38-30.

Albany's halftime lead was largely due to its superior shooting from the floor: 56 percent to 46 percent for Binghamton. The Danes were also doing a good job of containing their opponents' dangerous fast break.

Hull and sharpshooter forward Astley McLaughlin were carrying the Binghamton offensive burden, scoring nine and 11, respectively.

As in the first period, Albany started off the second half sluggishly. A Suprunowicz bucket accounted for Albany's lone two points in the first 5:38 of action. Fortunately for the Danes, Binghamton was not exactly on a rampage, netting but four points during the same time period.

Two foul shots by Hull placed the Colonials within four, 40-36, with 14:00 remaining. But forward Staton Winston's basket off a nifty looping pass from Winston Royal and a Cavanaugh two-pointer gave the Danes breathing room. A Winston-Keane aerial resulted in Albany's biggest cushion of the night, 51-41, with a little over eight minutes to go. Playing with patient deliberation against the Binghamton zone, the Danes were again outshooting their rivals.

Then came the great scoring lapse. Albany did not put a single point on the board for a full five minutes, but Binghamton, not one to unduly embarrass an opponent, could tally but six.

Meanwhile, the comedy of errors had begun. Keane was hacked underneath to put Binghamton over the limit, but the Albany junior missed both foul shots. The Colonials were called for a three-second violation, but Winston blew a lay-up. Then after Hull sank two foul shots and Cavanaugh made a great block of a close-in shot, Binghamton travelled. Albany then lost the ball out-of-bounds. Cesare made a succeeding steal but then Royal failed on a lay-up, and the ball was ruled out off Albany. Binghamton's

Hull then missed on a forced, overlong jumper, while Suprunowicz was off on a four footer. And on and on.

When the dust had cleared, the Danes found they would have to scrap to win. When Binghamton center Ken Levy converted a foul shot, the score was 51-47 with 3:02 left. Cavanaugh then cooled things off a little by sinking two foul shots.

A controversial call followed a missed lay-up by Suprunowicz. The Danes, whether out of plain frustration or a belief that Suprunowicz had been fouled, exploded in rage. The officials responded by slapping a two-shot technical foul on the Albany bench. Rich Rochon, Binghamton's fine guard, hit both and Binghamton got the ball back on a travelling violation.

It was now 53-49, Binghamton's ball, less than two minutes to go.

Binghamton came down court and put it up. Colonial forward Larry Madiefsky grabbed the rebound, but ran into Kevin Keane, who came up with the play of the game. Keane unceremoniously ripped the ball out of Madiefsky's hands while the Danes proceeded to waste the clock.

Amazingly, 53 seconds passed while Binghamton neither got the ball back nor pressed Albany very hard. When Royal was finally hacked with under 30 seconds remaining, the game was all but over. Royal sunk both fouls and Albany had its third straight victory.

The spread of individual point totals for Albany was very unusual. Only two points separated the starting five: Cavanaugh and Winston, 11 points; Cesare and Suprunowicz,



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Dane forward Kevin Keane (42) encounters some opposition as he reaches for the ball. Winston Royal (12) looks on. Keane made a key steal in Wednesday night's victory over Binghamton.

9; Royal, 10.

Hull was Binghamton's top point-getter with 19. Cavanaugh pulled 12 off the boards for the Danes, and Cesare led in assists with four. Overall, Albany outshot Binghamton 45 percent to 36 percent.

"We had chances to break the game wide open," complained Coach Sauers. What Sauers said was true, but then again Binghamton blew its chances to win the game. And although the play of both teams

was plagued with many mistakes, Sauers took consolation in the fact that his team did win its first away game despite the continued absence from the line up of injured hoopsters Bod Audi and Gary Trevett.

The Danes are now 2-0 in the SUNY Athletic Conference. They play an important conference game tomorrow against Geneseo at University Gym at 8:30. WSUA will begin coverage at 6:25 with the junior varsity contest.

Grapplers Bow To Cortland

by Eddie Emerson

The Albany State wrestling team dropped its third match of the season to a young, tough Cortland team, 39-12, Wednesday night at the University Gym.

Albany's head coach, Joe Garcia, knew the Danes would have their hands full against Cortland. "Cortland has always been tough in the conference and they have an outstanding coach, Vince Gonino."

Albany's Paul Gemmiti and Cortland's Bob Eddy wrestled in the opening match at the 112 weight class. Eddy dominated the first two periods and was leading 11-3 when Gemmiti was forced to default with a leg injury.

The next pair to wrestle was Mark Dailey of Albany and Cortland's Wade Cummings. The match was even through the first two periods, but Cummings was too strong for Dailey in the final period and won 15-7.

The match at 134 provided the closest and most exciting battle of the night. Albany's Howie Berger, a freshman, was up against Pete Rossie, who finished second in the State University of New York Athletic Conference Championships last year.

Berger dominated the first period and led 4-2. In the second period Rossie evened the score up at four-all and that's how the match ended. However, Rossie was awarded the victory because he had one point extra for riding time.

The Danes were now trailing 13-0 in the match. The next wrestler for Albany was co-captain Vic Gagliardi. He pinned his opponent Joe Pennacchio at 7:41 to close Cortland's lead to 13-6. It was Gagliardi's fourth win of the season.

The fifth match featured the Danes' other co-captain Pete Palkovic and Cortland's Chris Courne. Palkovic, like Gagliardi, was going for his fourth victory but Bourne out-wrestled him and he lost the match 11-4.

The Danes lost their next four matches. At 158, Mike Williamson lost to Rich Armstrong 20-4. At 167, Cortland's Scott Agar pinned Jeff Aronowitz at 5:30. Albany forfeited the match at 177, then Cortland's Bob Menz pinned Chris Covas at 4:35 to give them a 39-6 advantage.

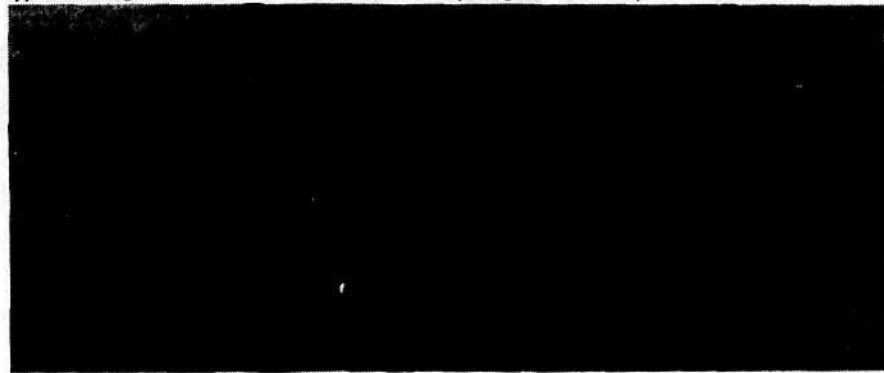
The final match of the night was between the heavyweights, Tom Cleary and Cortland's Walt Kieda. Cleary won his third match of the season on a pin at 3:45 to give the Danes their last six points.

After the match, Coach Garcia discussed his squad. "We're a young team but we have a lot of talent. It's going to be a question of time. As we gain experience, we will put it together."

"A problem the team faces this year is that there aren't enough wrestlers on the team to provide competition during the practice."

Garcia attributes this mostly to student apathy. "There is plenty of student apathy. There is plenty of student apathy."

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Danettes' Tracy Sugihara (22) drives on Oswego's Mary Ann Shumaka in Albany's opening game. Sugihara's shot was good although Albany lost. Danettes rebounded after that game to defeat St. Rose 59-41.

Women Cagers Split First Two

by Don Rossi

Over the past week the Albany State Women's basketball team knotted their seasonal record at 1-1, losing to powerful Oswego State 74-38 while whipping the College of St. Rose by a score of 59-41.

Oswego, the opening game opponent, proved to be very powerful, as the score aptly indicated. Oswego had a very balanced scoring attack, with four of the five starters in double figures. Mary Ann Shumaka of Oswego led all scorers with 16 points and also hauled down nine rebounds, another game high.

For Albany, Mary Ann Crotty and Tracy Sugihara were the top scorers for Coach Karen Cunningham's crew with 12 points each. Co-captains Mary Ellen Foley

(seven) and Nancy Bartle (five) also contributed to the Danette total. Cunningham explained that the team played a solid offensive game, but was unable to get back on defense quickly enough, which enabled Oswego to use their fast break effectively.

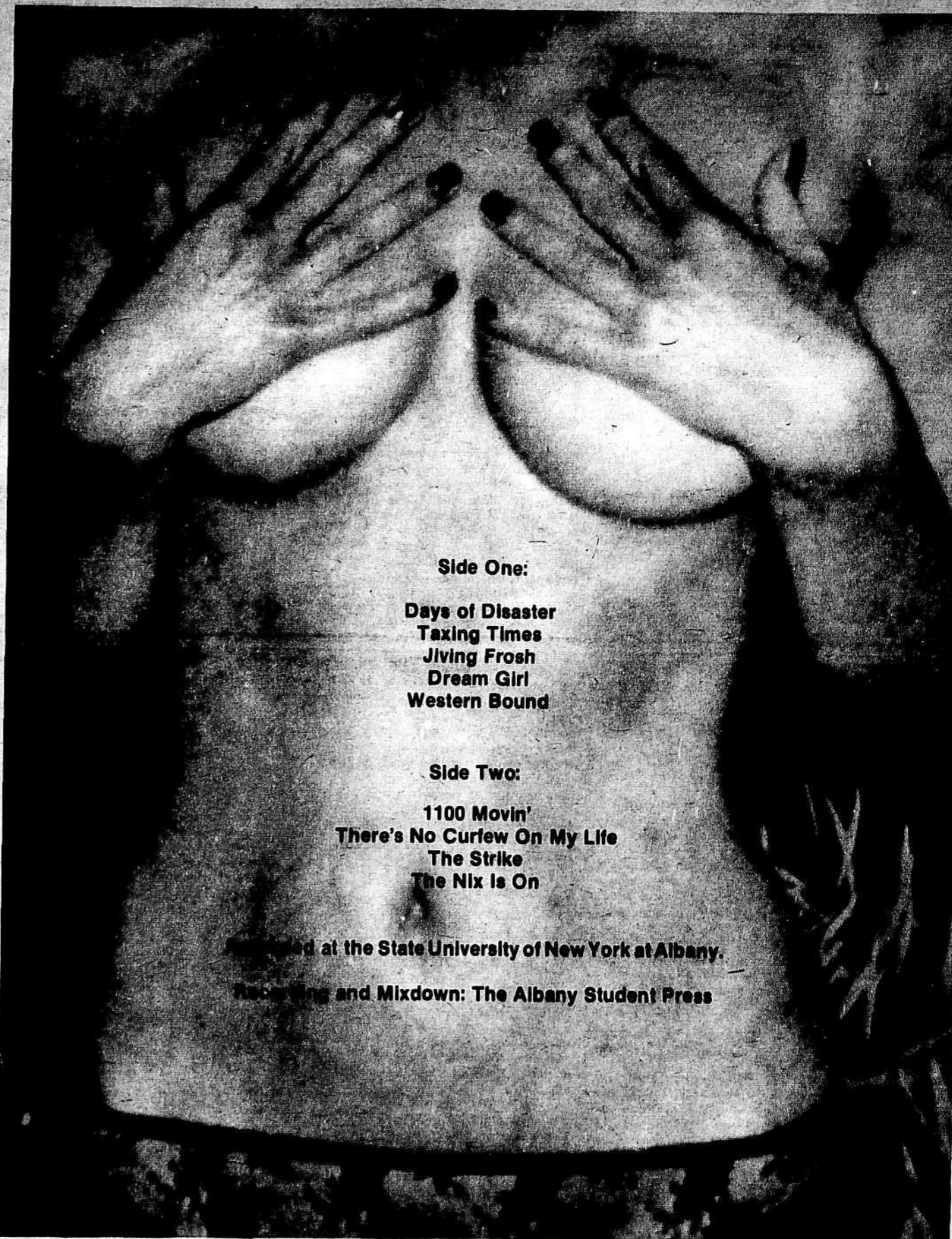
"But," Cunningham said, "we are a very young team with a handful of freshmen and transfers, and only two seniors, (Bartle and Foley). It will take a while for us to get together, but the nucleus is definitely there."

The College of Saint Rose was a different story for Cunningham's Danettes as they registered an easy 59-41 triumph at the St. Rose Gymnasium on Tuesday. Coach Cunningham had only praise for her

team, as they hauled down 33 rebounds with Ellen Daly and Mary Ellen Foley grabbing 10 apiece. Super-soph Crotty pumped in 21 points, to go along with her five rebounds and six assists. Crotty is now leading the team in scoring with a 16.5 scoring average, with Sugihara a close second at 13 points per game. Tracy picked up 14 points against St. Rose and also added seven assists.

Cunningham felt that St. Rose was a pivotal game because "hopefully it will instill a winning spirit that will carry through the season. The team now knows that they have the potential, and hopefully the demands of a rough academic schedule will not wear the girls down."

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