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## Final Student Activities Take Many Directions

Friday marked the end of regularly scheduled classes for the spring semester. During the last week of classes, students' activities took several directions. Many students discussed their grading options with instructors and left campus, others continued an active strike of classes; meanwhile, seniors began to make preparations for Senior Week.

This year Senior Week activities will include a night at the races, a clambake and concert at the Mohawk Campus, and a semi-formal. Then Saturday June 6, the front steps of the administration building will be the setting for the Torch Night Ceremony where each senior is asked to pass down his torch to an underclassman.

Dr. Jose E. Arraras, Chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico will be the speaker for Commencement Day, June 7. Among the 1600 candidates for degrees are 1096 bachelors, 476 masters, and 27 doctorates.

Commencement is scheduled for 10 a.m. on graduation field behind the Campus Center. However, in the event of rain, two commencement exercises will be conducted in the physical education building. Undergraduate candidates will be awarded degrees at 10 a.m., and graduate candidates at 1 p.m. Closed circuit television coverage of the exercises will be shown in the Lecture Center complex.

Undergraduates not involved with commencement began to leave campus last week. After declaring their choice of five options concerning their grades for the semester, many students began to pack. Using the number of dinners served on the residence quadrangles as an indicator of students remaining, Food Service noted that only about 700 of 1100 students per quad were left on Wednesday.

In other activities of the past week, the Albany Chapter of the Union of National Draft Opposition (UNDO) stated its goal, in an open letter to the faculty, as "attempting to hasten the end of the Indo China war by opposing the draft." UNDO hopes to collect 100,000 draft cards and send them to Washington as a symbolic gesture.

In a related development, a proposal to establish a peace institute at SUNYA has been circulated. The proposal suggests that "both students and faculty need to center down upon the causes of violence in our society and to seek new ways to build a cooperative peaceful world society." Among the mechanisms indicated for the institute include courses offered for credit in existing departments, independent research courses, workshops for all classes of the Albany community, a lecture series, and a librarian coordinator.

## Department Chairman Chosen For Judaic Studies Program

The newly-established department of Judaic studies will be chaired by Jerome Eckstein who, for the past four years, has been professor of philosophy of education in the School of Education. Reportedly, the department is the only one at any of the SUNY units, concerned with Judaic studies.

Dr. Eckstein attended two Jewish theological seminaries for 14 years. He received his Bachelor of Arts from Brooklyn College, with honors in philosophy and election to Phi Beta Kappa. Subsequently he completed three years of graduate study in psychology and one year in philosophy at the Graduate Faculty of the New School of Social Research. Later he attended Columbia University where he completed his doctoral studies.

## Strike Effects Studied

Activities of the university continue, though in ways modified by student strike efforts and affected by off-campus events. Components of the university community and of State University of New York are involved both in making assessments of recent events and in seeking to determine the permanency of implied new directions as a result of those events.

Members of the State Legislature and of state agencies are among those who visited the campus last week. Assemblywoman Mary Ann Krupsak met with a group of faculty members, including representatives of the executive committee of the University Senate. Miss Krupsak is a member of the New York State Assembly Committee on Education. Two days later the Board of Regents and members of the staff of the State Commissioner of Education lunched here. They surveyed the campus and discussed higher education issues with President Kuusisto and his staff.

The Women's Liberation Front has been conducting a day care center in the Assembly Hall at Campus Center for several days, an activity which has raised several questions. Reportedly, there is a possibility of litigation. Members of Women's Lib have met with a Central Administration official to present their position and their "demands" and talked with him at length about why they felt their day care project should be implemented. He indicated that his position is consistent with President Kuusisto's; namely, that the university's resources and facilities can't, under present policy, be used for the purpose of a day care center. Another meeting, after further study, is scheduled in about two weeks.

In another development, President Kuusisto on May 13 distributed a memorandum to the university community stating, in part, "No form of racism will be tolerated in this community." Two days later, following the deaths of two students on the campus of Jackson State College in Mississippi, the president ordered the flags on campus to fly at half-mast as part of a memorial service for the slain students. He also asked that "each of us take action where he can -- with himself -- through a personal commitment to a humane attitude toward his fellow men."

The organizational meeting of the 1970-71 University Senate was held last week. Arthur Collins was elected vice-chairman-elect; and Vincent Aceto, secretary. Faculty members elected to the executive committee are Seth Spellman, Louis Salkever, and Webb Fiser. Michael Gilbertson was elected from among the students who are senators. A suggestion was made that an opportunity be made available in September for new and old members to get together in a social situation and another recommendation was made that guidelines be established for the conduct of meetings.

Also last week, the newly-formed hearing committee concerned with public order met. William Brown was elected chairman.

## GSPA Adds Diplomat-in-Residence

Richard G. Johnson, a career Foreign Service officer, has been named by the U.S. State Department to serve as diplomat-in-residence here for the next academic year. Most recently Mr. Johnson, in the service since 1947, has served as counselor of embassy and deputy chief of mission in Sofia, Bulgaria, from 1967 to 1970.

During his year on the SUNYA campus, the diplomat will be visiting professor of public affairs at the Graduate School of Public Affairs and senior fellow of the Comparative Development Studies Center. He is familiar with the French, German, Italian, and Polish languages.

Mr. Johnson, a native of Connecticut, has a Yale B.A. and an M.A. from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins.

# Athletes Receive Honors

Jim Sandy, Nick Ascienzo, Ross Pusatere, and Carol Wiley were among the athletes honored at the annual All-Sports Banquet in the Campus Center Ballroom last Wednesday evening.

Sandy received the Newsboard Award, given by the ASP to an athlete who makes a lasting impression at Albany through his skill and attitude. Jim played three years of baseball and basketball and was one of four men to receive wrist watches for lettering three years. The others were Jack Adams, basketball; Jim Shear, soccer; and Rich Spiers, baseball.

Ascienzo was named Outstanding Freshman Athlete. He was Most Valuable Player on the junior varsity soccer team and a starting pitcher in varsity baseball. Pusatere, a tennis player, earned the Scholar-Athlete Award by accumulating a 3.77 grade index. Miss Wiley, who holds several scoring records in field hockey, received the Sportswoman Award.

Varsity Most Improved Player awards went to Tom Mills, cross-country; Terry Trono, soccer; Jim Masterson, basketball; Andy McGrorty, swimming; Alan Mercer, wrestling; Hy Doolittle, baseball; John Heher, golf; Allan Hans, lacrosse; Ken Fishman, tennis; and Larry Franks, track and field.

## Sophomore Finalist in Bid for Queen

MARGARET ELLEN GROSS 19, a sophomore here, was a finalist in Albany Tulip Queen contest. Miss Gross, who was entered in the contest by her sister, an Albanian with whom she resides, came here from Miami, Fla., where her mother, Mrs. Louise Gross, resides. Originally the coed was interested in a career in nursing but more recently she has been pondering changing to a major in English. She has described the contest experience as "just wonderful."



## Great Dane Sports

By far the most successful teams this spring were the varsity track and tennis contingents. Coach Bob Munsey's cindermen fashioned a perfect 10-0 mark, while the netters compiled a 10-1 ledger under Merlin Hathaway.

The track team really never was threatened, running up over 100 points six times. Along the way, the purple and gold equalled or surpassed 13 team records, including all the field event marks. The weights and sprints were the team's strongest events, while the only weak spots were the distance races.

Ross Andersen was voted Most Valuable Runner by his teammates. The enthusiastic sophomore took eight firsts in four different events and accumulated 53 points. The top point men were freshman Cliff McCarg (75) and junior Saul Moshenberg (70). Andersen holds the school record in the javelin with a toss of 182-1. On four occasions, he took first place in that event on his final attempt, earning him coach Munsey's "C+ Award" for excellence under pressure.

The tennis team also can look ahead with confidence to 1971. Only one of the top six men this spring was a senior, while three were freshmen. Captain and MVP Dave Hawley, who posted a 9-2 mark playing No. 1 and 2 singles, will be missed. He has a two-year individual record of 19-2 and has led the Danes to a 20-1 slate during that period.

Everyone else is due back, though, including Ken Fishman, who split the No. 1 spot with Hawley and won six of 11 matches. He was chosen Most Improved Player. Fishman and Ted Rosenberg, who was 9-2 as No. 3 singles, made up the top doubles team, which posted a 9-1 mark.

## 'Round the Campus

The university community is cordially invited to attend a farewell reception in honor of President Kuusisto Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in the ballroom at Campus Center. Earl G. Droessler heads the arrangement committee.

Milne School art students walked away with most MAJOR PRIZES in the Albany Girls Academy Art Show. First prizes in five classes, second prizes in two classes and one third prize, as well as twelve honorable mention awards, were garnered by Brita Walker's students... The BLACK ENSEMBLE offered a cultural presentation of drama, dance, and poetry for the Albany community recently at Trinity Institute... Funding for a "FREE SCHOOL" on campus was provided for by resolution of the Central Council which appropriated Student Association funds. A recent announcement distributed on campus indicated that the project is "funded by FSA money" which is erroneous... Jack Gelfand, of the economics department, reports that "LISTEN-INS" among students, faculty and other citizens are catching on rapidly. The multi-lateral conversations or multilogues are held among a number of participants under the guidance of a moderator in neighborhood homes. Provided is an opportunity to impart information, become informed, express opinions, and possibly be persuaded to another point of view.

.. POSITIONS AVAILABLE: admissions counselors, EOP admissions counselor (one year appointment), and State University Theatres business and company manager. Credentials should be sent to Frank Krivo and to Paul Pettit. .. Neill Shanahan, Class of 1972, has been elected EDITOR-IN-CHIEF of the Albany Student Press... Holders of towel and locker rentals at the Physical Education Building are advised to make END-OF-THE SEASON ARRANGEMENTS with the equipment manager and at the general office by June 5... The 1970 ORGANOSILICON AWARD SYMPOSIUM was held on campus Friday and Saturday with the department of chemistry as the sponsoring group. An estimated 140 persons from other universities and from industrial and governmental laboratories participated... Interested faculty are being asked to assist in the annual freshmen BOOK DISCUSSION PROGRAM planned by the Academic Affairs Commission. For this year's book, the committee has selected "Population Bomb," by Paul Ehrlich. Copies will be furnished to those who serve as discussion leaders. The program will be held on a day immediately preceding the beginning of fall classes... SPEAKERS at the Secretarial Seminar Saturday included Richard A. Rehberg, sociologist; Lucy Komisar, member of the board of directors of the National Organization for Women; Assemblywoman Mary Ann Krupsak, and Nancy H. Liddle, associate director of the University Art Gallery.

## Campus Exchange

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment for the summer, 2 large rooms, bath, kitchen, all utilities; Stonehenge Gardens, 14 Circle Lane, first floor, Call 482-3402 evenings... One bedroom furnished apartment to sublet from July 1-Aug. 31. air-conditioned, 35 Latham Village Lane, \$160 per month. Call 785-0444 after 6 p.m.... Apartment to sublet from June 1-September 1, "country living," 30 minutes from SUNYA, South Bethlehem, \$150 per month. Call 767-9705. .. Large 5-bedroom house in Slingerlands, September 1970-August 1971. Call Richard Hauser, 7-8289 or at home, 438-0014... 2-bedroom apartment to sublet for summer, all electric, air conditioned, Delmar, \$230 per month. Call 439-6004... 8-room upper flat, 3 bedrooms, completely redecorated, new modern kitchen, garage, 1082 Washington Ave. near State Campus. Call Mrs. Padula, 474-2147. .. Small furnished house off Thruway exit 25 in Schenectady, June-August, rent nominal if tenant cares for house and resident cat. Call F. Dickey, 7-8680 or 355-6528... House on the sea. Martha's Vineyard, before June 21 and after August 20, \$125 per week, call Mrs. Perry Westbrook, 765-4453.

FOR SALE: 3-bedroom raised ranch in Clifton Gardens, call Allan MacLeod, 7-4035 or at home, 371-7428... Siamese kittens, \$15. Call Mrs. Perry Westbrook, 765-4453. .. 1968 VW bus, \$1,695. Call Richard Hauser, 7-8289