University boosts security with new services

By Joe Faughnan
NEWS EDITOR

SUNY Albany has stepped up its efforts to improve campus safety programs in response to the rash of sexual assault reports on and off-campus last spring.

Since the start of the semester, a bicycle patrol has been started by the Department of Public Safety, complementing its foot patrol and new quad-liaison program.

According to Assistant Public Safety Director John Henighan the bike patrol will allow his officers more mobility than the foot patrols or police cruisers. However, the bike patrols will not cause a reduction in the number of officers patrolling in police cruisers.

The patrols will take place during daylight and fair weather, and will cover the uptown quads and the podium. Five male officers and one female officer have been trained and assigned to the patrol.

University Police Department officer Tom Kilculleen has been credited for initiating and developing the new patrol. The bicycles for the program are specially designed mountain/city bikes currently in use in major metropolitan police departments across the country.

In an effort to improve police coverage on the quads, UPD has also begun a new quad liaison program, which places officers at each quad office to better relations with residents.

UPD officer Randy Fine describes the program as a version of “community policing”; liaison officers are already visible walking around the quads. Fine

Residents face recycling laws

By Debbie McElinney

Students in the Albany area returned from summer vacation to find a new system of waste disposal. Targeted at recycling trash into four basic groups, the system was created in order to comply with the state mandated recycling program which began September first, according to Marc Johnson, Albany Department of Public Works Recycling Coordinator.

Blue trash bags are used for the disposal of bottles, jars and cans, green bags for miscellaneous garbage, brown paper bags for newspaper and cardboard products, and leaf bags for yard waste, according to Johnson. The program uses a colored bag system instead of bins so that sanitation workers may see the contents of the bags from a distance.

The program, designed to reduce the amount of waste sent to state landfills, will require adherence to the September mandate, implemented throughout the Albany area, or fines will be imposed. The fines, according to Johnson, will be based upon how many people are actually complying with the program. It is undecided how stringent they will be.

“IT should be very effective over a period of time,” stated Johnson about the newly-planned system. “Changing people’s habits is difficult at first, but with education, it will work.”

New York State Public Research Group’s Sean Fitzgerald agrees that education is the key to a successful program.

NYPIRG has offered to provide the Residential Assistant with speakers to educate the on-campus student body on issues such as how to create a recycling program and what it would entail. Fitzgerald calls this the “Big Picture.” In addition to this service, Fitzgerald stated that a “dorm storm,” a door to door information service, will be made available to students through the NYPIRG office.

It is unknown how the program will affect on-campus students, said a Residential Life spokesperson, but “the Residence Halls do log within the city and, therefore, must meet city codes.”

Carl Shari, the head of Custodial Services of the university campus coordinator of on-campus recycling, is said to be in the process of planning a system for the on-campus program.

For off-campus students, Johnson, with the aid of off-campus housing director, Tom Gebhardt, is in the process of sending explanatory brochures and coupons to all off-campus students, including those in the Pine Hills area. In addition, says Gebhardt, “pamphlets and brochures will be made available on the campus podium in the weeks to come.”

When asked if the University bookstore will be making available the colored bags needed for recycling, John Styles, the Manager of the Bookstore, responded that they would most likely, “as soon as we find a source to buy them at reasonable prices for the students.”

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Yeltsin puts off trip

(A P) President Boris Yeltsin today indefinitely postponed his trip to Japan, sources said, a move that came amid growing friction in a long standing territorial dispute over a group of islands.

High-placed sources in the Russian Foreign Ministry and the Japanese Embassy confirmed that Yeltsin's trip, scheduled for Sept. 13-16, has been delayed. The report was first carried by the Interfax news service, which cited Japanese sources.

The dispute over the Kuril Islands has been the major stumbling block in relations between Russia and Japan. The former Soviet Union seized the islands in the final days of World War II, and the nations never signed a peace treaty formally ending the war.

Yeltsin also is delaying his trip to South Korea, which he had planned to visit along with Japan, Interfax said.

Iraq denies attacks

Baghdad, Iraq

(AP) Iraq today denied Pentagon assertions that its forces were attacking Shia Muslim Villages in the country's south, accusing U.S. officials of fabricating stories to relieve the boredom of American pilots.

Meanwhile, six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council for the first time declared its support for the "no-fly" zone being enforced over southern Iraq by a U.S.-led alliance. It also accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of pursuing "genocidal" measures against the Iraqi people.

Iraq's denial came in a government statement issued as the nation celebrated the anniversary of Prophet Mohammed's birth with a national holiday, fireworks and newspaper articles denouncing the West.

It said allegations of attacks on Shia villages, first made by Iran and Iranian-backed Shia dissidents, were false.

"The American announcement is aimed at remedying the boredom of American pilots and crew of carrier Independence," the statement said.

U.S., British and French pilots, some off the carrier USS Independence and others flying in bases in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, have been patrolling the "no-fly" zone since Aug. 27 to protect the failed uprising following the Gulf War.

Pilots say Iraq has not challenged the "no-fly" warning.

Racism dealt with

Los Angeles

(AP) Former CIA chief William Webster fielded complaints about racism and riot with general skepticism from residents of riot torn Sour Lofton told the panel Tuesday night.

"You come from a society where things work. I live in a society where nothing works."

"I think the people responded appropriately on April 29," said Ms. Lofton.

Webster, former police chief in Newark, N.J., heads the panel investigating police response to the riots that erupted following the April 29 acquittal of four white police officers in the video taped beating of black motorist Rodney King.

Tuesday night's hearing was the first of seven planned this month.

Some residents told the panel the police response to the unrest was typical.

What we get in South Central is either no response or an overreaction," one man said.

Some residents criticized the panel for trying to restrict the focus of the meeting to the police. They cited racism in the justice system and news media and neglect by City Hall to explain the frustration residents feel.

After the meeting, Webster acknowledged the depth of the frustration in the community hardest hit by the riots.

Hijackers charged

Savannah, Ga.

( AP) Two suspected hijackers have been charged in the death of a woman who was dragged several miles after her car was stolen with her 2-year-old daughter inside, police said.

Pamela Basu, 34, was taking her daughter to preschool Tuesday when she was forced from behind the wheel at a stop sign near her home, police said. The two hijackers climbed into Bain's BMW and drove off with the child, police said.

They stopped briefly about a half mile away and threw the child out of the car, still in her car seat, witnesses said.

The child was not injured, said Detective Mike Sherman of the Howard County Police Department.

Ms. Basu either grabbed onto the car or her clothing was caught as the men drove away, police said. She was dragged for several miles before the driver apparently ran into a fence to dislodge her, police said.

The hijackers crashed the car and fled on foot after being spotted by the police about 1 hour later, about six miles from the scene of the abduction, police said.

One was captured immediately and the other a short time later with the aid of a police helicopter, police said.

Rodney Eugene Solomon, 27, and Bernard Eric Miller, 16, both of Washington, D.C., were charged with first degree murder, kidnapping, robbery and felony theft. Solomon was the driver, police said.

Killer on the loose

Troy, N.Y.

(AP) Police officers were given photographs Wednesday of a man missing from a psychiatric hospital where he was sent after committing a 1985 slaying.

Friederick Hunt Jr., 22, failed to return to the Capital District Psychiatric Center at Albany Tuesday evening from a job in a nearby state office complex. Authorities were concentrating their search Wednesday five miles away in Troy, where Hunt's father was last known to be living.

Hunt is considered dangerous, said Troy police Chief William Miller.

Hunt was 16 when he was charged with killing a friend, Joseph DiDomenico, 13, of Troy, by showing a stick down his throat.

Hunt was described as 5 foot 1, 120 pounds with brown hair and brown eyes. He was last seen wearing a white short-sleeve shirt, green pants and black combat boots.

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New York State Writer's Institute begins fall season

By Rochelle Keum Yan Lee

NEWS EDITOR

The New York State Writer's Institute will kick off its annual fall series this week, with Mexican journalist and fiction writer Elena Poniatowska.

"It is a terrific opportunity for students to meet the author one-on-one. Some professors use the workshops to make students read their class. It is a chance to see them face to face," said Suzanne E. Lance, assistant to the director at the Institute. "Mostly we try to get a broad base of gender, styles..." Lance said, "It is wonderful as usual."

The Institute was founded in 1983 by the Pulitzer Prize winning novelist William Styron. In 1990, Poniatowska, a fellowship awarded her by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation in New York City, was a fellowship winner at the Institute. The books that matched this fund and Governor Mario Cuomo signed into law the legislature creating the Institute less than a year later.

The New York State Writers Institute less than a year ago. One of the Institute's many goals is "to encourage the development of writing skills at all levels of education throughout the state."

Elena Poniatowska will discuss her work and Mexican popular arts on Wednesday Sept. 16, at 8 p.m. In the Art Museum on the SUNY campus.

The exhibition "Living Traditions: Mexican Popular Arts." Poniatowska is a respected and well-known journalist to her Mexican newswomen and periodicals as well as an author of many books of fiction and nonfiction.

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Pine Hills, SUNYA students mobilize for safety

By Joseph Faughnan

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Pine Hills residents and returning SUNYA students were met with a string of burglaries last week, as well as an effort to make the area safer. Due to the community's efforts, several of her books have been published in English. Among them are "Dear Diego," published in Mexico (1975), recounts her experiences in Mexico City during the 1968 student riots. "Dear Diego" (1984), is a fictionalized reconstruction of the correspondence between the internationally famed artist, Diego Rivera, and his common-law wife, Russian painter Angelina Beloff.

Elena Poniatowska has lectured at universities and colleges throughout the United States and Europe. She was the first woman to receive Mexico's National Award in Journalism.

In addition to the Visiting Writers Series, the NYSWI coordinates The Classic Film Series at Page Hall on the downtown campus.

SUNYA students according to Albany Police Officer Al Russo. The off-campus community responded with a new effort to make residents aware of safety measures available to them. At the Off-Campus Awareness Fair on Thursday, September 3, local crime prevention organization directed the importance of dead bolts, lighting and other security measures. Represented at the fair were the Albany Fire Department, the United Corner to Corner Neighborhood watch, the United Tenants of Albany, the President's Task Force on Women's Safety, the Albany Rape Crisis Center and the Albany Police Department. The Aptitude was available for prevention and tenant's rights as well as crime prevention.

See Kimble, chairwoman of the Corner-to-Corner program stressed the importance of students in the area, "It's important that students and local residents come together for better safety in the community."

On Thursday SUNYA's Greeks struck out to make Pine Hills safer. Almost 50 students assembled to go door-to-door with 5,000 flyers on crime prevention programs available to local residents. The flyers were distributed between Manning Boulevard, Lark St., Park St. and Central Avenue.

According to Andrew Dalton, president of the SUNYA Off-Campus Campus Association, the effort was not only to make the students aware of the need for safety but to improve the image of SUNY. "We want to make homes more secure," Dalton said, "but we also want our neighbors to know we care."

Dan Matt, vice president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, one of the major organizers of the event, echoed Dalton's sentiments, "President Swygert really took things to heart... Hopefully things will improve."

The students distributed information to apartment residents to have a free home security check done by the Albany Police Department. The AFD offered the group a follow-up training and other advisement on home locks, lighting and Operation RD. Residents have to lock doors, Officer Given of the Albany Police Department told students. "Most doors are locked, and it leads to more student victims."

"The increasing break-ins and other crime put a strain on the neighborhood," Henry Majed of the SUNYA Off-Campus Organizing Committee said. "Efforts like this improve the mood."

Eric Kaza, a SUNYA sophomore, summed up the effort. "I want to give back to the community. I don't know if it will change anything, but I hope it will."

Albany City Councilwoman Sharon Roe is pushing for new legislation requiring landlords to install deadbolts, windowlocks, locks on all doors. The first movie this year, "Dear Diego," was scheduled for October 2nd.

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Troyer Academy graduates

SUNY Safety Officers

By Tom Murrain

SENIOR EDITOR

Twenty-seven new public safety officers for the State University of New York campuses graduated in ceremonies held Friday at the State Police Academy.

Keynote speaker J. Norman Hostetter, acting SUNY vice chancellor for student affairs, warned the 11th class to graduate from a 14-week-long basic training program that "aggressive behavior on campuses is on the rise and it must be stopped."

William Mercier, vice president of the SUNY public safety Directors Association, said issues such as expanding off-campus jurisdiction, the arming of officers and whether campus public safety officers should be granted full police status, are being debated, and if these issues are to be resolved, the new officers must first earn the trust of the people they serve.

The support of family and friends was a constant theme throughout the ceremony. Class spokesman Officer Chauncey Bennett III credited his family for helping him complete the course and dedicated his remarks to his father, who passed away two weeks before the training program ended.

Bennett's training director, Maj. James Young, said he tried to send...
SASU attempts comeback, despite turmoil

By Tom Murnane

A State University of New York student advocacy organization, crippled by a drastic loss in membership fees and the secession of nearly all its member campuses, is trying to make a comeback.

The Student Association of the State University, or SASU, was on the verge of shutting down over "philosophical differences between the conservative western schools and the more liberal, progressive pro-SASU schools to the east and the south," said M. Kazim Ali, a SASU board member and SUNY Albany delegate.

Other SASU members went further, accusing a "Gang of Six" SUNY schools of trying to destroy the organization and create a new statewide lobbying group. The "Gang" includes the SUNY colleges at Geneseo, Plattsburgh, Cortland, Potsdam, and Oneonta along with the University at Buffalo. Besides the Albany campus, only SUNY New Paltz and SUNY Buffalo Law School remain dues-paying members.

SASU's new president Mary Kate Cullen warned her board of directors that the organization had only enough money on hand about $40,000 to survive until November.

SASU receives fees from member campuses through referenda held usually as part of their student government elections. The fees are taken directly from student activity fees.

Formed in 1970, SASU was a vocal opponent of the state's efforts to raise SUNY tuition and cut financial aid. As an advocate of progressive issues, the group lobbied the state Legislature to pass the Violence Against Women Act and to call for the repeal of the federal policy against homosexuals serving in the military.

At its peak in the early 1980s, SASU boasted a constituency of more than 10,000 students on at least 25 campuses and the Student Assembly, the statewide student congress formed by the SUNY Board of Trustees.

In part SASU took control by maneuvering to give its four powerful caucuses-representing lesbians, gays and bisexuals; people of color; women; and the disabled-special voting powers. Because the president of the SASU-controlled Assembly held the sole student seat on the Board of Trustees, SASU also had a de facto ownership of that spot.

Last year, the trustees began consulting with a number of SUNY schools who had complained they were shut out of a say in the Assembly, according to SUNY Associate Vice Chancellor William Murphy.

The trustees approved changes to its policy statement on the Assembly that removed SASU's caucuses' voting privileges, which removed the group's lock on the trustee seat.

In October, SASU suffered a major loss when SUNY Buffalo ceased paying its $60,000 dues citing SASU involvement in internal campus affairs.

In taking over the helm, Cullen replaced Randy Campbell, who resigned. He was the latest in a string of departures that included the vice president for the western region, the business manager and the legislative director.

In December, the vice president for the southern region was arrested in Albany and later sentenced for sexually abusing a SUNYA student.

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Cuts produce a shortfall

By Charles Dervarics

Washington (CPS) The ink had barely dried on a new bill to boost college assistance to middle-income families when lawmakers started slicing money from current funding levels, citing an unexpected budget shortfall.

A leading education advocate criticized the move, so soon after Congress embraced an expansion of education programs in the Higher Education Act.

"It is the grand irony," said Arnold Mitchem, president of the Committee for Education Funding, which represents more than 100 organizations.

On July 23, President Bush signed into law the Higher Education Act, which extends the life of federal higher education programs, including student loans, and authorizes spending of $11.5 billion over a five-year period.

The Higher Education Act (HEA) sought to raise the maximum Pell Grant from $2,400 to $3,100 next year and permit more aid to middle-income families.

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House leaders, however, said they wanted to address the problem before it reached dire proportions. "We have faced up to the shortfall now rather than confront it in 1994," Natcher added.

In addition to the Pell reductions, House leaders cut 1 percent from many other education programs, including supplemental education grants, aid to historically black colleges and universities and programs for disadvantaged youth planning to attend college.

In some cases, these cuts meant that the House set lower funding figures than those proposed by the Bush administration last winter. Still, lawmakers noted that they did not want to disrupt the Perkins Loans and work-study programs, given the current economic conditions.

"I can only repeat what my colleagues have said--this is the most difficult year I can remember," said Rep. William Natcher, D-Ky., who chairs the HEA bill and current budget appropriations subcommittee.

Although the bill seeks to address key problems in education, health and human services, "we don't have the resources that should be invested in these areas," Natcher said.

Mitchem said the gap between the HEA bill and current budget realities was striking. "Both Republicans and Democrats are quite uncomfortable with what they've done," he said.

Mitchem blamed Congress for not transferring more money from defense to domestic programs, given the current economic conditions. Lawmakers defeated such a move last spring.

"Once Congress decided to reduce defense spending and defense jobs over education, it became difficult, if not impossible, to achieve any gains," he said.

Overall, the Pell shortfall will drain $704 million from the education budget in 1993 and a similar amount in 1994.

The Pell Grant shortfall took many lawmakers by surprise during the past two months. Previous estimates had pegged the shortfall at about $332 million, Natcher said.

The Education Department now blames such a large shortfall on higher-than-expected use of the program in 1991 and 1992.

"The shortfall is a direct result of the recession," Mitchem added. "The Bush administration has no control over this." He noted that the administration had predicted an unexpected $2.86 billion for new subsidies under the Guaranteed Student Loan program, an increase of $426 million.

House members approved the spending bill by a 345-54 vote and sent it to the Senate, which is just beginning to hold hearings on education funding issues last August.

Mitchem and other education advocates say they will press for restoration of cuts during the deliberations.

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Student voters encouraged by many factions

By John Williams

Democrats want you. Republicans want you. Rock stars and celebrities want you.

Public affairs organizations want you. Politicians want you. What those organizations want from you is simple: If you are 18 or older, you can vote. But to vote, you must first be registered. And if you are the typical college undergraduate, between the ages of 18 and 24, you represent a segment of American culture that is perceived as not likely to vote or to participate in the political process.

So college and university campuses nationwide have been targeted by private and public interest groups to register students and to get them to the polls on Nov. 3.

"Students tend to feel left out. Candidates don't appear to be addressing issues that are of concern to students," said Becky Cain, president of the National League of Women Voters. "On the 20th anniversary of the right for 18-year-olds to vote, this group has the least percentage of voter turnout than any other age group."

"Get them on the rolls, get them to the polls," said Mike Dolan, field director for the California-based Rock the Vote, a non-profit, non-partisan organization that has organized student voter registration drives nationwide.

"Top issues that appear to be of concern to college students on the national level include the economy, the environment and abortion rights, activists say. If students want to address these concerns, they must first register to vote, registration organizers say. That way, they can vote for candidates who most closely represent their ideals and ideas of what government should be, and what representatives should address.

According to the Census, 18-year-old men and women in the 18-24 age group are eligible to vote, and approximately 40 percent of this group is registered. Among college students who are registered, 80 percent vote, said Jamie Harmon, president of the College Democrats of America.

"Many students don't feel they are a part of the American community. They don't have families yet, they don't have sunk-in roots, so they are not as politically active," Harmon said.

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By Kristen Hubbell
FEATURES EDITOR

"One...Two...Three..." "NO!" screamed twenty SUNYA students in unison during a recent self defense workshop held on campus this past week.

On Tuesday, September 8, a company called "The Empowerment Project Self Defense and Self Awareness, Inc." presented a two hour workshop to residents of Dutch Quad's Beverwyck Hall in a program arranged by their Resident Assistant.

"There's a need for women to learn how to defend themselves in an ever-increasing violent society," explained the workshop's instructors, Dinora Majano and Sheliah Sable. "The last thing that the attacker expects is for the woman to fight back. We're here to teach you about your personal weapons." After signing a release form and a good warm up of what Sable calls "our most powerful personal weapons" (our voices), the group moved on into slightly more complex techniques involving elbow jabs, punches, and "probably the grossest technique," the eye gouge. "Moves like that really surprise your attacker," Sable explained. "Women just aren't brought up to do this stuff to people."

According to the instructors, another personal weapon that most women possess is instinct. "Trust your instincts," advised Sable. "If you suspect someone is following you or if you see someone on campus who seems suspicious to you, bring it up to the proper authorities."

If someone does attack you, Sable's words of advice are, "Scream, act like a lunatic, elbow him. It's all of these elements of surprise combined that can give you that moment of distraction you need to get out of the situation." Although the techniques that the group teaches are useful, they are also no guarantee. According to the release form signed by each participant in the beginning of the workshop, the effectiveness of the material offered is up to the student's personal progress. In addition, every situation is unique and the instructors of the Empowerment Program insist that the material they teach is just to make you think about the options available to you. Among those options available to women in the event of an attack is the option of not fighting back at all. The instructors of the program shared their opinion on this option with the students.

"Women have to decide whether they would rather take the chance of being killed or take the chance of being raped. Each woman makes her own decision," explained Sable. "Not fighting back is an option, but what about if your attacker is HIV positive?" she asked.

During the last 1/2 hour of the workshop, Sable and Majano answered the group's questions on safety and self defense, and they handed out a packet of worksheets that deals with easy self defense moves, information on rape (including date rape), household safety precautions, street safety, and precautions on rape (including date rape), household safety precautions, street safety.

"You feel better about yourself after taking a Self Defense class," said SUNYA sophomore and Beverwyck resident Damaris Carrasco seemed pleased with the workshop and commented, "You can never learn enough. Women have to look out for themselves because there's not always going to be somebody else to watch out for them."

Beaverwyck resident Patricia Graham. "At least you walk with more confidence because you know what you're doing."

In conclusion, Sable and Majano recommended that all SUNYA women take the self defense for women classes that are offered by the university, and that they speak up about safety issues. After all, this is your campus.

More info on the Empowerment Project

The Empowerment Project Self Defense and Self Awareness, Inc. was founded in April of 1989 in order to educate women and children in self defense and safety. Members of the organization are SUNYA graduates who have had extensive self defense training and many of whom have been teaching assistants for the Self Defense for Women course taught here at the University.

SUNYA has signed a contract with the organization to conduct workshops at any location on campus where there is sufficient demand. Groups of ten to twenty individuals are encouraged. If you would like more information on the project, call or write:

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Focus on Your Safety

By Joe Faughnan
News Editor

If you live in Albany's Pine Hills area, you have more than one reason to feel safe.

Neighborhood residents, along with a few ambitious SUNYA students, have joined together to form the United Corner to Corner Neighborhood Watch and Community Safety Organization in order to provide more security for the area.

Founded in August of 1991, the Corner to Corner Organization unites residents who are struggling to maintain the quality of life in the area and provides vigilant support to the Albany Police Department.

According to Chairwoman Sue Kimble, Corner to Corner was started by residents who had a fear of crime and civil disturbances.

"People felt nervous," said Kimble. "We saw several permanent families leave.

One of the most important security measures that the organization promotes, according to Kimble, is to get to know your neighbors and others around the neighborhood. Simply knowing who doesn't belong "in the alley nextdoor" can be an excellent safety precaution.

Anything out of the ordinary that could possibly lead to criminal activity should be reported to the police.

Besides increasing resident awareness, Corner to Corner sponsors Halloween parties for local youngsters and summer block parties.

According to Albany Police Lieutenant Robert Wolfgang, Corner to Corner has an excellent record of public service. There is an "increased awareness" in the area. Kimble proudly points to Corner to Corner's efforts to help end a drug dealing operation out of an area house.

"These people sold drugs, had pit bulls, and were a problem for the community," says Kimble. The Albany Police department, with Corner to Corner's help, has permanently ended the operation.

"Neighborhood watch programs are effective in any area," says Wolfgang. "They help to increase reporting of criminal acts a lot."

Besides the Pine Hills area, Wolfgang says neighborhood watch programs have been especially active in the Hudson area where area residents work together with the police department to improve the quality of life.

Currently, Corner to Corner has an average meeting membership of thirty, and, "six of them are SUNYA students," says Kimble proudly.

Why don't more students participate?

"Lots of students just don't want to get involved," Kimble admits, "but there are many young women who are quick to listen and learn more about the program. It's important for the two communities to come together for their own good."

United Corner to Corner Neighborhood Watch holds monthly meetings the first Thursday of every month in the Saint Vincent's Institute Community Center at 7 pm. All are welcome.

Campus Security Programs and Procedures

There are many programs on campus which help promote a safe environment. These programs include:

1. Emergency Blue Light Telephone System. A system of 25 emergency, direct-ring telephones located across the campus and in parking lots. These phones ring directly into UPD headquarters.
2. Crime Prevention Pamphlets. UPD and Division of Student Life publish numerous pamphlets which are distributed to students and staff to assist them in preventing victimization for specific types of crimes.
3. Electronic Watchclock System. This system ensures that foot patrol personnel visit most areas of the academic podium on a regular basis.
4. Lighting. UPD, Department of Physical Plant and other interested groups regularly survey lighting on campus to ensure that areas are adequately lighted. Numerous additions have been made to lighting in the past ten years.
5. Quad Liaison Teams. Specific UPD Officers are assigned to the various living quadrangles and serve as a communication and information link between UPD and that residence quadrangle.
6. Anti-Intrusion Alarms. Many academic and support areas of special sensitivity are protected by alarms which ring in directly to a central station or UPD. Officers are dispatched to these areas to evaluate the situation.
7. Criminal Investigation Unit. UPD has a team of detectives assigned to do follow-up investigations of reported crimes.
8. Operation I.D. A system of marking personal property that allows it to be traced if found anywhere in the United States.
9. Don't Walk Alone Escort Program. A student organization available evenings throughout the academic year to escort students on request, between the Library or other podium locations and residence halls.
10. President's Task Force on Women's Safety. A group of policy level personnel, including administrators, faculty, staff and students, that examines and makes recommendations relative to women's safety conditions on the University campus.
11. Acquaintance Rape Programs.
13. Dispute Mediation Center. A residence hall program used to resolve minor disputes between roommates and other acquaintances.
15. Counseling and Health Services. Follow-up programs for crime victims.
16. Office of Judicial Affairs. Hears and adjudicates referrals from students victimized by other students. Sanctions range from warning and probation to expulsion.

Calling All Interested Writers!!!

The Features Department is holding its first General Interest Meeting and Brainstorm on Monday, September 14 in Beverwyck Hall on Dutch Quad room 202.

7:30 pm!!!

We're looking for writers, illustrators, or anyone else who thinks they might like to help out with the FRIDAY FEATURES portion of the paper.

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Oh yeah- refreshments will be served.
If it's September...

Everyone knows the SUNY system is in the direst of straits. Theousy economy is hindering an already shaky financial situation at each institution. Massive cutbacks in financial aid and scholarships, coupled with rising tuition have shut some students out of this public university simply because of their lack of funds. Tuition increases won't keep programs intact, it will only partially lighten these costs. Those who are lucky enough to graduate will be plumbing head first into a job world where they can hope for a position at Burger King.

Students have other, non-financial concerns on their minds as well. Issues of safety, racism and sexism, which surfaced last semester, are still being debated. Closed section cards should be traded on the Commodities Market—they would outfit all precious metals. Classes disappear at an alarming rate. All this tends to make us slightly gloomy.

But alas it is September, the season of "The City Under Siege" Syndrome. Student bashing is a sport practiced with no less fervor than football. Granted, a lot of complaints about students are justified. It's a case of a few rotten apples spoiling the whole pack. But recently, it has gotten entirely out of hand.

Last Friday, the Times Union published an article entitled "Let the Buying Begin" that was thrashing insultingly. The basic premise was that students have tons of money that they spend on anything and everything. Students don't care about the economy. They only want to buy things like CDs and sweatshirts. According to the TU, "For a college student, such items are necessities, regardless of the economic malaise that exists in the 'real world.'"

It's just another attempt to separate students from the rest of society. Since they don't have the right money sense, and they per on people's yards, they're different. Once a segment of society is dismissed as different, it is easier to dismiss that segment as inferior. There was a plan discussed last year to restructure and restrict the bus routes, to essentially move all students into a student ghetto near New Scotland Avenue, so they wouldn't bother the people of Pine Hills. Students? Not in my backyard. They're different.

Sure, students start acting like the adults they are, it may not be long until society arrives with barbed wire to wrap around the gates of SUNYA.

Animal alert...

A word to off-campus students: Albany County has been declared a rabies epidemic. There have been confirmed cases in the city itself, on Western Avenue near the College of Saint Rose. Raccoons are the prime carriers, who then infect household pets, and other wild animals that roam the city. Prerations should be taken, even if you have no pets. Keep garbage enclosed, and don't feed pets, and other wild animals that roam the city. Prevention seems not to be a priority.

If you do have pets, be warned that they must be vaccinated. Owners not abiding by this will be fined $300. There will be several clinics sponsored by the county for reduced prices.

COLUMN

Nothing's sacred!

September is here and it's time for school. A time which many college students look forward to—where gossip can be caught up on, freedom prevails and nagging parents disappear, and students assimilate with others who are of a similar caliber. Now this last aspect may not always be recognizable since tavern talk, party prattle and keg controversies are not usually of an intellectual nature. However last week I found myself amidst a discussion about politics.

One of my housemates, two members of the opposite sex and myself began talking about the presidential race. It wasn't long before we all realized that four separate and unique views were present. Que Cera, Cera! The discussion ended and the two gentlemen (if you will) departed. Shortly after my housemate mentioned that certain things are not good conversation pieces: for example politics. Religion was also cied. I pondered and questioned this idea, or rather recommendation, and came to the conclusion that it is wrong as well as harmful.

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Praising Cain


Adam Meyer

If there is any message in DePalma's latest film, Raising Cain, it is that the man is trying to compensate for the disastrous Bonfire of the Vanities by making the kind of low-budget horror flick on which he built his reputation. At the same time this film marks a return to his roots it is an unexpected departure. The trademark DePalma elements are on hand, but so is a surprising sense of levity.

Carter Nix (John Lithgow) is a dedicated father of one. Too dedicated perhaps. It seems he spends a lot of time observing his daughter. Studying her, according to his wife, Jenny (Lolita Davidovich). There are his other children, the ones he coaxes away from their mothers and keeps in a motel room. Of course, sometimes the mothers don't want to give them up, but his violent split personality, Cain, can be awfully persuasive.

When Jenny is told by her friend that she has the perfect husband in Carter, it is a moment of delicious irony. At the same time that she is watching her husband's few remaining marbles roll away, she is reunited with her former lover, Jack. Or is she? DePalma constructs the film in such a way that one can never be sure of anything.

In many ways Raising Cain, like Body Double, is a tribute to Alfred Hitchcock. The meticulous style in which the film is constructed is reminiscent of the great British director, as is the endlessly twisting plot. One of Hitchcock's favorite themes, the person convicted of a crime he didn't commit, is also used.

The movie most specifically targeted seems to be Psycho, what with a man dressed in drag and a killer who disposes of his victims by putting their cars on automatic pilot and sending them into the ocean. In addition, DePalma mercilessly parodies one of the greatest American directors of all time—himself. His desire to shock audiences is taken to absurd extremes. The cliched dream sequence he employed so effectively in Carrie is recycled more than once in Raising Cain. In the film's climax, he mocks the brilliant scene in The Untouchables where Eliot Ness (Kevin Costner) takes out the bad guys and saves a baby. (This time an infant is falling from a balcony and plunging toward a spike.) When Lithgow dons a dress in order to escape the clutches of the police, DePalma seems to be poking fun at his own reverence for Hitchcock, which resulted in Body Double.

In Raising Cain, DePalma uses yet another elaborate tracking shot. Two cops and a psychiatrist are walking through the police station and the camera follows them the whole way, down the stairs and in an elevator and on several wrong turns, without a single cut. Another brilliant moment is when Carter sees an image of his dead wife flash on the TV screen which monitors his daughter's room. Moving into the room, he notices the tips of a pair of tennis shoes. The camera edges in enough for us to see that the shoes are empty (gasp!) but then Carter is assaulted from the opposite direction.

Time and again, DePalma plays on your expectations. By the time most Americans reach their teenage years they've seen enough cookie-cutter thrillers to know exactly what to expect. DePalma's set-ups are typical but the pay-offs are not, and that's what makes this kind of witty film so refreshing.

For Brian DePalma fans, Raising Cain is a sheer delight. It is cinematically wonderful; a textbook on how to shock audiences and filled with inventive tricks. Some may be offended or intimidated by the ruthless manner in which the director manipulates his viewers, but take solace in the fact that you have been manipulated by one of the very best in the business.

Stuck on Velcro Jumping

It seems the place to be "stuck" these days is Garcia's Mexican Restaurant. On Wednesdays for the last couple of weeks, the family oriented place has attracted people of all ages with their velcro jumping machine.

Faith Paris

Overwhelming is a bit of an understatement. Traditionally called "The Human Barfly", people get into what looks like a space suit made of velcro; they proceed to jump around for awhile on an enormous trampoline, and when ready they get up, usually in a forward flip, from the trampoline onto a wall made of velcro. Thus, the object of the game is to stick. However, don't worry if your jumping and sticking abilities are lacking because the entire apparatus is completely rubberized and safe.

Manager Danny Holmes said, "This is better than bungee jumping because everybody can do it." He also went on to say, "We are a family oriented dining room and the customers love it. We had 83 participants of all ages last week." This was quite an increase from the mere 38 contestants the previous week.

The best aspect about this event is the cost. It's free. All you have to do is show up with a little courage and be prepared to stick to a wall. And you are permitted to jump as many times as you wish, your body and bravery willing. Each week a different beer company sponsors the event to help out with the costs. This sponsor, such as Molsen or Becks, will offer drink specials all night. And if you like tortilla chips and salsa, Garcia's will be only too glad to indulge you at no cost while you're there.

You can also catch PYX 106 at the restaurant promoting this lively event and offering lots of goodies. Last week they were giving away thirty pairs of Tesla tickets every fifteen minutes. The week before that they offered front row seats to the B-52's and dinner for two at the Gideon Putnam in Saratoga. If Tesla or the B-52's are not your thing, you can enter the various contests the restaurant and owners of this machine hold. Last Wednesday the best female and male jumper received free Albany Colonie Yankees tickets. Holmes said he will be hosting this event for only two more Wednesdays.
Blasphemy

Well, I've spent the last week or so trying to find a new means of employment. After all, it's not like being the Aspects editor is such a good-paying job. I believe that at last count the wages figured out to something phenomenal like six cents an hour. This definitely was not in the job description given to me by the ex-Aspects editor and current Management demi-god, Adam Meyer. Also, that kind of money doesn't go very far towards paying the rent.

I suppose I should introduce myself before I continue in my narrative. My name is Cheryl Torrontor, and I'm the new Aspects guru. I'm a junior, majoring in Philosophy, and originally from Buffalo.

All right, enough of that. I shall now continue with whatever it was I was saying. What was it again? Oh, yeah, now I remember...

I have two jobs already. Unfortunately, they're both back in Buffalo. I'm a legal assistant for Hyatt Legal Services, and am also a cashier for the General Cinema Corporation. It is this latter position that I would like to share with my reading public. All three of you.

Actually, for a minimum wage job, it's really not so bad. If I could work in jeans and a t-shirt, I would love it. Alas, that is not to be. I go to work in a charming red, white, and blue polyester uniform. Red vest, blue bow tie, the whole works. Not only is it itchy, it's also really nerdy looking. When I first started working, my friends used to stop by on a regular basis. Not to see the movies, you understand, but to laugh and gawk at the Polyester Queen (yours truly, of course).

So, my uniform and I spend the entire shift (usually 4 1/2 hours) in a bulletproof cubicle that's smaller than a dorm room on the uptown campus. It's also really not that bulletproof, now that I think about it. I mean, wouldn't you think a thief would realize he can stick the gun through the hole we use to take money and dispense tickets? So much for the amazing wisdom of the upper echelons of management, I guess.

This little prison is set very far apart from the rest of the theater commotion. What this means, of course, is that I miss all the good inter-Cinema gossip, and usually have to be filled in on my break. I communicate with the rest of the theater by walkie-talkie. Usually it's used to request things like quarters, or to tell me that a movie has sold out. Until people get bored. Once, for example, I suddenly heard, "I'm a piece of golden popcorn. I want someone to butter me and consume me with great pleasure." When confronted later, the assistant manager claimed it was a suggestive selling technique. He wanted to put the walkie-talkie behind the refreshment display, so people would "think the popcorn was talking and buy more."

People get bored easily at my theater, probably because we usually average between 10-60 people per movie. Also, there are huge gaps between work periods. You'll be busy for the hour or so the movies are going in, but for the next 1 1/2 hours, there's nothing to do. I end up doing a lot of reading at work. At least it's good for something, right?

Hopefully my week of filling out applications will yield something good. Somehow, however, I don't think anything will ever compare with being a cinema cashier.

Top 5 Cinema Quotes:

1) "What time does the 7:00 show start?"
2) "You have a showing for Batman Returns at 6:50 and 7:20. Is the movie only 1/2 hour long?"
3) "Do I have to pay for my three-year-old to see 101 Dalmations? She'll sit on my lap..."
4) "Gee, last time I went to the movies, it was only $3.00 to get in. When did prices go up?"
5) "Do I have to buy a ticket before I go in?"

Well, that's it for this week. Talk to you again next Friday.

Cheryl Torrontor
September 11, 1992

There are several scenes in which one close friends—too close, perhaps. Allie and Hedy instantly become tell roommate horror stories of their of students on this campus who could of being a blushing bride-to-be to a distraught roommate in the newspaper. After her apartment—she places an ad for a help fill the void in her life—and in woman with a cheating ex-fiance. To Female, which is a thriller according to the strictest definition of the word. There are so-thrills. Then there is Single White surprises, no plot and absolutely no Clinton's advance team did the best "Betcha they got lost," "I'm voting his tush?) two or three government after logging all those hours sitting on candidate suffered from hemorrhoids of the Valkries, to accompany the window (without a parachute). As Hedy, she conveys madness in the almost tangible sexual tension. The friendship starts to sour when Allie reunites with Sam, her ex. Hedy keeping Allie's affections, she says, "T'll keep up. The film is based on a novel by John exchange is bubbling with irony. Shortly after Hedy moves in, Graham moments, by the02. 2:30 the crowd was visibly excited, signs held high, the mood chitter, by 3:30 there was audible grumbling, signs dropped and necks craned in assessment of every passing bus, by people were leaving, signs scraped the gravel and the mood was turning sour if not downright ugly. It was all I'm voting Bush-Quayle," "Betcha they got lost," and "It's all Stan Lundine's fault (17)," were heard throughout the crowd. Clinton's advance team did the best the best they could to keep the crowd occupied - they moved them from point a to point b and then on to c and d in what I supposed was some sort of exercise regimen designed to burn off "grumpy" energy. I thought it only evacuated things. Then, at 6:03, in a grand testament to the power of pomp, Clinton arrived. A State Trooper cruiser preceded the coach by ten minutes sweeping the thrwyo clean of dangerous elements, like vacationers or TV owners. A relentless silence settled over the crowd as the signs tentatively edged skywards. His bus hove into view and someone cried "It's Him, It's Him, It's Him!" (Two too many as far as I was concerned.) A cheer went up, signs bobbed, twenty John Doe haircuts fanned the air and all was forgiven. The would-be savior had arrived. What mood was such that I half expected Mussorgsky's Night on the Bald Mountain, or Wagner's The Ride of the Valkries, to accompany the Buddy goes skycraper. Instead tired old Bruce Springsteen's Born in the U.S.A. whined and burped from a blown P.A. system mounted atop a minivan. The convoy was made up of three Trooper motorcycles, a cruiser, Clinton's bus, Gore's, two for their staff and three for the media corps as well as an ambulance (in case the candidate suffered from hemorrhoids after logging all those hours sitting on his tush?) two or three government leaders. Some say Bush is Satan, others call him a life-time plebe, lilling other's boots and trowing the line all the way to the top. We and the media won't allow the creation of great leaders. They're a thing of the past. Were there ever really any anyhow? Doubtful, but we used to believe. Maybe you don't want the job, Bill. Who would? You could go down in history as the unrivaled saviour, rejected by Americans at a crucial moment in history. What's the use of gambling, nothing lost. That seems to be Perot's tactic - vain glory-monger that he is. The people who cheered you at the thrway exit won't cheer after you're elected. They expect miracles but are unwilling to sacrifice. They're the same ones who'll be buying for blood.
Spectrum

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Madison Theater (489-8995)
Honeymoon in Vegas 7:00, 9:00

Spectrum (449-8995)
Enchanted April 6:50, 9:15
Howards End 6:35
Monster in a Box (sun. only) 4:35, 9:20
Crossgates (456-5678)

Well guys, here it is! Another year, another amazing Aspects movie contest. This time, it’s for the preview of School Ties, presented by Paramount Pictures. It’s at Hoyts Cinema 42 Theater in the Crossgates Mall on Wednesday, September 18 at 7:30 pm. School Ties opens nationally on September 4.

To get a poster or free passes to the film (first come, first served), come up to CC 323 and answer the following question:

What MTV veejay did School Ties star Brendan Fraser appear with in this summer’s Encino Man?

So, come on up to CC 323 and tell whomever is in the office (preferably someone who works here) the correct answer and enjoy the show!

WCDBG Contemporary Soul Top Ten

1. Real Love........................ Mary J. Blige
2. Everyday People........................... Arrested Development
3. Come 2 Talk to Me.................. Jodeci
4. Fakin' the Funk.......................... Main Source
5. She's Playin' Hard to Get........ Hi-5
6. Jump Around............................. House of Pain
7. Money Can't Buy Your Love............ Ralph Tresvant
8. Crossover................................. EPMD
9. End of the Road.......................... Boyz II Men
10. One Night Stand...................... Father MC
LETTERS
Out is in
To the Editor:
We here out in queer and we’re hot! Welcome back straight friends and brothers. This is a great time; a time for change, a time for progression. Gays, lesbians and bisexuals—We’re coming together, coming out, and taking back our lives. We’re human and civil. We will no longer curb our behavior or the tolerance of others. It hurts, it is unfair. We will no hide no longer. Many among us still feel uncomfortably exposed to avoid ridicule and distaste. Because of ignorance, because of intolerance. When will we live and let live? Whatever your affectional preference, your sexual orientation, the time to rejoice, is NOW. Be proud of who you and LGBA is out and mobilizing; we welcome all. We are dealing with a multitude of issues—educational, political, supportive. Come to our offices around to the office Tues. 8:00 cc361-office 333c x5672. Come and dig into the issues that affect you. We look forward to seeing you.

So if you see lesbians, gays, and bisexuals around living and loving, feel free to do the same, and please don’t show yours views in our face. N.O.R.M.S. Narrow Ordinary Restrictive Margin.

Michele Senitzer
President LGBA

Recognize LGBA
To the Editor:
As American Citizens, Caribbean Citizens, Jewish-Christian Relations I see as I flip through Albany's bulletin. Classes open to all for education, awareness, and understanding. We are a culturally diverse campus. A place for learning and growth. A university where we should feel free to be ourselves.

There is a large minority on campus that is not recognized by our community. It is not taught about in our curriculum. We are a group of people who came from all religions, races, and backgrounds. We basically have the same gods and mothers that the rest of the student body has. We believe in love, understanding, and a better world. We are the lesbian, gay and bisexual population of SUNY Albany. We’re here, we’re proud, and we won’t hide in closets. We will not be denied our civil rights, because we are people and we love.

I feel the need for education about the gay community to be understood, before it is feared. It leads to alienation and hate. We have classes about the history of minorities and problems they confront, but a very obvious minority is missing from our curriculum. How can we accept the discrimination that goes on here? more importantly, how can we change it?

The answer is education, through lectures, classes, and gay visibility on campus. We exist, just like the Hispanics, African Americans, Asians, and Native Americans. We too have a beautiful culture to share.

If you believe in human rights, freedom of expression, and equal opportunity for all, promote education, so that we can respect, understand, and love our brothers and sisters.

Rebecca Elish

Bus change needs work
To the Editor:
This is a response to the New Wellington Alumni Safety Aspect on the Wellington going down the side streets of Alumni. As off campus Students, I feel that this is the dumbest and most selfish idea SUNYA has yet. Why should the Wellington make the turn around Alumni Quad? Why should ANY bus? This is just showing favoritism to the students who live in and around Alumni Quad. Its supposed to be for safety. But lets use people Don’t Walk Alone. The turn puts you off on Alumni Quad, shortening the one bloc walk. What about the students who live away from alumni? These are the real off campus students. These are the students who live on Central, Lark, Clinton, Yates, Jefferson, Orange, Morris, Dove, and Swan street, and anywhere there is a five bloc walk to the SUNY bus. The bus should loop around these areas for safety. Have you ever walked down these streets at night? And now getting darker earlier, these timings will not even be safe. Around Alumni there is Don’t Walk Alone foot patrol. That helps the Alumni area some. But there isn’t any Don’t Walk Alone from Lark to Madison, from Washington to Clinton, from Eagle st. to anywhere. Where is the fairness in this new loop? Why should people so close to the dorms be better protected than the students who live in the remote areas with the most dangerous elements of Albany? Even the bus drivers do not see himself with this new loop thing. I feel if they are going to do this loop for safety for all campus students around Alumni; they should do it for all off campus students. You have a greater chance of getting attacked or raped once you pass Washington, Madison, Central and Lark street. So either do it for everyone, or

A) UPD needs better guns to protect themselves from us students,
B) Pat Swygert and co. have terribly small salaries,
C) Why should the government pay for education when the people in power were elected by ignorant folk?

1) The biggest issue on this campus is:
A) Women’s lack of safety, anywhere, anytime,
B) Money is being spent unwisely,
C) Apathy is the strongest social force here,
D) Rollerbladers should be done away with.

Which brings me to the hatchet I am desperately trying to bury. I was again accosted due to my blading ways over the summer, once because I was scaring the prefrosh parents, and once by a co-blader! This fellow Mark was intensely angry with me, because A) I have been injuring so many people (so far just me), B) I am jeopardizing the reputation of rollerbladers everywhere (as evidenced by his way cool tan and his MTV brand neato clothing), and really seems to think I am a public menace similar to Godzilla. If someone who really should know that this is false is so startlingly (and violently) ignorant, then I feel it is necessary to repeat myself again, hopefully for the last time. I am not a menace, I am not a crook. I have never hurt anyone while on blades, and never will. I believe I am entitled to exercise and get around in my own manner, so long as I injure no one. If I have offended people’s good Christian sensibilities well, I have long hair anyway, so it can’t be helped. And please, please, if you personally disagree with me, stop me and we’ll talk (rationally, OK, Mark?). And to those who prefer violence (like stringing a tripwire in the tunnels for me—that was really cute), although I act pacifically, if you provoke me, I cannot assure you continued safety. OK, Mark? And you certainly can’t.

To the rest of you, thank you for bearing with me, and I do realize that most of you readers are rational, tolerant people. If one of you know Mark, please let them calm down a bit, and maybe eat a new haircut. And rather than writing a response to this silliness, write about something important as mentioned above. We can talk silly in private.

Dan X.Stackhouse

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Football
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"We've got four interior linemen back with experience - definitely a good core to work with," Assistant Coach Ed Zaloom said. "Staying healthy will be important for us, but I am confident we'll do a good job.

The real test begins Saturday when Albany's younger players face a tough Ithaca defense that was only good enough to win a national championship. Albany's schedule is packed with powerhouse Division III schools besides Ithaca, such as Union College and SUNY Cortland.

Despite losing 38-7 to Ithaca one year ago, the Danes enter the opening contest with excitement for a big challenge.

What better test can one have than playing against a national champion?

NYSTI
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depiring not only the future generations of young children but college students who are interested in theatre, children's education, child care and social work.

NYSTI has provided many internships to college students over the years.

Ms. Snyder does not feel her group has received the support from SUNY Central and SUNY Albany that it deserved. "Though I have not had much contact with President Swygert himself, I wish he could see how some of his lieutenants treat others while he is not looking," Ms. Snyder said.

Through all of NYSTI's problems with SUNY and dealings with the state government, Ms. Snyder remains positive about the future of SUNY and the work of her theatre institute. "The lesson learned from this is that democracy works. People who want change and work for it will make a difference. We believe in SUNY and look forward to serving it, but we are saddened by the present managers lack of vision."

NYSTI, despite its year of budget problems and political difficulties, has remained focused on its primary goal; children's theatre. "Despite conflict we kept our eyes on serving children and family. Employees hung together and served to the last," said Ms. Snyder regarding NYSTI's spring '92 season. The 92-93 season will include productions of "The Wizard of Oz," "To Kill a Mockingbird," and "Slow Dance on the Killing Ground" as well as theatre workshops which tour throughout New York State.

Grades
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Bennett home to be with his family, but the young officer told him, "I know this is where my father wanted me to be."

SUNY maintains a Public Safety staff of 544 officers at 28 campus locations. The new officers will be assigned to 17 campuses starting Monday.

Recycling
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Recovery Facility, also located on South Pearl.

Richard Loyet, Vice President and General Manager of Kruger Recycling, said, "We (messed) up the earth already, and now we have to (unmess) it for our kids and grandkids."

According to Johnson, approximately 50% of the 30,000 residents currently using the sanitation services in the Albany area are participating in the recycling program, and that figure is expected to rise. "We will reserve judgement for at least another month," Fitzgerald said. "By then we will have surveyed students to see how effective it is."

"It's not going to work," said Amy Terjens, an off-campus student. "College students have too much on their minds to worry about what color bag to put their garbage in."

Any questions concerning the recycling program can be directed to the Department of Public Works at 432-1144.

The ASP needs assistance in every department: news, features, Aspects, sports, photography, business, sales, and ad production. If you are interested in one of these sections, please call 442-5660. If you are interested in several of these sections, please do the same. If you are interesting in general, just stop by--there's lotsa interesting people here.

Graduate Student Organization

FALL ACTIVITIES:

Voter Registration Party Thursday sept 10 at Mother Earths 7:00 PM

First Meeting Friday, September 11, 4:30 CC375

Second Meeting Thursday September 24, at 4:30 in Milne 200

Subsequent meetings are the 2nd Friday of every month in the Uptown campus and 4th Friday of every month at the downtown campus.

Multi Cultural party Friday evening September 18th, in Campus Center Patroon room. Watch for further details!

Elections for Affirmative Action Officer Nominations due by Friday September 25th, Candidates forum on Thursday October 1st, Elections will be held Monday and Tuesday October 5th and 6th in Campus Center and Draper lobby.

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TRIVIA QUESTION: Who was the first person in the NHL to score 50 goals in 50 games? Who was the second person?
The wait is over

Years since its inception and nine months past its scheduled date, the University at Albany's much-anticipated, brand-new $12 million Recreation and Convocation Center (better known as the RACC) was officially opened on July 15th by President H. Patrick Swygert and Vice President of Student Affairs Mitchel Livingston.

The dedication ceremony came just in time for the Empire State Games, which became the first ever competition held at the RACC. This was the second year in a row that Albany hosted the Empire State Games.

With its completion, the RACC became one of the largest campus sports arenas in Division III schools. Its 4,800 person seating capacity more than doubles Albany's previous seating capabilities, thereby facilitating larger scale campus events.

A need for a new sports facility came about gradually as Albany's student population grew from about 10,000 people to 15,000 people. University Gym, where most University at Albany sporting events were held, was originally designed with a campus population of around 10,000 people.

What came about as a facility that would "complement," "not compete" with University Gym, according to Physical Plant Director Dennis Stevens in an Albany Student Press report in November, 1991.

Specifically, an example would be the weight room in both buildings. The weight room in University Gym will be used for the most part, by Albany for their conditioning. On the other hand, the new gym in the RACC will be open to the rest of the University population for its use.

Albany's men's and women's basketball teams will move their games from University Gym to the RACC's basketball courts. The main basketball court is complemented by two regulation practice courts.

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ASCP SPORTS: Definitely not your everyday run-of-the-mill kind of thing.

Men's Track

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season wears on, it ran 9:36 in the 3200 meters last year, which is the second best time ever for an entering Albany freshman at that distance.

The season faced its first challenge yesterday as it met Hamilton and introduction (and the second one that finished last year in third place in the Adams Division with a 3:17-12 record. His name is Pat LaFontaine.

The superstar center, obtained in a blockbuster trade with the New York Islanders early last season, is the cornerstone around which Muckler plans to build a fast-paced, attack-oriented team.

In only 37 games - he missed 13 when his jaw was broken by an errant stick - LaFontaine scored 46 goals and 93 points. And that was with the Sabres just beginning their transition to Muckler's up-tempo game.

With a full training camp in the Muckler system, and with the addition of some speedy Europeans and Canadian juniors, the off-season from the Chicago Blackhawks in exchange for Christian Ruutta.

After a standout career in Europe, Hasek came to North America in 1990 but got caught in a goaltender logjam in Chicago. Still, in 20 games with the Blackhawks last season, he had a 2.60 goals against average.

After injuries and illnesses kept Daren Puppa and Clint Malarchuk out of the lineup for chunks of last season, turnkey Tom Draper claimed Buffalo's No.1 goaltending job.

Draper played well in his 26 regular season games with the Sabres, and in the playoffs against Boston, but the trade for Hasek shows that management clearly isn't sure that Draper is a full-time starter.

He does look like he could be a more adequate backup. Puppa (broken arm) and Malarchuk (obsessive-compulsive disorder) have to be considered question marks, at best. There's a very good chance Puppa will start the season in another organization.

LaFontaine and Dale Hawerchuk give the Sabres one of the NHL's best one-two combinations at center. Ruutta was the third-line center last year, but his departure opens the door for a number of candidates.

Muckler feels veteran Dave Hannan, collegiate star Doug MacDonald, junior star Todd Simon and young pros Peter Mogilny (39 goals), although it's difficult to see how the plodding Andrychuk fits into Muckler's go-go style.

Left wing Brad May had 11 goals last year as a rookie and is expected to at least double that total this season. Right wing Donald Audette scored 31 goals last year before suffering a knee injury that is expected to keep him out of the lineup until at least November.

Offensive production drops off pretty dramatically after those players, however, which is why the Sabres pressed to sign right wing Yury Klimov from the Commonwealth of Independent States. Krylya Sovetov team.

The wait is over

San Francisco to counter move out to Florida

AP) San Francisco will be allowed to present a proposal to keep the Giants from moving to St. Petersburg, Fla., said National League president Bill White.

Giants owner Bob Lurie agreed in principle to sell the team to Tampa Bay investors headed by Vincent J. Naimoli, and would not consider other deals.

Lurie and Naimoli came to the owner's meeting hoping for approval of the Florida group's bid, believing to be $111 million. Since the deal was announced, Mayor Frank Jordan and agent Leigh Steinberg have attempted to put together a counteroffer. Charlotte Hornets owner George Shinn said he would head that group and White expects a bid soon.

Tampa Bay officials say they need a go-ahead by Oct. 1 to start final construction on the Florida Sports Complex, which would become the Giants' home if they move.

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Different perspectives in cross-country

Top five places won by Albany; Orvis returns to lead Dane romp

By Michael Director
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

As one reviews the results of last year's men's cross country season, you can begin to understand why head coach Roberto Vives is excited.

The Danes were sixth at NCAA Division III Nationals and took second in the NCAA Regionals as well as the New York State meet. They also posted an impressive 8-2 record in dual meets.

As for the year as a whole, they were one of only three teams in the country to place in the top ten at all three Division III meets. Included with their excellent finish at cross-country Nationals was a fifth place showing at the national indoor meet and a 10th place finish at outdoor Nationals.

"We want to build upon the success of last year," Vives said. "On paper this is an excellent finish at cross-country Nationals, which has lost four of its top runners to graduation but which still looks to be competitive despite its relative youth and tough schedule.

Molly Herdic, Colleen Shine, Dawn Dansky and Tricia Shultes, all Albany mainstays in recent years, have graduated.

Herdic came out of nowhere last year as she quickly became the team's top runner with a number of impressive showings, including a couple first place finishes. Herdic had joined the team last year after a long layoff from the sport.

She helped fill the shoes of Shine, who was Albany's top cross country runner as a junior in the 1990 season.

Much of Shine's 1991 season was derailed because of leg injuries that kept her on the sidelines.

Shultes and Dansky both consistently ran well over their years at Albany and will be missed.

We need good front runners for our team to be successful," coach Ronald White said. "But we have some good kids coming in."

The first litmus test of the new season came Tuesday as the team traveled to Woodhaven Golf Course in Onondaga to compete against Hamilton College and host Hartwick College.

Hamilton dominated the event, compiling only 21 points to ease its way to victory. Hartwick's 50 points were a distant second and Albany's 65 put it in third place.

Albany did show signs of promise, however.

Freshman Becky Popp, running in her first collegiate race, was Albany's top finisher, coming in ninth with a time of 23:23.1. Next in was junior Susan Ebel, who finished in 12th place in 23:25.

Another freshman, Peg Burns, also in her first collegiate race, was 17th, timed at 24:03. Junior Jen miller was 20th (24:42) and sophomore Megan Croake was 22nd (25:27).

Right behind Croake was sophomore Lara Johnson, who finished in 23rd place (25:49). Senior Alexis Torchio was 25th (26:25).

The team travels to Staten Island tomorrow to compete in the Wagner Invitational. Included in the competition are last year's winner Ithaca College, Seton Hall, St. Peter's, host Wagner College and a number of New York City colleges.

Danes bring experience into 1992 campaign

National champ Ithaca poses huge challenge for the Danes

By Matt Fineman
STAFF WRITER

The Albany Great Dane football team will open their 1992 campaign on Saturday with a home game at University at Albany.

The Danes fought through a difficult schedule last season to finish at 7-4, winning five of their last six. This year's opener proves the quality of opponent that Albany is accustomed to facing. When the ball is kicked off at 7:00p.m. tomorrow night their opponent will be the Division III National Champions from Ithaca College.

Several factors about this year's team have created an optimistic outlook and an overall feeling of excitement among players and coaches.

The 14 returning starters will lead the effort to increase the four-game winning streak the team now carries into 1992. A talented core of players who have serious playing time under their belts will be returning.

On the defensive side, linebacker Chris Locci and defensive back Travis Miller return as the leading tacklers from a year ago. Locci led the Danes with 94 tackles as a freshman even though a knee injury forced him to miss two games.

The other two starting LB's are co-captains Eric Coleman and Gino Ciachetti. The defensive line is one area where some of the younger players will take some time to develop. Both defensive ends will be new starters who will look to stabilize a key element of the defense.

"We need some of the younger guys to grow up a little faster to help the team now," Coleman said.

Ken Breland is a co-captain and returner with Tim Dieter and Miller in the secondary. Defensive Coordinator Mike Simpson has noted that talent and depth are not in short supply with this year's team. "The players have done all that they can ask for as far as spring and summer conditioning," he said.

"If we can execute some technique, we should play well."

The talent, however, faces an enormous test with Ithaca and their traditionally powerful running game," he asserted. "All defensive efforts will be aimed at preventing the run, especially All-American fullback John Wilmott.

On offense, nine of eleven stars from a year ago will be back on the gridiron this year. Quarterbacks Jaan Laap (six starts), Steve Zampino (two), and Dom DeMatteo (two) are all returning to the lineup. Laap is the only senior among this group and his edge in experience may be the factor that lands him the starting nod.

The running backs will not change as Mike Imperato (599 yards, five TDs), Ben Alston (564 yds, three TDs), and Ed Lemon (399 yds, five TDs) spearhead a running attack that averaged 156 combined yards per game during the 1991 campaign.

When Albany looks to throw the football, its top two pass receivers will be back, tight end Eric Hawkins and wide receiver and co-captain Joe Valenti.

However, the most important area on the team may be the offensive line. The story of the Ithaca game may be who controls the line of scrimmage. Albany's offensive line looks to cut the 548 total running yards lost during last year's season.

The war in the trenches may decide Albany's fate against Ithaca.

Youthful women's team gets first test; Wagner Invite up next

By Patrick Collen
SPORTS EDITOR

Rebuilding seems to be the theme of the 1992 edition of the women's cross country team, which has lost four of its top runners to graduation but which still looks to be competitive despite its relative youth and tough schedule.

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