SA presidential field looks slim so far

Observers say the high number of graduating officers is taking its toll

By Tom Murnane
Senior Editor

For the past several years around this time, there used to be a vague sense of who the front-runners would be in the upcoming Student Association presidential elections in the spring. Once upon a time, names like Rhoads, Weitz, Maymi, Ali and Munoz were easily bantered about by SA insiders and observers alike by mid-February. Not so this year.

This year, a list of front-runners has yet to materialize. Most of the people who might have thrown their hats into the ring - like Central Council Chair Sarah Zevin, SA Programming Assistant Diane Hoduriski, SA Vice President Michael Williams, Off-Campus Association President Jodie Green or Council Internal Affairs Chair Rama Wilson - are graduating.

And the two SA officers who conceivably might run, SA Women’s Issues Coordinator Kristen Eaton Pollard and Council Vice Chair Jason Stern, probably won’t. Pollard gave an emphatic “no” when asked Monday about a possible run for the top spot in SA.

“The job is too political... it’s definitely not a cakewalk and I don’t feel like dealing with the bickering,” Pollard said.

Stern was unavailable for comment Monday, but several SA officers who asked to remain anonymous said he probably would be aiming to take over for Zevin as Council Chair. Despite the lack of possible candidates from inside SA this year, one name from outside the organization has crystallized: Louis Tobacco, the president of fraternity Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

While Tobacco, a junior from Staten Island, was not available for comment Monday, a couple of things are known about him. According to SA President Diego Munoz - who said he won’t run for a second term this spring - from what he’s heard, Tobacco is “well-liked among the Greeks, but I don’t know much about him beyond that.”

Tobacco’s fraternity, ΣAE, is also busy preparing for Wednesday’s 3:00 p.m. visit by U.S. Rep. Susan Molinari, who the fraternity invited to talk about campus rape and sexual assault. Molinari, a SUNYA alumna, is from Tobacco’s hometown.

While the picture remains unclear about who the candidates are going to be, there appears to be a consensus forming about why there’s such a shortage of “big names.”

“Most of the people (in charge) in SA are graduating,” Zevin said Monday. “With such a high turnover, there’s going to be a whole new bunch of people in SA next year... I think it’ll be good to get some new blood in SA.”

SA President Diego Munoz agreed, but said he wasn’t worried about the shortage of “name” candidates.

“Remember, this is still very early on and even if things remain dry this year, the year after there’s some good people coming along,” Munoz said.

He said that while SA is in a period of flux, with a lot of SA’s older leadership about to graduate, “there’s a whole bunch of young people who are just a step away from assuming more responsibility. They just lack a little experience, that’s all, but they’re coming along.”

Munoz added he thought a few strong candidates would emerge in the next couple months.

As for another reason why there seems to be a shortage of name candidates, an SA insider said the SA landscape was too

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"The Meeting" between King and Malcolm X

By Tim Statler

Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr. met on stage Saturday night at Page Hall in a play. The meeting, said the play, was “written as a speculation of what might have been discussed” in an actual closed-door meeting between Malcolm X and Martin Luther King two weeks before Malcolm X was assassinated.

Amir Ahdurahman, a graduate student at SUNYA, read poetry and spoke before the event, said the play evoked questions he had about the SUNYA community. The play “gives a more intimate look” at King and Malcolm X than usual portrayals, Grimes said, adding, “that it gives people a chance to get inside their heads in terms of their philosophies.”

King was born and raised in the south. Malcolm X, who lived in the northeastern section of the United States the majority of his life, was “revolutionary by the media,” Brown said although their philosophies were different, “Essentially, they were fighting the same fight just from a different perspective.”

In regards to the content of the play, Brown said the author thoroughly researched the two characters, adding, “the plays stays within the realm of reality in terms of what possibilities could have existed.”

“It stays pretty honest,” Brown said.

Mike Williams, vice president of the Student Association which sponsored the event, said the play evoked questions he had about the SUNYA community.

Specifically, Williams said, he wondered “why can’t people sit down and talk about a non-violence movement or a revolutionary movement.”

Ahdurahman said he thought the play “conveyed an important message to the audience.”

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NWROC welcomes Shanta Driver

BY ELIZABETH ANN BALL

Shanta Driver, a member of the National Steering Committee from Detroit, spoke to members of the National Women’s Rights Organizing Coalition (NWROC) Thursday in the Patrons Lounge.

The discussion focused on Clinton’s presidency and the concern for women’s rights.

Driver said her main purpose was “to try to build an integrated, militant, national movement that can organise protests, pickets, and physical defense, and to organize committees to keep abortion clinics open, to keep lesbians and gay males from being bashed, to keep anti-lesbian and gay men legislation from being passed, to stop racist brutality, and to work for the rights of unorganized workers.”

While addressing this broad spectrum of controversial issues, Driver said President Clinton is already a “discredited figure,” in relationship to what he will do for women, lesbians, gay males, African Americans, and the working class.

Driver said “the white picket fence” has created in the form of a naval blockade around Haiti, making the passage of Haitian refugees to the United States impossible.

The lack of tax relief for the working class people and the poor, and theapping of social security, Driver said, leaves people “eating dogfood, an, and living in impoverished conditions.” Driver cited Clinton’s economic policies concerning welfare saying, “it doesn’t provide any funds for poor women to have abortions, allowing them ‘no freedom to choose,” with the only two choices for these being “abortion or sterilization.” She criticized Clinton’s failure to change the practice of banning gay in the military as well.

In wake of these recent events in the Clinton presidency, Driver said there are three things the Clinton Administration
Brits plead release
Baghdad, Iraq
(AP) Relatives of two British prisoners in Iraq are heading to Baghdad to plead for their release. How they are treated could show whether a new Iraqi strategy of avoiding confrontation with the West is genuine.

With a new man in the White House and fractures showing in the Persian Gulf War coalition, Baghdad apparently believes the time has come to change tack.

But what has been referred to as Saddam Hussein's "charm offensive" still aims, ultimately, to get Iraq's oil exports moving again and to reopen discussion on a range of Persian Gulf War cease-fire issues.

To achieve those goals requires ending the U.N. sanctions that are crippling Iraq's economy and splitting the U.S.-led coalition against Baghdad.

In its attitude toward the Europeans' visit will be watched as a sign of more complaint approach than its usual defiance of Western demands.

Relatives of Paul Ride, who is serving a seven-year term, and Michael Wainswright, who has a 10-year sentence, left Britain on Sunday for Baghdad. Both men were arrested after they strayed into Iraq last year.

"We can't really know until we actually get there if there's any chance of them coming back with us. It's 50-50, I suppose," Julie Ride, 31, said at Heathrow Airport outside London. She expected to see her husband Tuesday.

Coffee sells novel
London
(AP) If it sells coffee, maybe it will sell books. That seems to be the idea behind "Love Over Gold," a novel based on a TV commercial for instant coffee.

Just in time for Valentine's Day, the book takes up the story of the elegant, waspish woman and the cheerful hunk who like their coffee quick an hot, their romance coy and simmering.

In Britain, where the product is called Nescafe Gold Blend, the flotation is now in its fifth smooth-hit year. In the United States, the couple's coffee is called Taster's Choice.

The story seems to rank just below Charles and Diana in public interest. When the hunk said "I love you" in a commercial shown in December, the news made page one of The Sun, Britain's biggest-selling tabloid.

"The untold story of TV's greatest romance," as the book cover says, retails for $5.75, and Corgi Books printed 150,000 to start.

What is explicit is the commercialism. Nestle and its advertising agency, McCann-Erickson, as owners of the characters, are eager to film rights. The book also includes an order blank for a video of all the commercials.

GM directs gccantes
Washington
(AP) General Motors Corp. will launch a major legal and public relations campaign against critics who say it manufactured millions of unsafe pickup trucks, a published report says.

The Washington Post, quoting unidentified company sources in its Sunday edition, said GM will accuse the National Broadcasting Co. and several consumer groups with rigging test results to make it appear that the design of the gasoline tanks on full-size GM pickups made from 1973-1987 were unsafe.

Sources told the Post that the automaker will try to show that tests commissioned by NBC's "Dateline" program were rigged by the Institute for Safety Analysis to ensure that the truck would burst into flame on impact.

"This appears to be an attempt by General Motors to divert attention from this $100 million adverse jury verdict and possible recall," she told The Associated Press.

Last week, a jury returned a $105 million judgement against GM in the 1989 death of 17-year-old Shannon Moseley, who died when his pickup exploded in a crash with a drunken driver. GM has said it will appeal the award.

Clinton's "interested"
Washington
(AP) President Clinton's first weeks have been a boon for the interest groups that both plague and sustain his party, from feminists and gays to labor unions and environmentalists.

Is he making payoffs or pursuing principles?

Republicans claim the first, Democrats the second. Either way, the new president will be holding goodwill for future moves that his party's traditional constituencies may not like nearly as much.

In a series of rapid-fire executive orders, Clinton has eroded policies embraced by unions, environmentalists and abortion-rights advocates. The jury is still out on his efforts to end the ban on gays in the military, but he can't be accused of not trying. The same goes for his goal of naming a woman attorney general.

The new Republican Party chairman, Haley Barbour, is already calling Clinton's moves on the gay ban "a political payoff to a powerful special interest group."

But a senior White House official said Clinton, in his executive orders, "are not aimed at individual groups. He's overturning 12 years of bad policy... stripping away a lot of nonsense."

Clinton has been associated with moderates trying to break the stereotype of the executive branch as a collection of special interests. His supporters say his recent actions don't change that.

TAP grants decrease
Albany, N.Y.
(AP) For the second year in a row, New York state's main program to help college students pay their bills has run a major loss. The minimum grant will never be worth more than $100 million, officials said Sunday.

Cuomo administration budget spokeswoman Claudia Hatton said the deficit for the state's Tuition Assistance Program for fiscal 1992-1993 would be $100.7 million. That follows a 1991-92 deficit of $111.8 million in the nation's largest state college grant program.

State officials said the deficits are in large part related to the downturn in the economy. "We have been forced to seek TAP assistance," said Joseph A. Jimenez, director of TAP.

TAP grants go to New Yorkers attending public and private colleges in New York state. To qualify, families must fall below certain income limits.

For a family of four, the income limit this year is $62,000. For the coming state fiscal year, which begins April 1, Gov. Mario Cuomo has proposed the limit be lowered to $53,000.

And while the maximum grant in new $3,650 per student, Cuomo has called for lowering that to $3,450 for freshmen entering the system. He also wants grants to graduate students phased out over the next few years. It's the second straight year that Cuomo has called for lowering the TAP grants.

PREVIEW OF EVENTS

Wednesday, February 9

N.Y.P.I.R.G. is holding a general interest meeting at 7:30 p.m. in LC 19. Refreshments will be served.

The Co-Ed Raquetball Club is holding a general interest meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the S.A. lounge.

University at Albany Academic Support Services is holding a workshop on learning from lectures. The time is 4:15 p.m. until 5:15, and it is at FA 128.

Dr. Bengali, an established hypnotist, will be giving a hypnotist demonstration involving audience members.

Admission is $2 for SUNY students, $1 with a Resident Express card in LC 118.

The Albany State Libertarians are holding their weekly meetings in CC370 every Wed. at 4 p.m.

(All are welcome.)

Thurs., February 11

The German Club is holding a meeting at 7 p.m. in CC 358.

The Albany State Libertarians present a talk titled "Should Marijuana be Legalized?" by Free Hemp Committee member Jonathan Von Linden on at 7:30 p.m. in LC3. Admission is free and open to the public. Call 446-1326 for more information.

The Golden Key National Honor Society will have representatives in the Shabbat Dinner at 6pm in the Chapel House. The dinner is reserved for 5:42-5:60 for more information.

Interested in writing for the ASP news department? Come up to CC 323 and ask for Pam or Allison. You will never regret it.
Educational Affairs assists students
Office advocates and supports student concerns

BY LORIE ROTH
The purpose principle of the Educational Affairs Office is to support the three separate branches within the office.

"The purposes of the three divisions are to supervise the educational programming of SA, supervise educational services of SA and to support educational advocacy," said M. Kazim Ali, head of the SA Educational Affairs Office.

"In relationship to SA, we are a counterpart of the association. The office helps students to get to know about other students and set an agenda for the office," Ali said.

Omar Bell, Makida Palmer, and Kristen Jorden are the assistants in the office, which also consists of ten to twelve project coordinators, and eight other helpers.

"The educational services support the Test Bank and Copies Plus. We make sure that good tests are saved. The English Department is being emphasized this year, due to lack of English tests saved previously," Ali said.

"We published the September 1991 issue of S.C.A.T.E. It was not very effective because only one hundred and two hundred level courses were evaluated. A new edition will be coming out in May or June for incoming freshmen. Peer advisement days will also be set up for spring registration, as they were last semester," said Ali.

The educational program department also brings in many speakers, Ali said. "We have had Ferrara, the head ambassador for the U.N., and Sonya Sanchez," said Ali.

"We are trying for Anita Hill and Lucille Clifton. This segment also has small program workshops for racial awareness and workshops showing the connection of sexism, racism, homophobia and other issues."

"The biggest portion of Educational Affairs is Educational Advocacy. This branch deals with other campus committees.

"We don't support the termination of the General Education Requirements. Students having forty to sixty credits of electives on their transcripts will make students more desirable to employers. The other half of the credits are required. We also stand against the athletic fee," Ali said.

On a state level, we are campaigning on the governor's budget to try to get more money out of legislature, because of the tuition freeze. On a federal level, we campaign for the freedom of the Cholle Act. We also sent Valentine's Day Cards to Clinton that said 'Be a sweetheart to education' to help keep the cost of college educations down," Ali said.

"The Student Association is easy to get involved with and has a very liberalized office structure," Ali said.

Survivors remember Tiananmen Square

BY ADAM SPECTOR
Editorial Assistant
Two survivors of the Tiananmen Square massacre appeared at a meeting sponsored by Amnesty International Wednesday to talk about the arrested of students committed in June, 1989.

The two speakers, Pamlee Keenan and Heming Jian, gave personal accounts of the occurrence. Keenan, a native of Thailand, was studying Mandarin at Beijing University when the protests started.

Keenan said she had joined the movement until a back injury forced her to stay in bed just days before the massacre. She was looking through her window when the Chinese army attacked the unarmed protesters, Keenan said.

"I was in China at Beijing in September of '89, until Tiananmen Square happened, but at the night of the massacre, I was not there," Keenan said.

Keenan said she was shocked at the conditions in Beijing and the way the Chinese people were treated when she first visited Beijing.

"The people were obviously oppressed, and even us foreign students could feel the many things that were different from what we had in our country," Keenan said.

The protesting was becoming more intense around May and June when people were asking for more freedom of speech and less corruption in the government, Keenan said.

She said she was surprised at how peaceful the demonstration was and that the fact there was no mob at the time.

According to Keenan, people were fasting and resting in tents. There had been rumors for days that the police would chase the protesters, Keenan said.

"There was no immediate response from the police when they heard the army was going to interview them. On June 8, Keenan said, promising a decision in the next couple of months.

Lehrman attacks Cuomo and government

Albany (AP) In a spirited return Monday to the New York political arena, 1993 Republican candidate for governor Lewis Lehrman blasted not only Democratic Gov. Mario Cuomo, but government's GOP establishment.

Lehrman is one of a host of Republicans eyeing a possible run for governor in 1994.

"Accusing Cuomo of running a "caretaker government," the millionaire Republican businessman said, "I didn't think it could get worse, but it could and it did ... New York state is still falling apart, literally and figuratively."

But Lehrman, in an appearance before the leaders of the state's tiny, but politically influential Conservative Party, saved his harshest criticism for state government in general, including the Republicans who control the state Senate.

"Governor Cuomo has been a disappointment," Lehrman said. "But the Republican Party in Albany ... has been a bigger disappointment."

"New York is a one party government. Let us call them the incumbents," Lehrman added.

Lehrman said New York's politicians had developed a "corrupt system."

"There's not a shred of credibility left anywhere in Albany," he charged.

Later, at a news conference, Lehrman said Senate Majority Leader Ralph Marino "could provide a great deal of leadership," but had chosen instead to "make deals in the back rooms of Albany." With Cuomo and Democrats who control the state Assembly.

"He could stop the rise in taxes ... He just doesn't want to wield the power," Lehrman charged.

There was no immediate response from Marino who was to appear at the Conservative's political conference later Monday.

As a testament to the Conservative Party's political clout, it's two-day political conference drew a host of potential gubernatorial candidates.

In addition to Lehrman, financier Evan Galbraith; 1990 Conservative Party candidate Herbert London; former state Assemblyman Jon Fosse; former state GOP Chairman J. Patrick Barrett; state Assembly Minority Leader Clarence Rappleyea; and millionaire cosmetics heir Ronald Lauder were all on hand. All have said they are at least thinking about making a run for the governor's job in 1994.

"I haven't ruled it out," Lehrman said, promising a decision in the next couple of months.

While Lehrman may be thinking about running, at least one longtime associate, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Lehrman's conversion from Judaism to Catholicism could be a political liability. And in New York politics, some believe Lehrman's strong anti-abortion stance could be a problem in a statewide race. In fact, Lehrman spent more than half of his speech Monday talking about the abortion issue.

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**Anti abortion minister to go on trial**

Buffalo (AP) Charges were reinstated Monday against an anti-abortion minister involved in an incident in which a dead human fetus was shoved in the faces of abortion-rights protesters.

Erie County Judge John Rogowski restored charges of obstruction against Rev. Paul Schenck of Tonawanda, near Buffalo. The charge had been dismissed by Buffalo City Court Judge Joseph Figliola last October.

On Saturday, Robert Schenck was convicted of resisting arrest during an anti-abortion protest outside a clinic in suburban Amherst on May 1. He faces a maximum of a year in prison which when he is sentenced April 19 by Amberly Town Justice Sherwood Berry.

On Sunday, Paul Schenck told abortion opponents that President Clinton is imposing homosexuality on the military and opening the White House door to immorality. "The sexual revolution and its concomitant immorality moved into the White House," he said during a speech to about 1,400 anti-abortion activists at St. Joseph's Church in Batavia, about 40 miles east of Buffalo.

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**Assault**

1/30 - Off campus - female reported known male bit her; judicial referral. Victim did not wish to press criminal charges at this time.

1/31 - Colonial Quad - Male reported anti-oriental harassment and male fought with him on 1/31. Residential life notified and judicial referral; victim did not wish to press criminal charges.

**Criminal mischief**

2/3 - Eastman Tower - Bedroom door handle broken off, female occupants and male visitors had been arguing over cab fare. TOT Residential life.

2/2-3 - Waterbury - Graffiti on entranceway wall.

2/3 - Mohican - Acid put on door knob, dripped down and caused burn to rug.

2/3 - Colonial Lot - Vandalism to car.

**Harassment**

2/3 - Indian - Male R.A. verbally harassed by group of unknown males.

2/4 - Campus Center - Two males fighting/arguing - judicial action.

**Petit Larceny**

1/29 - 2/2 - Indian - Traffic sign at road around lake missing.

2/1-2 - Ten Eyck - Clothes from laundry room.

2/2 - Stuyvesant - Clothes from laundry room.

2/3-4 - Montauk - Bag of cleaning items missing.

2/4 - Campus Center - Bookbag left outside bookstore stolen.

2/4 - RACC - Knapsack left outside weight room stolen.

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**By John Williams**

(CPS) The hard realities of rising tuition, closed classes and the increasing number of non-traditional students attending colleges or universities are changing perceptions that most students earn their undergraduate degrees in four years.

School officials recognize that because of financial and personal pressures, many students are taking longer to get their degrees, not quite making the traditional four year degree a dinosaur, but at least putting it on the endangered species list.

In some cases, university systems are trying to graduate students in less than four years to make room for new students who are competing for fewer classes.

"Many students have to take less courses and have to work. It's not such a bad thing," said John Duff, president of Columbia College in Chicago. "Nobody would raise their eyebrows about going to graduate school to get a doctorate in eight years. Part of our culture is that there is some kind of stigma if you don't graduate in four years."

A major factor in the increased time it takes to earn a four-year degree is the fact that federal loan and grant money is being reduced, forcing students to work part time or full time to help finance their education. In some cases students take an occasional semester off to make money for tuition.

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The American Council on Education estimates that 40 percent of students enrolled in two- and four-year institutions are non-traditional students, meaning they are older students and may work full or part time.

"There are significant numbers of small liberal arts institutions that take in students mostly out of high school and graduate in four years. But those numbers have not grown," spokesman David Markowitz said.

"The growth (in enrollments) is in state colleges and community colleges, which are oriented toward non-traditional students."

Many students go to school part time, which almost automatically puts them in the position of taking more time to get their diploma. The Chronicle of Higher Education Almanac estimates that in 1993, 15,3 million students are attending college, and 6.4 million are going part time. Those numbers are expected to increase through the turn of the century.

Other students choose to graduate in a shorter time. Under a mandate from the state Legislature in 1992, a Virginia council studied, and then implemented, a program that allows students in the public university system to graduate in three years. State officials, faced with the prospect of an additional 65,000 students by the year 2000, want to graduate as many students as possible to make room for the crunch.

In addition to finishing early, students can expect to save about $10,000 in tuition and living costs.

Only one in three undergraduate students in Virginia's public university system graduates within four years, said Mike McDowell, a spokesman with Virginia's State Council of Higher Education. In the 1991 fall term, there were 165,000 students enrolled in the state's 15 four-year institutions. Figures for the fall 1992 terms weren't available.

McDowell said the council conducted a study and found that students attending residential universities in rural areas of the state tended to graduate within four years. Those students who went to schools in urban areas tended to be commuters who may take time off from school to work and pay for tuition. According to McDowell, some students are taking up to seven years to earn undergraduate degrees.

McDowell said students who opt for the three-year plan get credit for high scores on advanced placement tests taken during high school. If they pass the tests, they determined they have achieved a proficiency in the subject matter and don't have to take it in college.

"We want schools to eliminate obstacles for those who want to go this way," he said. "For some students, this is very much a cultural shift."

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Students are heard through NYPIRG

BY CHRIS MCGUIRE

The New York Public Interest Research Group gives students a way to show their opinions on various important issues. They provide a forum for students to voice their opinions and makes sure they’re heard.

In the past 19 years, NYPIRG has fought for the environment as well as many economic issues. “We led the coalition that made the bottle bill a law,” said Sean Fitzgerald, Project Coordinator for NYPIRG. After ten years the bill was finally passed, immediately proving “far from perfect” with problems that are holding the effectiveness of NYPIRG, Fitzgerald said.

They are a completely student directed group, with the student board approving the budget as well as picking the policies to work on, Fitzgerald said.

According to Fitzgerald, NYPIRG’s SUNYA chapter has been trying to refine the dormitory recycling programs, but they are still “far from perfect” with Indian and Colonial’s recycling efforts in the worst shape.

In this past year, the group’s projects have included registering over 2,600 people to vote, plus generating 4,000 postcards in a three-week campaign to send to the governor’s office telling them to stop the tuition hikes, Fitzgerald said.

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Hasidics and Blacks upset with interracial painting

(AP) A painting of black woman and a Hasidic Jew embracing and kissing on the cover of The New Yorker magazine drew criticism Monday from leaders on both sides of a racially conflicted Brooklyn community.

But the artist, Pulitzer Prize winner Art Spiegelman, and the editor, Tina Brown, both said the Valentine's Day cover was a wishful advocacy of replacing conflict with love.

Spiegelman, an accompanying commentary, acknowledged his image is a dream that is "knowingly naive" and that the problems besetting the Jews and blacks of Crown Heights "cannot be kissed away."

"But once a year, perhaps, it's permissible a moment, to close one's eyes, see beyond the tragic complexities of modern life, and imagine that it might really be true that. All you need is love," he said.

"I think that instead of healing anything, there will be anger emanating because of this," the Rev. Herbert Daughtry, an activist black minister said.

It was too early for telephone or letter reaction from the general public, according to Maurie Perl, the magazine's publicist. The new issue, dated Feb. 15, went onto newsstands Monday.

Daughtry and Rabbi Joseph Spielman, chairman of the Crown Heights Jewish Community Council, both called the painting "unnatural".

"Rather than healing, this just makes everything ludicrous," Spielman said, pointing out that Hasidim may not even kiss their wives or show them physical affection in public.

Daughtry also said he doubted that the magazine would have used a cover showing a black man kissing a Hasidic woman.

Spiegelman, speaking from Fort Lauderdale, Fla., said he had tried just such a version, but a Hasidic woman is not iconically recognizable — just a "woman in a kerchief," he said.

"Even if that weren't a problem, then it would be, how dare you. You're showing a black man as a rapist," Spiegelman said.

The man in the painting is unmistakably a Hasid, bearded, sidecurled and wearing a black hat and coat. The brown-skinned woman has her hair in dreadlocks.

The reaction made him sad, Spiegelman said, but then added: "If it unites both communities against me, at least we've gotten them united."

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Wordperfect workshops scheduled at St. Rose

A workshop on using Wordperfect will be held at the College of St. Rose. The three-part workshop will include both day and evening sessions and will be held between April 6 and June 3. It will be held in the IBM Computer Lab located in Hubbard Hall in the College’s Inner Campus.

The workshop will be divided into three sessions, with session 1 being Introduction to Wordperfect, session 2 being Intermediate Wordperfect, and session 3 being Advanced Wordperfect. Students may complete the entire program or take any of the sessions independently. The fee for each session is $80. For more information or to register, call Michelle Joyner at 458-5459.

Black History Month celebrated at Sage

The Black and Latin Student Alliance and the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Russell Sage College will be presenting a series of programs in celebration of Black History Month. They will be held on the Sage Troy Campus and will be free and open to the public.

On Wednesday, Feb. 10, “Mississippi Masala” will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center at Sage.

On Sunday, Feb. 13, The Black and Latin Student Alliance at Russell Sage will hold a “soul-food dinner” at 5 p.m. The dinner will be held at the Multicultural Center. For reservations or more information, call Toni Blackwell at 270-2008.

On Saturday, February 20, The Black and Latin Student Alliance at Russell Sage will sponsor the ninth annual Gospel Extravaganza at 7 p.m. It will take place in the Bush Memorial Center.

On Wednesday, Feb. 24, the movie Boomerang will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center.

On Saturday, February 27, The Black and Latin Alliance at Russell Sage will hold a fashion/talent show at 7 p.m. in the Bush Memorial Center.

Two productions to be held at Skidmore

The Skidmore College Department of Theatre will be presenting Action and Back Bog Beast Bait, two one-act plays written by Sam Shepard. Performances will be held from Thursday, Feb. 25 to Sunday, Feb. 28 and Thursday, March 4 to Saturday, March 6.

The times of the productions are Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Studio Theater in the Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs. Tickets are $7, and $5 for students and senior citizens. For more information or reservations, call 584-5000, ext. 2347.

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Military agrees with Clinton's proposed budget cuts

(AP) Military leaders say they are willing to retain an aging aircraft carrier and other weaponry, reduce their ranks and postpone some purchases in order to meet President Clinton's goal of slashing defense spending by another $10.8 billion next year.

Their recommendations were part of a package of suggested budget cuts delivered to Defense Secretary Les Aspin on Monday, said Pentagon officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Aspin told the military services and other top Pentagon agencies to come up with their suggestions for belt-tightening in preparation for a new Clinton spending plan.

The cuts are to come from a $267.9 billion military budget that former President Bush and his defense secretary, Dick Cheney, envisioned for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

During the election campaign, Clinton proposed defense cuts of $60 billion beyond the $50 billion Bush had proposed over the same five-year period. Bush and Cheney maintained that their cuts were as close to the bone as possible without endangering the nation's security.

Sharper decreases in spending are expected in the years ahead, including more base closures. That is something Congress may have a hard time swallowing, one official said: "The real screams will be coming from (the Capitol) Hill."

The Navy's new recommendations include halting the overhaul of the aircraft carrier Forrestal, which is at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, and decommissioning the vessel.

The carrier is being transformed into a training ship. Its retirement would be a major blow to the Philadelphia area because the repair work is keeping the yard open, despite the fact it was targeted for closure by an independent federal panel.

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The truth about homosexuality

The stages of denial and acceptance of oneself

What does it really mean to be "gay?" Contrary to popular belief, homosexuality is not an illness (either mental or physical) that is in need of a "cure" nor does it only refer to sexual behavior. Rather, a homosexual orientation entails not only one's sexual conduct but also the development of an identity that somehow must be integrated into an overall concept of self.

The gay and lesbian literature is replete with theoretical models of gay identity development. Across the several models, authors have generally agreed upon six stages through which gay men and lesbians pass to achieve a positive gay identity. The first stage, "Identity Confusion," is characterized by feelings of turmoil, in which one questions previously held assumptions about one's sexual orientation. In the first stage, "Identity Confusion," is characterized by feelings of turmoil, in which one questions previously held assumptions about one's sexual orientation. At the second stage, "Identity Comparison," one considers the possibility of being gay. The third stage, "Identity Tolerance," involves feelings of ambivalence, in which one sees both gay and heterosexual aspects of oneself, but maintains separate public and private images. "Identity Acceptance" is characterized by selective self-disclosure, in which one begins legitimization of one's sexual orientation. Next, the "Identity Pride" stage involves anger, pride, and activism, in which one is immersed in the gay subculture. Finally, "Identity Synthesis" is characterized by clarity and acceptance, in which one moves beyond a dichotomized world view (i.e., heterosexual vs. homosexual) to an incorporation of one's sexual orientation as one aspect of a more integrated identity. Of course, the age at which an individual passes through each stage varies according to social factors and the individual's own psychological development.

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Did Meese lie trying to protect Reagan?

Iran-contra prosecutor accuses former attorney general of false statements

Washington, D.C. (AP) It's going to be a long two years," Attorney General Edwin Meese mused in a note to Caspar Weinberger as Congress clamored for details of the arms-for-hostages deal with Iran.

Iran-contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh disclosed Meese's note Monday, accusing the former attorney general of making a false statement designed to protect Ronald Reagan by announcing at a Nov. 24, 1986, White House meeting that the president hadn't known about one of the arms shipments.

Meese made the same false statement on television the next day, even though Secretary of Defense Lawrence Walsh disclosed that to disclose the president's "reputation, " he and Reagan had known about the arms shipments.

Meese denied Monday night that he had lied. But Weinberger and Shultz denied saying anything that was illegal or improper.

Yet Reagan and his aides didn't correct Meese's assertion, Walsh added.

Walsh also suggested that Attorney General Donald Regan was prepared to testify at Reagan's trial.

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In Houston, Busch spokesman Andrew Maner said: "President Bush acted with compassion and good conscience in his pardons, but we will not comment on Judge Walsh's report,"

Meese and Weinberger's lawyer reacted strongly to Walsh's report.

"Any idea that I lied or Mr. Weinberger lied is absolutely untrue, " Meese said during an appearance at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass. "I am absolutely convinced that at no time did the president do anything that was illegal or improper."

Walsh is "a bitter man trying to rehabilitate a damaged reputation, " said Weinberger's lawyer, Robert Bennett. Walsh has compiled "a work of fiction that is all old stuff which is not supported by the evidence, " Bennett said of the report.

But Shultz, according to notes dictated to State Department aide Charles Hill and released by Walsh, said his colleagues were "rearranging the record" after the Nov. 24, 1986, meeting at which Meese said Reagan hadn't known about the Hawk missile shipment.

The president's aides feared the missile shipment to Iran violated the Arms Export Control Act. Hill hypothesized that the White House was carrying out "the (sic) " a "carefully thought-out strategy" to blame the November 1986 missile shipment on former national security adviser Robert McFarlane, said a Nov. 24, 1986, note by a Shultz assistant according to Walsh's report.

Shultz declined to comment on Walsh's report. An aide to Regan said the ex-chief of staff was considering making a statement.
EDITORIAL

What's Fair Is Flawed

Yesterday, the United States Navy shook as word came down that a dozen Admirals were to be reprimanded for attempting to cover-up the Tailhook scandal. Although the word "cover-up" often brings dozens of parasitic conspirators out of the woodwork, claiming that a President sold counterfeited spum to senior citizens to finance rebellion on Mars, it seems this time that those who would hide corruption from the public are being rooted out from within. America should be proud that the Navy is going all-out to clean house.

In a similar case, many are now pointing at the United States Congress as a house of sexism. This presumption came about as Secretary of Commerce Ronald Brown admitted to hiring illegal aliens as part of his house staff. The same act by former Attorney General nominee Zoe Baird caused a national furor and Baird's personal disgrace, as she withdrew from the nomination. Both had been screened by the U.S. Congress.

Shortly after this, Federal Judge Kimba Wood withdrew from the Attorney General nomination process although her actions were, at the time, legal.

Several groups have now become furious over the apparent inequity. Why was Brown allowed to become Commerce Secretary after he hired undocumented illegal staff persons, and Baird attacked for the same thing? Why didn't the Congress find know about the illegal hiring? Why was Brown so easily confirmed?

The simple case is that Congress did not know. During the confirmation hearings, neither was asked if they hired aliens, but Baird late in the process divulged the information voluntarily. Then she was resoundly rejected by the public.

Brown didn't volunteer the information until this week. But even now the public has yet to raise the furor it did over Baird.

Wherein lies the problem? Does it lie in the Congress and Presidential screening process of Cabinet nominees. Or does it lie with the American public, for not holding nominees to the same standards?

Christians Are People Too

As the days tick closer to Easter, no word has come yet from the Administration concerning its decision to resume classes at eight a.m. on Easter Monday. If the decision is not reversed, students will have to return to school on the most holy day of the Christian Religious calendar. Furthermore, Resident Assistants will have to return to work in the dorms at 12 noon on Easter, instead of being with their families or celebrating the day.

The Administration should consider the feelings of those Christians in the University and, at the very least, have classes start later in the day.

Quote Corner

"I look at it different than an Italian person or blacks or Chinese, people who have genetic traits that they can't do anything about."

-State Senator John Kuhl (R-St. Steuben County) explaining his opposition to New York State's proposed homosexual rights law.

COLUMNS

Clinton Keeps Out Of Private Decisions

Only three days after taking office President Clinton called for the revocation of the "gag order" on abortion and counseling in family planning clinics. This came accompanied by his swift actions to undo past mistakes in other federal policies relating to human reproduction, springing from an enlightened philosophy that enlarges freedom of personal choice.

In practically his first actions in office, Clinton has reversed the anti-abortion excesses promoted by former Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush over the past dozen years.

Clinton's actions honored the spirit of Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 decision of the Supreme Court that gave abortions Constitutional protection and legalized them under certain conditions, on its 20th anniversary.

Clinton decisions also, of course, dramatize the absence for the first time in a dozen years of a White House ally of anti-abortionists who mark each anniversary of Roe v. Wade with protest marches.

Bush's gag order prohibited non-physician counselors in family planning clinics that receive federal funds from even mentioning abortion when discussing options open to clients visiting clinics.

Due to the gag order, clients at the clinics do not get the "whole story" about their choices, even when they explicitly ask about abortion. That denies them pertinent information, undermines the concept of informed choice.

Confessions From Under the Knife

On Thursday, November 12, a student died due to alleged incompetence and negligence on the part of the University Health Center. I have no doubt in my mind that this was the cause of his death. In addition, though I was angered and upset by the death of Robert Allman, I wasn't surprised in the least. His death occurred approximately one week after my string of incidents with the Health Center and downtown hospitals had ended.

After what I have seen I can only say that I am truly amazed that this doesn't happen more often.

In mid-October I spent a weekend in Oneonta and a Monday night in Cobleskill watching a friend's band play. Needless to say, I was a little run down. That Monday night I slept with a window open in my room and woke up sick the next morning. At that point I had never had a major health problem and figured it to be nothing. After a few days of toughing it out, and drinking Robitussin out of the bottle, I decided I needed to see someone. Late at night, probably around eleven, I called the Health Center. I was running a fever and had been sick for three days.

They told me to come in the next morning. I said the "hell with it" and attempted to sleep it off.

The next night I was even worse and I was really starting to worry. Like many of you I do not relish the genius prescribes to me a pill to take twice a day. Unfortunately, as I later found out, this pill is primarily for urinary tract infections. Apparently these people didn't get the point. I was having no problem taking it.

I just couldn't breathe. Two days later, after I had been sick for a week straight with a constant fever, I went over to the Health Center. At first they told me it was a virus. I then went back again. Now, one doctor renewed the ban last year despite objections from both federal advisory panels, plus the director of the National Institute for Health. All considered use of the tissue is ethical and moral.

Use of fetal-tissue transplants is expected to improve the treatment of such diseases as Parkinson's, diabetes and epilepsy.

Clinton's other decision to review barriers on the privatization of French abortion pill RU-486, to end the ban, on abortions at military hospitals abroad and to expand funding for overseas population control programs - reflect good sense in a policy area stunted by covert spam to senior citizens to finance rebellion on Mars.
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**A SPhyxiatiion With the Tiger**

Valentine's Day. Without question the all time most USELESS holiday in the history of the universe. I don't get it. Could someone please explain to me how the hell can you celebrate all the love in the world when there isn't enough to fill a beer mug? Actually only need maybe 10 to 12 minutes instead of an entire day.

That's right, there's somebody out there who thinks the whole idea of the culmination of all that low-dey-low garbage isn't even good enough to be thrown in the trash can. I would recommend incineration, if it weren't for those damn environmental activists (If they really wanna save the planet, maybe they should consider ridding it of the vermin who observe this holiday as the greatest day of each year. More air for the people who deserve it, I say).

Now, don't think for a moment that I'm suggesting being in love sucks, because it doesn't. All I'm saying is that having a Valentine's Day is the most ridiculous idea to come down the pike since Buffalo was built.

Nevertheless, the traditions continue. Flowers, candy, cards, and seas of all kinds of red shit floating around everywhere, from balloons to giftwrapping (no flamethrowers—Shucks). Sickenig, to say the least. Now the seas of red part I have no problem with—I mean, I absolutely loved what Al Capone did with the place on Valentine's Day in 1923 (I think we need more of that kind of thing to make the holiday interesting again).

Now, maybe it's me, but I don't suppose that a lady getting flowers and candy and an artsy-fartsy-cutesy card on any other day of the year would detract from their meaning, would it? I don't suppose this meaning changes for her from day to day, does it? Like maybe of March 5th the stuff means diddley squat, on May 14th-July 31st it means he wants action, and on September 22nd it means you should shoot yourself in the head so he can give that stuff to someone he REALLY cares about?

Now how in the name of all that's evil and lewd did this day come into being? One source close to me suggested that it was created by a woman who was tired of being treated like shit every day. Oh, so now she was treated like shit only 364 days out of the year instead of 365—big improvement. And I suppose this meaning changes for her from day to day, does it? Now, maybe it's me, but I don't suppose that a lady getting flowers and candy would have forgotten this guy for everything he did to her.

Yeah. Right. Sure. And the Statue of Liberty is just some Frenchman's portrait of the greatest American fuck he ever had in his life (Yes, folks—that's called sarcasm. You should know it well by now if you've stuck with me each week).

What the traditions for this holiday be? How about on this particular day, everyone must dress is all black, and all homicides are considered lawful. For 24 hours you can go out and waste whoever the hell you want, however the hell you want (heck, people do that stuff now, and it's illegal, so what's the harm in making it legal for a while, right?).

Okay, call me heartless. Call me a cynic. But tell me I'm wrong. I admit I may have been exaggerating just a WEE-BIT earlier, but honestly, what difference does it make when you decide to show the one you love that he/she is, in fact, the one you love? Do you really need a special occasion to do this? Wouldn't it seem just a LITTLE MORE APPROPRIATE to tell that special someone how special he/she is all the time (or at least as much as you both can stand it)? Last time I checked, that was still legal. Maybe if that happened just a little more often, our mug would runneth over, and we'd actually need a whole day for celebration time.

Waitaminute—this can't be happening. Is it possible I sounded like a softie just then? Nah—not me. That's impossible. I must have had a bad dream—that's it. Imagine somebody (especially me of all people) thinking you didn't need a special reason to show affection for someone—that whoever that someone is should be special enough. Imagine that.

See ya next week.

Robert Tiger
On Saturday night, the band Extreme performed at the Palace Theater in downtown Albany. The hit band put on a fantastic performance. Throughout the entire concert, the band kept the crowd alive. Not many bands have the ability to entertain as well as perform.

Scott Binger

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After the concert, I had a chance to speak with a number of people backstage. I was really surprised to see how far some people had come for their favorite band. Many people came from Connecticut, Syracuse, and even Long Island. While backstage, I also had a chance to speak with some members of the band. Overall, it seemed that they were exceptionally pleased with the show they gave. The bass guitarist told me that he was really happy to see how into the show the people got.

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Closer Than Ever

My dear friend,

It's sheer coincidence this letter to you is appearing in the Valentine's issue. I happened to be in the process of writing it (in my head) for your eyes only when suddenly the editors told me they needed something to fill some space.

Because I often have a habit of writing letters with the intention of sending them, but then second-guess myself, I figured if I give this letter for them to run, I won't have the opportunity to change my mind. What the hell.

I have to admit I'm glad I have this chance to tell you what I'm thinking about. Even though I'm sure we'll have talked by the time this issue comes out Tuesday, I want it here for you to read, just in case.

Tonight (Sunday) we had a misunderstanding. Both of us were angry. You went inside your apartment, I drove away. But as I did, some scary thoughts raced through my head.

We've gotten pretty close these past few months and suddenly, for the longest split second, I was scared of losing you. I know how fragile any type of friendship can be. What if things get carried away and I let my stupid pride get in the way? You were really upset when I left you but I didn't know what to do or say. At that minute, as I roared away from your house, every thought that races through a man's head about how difficult women are to understand raced through mine. But all that I could muster out was something brilliant, something which showcased my raptured sharp mind: "Women! Aargghh!!!"

I drove off, not knowing what would happen next, not knowing if we were ever going to be as close as we have been. What just happened?

Had I just looked in the rearview mirror, I would have seen you come back outside and I would have said I'm sorry right then and there. I guess you were thinking the same thing. But I didn't, and I drove back uptown in silence, trying to figure out what to do next. By the time I got back to the office, I knew we had to clear the air, and I wasn't about to play that I'm not calling. I'm waiting for her to call" bs, so I called you.

Within seconds, things were good between us again. We were both sorry (On three...remember?). I'm glad we didn't waste any time.

There's a song that really annoys me most of the time, but there's one part of it which explained how I felt when you told me what you were upset about over the phone. It goes something like: "When she cries at night, a little part of me dies..." Melodramatic yes, but that's what it felt like, knowing you were hurting over something I might have said.

Like I said, by the time you read this, we'll probably have already talked a bit more about this. But in case we don't, I want you to understand what I meant:

You're gonna be a smash at whatever you do. You're intelligent, creative and confident. That's just the way it is. It's a few of the incredible qualities we have in common.

You weren't sure what I thought of this, but I hope you realize now I'm with you all the way, whatever your heart is set on doing. That you can depend on.

It just seems that for whatever reason, you're so hell-bent on having professional success at all costs that when it comes time to have someone care about you, or for you to care for that person, that you thought you had to sacrifice your personal life.

Not with me you don't.

One moment we were so far apart, but then just as suddenly on the phone tonight it was as if we had just become closer than we ever were before.

Tom Murnane

The Valentine's Day Co.

Everybody believes in a conspiracy. Conspiracies can range from the coherent and logical to the Enquirer sort. Mainstream conspiracies can show the who, what, why, and where of how the CIA assassinated JFK. AIDS activists can show how the government is in a conspiracy of inaction. Antisemitic conspirators can show how a Jewish banking community rules the world (and the Holocaust was a falsehood set up by Jews to make us feel guilty). African-American conspirators may show how malt liquor is really a plot by white people to destroy blacks. Amy Fisher was probably in a conspiracy to destroy a perfectly innocent Joey Buttafuoco. And, of course, the Russians have conspired to acquire Elvis's brain, and they know how to use it, too.

N. Herschel Wildman

Simply put, you exclude all the romantic writer. Imagine the impulsive, the attractively unattractive, the attractive, the unattractive, the unimportant, the important, the unimportant, the important. This is a mere cosmetic conspiracy?

An unnamed agent in me, off the radar screen, is in cahoots with the Sociological modeling of the things that make an artist want to pounce on the last, those who are against the new Romans to breed all quite large and the romantic by

TOP TEN THINGS TO DO ON VALENTINE'S DAY

10. On the floor in his room, leave him out and strew across the floor.
9. Don't wait for Cupid to shoot his arrow sharp and aim for his heart.
8. Boil a rabbit on his stove.
7. Send him a jar containing fake mail.
6. Give him a gift certificate for a room at UAS.
5. Send him Ex-Lax in disguise as love.
4. Send him a dozen roses in bleach.
3. Hire a mafia "concorde" to play him.
2. Send him a male stripper named "Elvis."
1. Instead of giving him a Valentine's card.

--Kelly Barclay & Co.
Valentine's Conspiracy

That this. Like any big Hallmark, Inc. has vast hallmark and social interest, I can start to say: they're VAST. If you are the holidays that equal Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Birthdays, anniversaries, Hanukkah, holidays, there emerges a self-exclusion. Mothers only apply to those with real fathers, Birthdays everybody was born on a day. And the greatest, the evil of them all, is Valentine's Day.

But, Valentine's Day for all those who have no interest in their life, their implications. This holocaust against the self-indulgent, self-stimulating, the sexual, Perot's nobody else who fills the non-romantic mold. More coincidence or is it?

The named source has confirmed, record, that Hallmark sells with Eugenics and with the world to a lesser race. These polls suggest Darwin's principle and only those are romantic to create Romanticists, whose powervacuums and procreative are. Hallmark insures that.

Cards will leave the limitations of print and paper. The Hallmark Christmas Chimes: The Hallmark Groundhog Day Spades. The Hallmark Labor Day Letter Opener. And of Valentine's Day, the Hallmark Valentine's He-he-he-he-he-he-yup, all gifts will be classified as cards in the United States of Hallmark. And other activities. Infiltration of government mind and body will be complete.

The seriousness of this threat is not to be ignored. Valentine's Day must be eliminated. Hallmark must be dismantled. Any holiday that discriminates must be questioned. Only then, will the conspiracy under our noses be prevented.

DO TO YOUR EX-BOYFRIEND

Valentine's Day

Buy him a teddy bear with all the stuffing ripped out. Put a note saying “You're next.”

Send him a romantic dinner for him and his new squeeze.

Give him chocolate.

Tell him “love songs” with their “violins.”

Send Valentine’s Day heart, send him a real heart. Like from

A Spies' Favorite Love Songs

Kelly Barclay (Associate Aspects Editor) “Light My Fire” The Doors
Dan Collender (Op/Ed Pages Editor) “Hey” The Pixies
Tom Murnane (Senior Editor) “Friends and Lovers” Gloria
Pat Cullen (Managing Editor) “Take My Breath Away” Berlin
Kristen Hubbell (Features Editor) “Everything I Do” Bryan Adams
Edwul Fontanilla (Photography Editor) “Savied the Best For Last” U. Williams
Jeanne Carosi (Typist) “Theme from St. Elmo's Fire” Rachel D. (Edit Assistant)
James Taylor “You Can Close Your Eyes”
Allison Krampf (News Editor) “Never Gonna Let You Go” Chicago
Glenn Teichman (Associate Managing Editor) “A Moment of Silence” Act of God
Pam Resnick (News Editor) “Always and Forever” Dave Kaplan (Senior Editor)
“Black Dog” Led Zeppelin
Lisa Heinz (Typist) “Happiness is Slavery” Nine Inch Nails
Robert Tiger (Aspects Editor) “She's Always a Woman” Billy Joel
PeeWee Herman (Honorary Member) “Holding My Own” Noah Wildman (Chief Typist)
“Debbie Gibson is Pregnant With My Two Headed Love Child” Mojo Nixon and Skid Roper
Ellen Kackmann (Contributing Editor) “Add It Up” Violent Femmes
Joe McGrath (Typist) “That's What I Get” Nine Inch Nails
Brendan O'Hara (Computer Person) “You Don't Love Me Anymore” Weird Al Yankovic
Mike Ayers (Temp) “Little Mascara” The Replacements
Eric Dagnall (Associate Sports Editor) “With or Without You” U2
Joe Faughnan (Editor In Chief) “Sit On My Face” Monty Python
Sal Consiglio (Photo Asst.) “Rain On Me” The Who
Jon Lazar (Edit Assistant) “Wonderful Tonight” Eric Clapton
Mike Director (Sports Editor) “In Your Eyes” Peter Gabriel
Kenya McCullum (Associate Features Editor) “Sunday, Bloody Sunday” U2
Doug Henry (Write) “Layla” Eric Clapton
Loaded Weapon 1 is loaded
with nothing but old jokes that
didn’t funny when we first
saw them in films like Naked Gun and Hot Shots. The
laughs in the movie are forced and rather stale.

Jon Ostroff and
Kelly Barclay

Emilio Estevez plays a
rebel cop who’s mourning
the loss of his loved one and
partner Claire, a police dog
(“There’s nothing like coming
home and having somebody
there to nose your crotch”).
With long hair and cowboy
boots, Estevez parodies Mel
Gibson’s character from the
Lethal Weapon movies.
His partner, played by
Samuel Jackson mirrors
Danny Glover’s Lethal
Weapon role. He is straight-
laced and by the book. He
even offers dandruff
shampoo to his fellow
officers! Ha! Ha! Ha! The
laughs didn’t stop here.

Other actors in the film
include Jon Lovitz as this guy
who keeps popping up to
offer comedic insight and just
won't die (how original!);
William Shatner, as a drug
kingpin; General Motors;
Kathy Ireland, as Destiny
Demeanor; Estevez’s love
interest, and Tim Curry as a
sadistic hit-man for Shatner.
Curry’s performance is a
high point in the film, but he
is just not utilized enough.

The only redeeming factor
to the movie is its many
cameos. Charlie Sheen
appears as a valet, Phil
Hartman plays a singing cop.
Whoopi Goldberg is an
officer who is rubbed out by
Curry, and Denis Leary, the
John Constantine look-alike
MTV comedian who chews
on toothpick, plays a drug
dealer.

The plot is minimal.
Shatner is in charge of a drug
operation which distributes
coke in Wilderness Girl
Cookies. (One of the opening
songs is “Give Tim Curry a
skipping up to Whoopi
Goldberg’s door dressed as a
ninja-Girl Scout, offering to
tell her “Wilderness Girl
Cookies”). Estevez and
Jackson must stop the
heinous villain.

Compared to other
slapstick successes like
Airplane! and Naked Gun,
Loaded Weapon has less
wit and more stupidity than is
acceptable. Maybe fourteen
year old snoot nosed brats
might enjoy this film
irretrievably stupid people.
Then again, maybe.

Wagon even borrows jokes
from other movies of the
same genre. When Tim
Curry falls off a cat walk to
the ground, he moves over
to fit the chalk outline, a la
Naked Gun. A movie is really
pathetic when it directly and
unashamedly steals jokes from
funnier films.

Comedy rests on
originality. Loaded Weapon 1 is
a compilation of other films
and other jokes. It even
has the guts to parody a
movie from his masterpiece
Love and Death, when Denis Leary and
William Shatner exchange
cliches.

Slapstick itself is not
a comedy genre for every
taste, but it is possible to transcend
idiocy and come up with a
great movie. National Lampoon’s Loaded Weapon 1 is
not this movie. Save your
money, and rent Airplane! again.

What Year is it, Anyway?

Many of us seem to have adopted
the music of the sixties, in fact the
music of the early eighties—the
songs of the sixties, in fact the music of
the sixties? Is it out of some desperate
thought.

A friend of mine recently pointed
out that often when we hear early
Madonna, Wham or Duran Duran,
our reaction is “Wow! That’s so old!”

Doesn’t it seem like ages ago when we
will be listening to him in a century,
lets alone another decade. He died in
radio? I would venture to say that these
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Institute Begins New Season

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Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

A space, moon, a thing, Greene, and a helicopter... that's all I know.

February 9, 1993

The Crossword

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Music

QE2

FEB. 9 - Doomsday
1,000 Young
8 PM

FEB. 11 - Giant Ska/Skunk Party
Perfect Thyroid-NYC
8 PM

FEB. 11 - SubCulture Sunday
(all ages)
Virus 23-NYC
Clay People
5 PM

FEB. 12 - Lucie Blue Tremblay
8 PM

FEB. 13 - Student Underground
7 PM

THE EIGHTH STEP

FEB. 12 - Songs of Charles Ives and
George Crumb in Concert by
soloist Karen Hall and pianist
Gary Busch
recital hall, 3 PM

FEB. 15 - New England Winds: The
Woodwind Quartet of the Air
Force Band of Liberty
recital hall, 8 PM

FEB. 16 - Annual Student Concerto
Concert

MUSEUMS

NEW YORK
STATE MUSEUM

Windows through Time
January 15-May 6

Silent Cities: Photographs by
Camilo Vega
Through March 7

Kid Pix: Beauty and the Beast
February 13 & 14
11 am, 1 pm & 3 pm

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
ASPects would like to say,
Happy Valentine's Day
to you.
(Yes, it's corny, but it's heartfelt)

Paramount Pictures and ASPects welcome you and a guest to see The Temp at Crossgates Mall on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30 (seating is first come, first served). To win free passes or a shirt, just answer this trivia question:

What 1988 film did The Temp's Tom Holland direct about a boy's doll that turns evil and goes on a killing spree?

The Temp stars Timothy Hutton and Lara Flynn Boyle and opens nationally on Friday, February 12.
Letter to the Editor:

Everyday I hear students complain about life here at UAS. Is abortion a big issue, however? I know the greatest political, social, and moral question of our time. Do you think that it is a bigger issue than say racism, prejudice, our failing education system, the economy, or poverty? Dan says that he “cannot and will not decide or choose” pro-life or pro-choice. Well, Dan is fortunate that he is not in a position to make that choice. THOUSANDS of people are faced with the struggle each day. To be ignorant and not decide is worse than choosing a side on this issue. True, the debate over abortion causes controversy, but controversy is good in that it enables people to see both sides of an issue and make their own decisions.

Everyone in the country has their own separate opinions. Dan states that “each side intensely believes in their cause wholly and completely, so each side is in effect, dividing the nation.” Is it a bad thing to have a firm belief in something? There are many different religions in the country, but that doesn’t “divide” us. Dan says that it is “impossible at this moment in time, that our country can continue to exist.” Get real. This country has weathered many worse things than abortion - we even had a CIVIL WAR if you studied your history. We have weathered slavery, the Cold War, the Vietnam War, etc. Dan, your family’s history is very interesting, but it has NOTHING to do with the issue you raised. The possibility of the country not surviving over the issue of abortion is about as likely as millions of little green men invading the campus and stealing all the UAS food.

Craig Botwin
Adam Silber

Taste the Excellence

Letter to the Editor:

This letter is directed to all full-time students at the University at Albany. As an honors student I enjoy a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or higher. If you do not already know, there is a tremendous opportunity here at our university for students of high academic achievement. Two years ago, an honors society was formed out of the apathy and status that existed among many student groups. If a student group failed to meet the self-aggrandizement criteria, elections, wasted membership dues, and misguided leadership, then success and accomplishment would be impossible. By providing a forum for honors students to create and develop activities that promote academics and community service, all honors society would succeed.

The Presidential Honors Society has met this challenge. With each member having equal privilege and status, the process that allows everyone to gain leadership skills, and an appreciation for giving back to the community, is unhindered. The freedom to direct the resources of the honors society is there for those taking. All it takes is initiative and a willingness to serve the community.

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SUMMER JOBS ON CAMPUS

LIVE AND WORK FULL-TIME

Student Leader (O.A.)
Orientation Positions

(Undergraduates Only)
Applications Available NOW in CC 110

When? Approximately June 1 - Aug. 7, 1993
Salary? $1800 plus suite and weekday meals
Qualifications? See application form
Interest Meeting? Tues., Feb. 16 at 7pm in LC 19

*Please note: These are competitive positions.
*You will be unable to take summer school classes from 6/1/93 to 8/7/93

ATTENTION SENIORS:
PRE SENIOR WEEK

93 days till GRADUATION

PARTY

AT PANFILO'S
(NEXT DOOR TO THE KNICK)

THUR. FEB. 11

9-?

$3 GETS YOU: A DRINK, FOOD & DANCING HELP US WELCOME 93 DAYS TILL GRADUATION

STAY ALIVE...! DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE, TRANSPORTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE!
Letters continued from page 11 and former candidate for the Albany County Legislature, has been active in the gay rights movement and environmental issues. She is not alone; Congresswoman Susan Molinari, has been active in the gay rights movement and against Governor Cuomo's cuts. She is being honored by the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Cushle, Do we really care, rape, an issue not confined to any group, but something that affects all of us.

If you think that Ms. Molinari is the exception, I must add that N.Y.S. Assembly, Republican John Ravitz, was a sponsor on the Gay Rights Bill that passed this Assembly year, and N.Y.S. Republicans have fought annually for the Arts and against Governor Cuomo's cuts. I suggest checking out the College Republicans website and learning more about us. Meetings are Mondays at 8 p.m. L.C. 13, all are welcome.

Frank J. Greci
College Republicans

P.S. Mr. Clinton is breaking every promise he has backed off on election reforms, the U.S. Space Station, and the Super Collider. Do we really want someone running this country who has lied to the American people this frequently? We are in extremis, and we will not put up with this.

Decisions continued from page 10 an abortion. What's established is first choice for women on her early stages of fetal development. There is no better time than now for Capitol Hill to act decisively, as Clinton is doing. This will ensure that Washington considered its permits the data and choices available to all women weighing decisions of such enormous personal consequence.

The writer is the President of the SUNYA University Democrats.

Knife continued from page 10 to collapse.

At this point, I'm completely disgusted. Here I was, a nineteen year old who had showed enough sense to go to the doctor when I was 18, all by myself. And what happens? They screw up. I did my part, I went. They didn't do their's. I checked into the infirmary after my X-rays and was diagnosed with an upper respiratory infec-


tion and a Ventilator inflamed. Within twenty-four hours the antibiotic had made me sick to my stomach, and after an entire afternoon hovering over the toilet. I didn't see a doctor until I was 18, and was really well when I realized that the Health Center doesn't have doctors on staff after five in the afternoon. Sure they have one on call. But, if you use the Allman case as a reference, they are unlikely to act quickly. After all, they have no name and number. He immediately diagnosed me as having a potential asth-

mic reaction to the damage done by the pneumonia. He took the off Ventilator, which raises your heart rate and gives you the shakes, I was given an anti-

inflammatory drug and a better pain killer. My health problems were almost resolved. I still use an inhaler. This was great but noted. By comparison to other people, I was lucky. About a week after I had received my diagnosis, Robert Allman collapsed out of the bed that I had slept in during my stay there. He was sleeping next to my name, which had provided Newsway with an eye-

witness account of what hap-

ened that night. To me the incident was not a shock. What I went through was a disgusting display of indifference and lack of consideration by the downtown hospitals, the Health Center and the University as a whole. How can you run an on campus hospital without a doctor on duty. How dare they charge us a fee for medical care. I understand that this university is subject to budget cutbacks. And, it's one thing to cut classes and the other thing to sacrifice the worse off patients (see U.S.A. Today) but it's totally-

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"Even Central Council really hasn't had any controversial issues this past year...it really been kind of boring," the SA source said.

But Munoz said he "sees the quiet SA as a positive, not a sign of decline. "I think the groups are now becom-


ing more of the main advocates instead of SA itself," Munoz said. "I see SA's role as more of an advisor on the groups choose the issues they want to focus on rather than SA pick them."

Munoz said the shifting of attention from the central orga-

ized to the groups will still provide younger group officers enough experience should they decide to run for an SA office later.

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personnel with early retirements and reduced recruitment.

As the largest service with 601,000 men and women in uniform, the Army is executing to slashing its ranks to as low as 520,000 by the end of the decade.

“We will get smaller, but we will be able to do it without involuntary separations,” said a third official. “There aren’t huge cuts, but they aren’t painless, either,” the official said. “Some tough decisions have to be made here.”

Overall, the services have proposed speeding up personnel involuntarily separations, said a third official. “These aren’t huge costs their repair and maintenance systems early in order to save on research, development and acquisition Projects, said the officials.

Middle Earth
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Undoubtedly, gay men and lesbians are faced with the challenge of developing a healthy and positive gay identity in the midst of societal misunderstanding and condemnation of homosexuality.

For example, some gay individuals may detach from a religion that proclaims the “sinfulness” or immorality of homosexuality or choose to fight the law, which may result in feelings of isolation and alienation and may increase vulnerability to prejudice and discrimination. As such, many homosexuals are left with the dilemma of reconciling their homosexuality with their views on religion and their desire to be lawful. On the other hand, a gay individual may choose to deny his/her homosexuality or live a double life, leading to questions about one’s sexuality and possibly to identity foreclosure.

More recently, the incorrect identification of AIDS (Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome) as a “gay plague” has left many gay men and lesbians questioning their homosexuality for fear that by virtue of their sexual orientation they will contract the disease. Notwithstanding these societal hurdles, some positive steps are being made to support acceptance of homosexuality. For example, many local and state governments are creating legislation to protect the rights of gay men and lesbians in such areas as employment and housing. Furthermore, several religious denominations are allowing gay individuals into their services and even ordaining gay and lesbian ministers. For the first time ever, gay men and women are marrying in churches and adopting children. Highly successful gay individuals are “coming out” in record numbers and serving as role models to younger homosexuals who may be struggling in their challenge to accept their gay identity. Clearly, such positive steps can only serve to encourage gay men and lesbians to embrace and appreciate their homosexuality.

For information concerning gay-affirmative counseling and materials or to just learn more about homosexuality, contact the University Counseling Center (442-5800), Middle Earth (442-5777), or the University Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Alliance (442-5072).

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- Cleveland at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
- Miami at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
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- Toronto at Tampa Bay, 7:40 p.m.
- Vancouver at Quebec, 7:40 p.m.
- New Jersey at Detroit, 7:40 p.m.
- Washington at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
- Boston at St. Louis, 8:40 p.m.
- Edmonton at Los Angeles, 10:40 p.m.

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Tasker steals the show as AFC triumphs

HONOLULU, HAWAII

(AP) Steve Tasker never blocked a field goal before, or blocked a punt in the Super Bowl, either. In the span of a week, he did both.

Tasker also earned recognition most special teams players only dream of - Pro Bowl MVP.

"It's a big thrill just to play with guys like this," the Buffalo Bills' special teams star said after the AFC beat the NFC 23-20 on Sunday in the first Pro Bowl to go overtime.

With the game tied at 13 in the fourth quarter, Tasker blocked a field goal try by New Orleans Saints' Morton Andersen. AFC teammate Terry McDaniel of the Los Angeles Raiders scooped up the ball and ran it in for a touchdown.

After blocking the kick, Tasker bobbled the ball half-downtown and was finally dragged down from behind, but he saw McDaniel pick up the ball and go the final 28 yards.

"After I blocked it, it seemed like I sweated it about 50,000 times trying to pick it up," said Tasker, whose blocked punt in the Super Bowl set up the Bills' first touchdowns in 52-17 loss to the Dallas Cowboys. "It seemed like everything was happening in slow motion."

"Terry got it in full stride. It was really a heads-up play by him." Miami Dolphins' Don Shula, the AFC coach, said "Steve was unbelievable. We've admired him from the opposing sideline for a long time. He came up with the big field goal block when we had to have it."

Earlier, Tasker forced a fumble by Johnny Bailey of the Phoenix Cardinals on a punt return.

Tasker was knocked down by two blockers and got off the ground and trailed the play, finally catching Bailey and reaching around to knock the ball free. It bounced into the arms of AFC punter Rohn Stark of the Indianapolis Colts.

After the AFC went ahead 20-13 on McDaniels' score with eight minutes left, Steve Young of the San Francisco 49ers brought the NFC back for a tying touchdown. He threw a 23-yard scoring pass to Rodney Hampton of the New York Giants on fourth-and-12 with 10 seconds left.

Young, who threw three interceptions, lost a fumble in the overtime when Derrick Thomas of the Kansas City Chiefs tackled him from behind. Howie Long of the Los Angeles Raiders fell on the ball at NFC 28 to set up Nick Lowery's 33-yard field goal 4:09 into the overtime.

The AFC, capitalizing on turnovers for all its points, was outgained by the NFC 472 yards, a pro bowl record, to 114.

The AFC's other scores came on a 31-yard return by San Diego's Junior Seau of an interception off Young; a 42-yard field goal by Lowery after the Chargers' Leslie O'Neal blocked a 29-yard field goal try and Miami's Bryan Cox returned the ball to the NFC 35; and Lowery's 29-yard field goal on Miami's Henry Jones ultimate cost us the game." Stepnoski said. "I'm not a snapper. Joel can really snap but he's got a bad thumb so I had to do it."
Albany hockey falls to Southern Connecticut

By BIL MOSWright
This past Sunday, Albany Hockey played host to Southern Connecticut and came out shooting.

Albany scored twice in the opening five minutes of the game. Tom Dumas scored on a slapshot from the left circle after being set up by Mike Raffaele. Dave Tuckman scored Albany's second goal after a tight defensive rebound by the power play. Ryan McDonald and Drew Clark assisted on the goal.

Southern Connecticut tied up the game (2-2), scoring twice within 24 seconds, moments after Tuckman's goal. Jason DePalma scored both goals for Southern Connecticut.

Albany regained the lead 3-2 with 6:54 left in the first period. Tuckman's loose puck right in front of the net during an intense power play opportunity. Chuck Weber and Ryan McDonald assisted on the go-ahead goal.

Marc Hilecinski tied the game up 3-3 for Southern Connecticut scoring with 4:10 left in the second period.

Jason DePalma continued his hot streak on an unassisted short-hand goal, scoring on his own rebound, with only 1:24 left in the first period to give Southern Connecticut a 4-3 lead. Southern Connecticut never looked back, shutting down Albany for the next two periods.

It only took them fifty seconds to score in the second period. Eric Boldul scored on a slapshot from the left face-off circle after being set up by Mike Raffaele. Dave Tuckman scored on a feed from Dave Tuckman. McDonald was a constant presence on the ice, making many great checks throughout the game. McDonald was the beneficiary of his hard work, scoring the second goal of the game on a point shot with just under thirteen minutes left in the first period. Craig Brown assisted on the goal.

Moments later, Drew Clark scored on a point shot set up by Tuckman. Clark's goal lifted Albany to a 5-3 lead. Tuckman scored his second goal of the game (an empty net goal) with 1:56 remaining in the game to finish off the game. Albany will next play at Western Connecticut this Sunday at 8:00 p.m.

Danes split meet with Saint Rose

By Eric Dagnall

The men put up a fine performance winning their second straight game of the year, 6-4.

Albany immediately set the tone of the whole meet in winning the 400 yard medley relay. A team of Ben Feliciano, Dave Agresto, Mike Feliciano, and Antonis Montgomery posted a time of 4:25.24 to coast past the Golden Knights. In the 200 yard freestyle, captain Jeff Davis was edged out of first by a referees decision. Though his time of 2:16.78 was faster than that of his opponent the referees ruled that St. Rose had touched first. Feliciano came back to win the 200 yard breaststroke in 2:35.68.

In the 100 yard individual medley, Feliciano was edged out of first by a referees decision. Though his time of 1:26.78 was faster than that of his opponent, the referees ruled that St. Rose had touched first. Feliciano came back to win the 200 yard breaststroke in 2:35.68.

In the 100 yard backstroke, Agresto continued to dazzle, adding another win to his already impressive resume. He coasted to a win in a time of 2:14.53, tying his personal best in the event.

"He's doing really well for us," said Albany coach Dave Tuttage. "He should do really well in the State's.

In the 100 yard freestyle, Montgomery, coasted to a win taking the event in 57.11.

Albany took the last swimming event leaving St. Rose thinking about next year. The team of Agresto, Davis Feliciano, and Lampert won the 400 yard freestyle relay in 3:25.88.

The men, however, could not match the men's dominant performance, losing 66-45.

The team had the pleasure of going up against former Albany assistant coach Richard Graber.

"I know she had her squad ready for us, they had never beaten us before," said Tuttage.

So strong were the Lady Golden Knights that only 100 of the other 100 backstroke, they took every event.

Sophomore Maritainko took that event in 1:06.78. She placed third in 1:11.18. Maritainko also came second in the 200 yard individual medley in 2:32.67.

Consistent Michelle Trivell came in second in both long distance events. In the 1000 freestyle she had a time of 10:23.35, in the 500 yard freestyle her time was 4:34.65.

Megan Fairlie had a strong meet placing second in the 200 yard freestyle (2:14.4) and the 100 yard backstroke (1:06.78).

Indiana retains top spot in polls

By Jim O'Connell

(AP) Indiana was No. 1 for the second straight week and Kentucky held on to the second place.

Wake Forest (15-3), which jumped into the ranking for the first time this season, cracked the Top Ten with wins over North Carolina State and Temple. The latter a 106-69 win that was the most points ever scored against the Owls. Florida stunned Arizona in a non-conference games last week and joined Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest as Atlantic Coast Conference teams in the Top Ten.

Vanderbilt (17-4) led the Second Ten and was followed by UNLV, Iowa, Washington, Indiana, Georgia Tech, Georgia, Purdue, Seton Hall and Temple.

Boston College was 21st in front of Massachusetts, Kansas State, Virginia and New Orleans.

Boston (13-5) was ranked No. 22 for week one last month. The Eagles are back in on a four-game winning streak, all in the Big East Conference. Massachusetts (15-4) had been ranked for a total of five weeks this season. The Minutemen have won nine in a row since the return from a two-game losing streak.

The only other teams to hold their spots from last week were Vanderbilt (17-4), which had 16 No. 1 votes and 1,573 points.

The Wildcats have won their last 11 games after being ranked 10th, since its victory over then No. 1 Duke last season. The Owls (17-4) were 16th last week, then lost to Kansas State and Oklahoma State. The Sooners were ninth, but are 4-6 since then. Georgetown (12-6) has won five of its last 11 after games against ranked 10th, and the Hoyas have lost three straight and four of five. Three of their victories have come over non-Division I teams.

The 12 conferences represented by ranked teams marks a high for the season. The ACC leads with five teams, followed by the Big Ten (four). Indiana, Michigan, Iowa and Purdue) and the Southeastern (Kentucky, Vanderbilt and Arkansas) and Big East (Pittsburgh, Seton Hall and Boston College) have three each.
Winning fourth consecutive game; 
Next three games critical

Great Danes defeat Stony Brook, 61-48

Men's B'Ball at Skidmore - Wed., 8:00
Women's B'Ball vs. W. Conn. - Wed., 7:00
JV B'Ball vs. HVCC - Thu., 7:00

The past two weeks have seen the Great Dane basketball team go from a group questioning itself after two ugly losses to a team coming together after four consecutive wins.

Albany's fourth straight triumph was a 61-48 win over a weakened Stony Brook team at the Recreation and Convocation Center Saturday night.

"The last four games have been good," junior co-captain Jason Graber said. "We have a real team chemistry going."

Stony Brook's top two players were suspended after they were caught stealing from dormitories over the break. These events have left the Patriots a shell of the team that started out the season winning five of its first six games.

As for Albany (12-7), its successful turnaround has seen wins over Mount Saint Mary College, Utica Tech, and Stony Brook at the RACC and North Adams State on the road in nearby Massachusetts.

The Danes now approach a very significant part of their season. Their next three games are on the road, tonight at Skidmore College, a team they beat in Saratoga Springs for the Capital District title; Saturday at Elmira College, a group the Danes will be playing for the first time; and next Tuesday at Hartwick College, which Albany surprised in University Gym last year.

Albany's trip to Oneonta to face Hartwick should be its toughest test in a while. While the Warriors rumbled into Albany last year, they brought their national ranking with them. The Danes disposed of them, in one of the highlights of last season's which saw Albany reach the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

The outcome of the Stony Brook game was never in doubt as the Danes did what they wanted to and built a 19-2 lead at the 12:55 mark of the opening half.

Graber recorded the game's opening points, a short jumper off the left baseline.

The Patriots countered with two buckets by 6-foot jumper by senior Varnard Williams and a hook in the paint by senior Ricky Wardally, who came into the contest needing 17 points to equal 1,000 points for his career.

Then Albany pulled out the steam roller, burying off 17 out of the next 19.

Albany actually had as many as a six-point lead three times in the game. But the Chiefs quickly erased the lead on each occasion.

Graber hit an off-balance shot, junior Paul Fitzpatrick hit a six-foot fallaway off the glass, sophomore Jason Ferrier stole the ball and ran the length of the floor for an easy two, and junior co-captain Garry Murray drained a pretty eight-foot turnaround jumper to start off the run.

After a Patriot timeout at 15:43, sophomore Ted Hotaling got into the act, burying a three-pointer from the baseline.

With Schenectady ahead 4-3, 1:38 into the game, Albany went on a 7-0 run for the first of their six-point leads.

Albany's Josh Graber was aggressive on both sides of the ball, taking an offensive charge by junior Vernard Williams and a hook in the paint by senior Ricky Wardally, who came into the contest needing 17 points to equal 1,000 points for his career.

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Murray redeemed himself with four points to take command.

With 11:18 remaining, Jamie Ferrier dropped in a shot to reclaim the Albany lead, 12-10. After a turnover, Graber whipped a pass to the glass, sophomore Jason Ferrier stole the ball and ran the length of the floor for an easy two, and junior co-captain Garry Murray drained a pretty eight-foot turnaround jumper to start off the run.

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During the time-out worked advantage.

Whatever Jones told the team during the time-out worked because Albany reeled off eight straight points.

Graber started the spark with a trifecta from the left side of the key. Thirty seconds later, as if that spot held some magical powers, Renhild hit a bomb from the identical position. When Drimmer drove the lane to cut the lead to one, an Albany lead seemed imminent. However, Schenectady scored the next six points of the half, and the buzzer sounded with the Chiefs ahead, 40-33.

The second half proved to be a nightmare for Albany. Nothing they threw up would go in.

"Our shooting was terrible," said Jones. "We must have shot around 25 percent."