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Legislature Elects Officers

by Stephen J. Humes

Student Legislature held elections for officers last Thursday night, April 18, in the Faculty Dining Room of the Campus Center.

Bill Rowan, this year's legislature president, presided over the election which is conducted by the representative members of the legislature.

Fran Reed was elected as next year's president of the legislature after being the only one nominated for the position. Elected to the position of vice-president was Doug Green '86. Four other candidates were nominated to the number-two position. Lynn Boland '86 was opposed by one other candidate but secured a seat as treasurer of the legislature. Eileen Corbliss '86 was elected secretary and Kim Fletcher selected for the position of director of correspondence and public relations.

Each of the positions was filled by a nomination, followed by popular vote of the represented legislators who were elected earlier this year to represent the dormitories, commuters, offcampus boarders, and the townhouses.

Student Legislature is one of three branches of F.U.S.A., the other two are the executive and the judicial branches.

The elected officers have taken their respective positions and retain their offices until the fall when they may be elected again by their constituents.

Fran Reed announced the appointments to the executive board. The executive board is madeup of chairpersons of the three divisions of legislature — appropriations, government operations, and judiciary. Michelle McCahill, '86 was appointed by Fran to appropriations, Carmine Anzellone '86 was appointed to government operations, the judiciary division will be managed by Peter Fay '87.

Telephone Number Changes

by Chris Tyler

Fairfield University announced that effective July 1 a new phone number for the school will be implemented.

The old phone number 255-5411 is being replaced by a more business-like number of 254-4000. The new phone number will also bring some changes to the phone system employed by the university. According to the Director of Purchasing, George Moloney, the move was made to relieve the congestion on the switchboard. According to Moloney, Direct Inward Dialing (DID) will be possible to departments with a high frequency of calls. Gary Will, personnel specialist in the Department of Human Resources, said, "The switchboard gets tied up answering questions and not directing calls. The switchboard was set up to direct calls throughout the university." Will cites growth of the university as a reason for the overloading of the university's switchboard.

Billing for the new service will still be handled through the university despite the fact that some departments will receive their own phone numbers. The separate numbers will allow callers to access a particular department directly. Final cost estimates for the installation, according to Moloney, will be available in approximately two weeks.



Legislative officers Fran Reed, Douglas Green and Eileen Corbliss recently anounced the new student legislature members. [Photo by Karen Haney]



Senior MaryBeth Curtis performed before an Oak Room crowd on Thursday, April 11. The evening was an enormous success. See page 11 for story.

Southwell Hall Changes Hands

by Stephen J. Humes

Campus Ministry will be moving from Southwell Hall and the building will be renovated to accomodate the offices of Alumni Relations, said Rev. Aloysius P. Kelley, S.J., university president Tuesday.

Fr. Kelley announced his decision to Rev. Francis J. Moy, S.J., university chaplain, on April 1. He cited space and usage as the reason for the move.

"There is a need to provide better space for the advancement division. There has been a request for a house by Alumni to establish an "Alumni House," said Fr. Kelley.

Fr. Moy and Rev. J. Randall Sachs, S.J., assistant professor of Beligious Studies, are currently living in this two-story dwelling which is situated on the southwest end of the campus adjacent to the playhouse. Both must vacate the building by July 1. Ministry for the last four yars as an all-purpose meetingplace. Campus Ministry's main offices are on Loyola ground. Last year, Campus Ministry began a new program called the "ministry of Hospitality" in which students could sign-up and come down to the house in small groups for dinner. Student members of the Ministry of Hospitality serve as hosts along with one of the chaplains from Campus Ministry.This program has grown rapidly since it first began.

"As of today, we have served dinner to 524 students this year alone," said Fr. Moy.

Fr. Kelley explained that by making Southwell into an Alumni House, it will get much more use. The offices will be open daily, and then there will be room for Alumni gatherings and small meetings on evenings and weekends. Fr. Kelley added that some of the things Campus Ministry used Southwell for can be duplicated in other areas on campus. He cited the McElaney Room of the Campus Center as an example of a place where meetings and meals can take place. Richard Popilowski, Director of Alumni Relations, said, "I think it is a question of space, and who can best use it." He added, "This allows us

some great opportunities, like better meetings and receptions for the Alumni."

Fr. Moy, however, felt differently. "We are very saddened by this in terms of the work of Campus Ministry. We aren't sure yet what we can and can't continue to do for the students." He added, "We're losing a place for small prayer groups and masses. We had many picnics outside in the yard too. We were trying to create an aspect of sharing a meal together... we try to create a community where we can experience love."

Walter Petry, Jr., Assistant Professor of History said, "it is an outrageous travesty, especially when they call it a 'Catholic' and a 'Jesuit' university." He continued, "It's a superb indication . . . it really tells you where the hart and soul of the university is." Petry said that Campus Ministry isdoing a wonderful job on campus and that to do this to them is a grave injustice.

Southwell Hall has been used by Campus



Chris McGuinness and Jeff Gromos were both named recently to the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference All-Academic women's and men's basketball teams respectively. The award is given to athletes with excellent academic standing.

[Photo by Michelle Byrd]

Students who participate in the many different activities of Campus Ministry wil miss using Southwell Hall. Linda Federici '86, an active participant in Campus Ministry said, ''It is a question of values, and one thing is certain — Fr. Kelley Continued on page 2

Task Force Fights Fire Alarms

by Chris Tyler

Tom Kushner, a Resident Advisor on Loyola III, has recently been appointed to the F.U.S.A. cabinet position of Director of Student Services and is currently developing a task force to address the problem of false alarms across campus.

The committee will be comprised of seven members coming from the executive, judicial and legislative branches of F.U.S.A., with members coming from Student Residences, the RA staff, Dorm Council Chairpersons and the student body. Kushner, the executive branch represen-

tative, will be the chair of the committee. Its objectives will be to address the problem, develop a deterrent program and educate the students as to the dangers and consequences of false alarms. Said Kushner, "A situation exists that is a source of problems all across campus."

The committee will be meeting once this semester to begin working on their objectives list.

A decision will be made at that time to determine the frequency of the committee's meetings.

Kushner's cabinet positon is the merging of the old positions of Housing and Food and Health that were designed under Fran Kenneally, former F.U.S.A. president. According to Kushner, Jim English, the present F.U.S.A. president, approached him with the idea and he has "gotten the ball rolling on the project." Students interested in the student body position on the committee can contact Kushner at Box P or in the F.U.S.A. office.

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Speakout: What do you think will help curtail the problem of prank fire alarms? —Compiled by Erik Olesen

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Nick Bozzo '87 Chaz Smith '88 Chris Cosgrove '87 By removing all fireboxes, smoke detectors and fire starting substances from campus.



Lou Pelligrino '88 Tony Calianese '86 Impose fines on those who pull the alarms.



Scott Towers '86 I think if students had to stay outside for much longer, like an hour, this may be a deterent.



Tom Begley '86 Jennifer Sullivan '86 Have a Security Guard to occasionally patrol the hallways of the dorms on campus.



World News '85

by Christopher M. Tyler

Problems deploying a satellite have caused NASA to attempt a daring project that will hopefully turn the power supply for that stranded satellite.

A computer break down at the IRS office in New York has caused delays of up two or three weeks in processing income tax forms.

In a ceremony before some 30,000 people in St. Peter's square Pope John Paul II beautified an Italian and a German nun. Both nuns formed religious orders in the 19th century.

President Ronald Reagan has received much criticism as of lately for his plan to visit a nazi cemetery. Many jewish leaders have criticized Reagan for his plan to visit the burial grounds for what they call "war criminals."

In what is being called the most violent fighting in twenty days some 10 people were injured in Lebanon in the city of Sidon. Fights pitted Christians, Moslems and Palestinians against each other.

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A Paris newspaper office was the site of a bomb blast that gutted the structure. Direct

Harvey Lectures on Acid Rain Effects

by Thomas P. Moore

International as well as local implications of the problem of acid rain and its environmental implications were the topics of a lecture delivered to a marginal crowd in the Oakroom Monday night by Dr. Harold Harvey a Professor of Zoology at the University of Toronto.

The special events sponsored lecture was opened by the chairman of the Biology department, Dr. Raymond Poincelot, and prefaced by the Connecticut Commissioner of the Environmental Protection Agency, Stanley Pack who had recently returned from a conference on acid rain.

Various aspects of the ruinous effects that the environment suffers because of the gases that are sent into the atmosphere coming back to the planet surface in the form of acidic rainfall were covered in the lecture.

Dr. Harvey outlined the problems that Norway and Sweden suffer at the hands of heavily industrialized nations such as Germany and England. He showed slides of the overgrown algae conditions that affect lakes and extensive programs that have been set up to combat the acidification. Spraying lime in the contaminated lakes and across the country side that suffers from acid rain damage. Each time an acid rain falls, lime neutralizes the acidic rain.

Practical questions such as why don't you hear frogs any longer were related to the upset that the ecosystem suffers at the hands low pH precipitation. Dr. Harvey commented that wetlands and swamps get a poor repute from the public. He said that whenever a movie has a moster in it, it always seems to saunter out of a swamp.

One of the problems that scientists in Dr. Harvey's business run into is that government officials place the burden of proof on the shoulders of the scientists. The professor of Zoology said that politicians and other officials use partial scientific truths and ambiguous language to slow down the amount of work that the scientific community can do, slowing the implementation of the technology required to clean the nitrogen and sulfuroxide gases out of the atmosphere prevents the formation of acid rain. International law poses an interesting Catch-22 situation, proof of the damages. Nothing can start in world court until the damage already exists. Once a lake is ruined, it then loses its value, and it is no longer worth saving in the eyes of some officials. In the terms of the court lost resources must be suffered before a country can make a case.

In the minds of some, according to Dr. Harvey, "The solution is dilution," referring to a Canadian factory that prides inself on having the tallest smoke stack in the world. Industrialists' solution to the polluting of the atmosphere was to push the smoke to heights that would keep the obvious smell and sight of the gases away from people.

By saying, "Acid rain knows no political boundaries," the Canadian environmentalist Dr. Harold Harvey showed the combination of political factors and scientific reasoning that are intertwined in this environmental problem that ruins well water, kills off forests and poisons lakes across the globe.



Freshman Kevin Lambert returned from class on Friday afternoon to find his room in Claver moved to the field behind the dormitory by some friends.

[Photo by Cindy Mallin]



Southwell..

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is depriving the students of what was a very positive aspect of Fairfield University by his decision!' Greg Filiano '86, said, "I would really like to know why this was done."

As of yet, there is noplan for replacing the loss in space for Campus Ministry. Yesterday, Fr. Moy met with Mr. Kelley to discuss future plans for Campus Ministry.

Rev. Vincent M. Burns, S.J., Associate Professor of Religious Studies responded to the decision by saying, "I'm very sorry to see them lose this space, especially since it was growing into something so fruitful. It might also say something about our priorities."

Action, a leftist group claimed responsibility for the explosion in the rightist newspaper's office.

Roger Patterson, an American who was reported to have slain in Nicaragua stated that he has not been in Central America since his leaving the region in November. The sandinista government accused him of being connected with a group that states it has not been in association with Patterson.

Kam-mil, an infant forumla, has been recalled by the food and drug administration. William Grigg, a spokesman, stated that formula is deficient in several categories of essential vitamins.

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Archbishop John Roach served a two day sentence for drunk driving. He was sentenced to a thirty day jail term for the offense, but twenty eight of the days were suspended.

A striker by Porters, Janitors, and el voter operators was settled and a contract dispute between the workers and the Philadelphia Inquirer ended.

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The boo of the week goes to the unfortunate decision to remove Southwell Hall from Campus Ministry's grasp...what's more important here—money and development or Christianity?... the paper also has to give a negative comment with respect to the increasing chance that May Day will not exist this year as we have known it over the last couple years... F.U.S.A. has done a fine job with the deficit that they inherited but it is not a good thing to miss a year without this Spring Sensation...

Cheers

Cheers go to the approaching Dogwoods weekend...a dance, a concert, a good time away from worry about the coming end of the academic year...to the F.U.S.A. Drive for Five success rate... it shows good fundraising by the directors of the project and the willingness of the students to give to a good cause-their own tuition...to U2 doing Hartford... excellent talent was never so close...

Mr. S. Bruce Smart, a former corporate executive from Continental Canning Co. explained the nature of both the friendly and unfriendly takeover of business in the last of the three part ethics lectures for the spring. The lecture series, which dealt with integrity



Mr. S. Bruce Smart lectured in the Nursing Auditorium last week on the ethical practices of "friendly" and "unfriendly" takeovers in the business sector.

John P. McAndrew, President of the Foreign and Domestic Teachers Organization is providing information for graduating teachers interested in jobs in the Mid-West, West and overseas. Information can be obtained by writing to The National Teacher's Placement Agency, Universal Teachers, Box 5231, Portland, Oregon 97208. The organization does not promise every graduate in the field of education a definite position, however they do promise to provide them with a wide range of hundreds of current vacancy notices both at home and abroad.

The third program of the School of Graduate and Continuing Education's series of special courses to help nurses update their skills will hold sessions on April 18, and 25, at 6 p.m. It will deal with New Con-

Campus Happenings

omy in Our Brother's Keeper, an upcoming episode of Symposium. Hosted by Rutgers University President Edward M. Bloustein, the broadcast will air Saturday, April 20, at 12 noon on Channel 13.

Sofia Clark, a member of the Foreign Ministry staff in Nicaragua who gave up her American citizenship, will speak at Fairfield University on Wednesday, April 24, at 7 p.m. The talk, open free to the public, will be sponsored by the university's Latin American-Caribbean Studies Program in the School of Nursing Auditorium. Miss Clark, a 1980 graduate of Fairfield University, is the niece of Nicaragua's foreign minister and is visiting the United States to meet with members of Congress.

Interested in going abroad?

in the practice of medicine, law, and business, was run by the Program in Applied Ethics run by Dr. Lisa Newton.

Smart served with a company which was involved in the "friendly" take-over of several small firms, including an oil company. 'We became very diversified," said Smart of the packaging company with which he was associated.

Smart's company was then taken over itself by another company. According to Smart, the friendly take-over involves the maintaining of the corporate culture, but added that in their take-over of other companies they demanded that management clean up the problems that were causing poor performance. Smart commented on the stress involved in the take-over and added that that had led in part to his retirement from business.

Smart stated that Continental was taken over when stock was sold in a single bid auction. Said Smart, "I thought that was the way to get the best price per share." He added that he felt that this would insure that a particular buyer would not get control of the stock."



Dr. James Farnham has been instrumental inorganizing Fairfield's second annual Holocaust Commemoration program to span the week of April 14-21. Look for Features article next week.

Alpha Sigma Selects Candidates

by Chris Tyler

Members from the class of 1986 have recently been named to the candidates list for the prestigious fraternity, Alpha Sigma Nu.

This year's pool of candidates consists of twenty-nine people from four different states.

The candidates are Thad Belfanti, Laura Beloin, Lisa Biagiarelli, Mary Jo Bolger, Debra Carlson, Jennifer De Nuccio, Diane Elliot, Michael Freddino, Jeffery Gill, Debra Griffin, Timothy Kelly, Christina Lamy, Mia Maddox, John Mancici, Thomas Mannio, Raymond Martinelli, Kathleen Mebus, Kristina Newman, Kathryn Perkins, Paul Pronovost, Steven Prunk, Anne Rolison, Mario Romana, Christine Ryan, Elizabeth Steeves, Mary-Beth Summa, Brian Sutton, Barbara Valentine and Kathleen Westburg.

Connecticut is supplying seventeen of the candidates, New York has six, New Jersey has four and Rhode Island, one.



Admissions held the Annual Open House Saturday and Sunday for next year's freshmen. [Photo by Karen Hanley]

cepts in Cardiovascular Nursing and address such topics as diagnosis, drugs in cardiac cases and rehabilitation. Further information is available by calling 255-5411, ext. 2687.

An "Evening of Music" will be held in the Oak Room on Friday evening, April 19, at 8 p.m. The Portland String Quartet will be featured. Admission for students is \$2. For ticket info. call ext. 2644.

Air Bands will be held on Saturday, April 20, in the Oak Room. There will be an informal meeting in the Campus Center Mezzanine coordinated by Mary Beth Ammerman and Leo Ryan on May 2, at 7 p.m. for all those interested.

Compiled by Denise Murphy

American Student Educational Travel, (A.S.E.T.), a non-profit organization sponsoring French student vacations here in the U.S. each summer is in need of good homes for its French students arriving in the area for four weeks this summer (July 15-August 15). The students range in age from 14-19, are both male and female, have studied English for 5-7 years, are fully insured and have their own spending money. Many activities are being planned for the students and their host families during this time. Anyone interested in welcoming France to Connecticut, please call (203) 357-1094.

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in the Campus Center. Look for details there.

A select panel will discuss and debate a recent Roman Catholic Bishops' letter attacking moral inequities in the United States econWith WICC's own Al Warren Saturday, April 27, at 8:30 p.m. Berchmann's Hall of Fairfield Prep B.Y.O.B. set-ups included, coffee served at 12:00 A.M. Tickets: \$15 couple Call Fairfield University 255-5411 Ext. 2497, 2909, 2779

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Evaluations A Must

The subject of faculty evaluations came up at a recent meeting of the general faculty. The Faculty Committee on Evaluation and Review presented a motion for the general faculty's consideration. The motion involved the use of information compiled from the student evaluations.

At the end of each semester, students evaluate their teachers using a twopart form. The top is returned to the teacher and is only examined by that teacher. The bottom section is used by F.U.S.A. in composing the evaluations which are published each semester in the Mirror.

The committee motion stated that the faculty evaluations should also be examined by the respective department chairpersons and deans for review. Furthermore, tenured professors would not be reviewed as frequently as nontenured faculty members. The committee maintained that these changes would provide a framework for goal-setting and review which would help the faculty to improve.

But the faculty rejected this motion overwhelmingly.

Some reasons cited during a discussion prior to the vote were based on the alleged inaccuracy of the data, the unnecessary increase in bureaucracy for the department chairs, and the overall nuisance these evaluations are to a faculty whose primary concern should be to teach. Also mentioned in the discussions was a feeling that the F.U.S.A. evaluations aren't accurate because they change a five-scale system to a 4.0 system to make it easier to understand. This averaging causes concern among the faculty.

The current evaluation system includes a provision which guarantees the individual faculty member the right to refuse to pass out and use the evaluations. Most faculty members participate in the evaluations however.

The committee reported to the general faculty that 80 universities out of 180 surveyed use the system which they recommended here.

Fairfield's population of faculty has been steadily increasing over the last ten years. But the number of professors with tenure has remained relatively constant. Currently, 78% of the actively teaching faculty has achieved the rank of tenure. Therefore, 78% of this university's teaching personality cannot change.

An accurate and public method of evaluating our professors is a must. The F.U.S.A. evaluations provide a great service to our community and should only be improved. But a thorough evaluation system within departments and schools should also be established to insure that the deans and chairs are properly scheduling courses to provide the students with the best education possible.

Letters

Religious Freedom For All

To the Editor:

'Blessed are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake ... ' So many throughout history have been killed because they sought justice and practiced love: Jesus Christ, Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr.-the list is endless. It seems so ironic that those people who bring good to the world are subject to actions that are so evil.

There is a group of people today who seek justice and practice love. Their greatest desire is to live in unity with the world-without prejudice, but with acceptance: without hate, but with love.

They are called Baha'is and they are followers of Baha'u'llah (meaning the "Glory of God"). They believe in one God who has sent down Prophets or Manifestations to mankind throughout history. These include Abraham, Moses, Jesus Christ, Muhammad, Buddha, and others.

Baha'u'llah, Who proclaimed His mission in 1863, is the most recent Manifestation. He taught that all the world's major religions are from God. Unfortunately, like others who have sought

justice and practiced love, the Baha'is too are be-

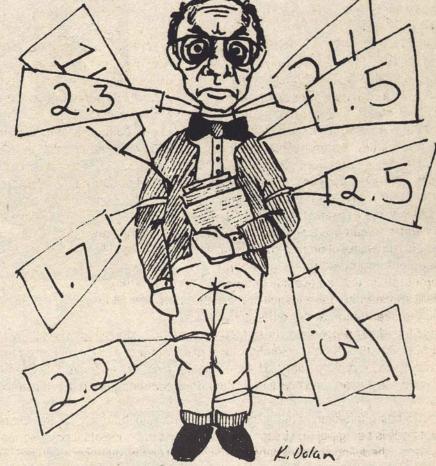
ing persecuted. Where? In Iran, where a so-called religious regime has been in power for the past eight years.

They are being persecuted in almost every way imaginable. Hundreds have been killed: they have been shot, burned, hanged, and subjected to various forms of torture. Women have been raped. They have lost their jobs, their homes, their property. Their children have been expelled from school, simply because they are Baha'is. All that they would have to do in order to escape persecution is say: "I am not a Baha'i." But, much like the earlier Christian martyrs, they would rather die than deny their beliefs of love and unity.

This article is not a plea for material support. We do not even ask that you write a letter to your Congressman. We ask only for the greatest gift one could give-that the Bahai's in Iran be remembered in your prayers. Thank you.

> Peace, Jerry Luciani '85 Dan Dougherty '87





Reagan Policy Is Foreign

by Steven P. Roy

With the headlines of the country's major newspapers flooded with stories dealing with Nicaragua, some seerious questions about the current administration's foreign policy arise. Ronald Reagan justifies the violation of Nicaragua's sovereignty by claiming that relieving the oppression there is more important than its independence. Since when did Reagan become concerned with the lower classes of a foreign country, let alone his own? This is the weakest of his explanations of his policy. If oppression was the real issue, then why don't we intervene with other oppressed peoples, such as those in South Africa, Northern Ireland and as well as Latin American countries? Is freedom from oppression the motive? I think not.

The second excuse: usually Nicaragua presents a threat to it's neighbors. If the president applied his policy to all other areas of the world, U.S. troops would blanket the globe. I'd like to see him try to explain (without the use of cuecards) just how a superpower like the U.S. can be initimidated by Nicaragua. If it is "right in our backyard" how is it possible for us not to be able to defend it's neighbors? If the security of the other Latin American countries was the problem, a little pressure on the Sandinistas would solve it very quickly.

The last explanation for "formenting murder and mayhem" is geopolitics. The "Reagan doctrine" has been called an answer to the "Brezhnev doctrine" which holds that the Soviet Union may violate the rights of other countries in order to protect or expand their sphere of influence. The "Reagan doctrine" is, however, the same belief. Reagan would have you believe that the theory is fine in our situation, but immoral, Atheistic and Marxist on the part of the Soviets'.

What are the U.S.'s real reasons for such interest in Nicaragua? I don't claim to know all the answers, but those that are given by the White House don't satisfy me. And they shouldn't satisfy any tax paying American.

I challenge all the conservatives of this campus (and there are many of them) to find and explain the answers to my questions.

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Just a quick note for the sake of any talented athletes with functioning intellects.

The April 11th issue of the Mirror ran an article entitled, "Buonaguro Takes Charge." A question that the article posed caught my attention and caused some concern. It read: "Is the academic mission of the university becoming compromised to allow for the recruitment of better players?"

From this are we to assume because a student has superior ability and talent, athletically, that the Good Lord chose to withhold any intelligence, just to make things even?!

Are the more successful teams less intelligent and correspondingly unsuccessful teams more intelligent? The Fairfield University Baseball Team is 10-10-1. They must have a pretty fair mix, or maybe the players are just of average mental capacity. But what about their opponents? Maybe the ten teams they beat were just extremely intelligent and of course not very talented. How about the ten losses? Unfortunate, but they

were to extremely unintelligent players and boy could those idiots play!!

Some will say, "Come on, that's baseball." But hockey, too, and basketball, swimming, and tennis are all effected.

The hockey team had over a dozen losses but they only played a few teams that had a brain to share among them, anyway. And the Rugby Team is undefeated

Sounds pretty ridiculous, right? It is. That kind of attitude takes a lot away from intercollegiate sports.

The purpose of Fairfield's athletic programs is to enhance the quality of education for some particularly gifted student athletes and to provide the student body, faculty, fans, and alumni with a tremendous spirit (right, Cathy), common goal, and camaraderie.

The fact is that all the student athletes in attendance at Fairfield University were admitted on the grounds of their academic performance with athletic prowess only a bonus which we should be grateful to have.



Letter Policy

The Mirror welcomes the opinions and comments of its readers. Letters to the Editor can be submitted to Box AA or to the Mirror office in the ground floor of Gonzaga.

All letters to the Mirror must follow the policy set forth by the Editorial Board.

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- Letters must be typewritten on a 20-65 margin, double spaced.
- Letters must be received by 6:00 p.m. Friday evening for publication the following Thursday.
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- Letters which contain personal arguments or replies should be conducted on a face to face basis, so that room can be reserved for more generalized topics.
- 8. The Executive Board shall determine by majority vote which letters shall appear. The Board's decision is final.

May Day Loss Hurts Seniors

This year there will be no May Day. The annual event has been held here for the past several years and has come to be considered a tradition at the university. But as of late, the expense for that tradition has become more and more cumbersome.

Much criticism has been levied against F.U.S.A. for their inability to attract a big name band for Dogwood's concert, some of this perhaps deservingly so. F.U.S.A. has also received criticism for the lack of this year's May Day.

There are a number of reasons, however, for the lack of this tradition's continuation. First and foremost, the student body is reminded of the debt of some \$18,000 that is being disbursed over three years, once again. The limitations of funds has created a serious impediment to F.U.S.A.'s ability to sponsor a May Day. Last year's event cost some \$7,000 of which only \$2,500 was made back in ticket and beverage sales. F.U.S.A. would be forced to charge six dollars per ticket in order to merely break even and this would cut attendance sharply.

In addition, the weekend for which the event was scheduled is also the weekend of numerous on-campus activities, such as Lacrosse games and student run activities. To run an event on that same weekend would mean low attendance and infringement upon the other functions.

Thirdly, the date of the event is determined far in advance. There is no available field space to hold the festivity on another date except for one that will be ruinous to attendance at the other activities.

While the *Mirror* recognizes these factors as being restrictive on the ability to run a May Day this is no consolation for a graduating class. Despite the plea for students to be patient until next year, a senior class is overlooked. For them there is no "next year" and come May, their daily connection with the university is broken.

What is being forsaken is more than a tradition. A social event for the entire student body is being put into suspended animation because of inconvenience. Money and scheduling are formidable obstacles, but can be overcome with proper planning. Foresight on the part of planners, and increased activity fees on the part of financiers are the key to maintaining a tradition and avoiding the reckless abandonment of one fourth of the student body.

Special to the Mirror

Thoughts On 'Star Wars'

by Matthew Benedict

This is the first of a three part series from guest columnist Matthew Benedict.

Galileo, Oppenheimer, and Weinberger were in the Stag-Her Inn yesterday having a few beers and discussing the theory of "Star Wars."

"I don't understand this 'Star Wars' thing," Galileo remarked. "Are you going to make war with the stars?"

"No, no," Weinberger responded. "Star Wars' is a name given by non-military and non-cabinet people to a defensive weapon system."

"Defensive system. Bah!" Oppenheimer retorted. "Anything dealing with nuclear weapons is offensive."

"No it isn't," Weinberger replied. "It is going to protect us from incoming nuclear weapons launched by hostile Russian enemies." The three sat silent for some time. Weinberger and Oppeheimer were staring at one another, while Galileo was musing into his beer. He looked up and asked, "How could man have reached such a low that he could actually consider doing this to his fellow man?"

"It is not as Oppenheimer says," Weinberger responded.

"Well, you explain it to me," Galileo demanded. Weinberger cautiously spoke: "We need to protect this great land of ours, and move ahead of the Russians in all areas — Arts, Sciences, Business. Especially the Military, offensively and defensively."

"But do you wish to jeopardize the world also?" Oppenheimer asked.

"It is this way," Weinberger explained. "We will need to buy time so we can send our missiles. This weapon would buy us that time."

"Time for what, to destroy the human race?" Oppenheimer asked.

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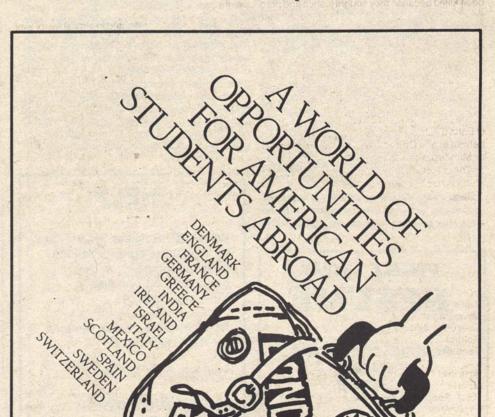
F.U.S.A. Straight Talk Will Share Doubts, Concerns

by Jim English

Do you ever wonder why F.U.S.A. works as it does? What are its strengths, its weaknesses, and where it is headed in the coming year? I think I have the solution to how you can find the answers to these questions.

Please make it a point to check out my weekly column, which will appear in the *Mirror* each week throughout my term as F.U.S.A. President. I encourage you to share your doubts, concerns, and hopes for F.U.S.A. so that we can strive to make Fairfield better for all of us. I believe the best way you can make our university better is to become involved in one or more of the various committees of F.U.S.A. With your participation, we can live up to our full potential: to be the very best place to receive a college education in the country.

Please don't hesitate to contact me in the F.U.S.A. office, write to me at Box P, or call me at X2313 to express your opinion. As soon as you point out a need that F.U.S.A. can address to enhance the quality of life at Fairfield, we can continue to grow and make the lives of all of us more enriching.



"But what do stars have to do with 'defensive weapons'?" Galileo asked.

"I'll tell you," Oppenheimer began. "The people who developed and proliferated nuclear weapons never thought of using them. Now the U.S. wishes to build a gun in space to destroy incoming missiles."

"But in space?" Galileo asked. "How can a gun be in space?"

"It would be placed on a huge platform," Weinberger answered, "that would circle the Earth in a protective orbit of the U.S."

"But you see," Oppenheimer interupted, "there are a few problems with the idea. Firstly, missiles don't fly in space."

"So the missiles would be shot at, destroyed, and disintegrate into scraps of metal somewhere in the sky?" Galileo asked.

"Exactly," Weinberger responded.

"Not quite," Oppenheimer continued. "Secondly, what people fail to realize is the destroyed missile does not fall to Earth like the wreckage of a plane in a John Wayne war movie. Rather, the warhead is detonated also, spreading radiation into the atmosphere."

"That's a lie!" Weinberger shouted.

"And lastly," Oppenheimer concluded, "there would be more than one missile shot down. Consequently, more radiation spread."

Weinberger did not answer. Galileo spoke: "Tell me, Weinberger, how can you use this gun? Explain to me the plans, the logistics."

"Well you see," Weinberger stammered, "we're still only debating the idea in public and in Congress. But research will begin..."

"What?" Galileo interrupted. "You have not begun research and you are already using it to defend and attack? That's absurd!"

"Grotesque is more like it," Oppenheimer chuckled.

"But we're sure," Weinberger weakly explained, "it will work and be more accurate than anything the Russians have or will have."

"I don't want to hear anymore arrogance," Galileo angrily replied. "You tell me of placing guns in my heavens to shoot down missiles which poison the Earth. You are poisoned Weinberger. I dread the day you or anyone has to use warheads and space guns."

Galileo angrily exited the Stag-Her Inn. Oppenheimer watched Weinberger for some time and finally asked, "Don't you think of consequences?"

"No," Weinberger vacantly replied while staring into space. "Only defense. And the best defense is an overwhelming offense."

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by David Wunsch

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The loss of Vietnam was supposed to start a whole row of dominoes toppling onto the communist side of the game board. Indochina, Thailand and the Malay Peninsula were to fall first, then Indonesia. Eventually, Americans might have to fight on the beach at Waikiki. A succession of U.S. political leaders warned of such disasters unless America stood fast in Vietnam. Quite obviously, they were mistaken.

If anything, the dominoes beyond Indochina have fallen the other way. Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew feels that Southeast Asia's noncommunist economics are blossoming. Vietnam, by contrast, is at odds with China, mired in Cambodia and unable to produce food enough for its own people. Domino theorists were right when they warned that Hanoi aimed to dominate Laos and Cambodia. Where they were wrong was to assume the wave of unyielding communism was the prime threat to regional stability. To the contrary, the example of Vietnam and of today's unrest in the Phillippines argues that it is more often rot from within that threatens the region's

stability.

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Why did the last act in Southeast Asia turn out so differently? For one thing, China's split with the Soviet Union drastically altered the strategic equation. It put to rest the conventional wisdom that Peking was Moscow's puppet. Nor was Vietnam a mere stalking ground for Chinese imperialism. That theory was clearly disproved in 1979, when Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia triggered a brief but bitter war between Vietnam and China. Peking has also withdrawn its material support for Asia's communist guerrillas, with the exception of Cambodia's Khmer Rouge.

Without question, U.S. friends in the region benefitted from America's intervention in Indochina. Some argue that the crucial turning point came in 1965 when Lyndon Johnson first committed combat troops to Vietnam. This move they claim indirectly took leftist pressure off Thailand. In the same year, a communist coup in Indonesia collapsed. William Sullivan, former U.S. ambassador to Laos and the Philippines, believes Peking was much humbled by the coup's failure. In the six months that followed, the Indonesian army massacred an estimated 300,000 Indone-

Focus On POLITICS

Tax Shelters: Can They Be Stopped?

by David Wunsch

Another April 15th has passed and millions of tax returns flood the Internal Revenue centers. Nothing fascinates the IRS more than to see how the \$20 billion tax-shelter industry is faring. It is the one thriving American enterprise that the Reagan adminsitration would love to shrink. Last year, Congress passed a law that gave the IRS new powers to crack down on these abuses. IRS agents are being deployed to scrutinize shelter deductions. Last November the Treasury Department struck, unveiling its proposal for a overhaul of the nation's entire tax system. This included an attack on shelters.

This move chilled shelter sales particularly in the popular real-estate market. This drop was only temporary because in January of this year, sales had increased drastically. Investors realized that any changes in tax rules would not be retroactive, meaning that any legitimate shelter they got into today would continue to benefit their tax returns over the life of the particular program.

There are still uncertainties in the shelter trades. Real estate investors may not have to worry about their deductions in coming years, but they

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Many investors are putting their money in deals that promise high income rather than big deductions, which the government wants them to do. At Paine Webber, for example, the sales of public partnerships which are sold in units as small as \$5000 and often emplasize income, are running 60% over 1984. Private partnerships are down 50% because the new rules are strict on them

The heyday of outrageous tax-shelters appears to be over. People are now realizing that you can't get away with flaky deals that are tax motivated rather than economicaly motivated. As a result of last year's tax bill, it is more difficult to claim huge tax deductions. Promoters must now register any plan that offers deductions that far exceed the amount of the investment. The names of the investors must be listed too. It is the IRS's job to review these programs and rate which ones are abusive. Already 69 deals have been rated abusive. The people who invested in the deals will now have their writeoffs challenged. This attack on shelters now provides for shelters of sorts for people who do not invest in these programs.



sian communists. Peking realized this was a grasp that was not in their reach.

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The standing dominoes also benefitted in more direct ways from America's intervention. Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore have prospered partly because the war brought American bases, freespending GI's, businessmen and a flood of American investments to the area. Still with this positive development in the area, many still worry about Hanoi's ultimate ambitions. In particular, Vietnam's persistant dry-season offensives in Cambodia. These offensives put pressure on neighboring Thailand.

What then have American policymakers learned from years of miscalculation in Southeast Asia? This domino theory carried with it a special curse, which was the ability to blind it to different realities. Today the domino theory has an antithesis which is the notion that every Third World struggle, whether in El Salvador, Angola or the Philippines, is "another Vietnam" to be avoided at all costs. That new prejudice is as absurd as the old. Unhappily, America can seldom choose between good and evil but must make the best of a long and much more confusing array of global challenges.



Triumph And Disgrace

by David Wunsch

A wonderful little coach named Rollie Massimino bounded in front of his Villanova bench, controlling play with hand signals and a swirling ballet of emotions. Effervescent point guard Gary McLain exuded joy every time as he dribbled through the Georgetown defense. For four years Villanova's seniors called themselves the "expansion crew," self-styled underdogs who had to work and scratch for everything they got. Last week in Lexington, they got it all. The National Championship. Villanova 66, Georgetown 64.

It was a moment to treasure, with the improbable winners hugging and shouting and the losers offering a dignified backdrop: none other than superstar Pat Ewing led the Georgetown applause. But the happy noise of college baskeball soon faded in the wake of an ugly gambling scandal. Tulane University president Eamon Kelly announced that the school would drop its disgraced basketball program.

If the student-athletes of Villanova and Georgetown gave us a shining lesson in how to do things right, Tulane provided a tawdry example of get-

ting it wrong. Coach Ned Fowler and two assistants resigned after Fowler admitted under-thetable payments to athletes. Then a grand jury indicted eight persons, including three players, for fixing two Tulane games this season. The players were paid in cash and cocaine. One of them, star center John Hot Rod Williams, may now pay by forfeiting a large pro-contract. Gambling and drugs, quick bucks and twisted priorities: Tulane basketball got it all.

Prosecuters emphasized that the coach's illegal payoffs had nothing to do with the fixed games. Technically, the statement is correct. Ethically, it misses the point. Reputable coaches, including Massimino and John Thompson, have long warned of the hazards of anything-goes recruiting. Once any ballplayer has been promised a fake curriculum of a no-show summer job, he may find it tempting to go on to shoe boxes filled with cash, offers of cocaine, even suggestions that he shave a few points. Tulane's was the second gambling scandal in the last four years. There will be more unless the honest coaches keep proving that cheating doesn't really have much to do with championships.

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by Celia Kane

In 1983 President Reagan launched a Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), nicknamed "Star Wars." It was designed as a way to provide a space based, advanced anti-missile system operable sometime in the future. In the eyes of its supporters it will render nuclear weapons obsolete, and put into practice the theory of "defense dominance." This sounds humanitarian enough but its supporters have failed to look at the entire situation, should this policy be implemented.

The Soviets and other opponents of SDI see it as aggressive rather than defensive, in that it would radically alter the strategic balance in favor of the United States by neutralizing Moscow's superiority in offensive missiles. A superiority existing only in terms of quantity, not quality. For it is true that the Soviet Union has more throw weight than the United States, but when comparing the two superpowers on the basis of accuracy and quality the United States is clearly dominant.

The idea of the United States with a working SDI has the Soviets scared. They feel the United States will have open reign on their territory, creating an imbalance of enormous proportions. This imbalance will put an end to counterforce weapons (the present Soviet doctrine), encourage a buildup, increase the desire to launch on warning. This statement is further supported by the head of the Soviet Foreign Ministry Press Department, Vladimir Lomeiko. On March 5, 1985, he was quoted as saying in the Washington Post,

"when Germany attacked without warning in 1941...Hitler was convinced that he was stronger than the Soviet Union. We do not want history to repeat itself and for that reason we will not allow anyone to have superiority over us again."

Since SDI would affect only those weapons requiring an atmospheric trajectory, the Soviets may shift to building more bombers and cruise missiles which would not be affected by the Star Wars system. If SDI will only lead to aggression we must wonder why its creation is even being considered. Presently, it is only remotely visible in the minds of scientists and often it is dismissed as pure fantasy. A possible reason for its consideration is technology. We cannot ignore technological advancements, but the United States cannot keep atop these advancements either, (eg. in 1969 we developed MIRV's-multiple independently targetable re-entry vehicles-and so eventually did the Soviets). Yet we must not allow them to shape our policy. Because Americans are fascinated with the gadgets produced by technology, public opinion has become an integral part of the debate concerning SDI. It has been observed that the majority of public opinion comes from the way a president presents his case. The case of Mr. Reagan is an interesting one. He offers us SDI

to tame that New Frontier-space. Also, his rhetoric stresses the necessity of strength and virility. both of which are reminiscent of the military. In the United States militarism is being equated with patriotism

Yet it must be understood that the procurement of any new weapons system does not achieve any new military objective that could not have been sought after by conventional forces. It only increases the chances of nuclear build up and nuclear war. If this system fails to achieve 100% effectiveness, then according to United States doctrine we are back where we started from, the point of mutual assured destruction (MAD). A point which renders both sides mutually inferior because there can be no superiority.

On the other hand some proponents of SDI believe that it need not be 100% effective: it need only deter. SDI can be used as a form of intimidation, a way to let the Soviets know that we have the upper hand. Then we can use this trump card to begin actual reductions of nuclear weapons. This argument cannot prove valid since the Soviets believe in the possibility of a limited nuclear war, a definite result of their history. If a nation can overcome the 20 million deaths experienced in WWII, it must have an enormous instinct of survival. This is also revealed in their extensive civil defense programs. Also, it can be noted that intimidation often causes insecurity and their way of overcoming that insecurity would be through a buildup, thus hastening a nuclear confrontation.

It seems as though SDI supports the idea of the arms race as a spending race. Where we encourage the Soviet Union to match us. In effect, saying to them, we will destroy your economy before you destroy ours.

Finally, the most important question is, whether we want space to be a battleground or a sanctuary? Can we remove the effects of nuclear weapons from Earth by using and destroying them in space? No! To do this would only convince ourselves that nuclear weapons control us, we no longer control them. We are shown the dawn of the atomic age in its true colors. It was a time in history that caused a parasitic reaction, one that we are paying for now. It is like a tapeworm in our stomachs-the more it is fed, the larger it grows and the mroe destructive it becomes. Until eventually, it kills. As Freeman Dyson stated in his book, Weapons and Hope, "Those who fight for freedom with the technology of death end by living in fear of their own technology."

Why Did Reagan Become A Believer?

by David Wunsch

During the first two years of his term, Ronald Reagan rarely immersed himself in the advancement of nuclear issues. The complexity of the issue seemed to be a bother to him. What did intrigue him was whether there was an alternative to Mutual Assured Destruction. To Reagan, MAD was the equivalent of two men dueling one another.

The President was very attentive to the arguments of Edward Teller and other advocates of new systems of defense. On the other side of Washington, the Defense and State Departments subscribed to the traditional defense deterrence. National Security Adviser William Clark felt that any new type of defense would wrench the government. When Teller met with the President in September of 1982, Clark was there to pose skeptical questions so that he could undercut the scientist's presentation.

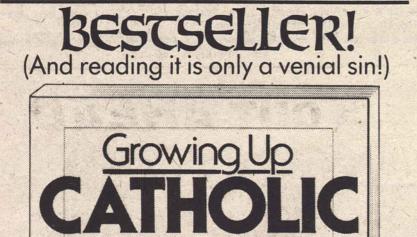
Reagan was indifferent. Weeks after this presentation, Clark's own deputy, Robert McFarlane, started to move in the opposite direction of his boss. McFarlane was worried about a breakdown of U.S. military policy. The nuclear freeze movement was gaining ground in Congress and the arms talks were going nowhere. McFarlane could foresee a time when the Soviets might gain in the arms race. McFarlane succeeded Clark as National Security Adviser in October 1983

McFarlane wanted to intorduce a defensive research program that would attract attention at home and be useful in Geneva. Reagan was quite receptive to this program. Admiral James Watkins, Chief of Naval Operations joined McFarlane's bandwagon. This gave him credibility. The two combined ideas and came up with a document called the "freedom from fear."

McFarlane's next move was to introduce this document to Reagan. The advances in defensive technology were so promising that the President then threw his weight behind it. This document validated the Pesident's convictions that there had to be a way out of the MAD trap. It reassured his faith in U.S. science and industry. Reagan wanted these ideas pursued promptly

Reagan was eager to spread the word. Reagan wanted to convey what he called, "a vision of the future that offers hope." Reagan's enthusiasm was enough to silence the doubts of the chain of command. He was now engaged in nuclear affairs as never before. He had drastically changed his U.S. strategic policy.





Political Currents

The White House has promised an all-out drive to win the Senate vote on "humanitarian aid" for Nicaragua's contra rebels. Aides to the President are rationing his personal efforts. They fear the mer will be carrying nuclear weapons. Chinese measure might be defeated and want to preserve his energy for other key fights.

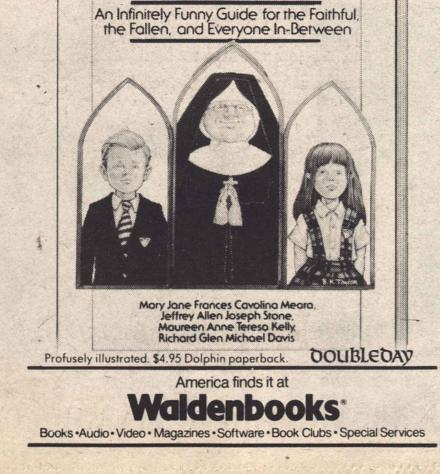
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Walt Disney Productions has agreed to underwrite a new record and rock video starring children to raise money for Ethiopia. The brainchild

Senior American officials are puzzled by the controversy over whether or not the U.S. Navy ships slated to stop in Shanghai later this sumofficials last week said they had been reassured that no nuclear carrying vessels would visit the port

The Northrop Corp. has finally found a customer for its F-20 fighter - the Air National Guard

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of the project, L.A. disc jockey Sonny Melendrez, will have 25 to 30 children of various ethnic backgrounds sing "We Are the World" in their native languages.

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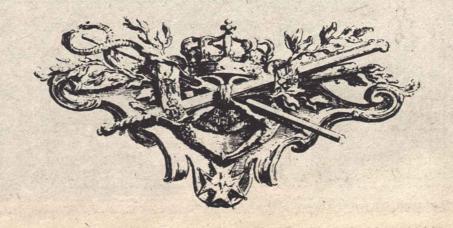
With sparks flying between the U.S. and Japan over trade relations, some senior administration officials think it is time for Ambassador Mike Mansfield to retire. Mansfield has not given any indication of retiring. If he does the leading candidate to replace him would be Gaston Sigur, a National Security Aide.

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But the Air Force, which dictates what the Guard can buy, insists on sticking with General Dynamics' costlier F-16. Northrop needs a major U.S. sale if they are to persuade any allied government to buy their planes.

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Federal regulators and airline officials expect fewer nerve-jamming flight delays this summer Among the reasons: airlines are purposely setting their schedules to avoid bunching takeoffs and landings in the same few hours, more air traffic controllers will be on the job, and new com puters will help forecast potential problems.



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One Drive For Five benefit was the Beach Party.

F.U.S.A.'s Ambitious G

by Stephen J. Humes

The only sound in the F.U.S.A. office was the hissing thermostat which was regulating the heat pumping into the room. Outside, the Friday afternoon crowd was milling through the Campus Center. It was late January—cold and snowy. But it was hot inside the newly renovated F.U.S.A. offices.

Among others present, were Fran Kenneally, F.U.S.A. president; Phil McCarthy, membership coordinator; and Chris Ritchie, chairman of the forming Drive For Five campaign.

Fran wasn't smiling. He wasn't saying much at all. He knew that this was it. This meeting would make or break his efforts to establish an endowment scholarship fund in F.U.S.A.'s name — a goal he'd had since he ran for president the year before.

"What kept racing through my mind was that this was it. With each passing day and week, we were missing chances to do it, chances to reach our goal," said Fran.

The goal was to raise \$5,000 for financial assistance in the form of an endowment. The benefit of using an endowment is that it will always last. Each year, only the interest earned can be used for scholarship, the principle remains untouched.

"I spoke differently than Chris had ever seen me before. I was intensely committed to our goal and I wanted to encourage him. My attitude gave him some excitement."

Fran continued, "Chris gave me ten ideas for fund raisers and he picked the four best and we went with those. I noticed he was very excited. He saw the ideas and was ready to go. Chris was the catalyst because he was the one who really showed the enthusiasm." That January meeting is a distant memory now. With Saturday's Airbands event, F.U.S.A. hopes to exceed the goal of \$5,000. The current balance sheet reads \$4,300. Last year's airbands grossed over \$1,200. Therefore, the goal will be reached with a successful airband event.

One significant contribution came from alumni who presented a check for \$1,000 at the leadership banquet which was held several weeks ago. Another outside contribution came from Alpha Sigma Nu, who awarded F.U.S.A. \$600 in the form of a challenge grant. That money would not be awarded to F.U.S.A. if they fell short of their goal.

Fran said, "If it wasn't for Alpha Sigma Nu and the Alumni Association, we probably would not have been successful in reaching our goal."



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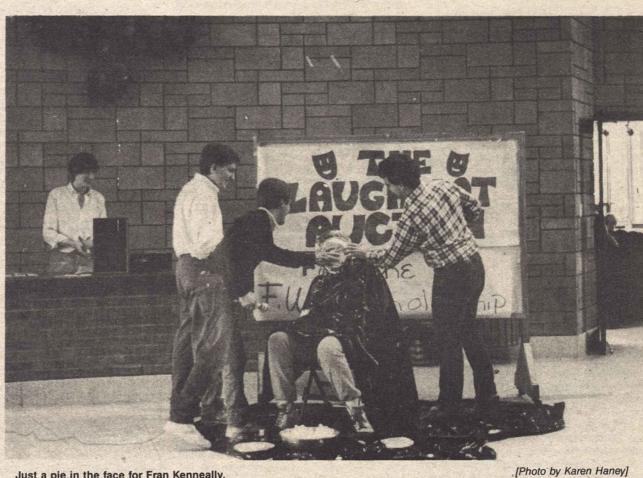
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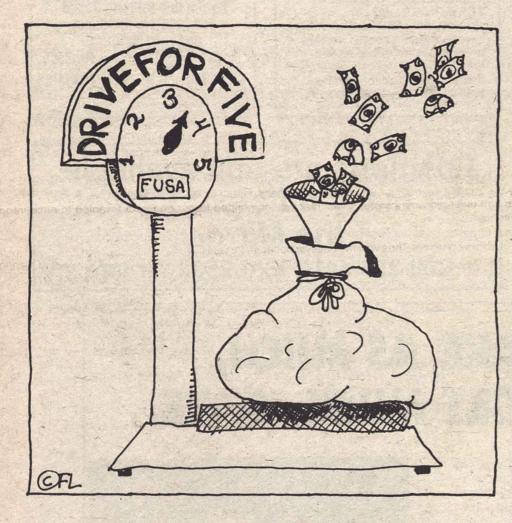
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Just a pie in the face for Fran Kenneally.



Still To Come . -



As the last part of the Drive For Five cam-paign, this Saturday F.U.S.A. is sponsoring the fourth Air Bands competition. This annual favorite has sold out each time and factures students miniaking their

time and features students mimicking their favorite musicians. Prizes are awarded for the best performers. F.U.S.A. will provide soda and snacks.

The airbands event will be the event which puts F.U.S.A. over the \$5,000 mark in the

Drive For Five campaign. Tickets for this event go on sale today in the Campus Center lobby. Price for admis-sion is \$3.00 for students and \$2.00 for siblings.

Drive For Five Chairman Chris Ritchie was responsible for organizing the campaign. [Photo by Michelle Byrd]



The Drive For Five Committee, left to right, Lyn Accardo, Tracey Conaty, Tina Maciag, Eileen Ellis, is completing plans for Saturday's Airbands Event. [Photo by Michelle Byrd] [Photo by Michelle Byrd]

English Club Returns

by Nancy Cusack

You may have forgotten that the English Club at Fairfield University exists, and that's not surprising. Last year, the only event scheduled was a small party at the beach. But this year, things are different

Mia Maddox (class of 1986) began to reconstruct the club this January. Dr. Marianne Regan accepted the position of moderator. In early February, the club held elections for officers, and Ms. Maddox was voted chairman with Carla Angelone and Paul Dolan as co-sub-chairs. They decided that the purpose of the English Club would be to provide a mix of social and academic functions for students interested in literature and writing, regardless of major.

The English Club has been true to that goal. In March, Dr. Farnham gave a lecture on the benefits and career opportunities of the English

major. A social was held in the townhouses for club members and anyone interested in joining the club. A videotaped production of the musical "Sweeney Todd" was shown free of charge in Canisius. And most recently, club officers talked with some of the prospective members of the class of 1989 about the English major at Fairfield at the Freshman Open House last weekend.

Events planned for the future include a trip to a Broadway musical and more guest lectures. A primary goal for next year is to charter a chapter of an English honor society.

"I'm very enthusiastic about the club," says Ms. Maddox. "It hasn't been very active in the past, but I think this year has seen a change. Next year will be even better because we'll have more time to plan events and fundraisers.

New members are always welcome. Look for signs announcing the next meeting.

Truths About Tanning

by Eileen Colangelo

After spring break, many students returned to Fairfield, glowing and healthy, sporting a golden tan. Now, as modern technology moves us ever forward to sun lamps and tanning beds, most health and fitness clubs offer these tanning services, either as part of a package deal or for an additional fee. Many people are beginning to use these tanning services as a way of preserving and maintaining their spring break tans, and getting a head start on their summer color.

But with all the recent uproar in the news linking various forms of skin cancer with the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays, the inevitable question comes to mind when considering regular visits to these tanning facilities: How safe is it? Will there be any harmful long term effects on my skin?

In Fairfield, two of the most popular places to go for a half hour of warmth and a few days of color are Tanique and Gloria Stevens Health and Fitness Club. Although they are obviously out to sell their service and therefore must make it sound good, they claim that the tanning beds are much better for your skin than the rays you'd receive lying on a sandy beach.

The reason for this is the rays in the tanning beds are filtered, so that a person lying in one receives only 10-15% of the rays one would receive on a beach. The rays used in these tanning sessions are "tan rays" rather than "burn rays," which assures customers even with the fairest skin that they will not get a sunburn.

However, precisely because these rays are filtered, it takes a customer much longer to get a tan than if the person were tanning in the sun. This is beneficial to the tanning salons, though, since you have to go there more often to get the same effect as the sun, so they make more money!

In the absence of any research on the long term effects of tanning sessions, the common sense approach to take for those of us who use these tanning facilities is moderation.

by Marybeth Ammerman

Who Needs Pinstripes?

The interviewer stared me straight in the eyes and asked, "Where do you plan to be in five years?" How am I supposed to know? I don't even know where I'll be in one year.

The interviewer didn't strike me as being a very personable man. Maybe it's because he hasn't seen beyond the bars of the business world. Was he one of those unfortunate people who has fallen into the pit-the go-with-the-flow movement that has plagued many young people and has led them into the paths of boredom and monotony?

"I am not content with the fact that I should feel obligated to find a job right now. No, I'm not lazy and I'm not out of a job because I'm just a 'silly English Major.""

By no means do I want to fall into that trap: being obliged to conform to the demands of our highly business-oriented society. I am not a conformist at heart and do not intend to become one.

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High school, College, Find a job, Who says that the order of things has to go in exactly that way? I have a resume and I have been interviewed. I am not content with the fact that I should feel obligated to find a job right now. No, I'm not lazy and I'm not out of a job because I'm just a "silly English Major.'

I can see far beyond the bars, graphs and dollar signs into a world that recognizes the different varieties of personality: a world that rejoices in the "fresh touches" of life that are more than skin deep, not just the first impressions of a pinstriped suit.

I'm going to work in Europe for a few months after I graduate. Maybe after that I'll begin classes towards a graduate degree. The executives say that I should have experience in the working world before I jump into graduate studies. Experience in the working world? How about experience in the real world-cultures, religions, great cuisines, and, most of all, people?

I don't know where I will be in five years, SIR. I do know, though, that I'll delve deep beyond the impersonal, stuffy executive and take time out to experience those pleasures in life that are so often overlooked by the aggressive conformist.





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MaryBeth Curtis Gets A Standing Ovation

by Melissa Campanelli

On Thursday, April 11th, MaryBeth Curtis concluded her one-woman show in the Oak Room to a standing ovation. Needless to say, it was marvelous. The petite senior from Braintree, Mass. has a voice that was made specificaly for singing. It's hard to believe that she didn't discover it until she was a sophomore in high school. That was the year, she says, that "my father told Sister Corona, the high school play director, that he thought his daughter could sing." She auditioned and got a part in the school play, and the bug bit her.

Last year, Miss Curtis put on a concert similar to this one, but the songs were much more familiar. This year, however, she went through a diverse selection of records with Tom Zingarelli. and came out with a great assortment of old and new songs, ballads and more "up" tunes, and dramatic songs. The songs, she says, "were not just pretty ones."

Miss Curtis opened her first set with "Johnny One Note," which was a good choice for an opener, because it gave the audience a chance to sample her great range, tone and tempo. Next came "Make No Mistake He's Mine," and "As Time Goes By," two ballads, the former a new song and the latter an old classic. Following these songs, came "There Are Worse Things I Could Do," which showed Miss Curtis' ability to add drama to her singing. "Cabaret," the show-stopper which came next gave Liza Minelli a run for the money. This song showed off one of Miss Curtis' finest qualities: the great emotion she adds to each song. She sings each one as if it were her very own. Next came the ballad "Believe In Me," and after this, "Adelaide's Lament," which she sang with a nasal, Brooklyn accent, imitating the character from the play Guys and Dolls. This song showed her sense of humour, and was definitely a highlight. She ended her first set with three strong, slower ballads.

Miss Curtis' favorite types of songs to sing are ones with good lyrics, songs you can "get into;"

yet, she loves to belt it out and the original array of songs she chose definitely backs this up. All of the songs were great to listen to, not just because of her great voice, but because of the story behind each one.

Miss Curtis' second set was a type of "operetta," which told a story between its spoken dialogue and its songs. It was the story of a young girl who wanted to become a star (MaryBeth herself?), and got on a train to New York to seek her dream. She sang of her hard life, her auditions, her lovers, her first job, and finally her dream that has turned into a reality: she has become her star. Throughout the set, her acting ability shines through, as does her confidence. At one point, she leaps into the audience, and sings to them. She certainly is a commanding presence as she sings excerpts from Evita's "Don't Cry For Me Argentina," and Cats' "Memory." The end of the set shows how her career is going downhill; nobody wants her anymore, and she expresses her disgust and disillusionment with the showbusiness industry as a whole. The standing ovation I spoke of earlier came next, followed by a look of pure joy on MaryBeth's face. An encore finished off the evening. This, I feel, was the highlight of the show. MaryBeth's visiting brother came on stage and joined her in a very special duet. She closed the encore with "Wind Beneath My Wings," a definite "thinking song." All in all, the show was spectacular. One of the greatest things about MaryBeth is her rapport with the audience. She spoke to the audience between every number, and made everyone feel very much at home.

After graduation, MaryBeth plans to work at home for a year, in an effort to make enough money for her to go to New York and pursue her dream of success in the entertainment field.

MaryBeth feels that although Fairfield isn't world-reknown for its drama department, she doesn't regret coming here at all. The small program gave her a lot of individual attention, and she learned many tips about performing that she would never have gotten anywhere else.









MaryBeth Curtis on stage last Thursday.

[Photo by Karen Haney]

Fashion Fairfield

ve La French Cuff by Barbara Murray

Monsieur Ennui abhors French cuffs. An executive who travels a lot, he finds them terribly bothersome and inconvenient. Trip by trip, however, he's managed to rid himself of the burden of bejeweling his cuffs, by always seeing to it that he returns home, one French-cuffed shirt short. At last count, he'd disposed of three this way: One is now washing windows at the Tmonaco Hilton in Caracas, another is dusting furniture at the Hyde Park Hotel, London and the third is dressing a Bombay Indian with the help of another man's suit. Monsieur has since replaced each with the more pragmatic button model.

The tragedy of all this is that Monsieur will soon be left with a stocked treasure chest of cufflinks with no purpose in life. Without French cuffs, cufflinks have nothing to link.

One bright 7th Avenue merchandiser did come up with the idea for a convertible cuff, one that can be buttoned, but also accommodates

fashion statement, not even a practical businessman like Monsieur Ennui. He refuses to compromise his standards of dress by investing in a wealth of rootless hybrids with no real heritage of their own. Orphans of the shirt world, convertible cuffs are destined to fail in the marketplace.

So, Monsieur Ennui is still left with a quantity of gemmed links with nothing to link themselves to. Who will be heir to his onyx, his rubies, his diamonds?

The best solution, of course, would be for him to lend them to his wife. At a time when women's fashion is celebrating a resurgence of the mantailored look, they would be the perfect addition to her wardrobe. Cufflinks would add elegance to her suits and elan to "that exquisite little smoking jacket from Chanel" she's got hanging in the back of her closet

The idea wouldn't be new by any means. For years, women have been borrowing from the boys to liven up their wardrobes, everything from letwing collars. John Duka, in a New York Times article last spring on trends in women's fashion, wrote, "Androgyny which periodically lifts its two heads, is lifting them again ... " He also observed that the trend appears to be continuing. The feminine urge to masculinize women's wear with men's is especially obvious when it comes to accessories. Women have shed their "baby-faced" watches for over-sized models with wide reptile bands. Strip sandals came off; oxfords went on. Pill boxes gave way to fedoras; straw bonnets to straw boaters; and cufflinks wait breathless in the wings. Women first started wearing cufflinks during the forties, a decade in fashion synonymous with man-tailoring and the men's wear look for ladies. Shirts with French cuffs were sold with links attached, however. The jewelry wasn't separate, nor was it very good. Costume disks, the size of frisbees, hung from cuffs like ornaments from a Christmas tree. The idea was right; the look was all wrong. Eighties ladies have another crack at French cuff wear. Though the number of women's shirt manufacturers who offer French cuffs is few, they do exist. Arrow and Manhattan are best bets, as they also produce shirts for men. French cuffs for ladies are difficult, but not impossible to find. Madame will find her shirt, and once she does, she'll be more than glad to take her husband's cufflinks off his hands, so she can use them to decorate her own.



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Howard Jones' 'New' Songs

by Kenneth Jordan

I was seated in Section 304 of the Nassau Coliseum on Wednesday night, April 3 at about 9:15 p.m. when suddenly the lights grew dim and the crowd immediately roared its delight upon hearing the tuning of guitars and seeing four familiar figurs on the stage. They (of course, meaning U2—Bono, The Edge, Adam Clayton, and Larry Mullen, Jr.) instantly reacted to the crowd by playing their familiar "11 O'Clock Tick-Tock," with lead singer Bono's inspired voice booming up to the rafters of the Coliseum. It was at this point that my roommate turned to me and said, "They seem so programmed, they don't

seem into it." To err is human, to rock divine. After the opening riff, the four musicians from Dublin, Ireland moved into "I Will Follow," one of their more popular singles. As they followed up with other hits, like "Sunday, Bloody Sunday," "New Year's Day," "Pride," and "Gloria," I became aware of a certain chemistry that was developing between Bono and the crowd. This was something I had never really experienced before at a rock concert, and something that is quite rare in today's world of screaming rock bands. This "chemistry" reached its climax when Bono took the time before the band played "Bad" to tell the crowd what the song was about. He told the story of his friend in Ireland who, for his 21st birthday, received as a gift from his girlfriend enough heroine to kill him. At this point in the concert, everyone stood in complete silence and stared in the general direction of Bono and the stage. I realize now what people mean when they say a performer has "stage presence": Bono possesses it, and in a very classy way.

The concert also featured an Irish flag brought forward from the crowd to the stage, where Bono

did his Superman impression, draping the flag across his back. Another added feature was Bono bringing two girls on stage, dancing with them, kissing both of their cheeks, and escorting them back to their front-row seats. And, all along, there was the consistent rapid-fire guitar work of The Edge, and the professional bass work and drumming of Clayton and Mullen.

For those who think that U2 is just a "rebel" band, check them out the next time they come into town. They perform with a certain quality that is to be appreaciated in today's materialistic world: heart.



U2- 'Pride' of the Irish

by Shiree Rustom

A couple of months back, I remember hearing a song or two off of Howard Jones' new album, *Dream Into Action*, on the new wave radio station enlightened, Long Islanders listen to (I won't scream any names). I was immediately hooked. New Howard Jones tunes were just the thing I'd been waiting for, only I didn't know it. His first album, *Human's Lib*, was such an impressive debut that the new music world expected great things from this master of keyboards and synthesizers. They got more than they bargained for.

The first release that got frequent airplay, "Things Can Only Get Better," is the kind of tune you can't ever really get out of your head. Plain and simple, it's a fun song with an optimistic message and an extremely danceable beat. Now that MTV has gotten hold of it, I can't wait to see it climb the charts. Howard Jones' previous releases have had a nice balance between optimism and foreboding, and he remains true to form on the new album. The beautiful keyboard work on "Elegy" is set off by haunting cello lines so uncharacteristic of Jones' music that a listener can't avoid being surprised and moved. Jones' powerful singing voice gets a well-deserved showing on this particular track.

An unexpected touch of reggae finds its way into two songs, namely "Life In One Day" and "Like to Get to Know You." The former has a moral to teach in a story-like sing-along form using powerful percussion for an extremely catchy beat. The latter is one of my favorites. It must be the steel drums in the background that give it its special feel. This particular track is the one you'll keep singing over and over in your head once you've heard the tape.

In an April '84 concert at The Ritz in NYC, Howard Jones said he attempts to perform "Bounce Right Back" with an American accent. It's such a great tune, but it would be so excellent with his great English brogue. The song has a great bass line and was a real crowd-pleaser at The Ritz. Some of the most beautiful original piano work I've heard in a long time is on the track "Assault and Battery." I'm still trying to figure out the title's connection with the lyrics, though. There are so many surprising and original touches in this song. It will go from delicate piano solos to heavy keyboard work and switch just as quickly to a children's chant. I find its appeal in its selfcontained variety.

Other tracks worth mention are "No One is to Blame" and "Look Mama," both more than up to par. This album is a more than adequate followup to Howard Jones' amazing debut. I think it surpasses it in style and sheer talent. Seeing his lively stage presence on the Grammys this year, I'm more than psyched for a possible tour accompanying *Dream Into Action*. Can things *get* any better?

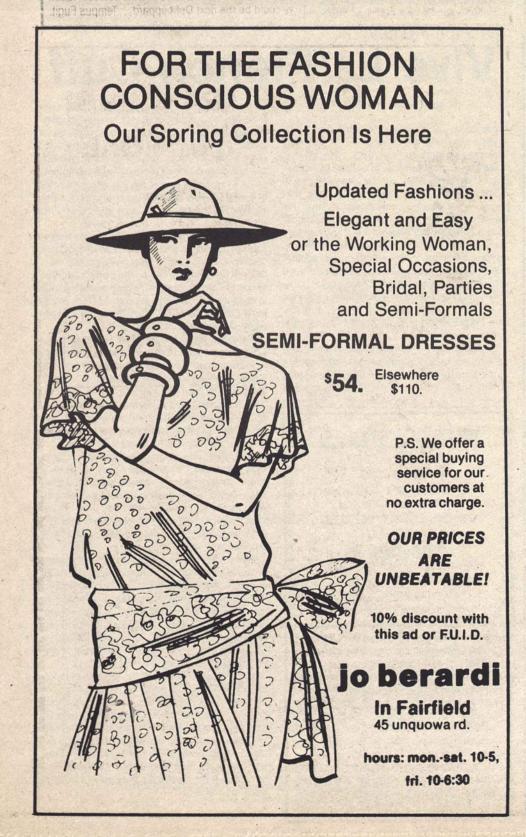
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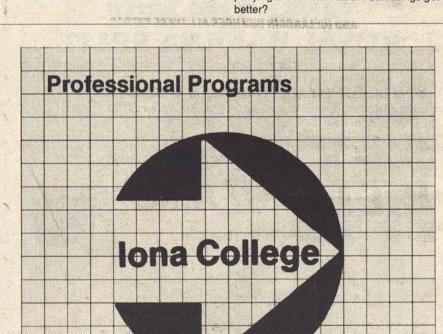
by Kerry Besnia

When you see the playhouse production of Brendan Behan's hilarious comedy, "The Hostage," don't be surprised to hear mention of events that have nothing to do with Dublin and Irish "troubles," which is the play's subject. Ever since its first production in London, the actors have been encouraged to keep the comedy fresh by introducing items of current and local interest into their parts.

"The Hostage" is set in a disreputable Dublin lodging house. Some of its characters are drawn from the world's oldest, though not the most respectable profession. Other are zealots of Irish patriotism, religious fanatics, or just plain nuts. All of them are expressions of the sarcastic glee with which the author attacks every hypocritical department of morality in the western world.

This production is under the direction of Al Raymond and will open April 22 and run through the 27. Student tickets are still just \$3, general admission is \$6. Group rates are available for groups of 15 or more (good idea for a floor activity). The box office is open monday through saturday from 3:00 to 7:00. For info call 255-5411 ext. 2204. Tickets are also on sale at lunch time in the campus center lobby.





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Jeffery Osborne At Crossroads of Career

by Robert Amoroso

A solid, robust voice will always have a home in the music industry. Jeffrey Osborne possesses such a voice. His hearty vocal prowness was first evident with the mid-seventies band called LTD. This rhythm and blues performer branched out for a solo career at the dawning of this de-

cade. His 1983 release titled Stay With Me Tonight will probably be his Picasso when all is said and done. The title cut remains a classic of the eighties. His third cut remains a classic of the eighties. His third and latest effort, titled Don't Stop, is a fine attempt to fuse the rock and soul mediums. On the whole, he succeeds with this fusion. The album opens with the song "Don't Stop."

Rolling With the Punches

by Robert Amoroso

Respect has to be given to bands who can survive frequent personnel changes; personnel changes are one of the major causes of death for many groups. Shalamar has had to endure their own share of line-up changes. With their third album, Heartbreak, they have survived well.

Shalamar is presently a trio consisting of Howard Hewett, Delisa Davis, and Micki Free. The LP opens with "Amnesia", a high-powered upbeat tune with some twangy guitar work by Free.

The next cut is "Dancin' In The Sheets", you probably heard this one a year ago off the Footloose soundtrack. The duet, "Whenever You

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Need Me", further accents the sophisticated nature of Hewett

Side two has more to offer in the keyboard vein. Davis and a studio musician named Hawk earn kudos for the thick-layered keys, especially in "Don't Get Caught in Beverly Hills." This song, is similar to "Amnesia" with its intense drive. "Melody (An Erotic Affair)" is quite lengthy (over seven minutes), yet I sensed no bordom listening to this perfect piece of vocal harmonizing. Shalamar proves their professionalism outweighs any shortcomings of their lyrical "talent."

Shalamar, with the help of quite a few backing musicians, came together. This genre of music is not everybody's cup of tea. Yet a band with this type of endurance must be admired.

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Here, the keyboards of producer George Duke compliment Osborne's soulful fury. He proceeds with a ballad titled "Let Me Know." This one is quite similar to his single "We're Going All the Way" (off Stay...). The lush production brings out the feeling of Osborne's sensitivity. Osborne picks up the tempo with "The Borderlines." this one is relentless in repetition, yet it has to be to get its point across. No doubt, Osborne has the type of voice that goes right after you. With songs like "Crazy 'Bout Cha" and "You Can't Be Serious", he doesn't paint a rosy picture of the battlefields of relationships. Osborne is by no means a wimp in getting one to listen up. "The Power" is so fitting a title for a song that is accompanied by the voice of Osborne. The album works on the whole because it does vary in content, yet it does not go overboard in doing so. Because of this, Osborne has established his own style separate from his previous work with LTD and separate from anybody else in the rhythm and blues business.

I have no major complaints with Don't Stop. I will not go as far as to say that it is better than Stay With Me Tonight, because he might have

slacked off on cutting his songs so that they fit an overall puzzle. He tends to carry a song a little too long; once again, this is nothing major. George Duke was a definite plus on this project. If Osborne hooks up with him again, it could mean more quality production is on the way. Either way, with or without Duke, Osborne can go into his next album feeling fully confident. He has passed all the tests of a solo artist. Incidentally he, has done it with flying colors.

Can Jeffery Osborne keep up the level of supremacy that he has already established? Osborne, to become a mass media superstar, must tone down the rhythm section just a bit. This way, he will open himself up for greater accessability. If he can continue to put cuts like "Plane Love" and "The Borderlines," the he can keep his old fans pacified while adding a whole new audience. I think Osborne is fine just the way he is. Yet one cannot keep a potential superstar from his horizons. The path Osborne has presently chosen by recording Don't Stop is for a solid career. His flying colors are unquestionably bright. With a little luck, he could create a rainbow.

CURRENT ROCK REPOI

by Robert Amoroso

Stevie Nicks' third solo album is officially titled A Little Rock... Unfortunately, the album release has been postponed indefinitely... The third REM record is slated for an April 27 release ... Keep your fingers crossed ... Prince is due out by the end of the month ... Can't wait ... Watch for a comeback by the band ABC ... They just happen to be one of the best bands this decade has produced...Santana is set for the New Haven Coliseum for May 10...Seeing a guitar legend after finals is a fitting way to welcome the summer break ... I still can't believe John Fogerty has come to the attention of many ... He is an Abbie Hoffman-in a reluctant Jerry Rubin world ... From what I've heard, Vanity seems to be looking better than Madonna in their new movies ... No surprise; seems it is hip to be an ex-girlfriend of Prince these days ... Did anyone catch a glimpse of Bruce's new girlfriend?...She's possibly the one ... Phil Collins sold his Radio City Music Hall in less than two hours ... Watch for him to add a few more shows in the metro area ... Incidentally, his American tour begins in Worcester, Mass... Did you know that Fairfield University students Don O'Meara, Greg Germain, and Ken Jordan have special musical talents ... Seems Don is an accomplished guitarist, Greg is an expert violinist, and Ken is a professional tenor ... Talk of forming a band is presently under consideration ... There are no official tour dates available at this time...Julian Lennon handled himself admirably amidst insignificant questions by the still great David Letterman... Powerstation does an inteiguing version of the T-Rex classic, "Bang-the Gong"....The "Sussudio" video by Phil Collins is sarcasm in high sight ... I've learned to like Bob Seger after hearing him material in the background of the brilliant movie, Mask ... The new Kool and the Gang single "Fresh" lives up to its name ... I'd pay to see Jason and Dee Snider square off in the next Friday the Thirteenth saga ... Best two out of three falls, of course ... Look for new Night Ranger in late summer ... They could be the next Def Leppard ... Tempus Fugit

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Football Starts

by Guy Irace

The Fairfield football team started its spring practice sessions optimistically this week. After last year's disappointing winless season due to a last minute head coaching change and poor player turnout, the Stags are looking for a complete turn-around from last year's 0-9 season. Head coach Mike Treglia and his top-notch staff have established continuity, organization, and discipline on a rejuvenated team. Tri-captains AI Minieri, Jim Portella, and John Russotto lead a team that has grown immensely in strength and numbers over the past year. Juniors Pete Rumpel and Vernon Dailey return with others to form a strong team nucleus. After a year off, juniors Dave Grewcock, Christian Fahrun, Paul Flynn, and Bob Cowley return to the Stags as key players to the team's success. The spring enthusiasm is running almost dangerously high in practice as the squad hopes for this positive attitude to carry over to the fall season. In the words of coach Mike Treglia, "We're looking for more than just a rebuilding season, we're looking for a championship season.'

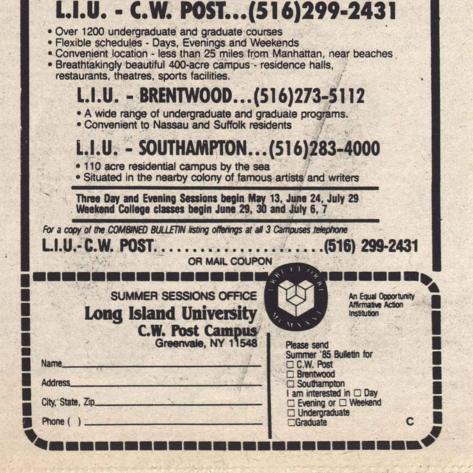
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Pitching Perfect As Clemens Throws A No-Hitter

by Guy Irace

Outstanding and exciting are two words that have been associated with Fairfield games this year. Over the weekend the Stags added perfect to the list, as junior Rich Clemens threw a no-hitter against Hartford, winning 4-0. Although the nohitter might have surprised some teammates, fans, and coaches, the complete game victory should have been expected. In Rich Clemens last outing he beat UConn 4-1, and looked as though he was ready to become the solid starter to go along with Doug Hofstedt (5-1) as the MAAC conference games begin. Stag followers might remember that it was Clemens who experienced all kinds of control problems earlier in the year, but it looks as though Rich's problems are all behind him now. Congratulations to Rich for his nohitter and wins over UConn and Hartford.

Another person who is enjoying a fine season for the Stags is senior Doug Hofstedt. Doug's last victory, a 5-4 complete game against Providence, gave him 5 wins for the season, the club leader in that department.

This 1-2 punch of Hofstedt and Clemens now gives the Stags renewed optimism as the season winds down. Whereas last week Joe Carno, (day to day) and Tom Reardon (broken knee out for the season) two consistent run-producers went down with injuries. Now the Stags believe that with the pitching they have been getting from Hofstedt and Clemens maybe one or two runs a game can be enough for a victory.

Stags Stuff: Tuesday's game against Fordham was rained out, Jose Perez pitched well against Columbia, as did Greg Bozzi in relief. Clutch hit of the year so far has been Chris McKenna's 2-out 3-run homer vs. Columbia with 2 strikes to send the game into extra innings and lead the Stags to victory. Record after 19 games is 9-9-1.

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Fairfield Rugby, a winning style.

Red Ruggers Remain Undefeated

by Paul Sheehy

The Fairfield rugby team travelled South for the second time of the '85 season. This trip took the team to the illustrious city of Washington D.C., home to a few of the team's spectacular players. The reason for the road-trip was to attend the Georgetown University — American University annual tournament, possibly the smallest tournament in rugby history.

The matches were played on a pitch that looked as if it had been hit by a meteor, with bones of vaporized reindeer scattered throughout the field. The "B" squad started off the games with 0-0 tie against Jesuit rival Georgetown. The immediate standout of this game was David "Scrod" Lombardo. A pupil from the Joe Devoe school of "single-handed dominance," Scrod demonstrated incredible defense, practically negating G.U. himself. Other standouts were Steve Byrne, Scott Mcourt, and Dan Williamson, all of whom have nothing in common.

The "A" sides first match was against A.U. The final result was a 15-4 thrashing of the local favorite. Housemates Joe "Cranky-Pants" Dowd and Mike "Road-trip Cat" Gavigan combined to score the majority of the "A's" points, in what proved to be their toughest game. The championship game featured Fairfield vs. Georgetown, the first team ever to bye it's way into the final. The game started off with Gavigan nailing a penalty kick, and it was apparent Georgetown was going to lose its second major tournament in less than a month. Roommates Pat "Clarence " Wolff and Richie "Jerome" Lee teamed up for a total of two tries. The "A" side executed tremendous passing and unselfish rugby that has led to their impressive 5-0 record. Jake "Did I ever tell you...?" Freel, James Galligan and Pat "Clepto" Sheerin should also be noted for their contributions to the 18-0 trounce.

The "B" side dismantled A.U. in Fairfield final game of the tourney. Humble fullback Ron "B.A." Clarke was quoted in a rare moment as he was caught saying: "I was absolutely great out there today." Dave Grewcock and Mike Downs each ran well for the "B" side.

FAIRFIELD VS ALUMNI THIS WEEKEND

N.B.A. Playoff Preview

by Dave DeFusco

The painful elaboration of the obvious is over the N.B.A. basketball season has ended. Here's a preview of the sweet sixteen minus the Western Conference (next week):

In the Eastern Conference, the Celtics meet the Cleveland Cavaliers which amounts to a first round bye. Although the Cavs have embarrassed the Sixers in four straight contests, the Celts are already preparing for Round 2. After surprising the basketball world by taking Philly in 5 last year, hoopologists would predict another New Jersey conquest. But the explosiveness of Isaiah and the sub-par Dawkins will give Detroit the edge. The Celts would rather face New Jersey (5-1 against them), but Boston's front court and home court advantage will be too much for Detroit, anyhow.

It's beef vs. beef with Philly and Washington. Washington was the disappointment of the year. Untimely injuries prohibited Gus Williams & Co. from unleashing the Bullets' running attack. The big question now is whether Ruland will be healthy. But in Mo-town there are also big ifs. Morale problems have plagued the Sixers. Do the Sixers and Moses Malone want this bad enough? While Washington was the disappointment, the Bucks were the surprise. Don Nelson (Coach of the Year) has molded a team without Marques Johnson, Junior Bridgeman, and Bob Lanier into a sixty-game winner. Air Jordan & Co. won't pose any threat to the defense-minded Bucks, but look for some acrobatic slams from Jordan and Orlando Woolridge, anyway.

Although Boston has a 1-4 record vs. Milwaukee this year, the Celts would rather play them. Although the Bucks have been impressive this year, no team beats the Celtics, Sixers, and Lakers (?) with stiffs like Randy Breuer, and Alton Lister at center. The Sixers, on the other hand, always play the Celtics tough (3-3 against each other). Look for the Celts in six, Larry Bird doesn't lose.

Intramural Happenings

by Rex Plec

Intramural Softball pairings have come out of the Intramural office this week, for both men's and women's playoffs. Play is under way this week and will continue into next week. Please be flexible and prompt, as we must get these games played before the year is out.

Heading the 32 team men's division is SCHMOK'IT. A cast of former Campion crazies, Jim Dugan and company have come in with an astounding +33 run differential, one of the highest in Intramural annals. In at the second position are those degenerates from NW, a.k.a. the BANANAHEADS. A surprising third place ranking goes to the Campion outcasts. It seems that softball and dorm damage are directly related. OFF AGAIN, LUKE'S LICKERS, and BRING BACK BELDAR are other forces to be reckoned with. Rex has picked many Intramual champs so far this season, but this softball crown could be the toughest yet. Watch for SCHMOK'IT and the BANANAHEADS to gain the final with experience paying off for the boys from Craig Ct., as SCHMOK'IT will take the crown.

In the women's pairings, FLASH AND THE KNOCKERS are up atop the league with a 3-0 record and a +21 run differential. These sophomores from Gonzaga One are led by Biddy Hanrahan, a perennial force in any sport. The BALL

MAULERS are at number two, with Donna Bello's FINAL BOP waiting to make their final curtain call. Rounding out the top four is a group of juniors going by the name of CHIN ACTION. The defending champs, the BALOOGAS, have come in at the fifth position. Look for FLASH and the KNOCKERS to meet CHIN ACTION in one semi, with CHIN ACTION taking the victory. The other semifinal is anybody's as there are many quality teams. The GOLDSTARS could pull off an upset or two, but the FINAL BOP should make the final. Rex picks CHIN ACTION in extra innings.

The Intramural banquet is coming. May the 2nd is the date for the year end gala, featuring all the champions.

Stag Lacrosse Team Winning Big

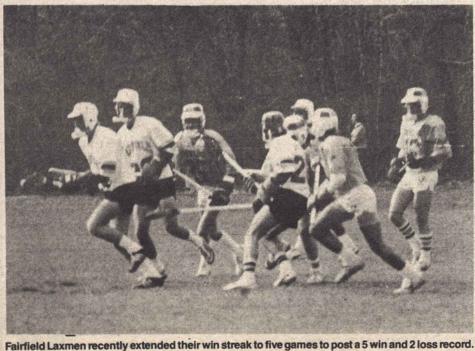
by Kevin Richards

The Fairfield Stag Lacrosse team beat Northeastern, Central Ct., and Dowling on consecutive days this past weekend to increase their winning streak to five and put their season record lay in the starting of the game, the Stags were hungry for a big win. Senior John "STX Facial" O'Connor broke the ice for the Red and White with a goal at 10:05 of the first period. Jim "B.A." Lewers scored his second of the season late in the quarter, which ended with Fairfield holding

forfeit with the score still at 6-0. Goal scorers for Fairfield included Coyle and Ronzoni, who each had two; Langford, who had one; and Breck "Least likely to have a conversation with Matt Davis" Masterson, who also had one. The defense of Kurt "Is that really his name?" Mueffelmann, "I Inable to play the game of Lacrosse in 1984 Hargen, and John "I don't know the rotation yet" McFeely hung tough in front of Richards who was only forced to make six saves for the semi-shutout. The "Mirror" had hoped to have an indepth interview with defenseman Kevin Morse to get his insights on the game, but he was nowhere to be found. Saturday was game three in as many days for the Laxmen as they faced Dowling College from the south shore of Long Island. Fairfield took control of this game early, jumping out to a 7-2 first quarter lead on two goals apiece from Langford, Ronzoni, and Masterson and one from Phelan. Freshman Greg "Best impression of Stevie Wonder in the goal" Heard did a good job in the nets in the first half as he was forced to fill in for Richards who was on safari at the time. In the second half, the Stags continued to dominate and some new faces appeared on the scoresheet. Junior Joe Saverino tossed in two. Junior Dan "Dude Love" Buttling had one, and a surprise goal was added by Mueffelmann, who made a beautiful run from the defensive end to score an unassisted tally. Dowling made a gallant rally in the fourth quarter but they really had no chance to overcome the awesome lead the Stags had built up, and the game ended in a 17-13 victory for Fairfield. Next week the Laxmen travel to the University of Rhode Island on Wednesday and then return home Saturday to play the first-ever night game for the Lacrosse Stags at 8:00 p.m. on Alumni Field against the Coast Guard Academy.

at 5-2.

Thursday the Stags boarded a bus for the long ride to Boston and a 6:00 p.m. meeting with the Huskies of Northeastern. After a considerable de-



airfield Laxmen recently extended their win streak to five games to post a 5 win and 2 loss record. [Photo by Karen Haney]

on to a slim 2-1 lead.

Things began to click in the second period as Skeets "Hugh" Coyle tossed in two goals and O'Connor added his second. The Huskies added two goals of their own and the half ended with the score at 5-3 Fairfield.

The second half was all Fairfield, as the Stags outscored their opponents 8-1 on three goals from Mike "Spumoni" Ronzoni, two from Captain Mike "How many assists did Larry have?" Langford, and one each from Coyle, O'Connor, and Larry "I Offense" Phelan. Apart from his goal, Phelan put on a stickhandling sideshow with seven assists on the game. The defense played hard the whole game and especially during man-down situations with an outstanding performance from Dave "Hard play is all that is important ... especially when you don't score" lacobucci. Kevin "I was the MVP last year" Richards pitched in 15 saves in the goal to complete the defensive effort and finish the 13-4 Stag triumph. Coach Andy Scheffer could not be reached for comment after the game.

Friday was another road-trip for the Stags. This time the destination was New Britain, Ct. and Central Ct. State Univ. This game started out like any other and the Stags jumped out to a 6-0 lead by halftime. During the second half, however, things began to get unusual.

About midway through the third quarter, the men from Central were stuck with a series of rather strange unsportsmanlike conduct calls and amid a cloud of controversy, the refs suspended the game and declared Fairfield the winners by