SA elections coming to a close
Final days winding down for hopeful candidates

By GLENN TEICHMAN
Associate Managing Editor

Two weeks after its commencement, the Student Association elections will finally render a decision today regardless of Presidential Candidate, Louis Tobacco's withdrawal earlier this week.

The second S.A. elections occurred this past Monday and Tuesday in the Food Co-op in the Campus Center. S.A. Vice President and Acting Elections Commissioner Mike Williams said, "I think everything went well." Williams also said the elections were moved to the Food Co-op in response to the complaints about the polls not being open on time during the first election.

Williams said Tobacco's withdrawal was definitely unexpected. Tobacco said the decision to withdraw from the race was a tough one. "It was a lot of personal reasons and a very emotional decision," Tobacco said, "I am totally indebted to the entire Greek community. I thank them for their support and their respect and understanding."

Tobacco said the election process was disgusting and an embarassment. "I believe it has discouraged many students from even caring," Tobacco said. When a student has to vote four times, it becomes a chore, Tobacco said, people would not vote four times for the President of the United States, let alone S.A. President.

"It's sad to say, I really felt Lou Tobacco would have won and he had to withdraw from the race," Gould said in response to Tobacco's withdrawal. "It's been a hard couple of weeks," said Presidential Candidate Chris Hahn, "Hopefully it will be over soon."

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Campus waste hits the pavement
Earthbound surrounds CC with waste awareness

By RACHEL DETESO
Editorial Assistant

Earthbound, a campus-based environmental group, is determined to alert the campus to excessive waste and the lack of recycling, said John McKay, member of the group.

The group sponsored Waste Awareness Day Tuesday, which featured a 24-hour display of recyclable materials at the small fountain. The materials were collected by Earthbound members in conjunction with other SUNYA students.

The collection of glass, plastic and tin was taken over to Indian Quad and sorted by the grounds crew of the Physical Plant, McKay said.

Approximately 2,000 aluminum cans were collected, 1,500 of which were returned for refunds, to go towards fundraising, McKay said. The non-returnables were given to the UAS commissary, McKay said.

Earthbound members in conjunction with other SUNYA students have proposed a plan to begin comprehensive recycling on campus, McKay said.

Earthbound educates passers-by about excessive waste on campus.
S. Africans arrested
Johannesburg, South Africa
(AP) More arrests are imminent in connection with the killing of black leader Chris Hani, and more right-wing leaders may be involved, news reports said today.

Calm was restored across the country today after scattered violence flared Monday during Hani's funeral. Millions of black workers returned to work today after a one-day strike to mourn Hani.

Members and lawmakers of the pro-apartheid Conservative Party were under investigation in connection with Hani's killing. South African newspapers reported, citing police sources.

A top Conservative Party leader, Clive Derby-Lewis, was arrested Saturday in connection with Hani's April 10 assassination. Police refused to say why Derby-Lewis was being held or to comment on today's news reports.

A member of a neo-nazi group, Janusz Walus, was charged with gunning down Hani, head of the Communist Party and one of the ANC's most popular leaders.

At least 26 people were killed Monday and Sunday night, nearly all in Johannesburg's black townships, but it was not clear whether the bloodshed was related to Hani's funeral. The victims included two women whose charred bodies were found in a house near the stadium where the funeral was held.

Return to peace talks
Damascus, Syria
(AP) Palestinians and other Arab participants in Middle East peace talks announced today they would return to negotiations.

The decision, which could end a four month break in the talks, marks a reversal by Arab leaders who once pledged to boycott meetings until Israel repatriated about 400 alleged Muslim fundamentalists deported to South Lebanon in December.

It also reflected intense pressure on Palestinian negotiators to continue the talks, both from the United States and other Arab countries that do not want to lose an opportunity to make peace with Israel and regain land lost in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

The participants are Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, and a Palestinian delegation that Secretary of State Christopher said would be headed by Faisal Husseini.

That represents a concession by Israel.

Husseini, a prominent Palestinian from east Jerusalem, had served as an adviser in previous rounds but was barred from holding a seat because Israel wanted to avoid any indication the future of its capital was subject to negotiations.

“Snow Queen” robs
Stevens Point, Wis.
(AP) A woman dubbed the “snow queen” persuaded two men to undress in her truck, then gets out and rubs snow over themselves while she drove away with their clothes and money, authorities said.

Della Dobbs, 31, pleaded innocent Tuesday to three counts of theft. A trial date was not immediately scheduled.

Prosecutors say the Wisconsin Rapids woman robbed three men last month, including two that she left standing nearly naked in the snow.

One of the three victims went with her to a hotel room, prosecutors said, and was told if he got in the shower she would scrub his back. Instead she left with his pants, $600 in cash and his credit cards.

She met the other men separately in bars, authorities said, and parked with them in her truck. After both Dobbs and the men got undressed, she allegedly convinced them to get out and rub snow on themselves, then drove off with their clothes and money.

One man was left in his shorts and the other in socks and a skirt. Authorities didn't say how much cash they lost.

She faces up to 27 months if convicted of all charges.

Sanctions proposed
Washington
(AP) The Clinton administration said today that it will impose partial trade sanctions against the 12-nation European Community because of a failure to completely resolve a trade dispute involving government contracts.

U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor said the United States has made a partial victory by reaching an agreement with the Europeans to remove restrictions that had kept American companies from competing on an equal footing with European firms in the lucrative market for electrical generating equipment.

However, Kantor said negotiators had failed to get similar restrictions removed in the telecommunications field. For that reason, the administration was going ahead with scaled down sanctions.

Kantor could not give a specific figure for the total amount of sanctions that will be imposed against the European Community. But in answering questions, he indicated it could be about half the $50 million in proposed retaliation the administration first put forward in February.

The sanctions will involve barring European companies from bidding on certain U.S. government contracts.

Kantor said the total amount of sanctions would be equivalent to an estimate of the amount of business American companies are losing because of the restrictions they face in competing for government telecommunications contracts in Europe.

Sharpont courts GOP
Albany, NY
(AP) Civil rights activist Al Sharpton, who unsuccessfully sought the Democratic Party's U.S. Senate nomination last year, will meet Monday with state Republican Chairman William Powers, the GOP leader said Wednesday.

Sharpton told the New York Post that he is eyeing an endorsement of a GOP opponent to Gov. Mario Cuomo next year.

One GOP official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said calls were already coming in from New York Republicans questioning the wisdom of a meeting with Sharpton.

The meeting comes in the wake of Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan's admonition to the New York Democrats that if Sharpton seeks to run again for the Senate next year, he's not to be given an automatic spot on a Democratic primary ballot as he was last year. Next year, Moynihan is up for re-election. Last year the Democrats were going after Republican incumbent Alfonse D'Amato.

Sharpton said he might try to challenge Moynihan in a primary. If Sharpton is denied an automatic spot on the primary ballot by the party, he would have to circulate petitions statewide to gain a spot.

This can be expensive and complicated.

"If I am denied a place on the ticket, I plan to file petitions and possibly run as an independent and support another candidate for governor, which could cost me a substantial number of votes," Sharpton told the Post.

Take better classes!
Albany, NY
(AP) The chancellor of the State University of New York said Wednesday he is writing to all of the state's eight graduate public school students urging them to take tough courses in high school.

The 184,000 letters, with a separate message enclosed for parents, were designed to start students thinking about what they need to succeed in college or at work, said SUNY Chancellor D. Bruce Johnstone.

The letter coincides with two movements in New York education: an effort by the State Education Department to get students thinking about more careers and Johnstone's desire that more college level learning be done in high schools.

College faculty have noticed that incoming freshmen are less prepared for college work than students 10 years ago, said Joel Ray Alexander, director of SUNY's Office of School and College Relations.

The chancellor said that the letter had been in the planning stages for two years and wasn't related to SUNY's announcement last month that it had seen a drop on the number of high school seniors applying to the state university.

Pan-Caribbean Association will hold a Student Exhibition showing works of Alumni Field from 9-10p.m.
CARIBFEST '93 will take place in Brubacher Hall from 12-4p.m. (Admission is free).

A ReggaeFest in the CC Ballroom. Tickets are $10 w/SUNY ID, $12 w/out college ID, and $15 for all others.

The Jewish Student Coalition will be marching in the Israel Day Parade. All are welcome and should meet in the circle for rides or to drive downtown by 1:30p.m.

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs will recognize African-American and Latino students who have excelled in academics, leadership and community service with the Spelman Achievement Awards Program at 2p.m. in the CC Ballroom.

The University Democrats will be holding meetings every Monday in CC 381 at 9:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

The Albany Israel Student Activist Committee (AISAC) will meet in BA 130 at 8p.m. An Alan Denshowitz film will be shown at the meeting.

Pal Chi presents a lecture on the psychological approach to the detection of deception by Dr. Scott Lillienfeld at 7p.m. in LC-6.
Black not a welcome color
Protests arise over Greek Week t-shirts

BY ALLISON KRAMPF
News Editor

Black will not be a Greek Week team color in the future due to protests ensuing about the slogan

COOL LIKE DAT.

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BLACK LIKE DAT.

Staff photo by Joe Faughnan

Greek Week Black team is accused of degradatory slogan, on the team t-shirts, although some team members opted to wear the shirts for the closing ceremonies. Three, right.

This slogan was brought to the attention of Jessica Casey, director of student activities, 4:00 p.m. Tues., she said.

"This resulted in a meeting between the president of each sorority and fraternity on the team and the Albany State University Black Alliance, unioned with Campus Life for the past four years, Clemente said.

After the meeting, the individual presidents asked members of their organizations not to wear the shirts, said Michael Bass, special functions chair and later Fraternity Council and Greek Week coordinator.

"We never intended to offend anyone. We make an effort to make sure no one is offended," he said.

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Greek Week 1993

Greek Week continued Thursday, with its annual skit night and Greek God and Goddess competition.

Spirits were high as teams roared with enthusiasm in the physical education building, all hoping their team would prevail during the week-long competitions.

The night included original skits by each team, satirizing everything from the cafeteria to the University Police Department.

Closing ceremonies are scheduled for Friday, April 30.

Council passes $1.2 m budget

BY KAREN STEIN
Associate News Editor

Student Association's $1.2 million budget was approved by unanimous consent by Central Council April 13, despite delays in the passage of the Mandatory Athletic Fee.

S.A. Budget Chair Diane Hodurski said the committee did reduce the student activity fee athletic funding from three percent to two percent, reducing the amount from $330,000 to $220,100.

A possible reason they reduced the amount, said Central Council Chair Sarah Zevin, is in anticipation of the referendum's approval.

According to Hodurski, although the committee never took a stance on the athletic fee, they did realize the amount of money designated for the Intercollegiate Athletics Board and attached a rider to the budget concerning the fee.

If the athletic fee is imposed, she said, the money would be reapportioned by the committee.

S.A. Vice President Mike Williams said the athletic fee did pass the student election but there could be a recount if it is called for.

Funds for two new accounts are to be appropriated according to the rider.

A Rape Crisis Intervention Center would be opened and new equipment bought to enable the S.A. office to function better.

The remainder of this money would go into supplemental allocations for individual groups as they need it during the year, Hodurski said.

They are unable to officially build the athletic fee into the budget because it still must be approved by SUNYA President H. Patrick Swygert.

If once it is instituted the amount of the student activity fee may decrease but for the 1993-1994 year it will remain the same, Hodurski said.

According to Central Council Chair Sarah Zevin, although the referendum did not receive the necessary 2/3 approval, President Swygert might feel there is enough student support to introduce the fee as early-as possible.

Cultural groups and groups in desperate need of funding but not receiving it seemed to acquire more funding this year, Hodurski said.

The committee was very "pro-group" this year with a priority on saving groups and helping them help themselves, Hodurski said.

Last year the majority of funds went to internal offices, she said.

"If there are no functioning groups and students being provided with these services there is no point in having student association offices," Hodurski said.

The committee created line items to fund the new Multi-Cultural Affairs Office Lesbian Gay Bisexual Coordinator and a fund fee Co-Sponsorship with S.A. funded groups for weeks such as Sexuality Awareness Week.

It also created line items for the preexisting Women's Issues Affairs and Educational Affairs committees.

The committee will fund up to 18 new groups next year but one group, Brothers and Sisters in Christ, will not receive renewed funding.

Six groups appealed the decision to Central Council, in response to new funding policies.

Of the six — Dippikill, Ice Hockey, ASUBA, Haitian Student Association, SUNYA Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the African Students Association — only the Ice Hockey Club was still denied additional funding, according to Zevin.

The Student Activity Fee goes into debts, groups and repairs, said Zevin.

She also said the budget committee did the best job they could with the sources and resources.

"It is very important that students know what's going on with their money," so it does not get misdirected within the Student Association, Zevin said.

Hodurski said the committee stayed within the line set up at the beginning by the herself as budget chair, Diego Munoz, president of S.A. and Zevin.

The committee reviewed proposals from the individual student groups and then notified the groups of the opportunity to sign up for an appeal before they submitted the budget to Munoz for his alterations and approval.

Approprations are to be designated based upon appropriations last year, spending patterns throughout the year, appropriation trends for the past four years, and how active and what level of service and opportunities it offers the student body, Hodurski said.

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African-American voice boosted by LA

By Karen Neustadt

(CPS) African-American students throughout the country report an upsurge in membership since the fiery Los Angeles riots of last April, and many say that while race relations are still strained, the black voice on campus is stronger than ever.

LeVaud Carter, vice president of the Black Student Alliance and a senior at Georgia State University, said last year’s three days of rioting in Los Angeles was “the awakening” for many, who thought racism was dying.

“The riots were a spark that initiated the immediate consciousness. They (the riots) said: ‘The problem has not left us, it is only camouflaged. It can still sneak up on you.’” said Carter, who is a criminal justice major.

Alliance membership has skyrocketed from 45 last April to 400 currently and members are intensely interested in the political life of the university community, Carter reported.

The year has not been easy for the campus. In November, 70 students staged a two-day sit-in and successfully demanded that an African-American studies department be added.

“We fought for seven and a half years to get an African-American Studies Department,” Carter said. “Atlanta is the heart of the civil rights struggle, Seventy percent of those students are black. If there is anywhere that should have an African-American Studies Department, it is here.”

To the riots, African-American students, particularly those in the on-campus, took it personally and wanted to see change in the administration.

At the time of the riots, African-American students, particularly those in the Administration building, were more involved and interested. There was a lot of interest in the political reality. We started to ask the administration, we were attentive, according to Narcisse.

“We got our voice heard definitely. We met with the president and top faculty, and we were heard, loud and clear. They took us seriously. We put pressure on them. We told them we would take things into our own hands,” Narcisse added.

At Kent State University in Ohio, the Black United Students have been a strong presence on campus since 1968, when a group of African-American students banded together and demanded one of the first black studies departments in the country.

Last year’s riots made a strong organization even stronger, according to Nikki Marchmon, president of Black United Students and a senior majoring in social studies. The group will celebrate its 25th anniversary May 21, she said.

The riots brought an influx of newly interested black males into the organization, she said.

Marchmon reported that membership consists of “nearly every black student on the campus.”

“The riots were a wake-up call,” she said, noting that the group acted as an outlet for black students to express their emotions at the time of the Rodney King verdict.

None of the black students desired violence on the KSU campus like they were watching on television, she said, and they went out of their way to see that it did not occur.
Senate Republicans confident to fight Clinton’s health plan

By Alan Peam

Washington D.C.

(Jubilant Senate Republicans say their defeat of President Clinton's jobs bill shows they will have to deal with them when he tries to move health care and the rest of his agenda through Congress.

But Democrats said today their decision to drop the package in the face of a month-long GOP filibuster leaves minority Republicans facing the wrath of voters for blocking job creation and perpetuating legislative gridlock.

Clinton suffered his first big defeat in Congress on Wednesday when Democrats—bowing to GOP pressure—dropped the $132 billion for road building and $8.2 billion for job training and other programs.

After thus effectively killing a major leg of Clinton's economic recovery agenda, the Senate on a voice vote approved $4 billion for jobless benefits, the only part of the package that never had been removed.

"It "is not a big defeat for me," Clinton told reporters as each side tried to put the best face on the vote. "It's a big disappointment to the hundreds of thousands of Americans who would have had jobs."

Clinton also tried to contrast the battle with the support Republicans showed for former President Bush's efforts to help Americans.

"The people who have voted for this sort of spending repeatedly to help other countries and wouldn't do it to help their own folks and did it when the deficit was going up - I'm bringing the deficit down — they may have to explain some things," he said.

Republicans said they had the support of Americans tired of spending legislation that does little but cause swelling budget deficits and relentless tax increases.

"The bottom line is the American people did not believe that borrowing $16 billion more and spending it is going to help the economy ... The president's program just didn't meet the credibility test," Gramm said on Fox Morning News.

But Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, said on CBS that Republicans "didn't want a bill, they wanted to embarrass the president, they wanted to defeat the president's program. That was their principal motivation."

And while Dole was reluctant to call the showdown a defeat for Clinton, he said the White House will have to seek GOP support on health care, campaign finance reform and other issues. The new president, flush with last month's lightning-quick congressional passage of his budget, did not try to woo any Republicans to support his jobs package.

Guide the frosh

Orientation Ambassadors are needed for the fall semester to assist incoming frosh. Prospective ambassadors will be required to arrive on campus August 31st to begin a 2 1/2 day training program before new students arrive on September 3.

Applications are available at all Quad offices, the Residential Life Central Office, the Orientation Office, and the Office of Academic Support Services and must be submitted to the Department of Residential Life in State Quad by 5 p.m. on May 7.

Wanted: poetry

The Western Poetry Association is accepting general poetry for a 1993 poetry book entitled "Poetry: An American Heritage." Poets may send one or two original poems of up to 30 lines or less to Western Poetry Association, P.O. Box 49445, Colorado Springs, CO 80946-9445.

Walk for a cure

May 16 over 300 walkers will walk ten kilometers on the Corning Preserve in downtown Albany to help cure Cystic Fibrosis. There will also be food, a radio, and prizes. For more information call 489-2677.

The bill's demise came after Democrats failed Wednesday for the fourth time to halt the Republican filibuster that had frozen the bill in its tracks since March.

The roll call was 56-43, four votes short of the 60 needed. Sen. Richard Shelby, D-Ala., was the only lawmaker to cross party lines, and Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., did not vote.

Fees vary according to the course and include: meals, lodging, course materials, instruction, and use of equipment. Registration deadline is June 18. For more info, contact Community Services, Albany Area Chapter 433-0151 or your local Red Cross Chapter.

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Buses

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from service, what would otherwise be available to get back to campus from Pine Hills.

Myers, the victim of the latest incident, had his own thoughts on the situation. "There is no academic reason for these runs," he said. "It is just enabling them (the students) to do this (drink)."

"Stopping these runs has been discussed by Art Burt (Transportation Supervisor for Vehicle Operations-Campus) with the administration."

Burt was unavailable for comment Thursday.

"I think the late-night runs should be cut," said Deirdre Steeves, director of the Alcohol Plant department (which oversees the Vehicle Operations Center). "These runs didn't think an increase in drunk driving would occur if late-night buses were canceled. "Students are smarter than that... students will find a way back to campus," he said.

Stevens and Carlucci said they have talked with police leaders about the need to come up with solutions to the late-night weekend bus problem.

Student Association President Diego Munoz was unavailable for comment Thursday.

"We're trying to get a sense of what the alternatives are," Carlucci said. "We have asked students, parents and staff if there is a way to deal with the issue. We're waiting to see what the response is."

Deeplefield thought education was an important part of trying to seem the tide of what he called "a manifestation of people using alcohol."

"Education activities as exemplified by Middle Earth this past year and the fact that students of college age to make the distinction between use and abuse.

Livingston did not say whether she thought the bars run end to before the semester is over.

"We're going to focus on this now," Carlucci said. "And the beginning of the next semester we'll do something."

On Tuesday: What student leaders are saying in regard to the late runs.

Elections

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were in a sense unnecessary and that S.A. should have just given S.A. Vice President Walton Gould the votes that he started with in the first election. He also said the elections were "designed to favor Walton Gould."

Kuriloff said S.A. had hidden the elections by putting them behind the food co-op.

Walton Gould said he felt the elections were run well considering the time factor involved in getting the elections done before the end of the semester. Gould said the turnout was excellent. "In all my years at this university, I have not seen a candidate win a campaign as a write-in," Gould said.

Gould said the rumors about the candidates were false issues rather than what was important.

"I don't think any of us had to deal with the rumors I've had to go through," Gould said.

The Athletic Federation Referendum was defeated by a large margin of the vote.
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A Last Goodbye

By Lawrence Franchini

I realize that the person who is supposed to read this never will, it's too late, but I still feel that I should write it.

I read your letter, the one that explained to people what you did. For someone that was so concerned about society being so cruel, you sure helped a lot. By taking your own life did you realize that you were taking mine as well? That's what you tried to do, isn't it? We were so close, we spent every waking moment together and now you're gone. Did you ever think about how I was going to feel about it? When you died, a part of me died with you. It was us against the world and now it's just me against it. You turned me into a hollow shell, a walking zombie. I have no feelings now; I am dead inside because of you. I want to let you know, though, that I never cried at your funeral, and I don't visit your grave. You have hurt me too much for me to just forgive you that easily. People say that time heals all wounds. That's a total crock. My pain will never heal; time will only teach me how to deal with it. The pain I feel is what makes me. I think about how much we will never experience together and it hurts. Every time my mind thinks of those things, a part of me dies. "I love you and hate you both at the same time," is a very true statement about how I feel about you. I will never forgive you for what you have done. I will always love you, and I will never forget you. Love, Your friend always.
The Jeans Blues

By Tom Murano

I don't know how long I was standing there inside that shop, Designs, at Crossgates Mall, having fallen into a zombie-like state from the horrifying thought of finding my style among the shelves and shelves of... jeans.

Just your basic, boring pair of blue jeans. Straight leg, regular fit. "You know? That's all I wanted."

Jeans that say, "Hey, here's your basic boring middle class guy from upstate New York."

Jeans that scream, "He doesn't rap. He definitely does not jump, for Pete's sake! And he doesn't put them on backwards either."

Jeans that say, "Q-104 Classic Rock: not FLY 92."

Jeans that were virtually impossible to find in that store of stores, where you can supposedly find jeans of every imaginable color, shape and size (grunge colors have hit the East Coast, by the way). Shelves and racks of jeans everywhere, stacked from floor to ceiling. Thank God I wasn't drunk or tripping. Or maybe I should have been for the effect. Maybe I was and didn't know it, because I suddenly stopped and just began staring at the shelves. My jaw dropped to the ground. I couldn't move. I wanted to yell for help but nothing came out. I wanted my mommy.

As I stood there helpless, my memories drifted back to my childhood when I used to go shopping for jeans with my folks at the old Kings Department Store (the new OTB Teletheatre/Scoreboard on Central Ave). We always went there for about two hours and left with the same brand everystime. Of course, it was a bit easier because there were only three brands - Levi's, Lee's and Wrangler and they all came in one style. My style. Now that's choice! I knew where to find my style back then. No problem. Ah, those were the days.

But I briefly returned to consciousness and sadly realized that these good ol' days are gone. Maybe I have to get used to wearing pinstriped jeans. Not.

Then I thought I heard something, Listen, Tom. Did you hear that?

"Sir, can I help you?"

"Can I help you - you've been standing there for a while (what she probably wanted to add to that was, 'or would you prefer I leave you because we close in 10 minutes?)."

I realized she was talking to me and I slowly turned to respond.

"Er, uh, umm, uh... Hi. Uh. Jeans. Yeah. I want jeans, that's all. Not the 501's (for the life of me, I can't figure out what man in his right mind would wear a pair of buttondowns when it's so much quicker with the zipper), not the 'Special Two Horse 505's,' an interpretation of the original jeans. I don't want a goddamned interpretation, or an impersonation: I want the real thing - just jeans. I don't want the 506's with the loosen-er fit and the tapered leg for the "masterly lifestyle" as the tag says or the 'Big Fitting 560's.' Not the 560's for the $45 relaxed fit with the tapered leg either. I just want a basic pair of blue - not green, rust, gray or neon - just blue jeans. Hell, I don't even know what number they are!

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By Kenya McCullum

Associate Features Editor

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Utopia and the Pursuit of the Perfect Jeans

Far as they are concerned. Well, maybe we should all just buy our clothes through the home shopping network and forget it.

Footwear is not exactly a rosedell either. Once again, seven is the best of all possible worlds. And you can't have your feet bound as a child, your size is larger. A woman I know now when she tries to enjoy the pleasure of buying shoes she has to shop in the men's sections. Most outfits just stand alone and need to be accessorized. You need earrings, pocketbooks, necklaces, bracelets, anklets, hats, belts, scarves, and sometimes a eternity in order to feel fully clothed. Everything has to match everything else so that you are not con- victed of fashion crimes.
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Thursday morning was horrible for me in many respects. It was raining (natural, this being Albany), I was tired, I woke up only ten minutes late too late to go to my first class (8:40, unbelievably), and “Absolve” (the and then required me that was unadvisedly playing on my CD things. As a finishing touch, my neck felt broken, due to having fallen directly on my head at some earlier point.

Dan X. Stackhouse

(*note whilst on bladders, I feel I should point out). So, it was an almost normal Thursday morning, and ordinarily I could have dealt with all of that is stray.

But what made it so horrible was that I had read the ASP the day before. The incredibly stupid, intolerant, violent, useless acts that so many people commit all the time is what I saw there, and this tragic truth was all I could think of as I lay in bed wondering if my neck was really broken or not.

I’ll mention a few of these things as evidence, or something. One of the first things to hurt itself at me, clawing and rending assauling on my inner peace, was the whole Koresh episode. Fundamentalist religions fanatic, no matter what stripe (Muslim, Christian, Hindi, Judeic), don’t so on, every God—darned thing that you righteously, bastards), naturally deserve to be burned alive, over a period of a few months at least. But that bastard killed CHILDREN. I don’t personally believe in a hell, so I don’t wish that on tm or on all of the other many lunatic fanatic in the world, but I sincerely hope that if any of them do have an immortal soul (admittedly doubtful in their case), it is condemned to eternal reincarnation, or at least a cessation of existence.

Next, of course, is the eternal issue of rape. Killing all males is an easy answer, but not, I believe, correct. On the other hand, a couple of weeks back, I saw a nifty thing indeed. Four big dumb jock—frat boys (you know who I mean; they’ll be terribly offended by that phrase), were aimlessly wandering on a Friday night, doubtless due to lack of a life or grey matter, and as they spotted two college-age women heading towards them (to go past them, I dearly hope), one of them turned around and said, “Hey, why don’t we rape these two little girls, ha ha ha.”

Verbatim. I was too far away and insufficiently armed to Verbatim. I was too far away and insufficiently armed to know that odds are I will only be amused by you, and not convinced that Judaism isn’t all that biased, that minorities can’t be racist (ahem: Crown Heights?), that women can’t be sexist, or that all frat boys are fun-loving philanthropists. If your only plan is to let me help, then you shouldn’t have to go through all this again. You could have warned me of whatever afterlife—actually awaits by the way, not only don’t know what awaits, I’ve realized no one here does, instead they are merely saying they don’t know.

I’m sorry that this is such a老爸ly, but the first response I have to harmful stupidity. Laughter is actually the second (when I heard that Koresh would give up if the FBI could ‘prove he wasn’t Jesus’, I came up with the easiest answer: crucify him, and if he shows up in 72 hours, do what he says. Or crucify him again, what the heck).

But today I cannot laugh at all of this. I don’t grieve for the dead, ever, because either they’re better off, or they don’t exist any more. But right now I am grieving for the living, and that’s rough on not.

I am weary of writing this already, but I feel I should make a few clarifications. I’m sure I’ve offended a bunch of you alert readers out there: I’m cynical enough right now to believe I’ve offended the hell out of you. Let me tell you that some of you, notably: big jock—frat boys, people who are racist (against homies), sexist (against males), and anti—rollerblading pseudo—buddhist long—haired people, will be all for the idea of killing me soon. Fine. I’m not going to commit suicide ever, but I am rather tired of viewing all the idiocy of humanity. I feel legally obligated to warn you that my instinct will be to kill anything (not, I’m not good enough at Akido to merely intractably main. But this isn’t a threat; I’d just hate to go to jail, and this statement helps any self—defense case. I’ve never taken a life. I don’t intend to, but in some cases I don’t see any reason not to.

And for those who dismiss my words as ‘elitist,’ I can see your point. I have feet of flesh and bone like most other people, and I’ve certainly had a hunch or two in the last 22 years. However, I can’t conceive of ever planning to cause anyone pain; I never have, and never will. This presumably gives me the ability to say what I would have; after all, “Let he who is without trousers throw the first stone.”

Lastly (I promise), I am probably going to snap out of this funk soon enough. At that point, I will go back to attempting to cause life around me to be amusingly surreal. If you plan to kill me, wait until then, as I’ll be off—guard. If you plan to argue with me, also wait, as I don’t know that odds are I will only be amused by you, and not convinced that Judaism isn’t all that biased, that minorities can’t be racist (ahem: Crown Heights?), that women can’t be sexist, or that all frat boys are fun—loving philanthropists. If your only plan is to let me help, then you should be happy, please wait until then as well. I’ll probably be off—guard by fountain day. And if you want to hear the sentiment I’m trying to express, listen to Bob Dylan’s ‘Like a Dream’ by Pink Floyd on ‘The Final Cut.’ Good song; I suppose I’ll be seeing you all later.

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Waco, Racism And Big Jock Frat Boys

All that will follow is what I perceive as the truth. If you don’t agree, it must be because you see things differently; my hope is that most people will see the things as the same as I.

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In any case, everyone should do their best to avoid this situation since it creates such trouble for both the students and administration. At the same time, the University should explore other options, not ruling any out, until it picks a plan to decisively improve SUNYA bus service.
To the Editor:

In writing to respond to the article, “Never Forget: Homosexuals Remember the Holocaust” in the March 26th issue of the ASP, I am responding both as a Jew and a lesbian who is deeply concerned about oppression and genocide against all people.

Jen Snow came into Jewish organization essentially as an outsider with a very specific purpose: to raise consciousness about Jewish community about the slaughter of homosexuals in Nazi Germany. This is an important and commendable task and I am glad she is doing it.

Jewish issues are routinely minimized, and even a planned genocide as large and nearly successful as the Holocaust rarely gets the attention from non-Jews it deserves. The Holocaust was unique in many ways, and I am writing to respond to the article, Weaver Forget: To the Editor:

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University's Actions Are Biased

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**Party in the Park**

**Monday, April 26th**  
University Concert Board Presents:  
*the digable planets*  
Location: CC Ballroom  
Time: 8PM

**Tuesday, April 27th**  
**National Podiating Day**

Fountain Day  
12:15  
*President Swygert Commences Fountain Day*

1:00  
*Toss for Charity*  
Winnings Donated to Organization's Favorite Charity  
Location: Fountain

- Campus Forum/Disability Awareness Month  
Sponsored by Student Services  
Location: Assembly Hall  
Time: 10AM

**Thursday, April 29th**  
- *Karaoke at the Small Fountain*  
Time: 12 - ?

**Friday April 30th**  
- *Happy Hour/Battle of the Bands*  
$5 All You Can Drink  
Proper I.D. Required  
Location: McDuffs  
Time: 4 - 8PM  
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- *Teach-in on Racism*  
Sponsored by ASUBA  
Location: CC Ballroom  
Time: 11AM

- *Saturn Display/Scholarship*  
Location: Flagpole Area

- *Step Show/Podium Day*  
Sponsored by Pan-Hel Council  
Location: Small Fountain

**Sunday, May 1st**  
**Cultural Carnival/Mayfest '93**  
Featuring:  
- Boogie Down Productions  
- Black '47 New York Band  
- Cinque Shootyz Groove  
- John Hilton Trio Mad Lion

- *End of Year Blast*  
Beer Garden & Food Fest  
Location: Athletic Field Behind Indian  
Time: 11AM - 6PM

- *AIDS Camp-Out*  
Sponsored by Presidential Honor Society  
Location: Indian Quad

- *Senior Scramble*  
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Location: McDuffs  
Time: 8:30PM

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be hazing their pledges. My fraternity pledges were once seen carrying their pledge books on campus, and we were quickly disciplined by the I.F.C. The I.F.C. was under constant pressure and threats by the University. THAT WAS TWO YEARS AGO. ANY MEMBERS OF NON I.F.C. FRATERNITIES ALLOWED TO PUBLICLY HAZE PLEDGES? I attended I.F.C. meetings where the administration (I believe Mr. Livingston) demanded that hazing be abolished or the I.F.C. would cease to exist on the SUNYA campus. Public hazing by members of the I.F.C. has declined rapidly over the years, yet public hazing by non-I.F.C. fraternities has remained the same. The fraternities that continue to repeatedly haze in front of the campus center are recognized by the University as fraternities. For the past two years, these fraternities have dared the University to try some sort of action against them. The University has closed their eyes. I, along with about twenty thousand other students, would like to know why the University has followed a blatant double standard system towards fraternities.

Marc Weissman

Men's Lax

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O'Shea thought it was the defense that provided the spark for Albany this game. "Our defense shut hem down and led to the offense," he said.

"The defense has been saving our asses," said assistant coach Cort Kim, who was coaching against his brother, Blake, an assistant coach at Skidmore. Rain had six saves for Albany.

At Geneseo last Sunday, Albany beat Geneseo 4-3 in the third quarter, pulling away to win, 10-6.
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Albany State Sports Week at a Glance

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Baseball and softball sweep competition

Baseball sweeps doubleheader over Southern Vermont State

BY HAI MOSS

The Albany men's baseball team swept Southern Vermont on Monday, April 19.

Their record improved to an impressive 5-2.

"We faced two tough pitchers. We're happy about winning both games," Albany coach Ed Zaloom said.

In Game one, Albany won 4-1, behind outstanding pitching of senior Richard Wirtz and Clint Kiehl. Wirtz only yielded one hit and one walk through five innings. Wirtz got the win and struck out five batters, all on pitched balls. The game ended with two out in the sixth inning.

"The pitching was great," Zaloom said. "The defense made the pitching look good."

In the second game, Albany came from behind twice to win, 5-3. Albany started the game with four runs in the third inning. Senior Dan Ryan had a two-run double while junior Howie Rosenkrantz connected for a solo homerun.

The top of the sixth was the big inning. With the score 5-2, Albany added another run on a sacrifice bunt, moving the lead to five runs. Ryan led off the inning with a base hit. Abyssal Flooring' John Barlow followed by Ryan's sacrifice bunt.

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In the final innings, junior Dave August drove in two runs with a base hit. August scored a goal on a free shot.

"It was a good sign. He usually is a pull-hitter," Zaloom said.

Rosenkrantz and Garcia then hit consecutive singles, making it 6-2. The pitcher made an throwing error on a sacrifice bunt, allowing Rosenkrantz to score, giving Albany the lead, scoring in the first two innings.

Albany scored a. 276 batting average throughout the five games. Their opponents are only hitting .230 so far. The Danes' lead in the six games average is 3.16. Albany's opponent's ERA is a bloated 5.55.

"We have a young team with some situations marks but are okay," Zaloom said. "It's a rebuilding year with good pitching returning from last season.

The starters are starting to get their act together. Tri-captains Judy Emslie, Linda VanCampen, and Linda VanCampen took the ball into the net, 1-0 and 8-7.

Our offense is starting to pick up steam," Albany coach Carol Selner said. "Everyone individually has improved."

"They've helped out with motivation and have kept the team together," Selner said. "Their solid defense has set a good foundation for the rest of the season."

In the second game, Albany came back from a three run deficit to rally in the first inning. First baseman Roni Rotella led off the inning with a hit. Patti Gay then reached on an error by the second baseman. Centerfielder Laura Robisky lined a single scoring Rotella. Rightfielder Holly Whipple cut the score to 2-1, driving in the winning run.

"She pitched a dominating game," Selner said. "Most of the balls they hit were slow grounders."

Albany now heads into a hectic week, with ten games in six days.

"We'll hold up okay," Selner said. Next up for the Lady Danes is a home doubleheader with Hunter on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Softball sweeps Oneonta State--offense starts to come alive

BY ERIC D'AGOLI

By Hat Moss

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Albany names its new Athletic Director

Dr. Milt Richards will try to provide a new image for Albany sports program when Dr. Milton the University's new athletic director and who announced his retirement this year Mitchell Livingston, paid tribute to Moore programs and coaches. "T'm concerned about athletics," he Richards took of the need of attracting people to events and spoke about selling the athletic program. "Albany athletics will be a major player in the community," he said. Moving the Albany program from Division III to Division I will be a topic of interest during Richards' early tenure. "I'm well aware that there's been a study," he said. "If it makes sense we will do it. It's something we'll definitely look at." One obstacle to overcome is selling the idea to the administration and the student body. About three years ago a proposed move to Division I was shot down by the administration due to budget problems. "T'm concerned about athletics," he said. "Attracting a fan base for Albany sports was another topic Richards touched upon. Rich Richards pointed out, "Attracting a fan base for Albany sports was another topic Richards touched upon. Richards' proposals for making athletics an event. He described half-time shows, music, and strong pro-motion in the media. About what other colleges in the area, such as Sienna and R.P.I., have done with their programs," Richards said. Siena and R.P.I. have grabbed the media market in the Capital District area, something Richards hopes to change. "It will take extra work for a fair share of the media market," Moore said. "We need to get people excited about athletics and the university," Richards said. Another concern of Richards was trying to shed the "Dumb Jock" image found in many universities. "I'm concerned about athletics," he said. "But graduating our players comes first." In fact in 1989, Kansas State was one of only two Big East Schools to have a higher student athlete graduation rate than the rest of the student body. Kansas State had 46.9 percent of their freshmen graduate after four years. The student athletes, however, had a graduation rate of 51.9 percent. The men's basketball team had an outstanding one hundred percent of their freshmen graduate compared to the national average of 38 percent. In a prepared statement, Dr. William K. Holstein, who chaired the committee that chose Richards, said, "Dr. Richards is a professional in every sense of the term. He has demonstrated a strong commitment to students, quality teaching, and the academic side of athletics." "I won't lose sight of developing students academically," Richards reiterated. The present status of Albany athletics is bound to make Richards' job easier. Several programs are competitive nationally, including wrestling and men's track. "I admired Dr. Moore in giving Albany a sound program with excellent athletes and coaches," Richards said. Richards will assume his duties effective July 1.