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Student Threatens to Sue University

Claims conditions in Keller College were uninhabitable and demands compensation

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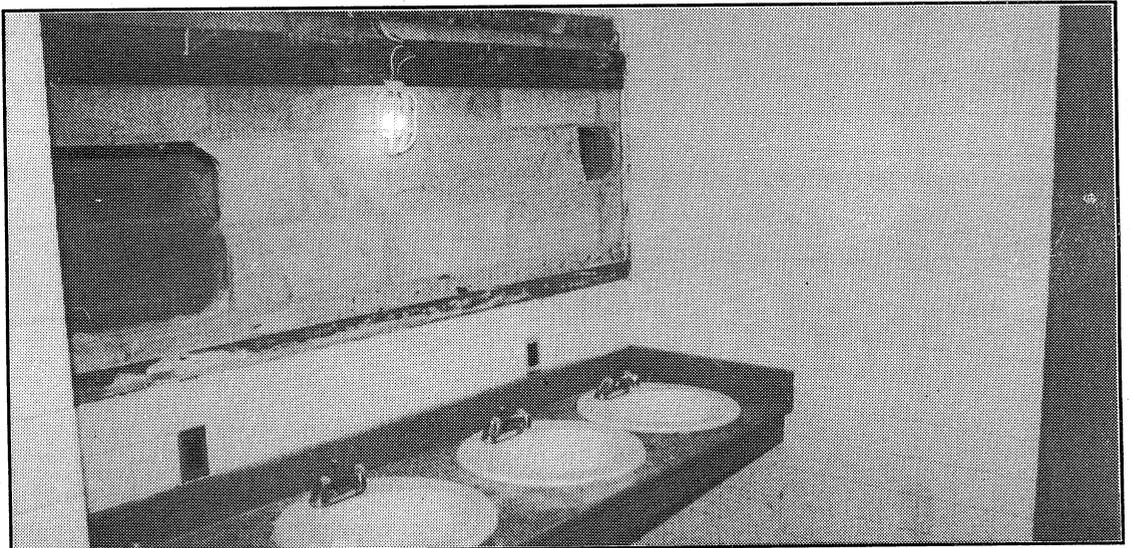
Many have often complained of inhabitable conditions in residence halls, but none so more than Joseph West, a resident of Keller College. West is planning to file a suit against the University unless an agreement with University officials is reached regarding his complaints when he was residing in Keller during the intersession period between the summer and fall semester of this year.

West moved in to Keller College, his fall assignment, on August 24 from Stimson College. "When I was assigned to this building, I had already paid my residence fees," said West. "I signed a contract with the University

for housing similar to what I was paying in Stimson. It was a rude shock when I moved from Stimson to [Keller]. The laundry facilities were nonexistent, the bathroom was unfinished and construction debris was everywhere." In addition, West said there was no telephone available in his room.

West, a graduate student in the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology, is a foreign student from Canada. West said he had to hike to 7-Eleven to use their phone in order to talk to his wife in Canada. West claimed that he could not even use the laundry facilities in Greeley College, a nearby building, because they had not been installed.

"I took pictures, then



Picture taken by Joseph West, a student who is threatening to sue the University, of bathroom in Keller College after moving into the building in late August.

contacted an attorney and he investigated," West said. "Apparently, the building was

still in construction. I don't think they had an occupancy permit during that time, so

they were moving in people without an occupancy permit. They were inhabitable and had numerous fire code violations. We are going to approach the University with a request for compensation because of severe inconveniences that I had to put up with, not only for that weekend, but until I got my phone."

West said that for awhile, he was the only resident in his hall who had a telephone. West also pointed out the lack of fire extinguishers in their proper places and fire exits

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The Future of Recycling on Campus

Are you wondering what the state of recycling is on campus? Many of you have expressed concern about the lack of recycling in the past. Dissension among administrators, campus groups, students, and faculty often hasn't resulted in effective programming. While there have been successful pilot programs for recycling in the residential areas, coordinated efforts and funding for a permanent comprehensive program seems to have eluded us.

Currently however, there are five campus groups working together to attempt a solution: Recycling & Waste Management at Central Services, Campus Residences, The Environmental Studies Living Learning Center, the Faculty Student Association, and NYPIRG. We'd like to inform the campus community of problems encountered in the past and what new developments have arisen to address these problems.

Campus Recycling

Up until this semester, there were 5-7 white recycling receptacles (igloos) placed along the academic mall and near the Union. While they were utilized, it seems that there were not enough of them. Problems arose when much of the campus community wanted to recycle waste made of metal, plastic or glass, they could not, due to the limited igloos and locations. How do we know this to be true? In a waste audit done last spring, one days' waste from the

administration building contained 11 pounds of non-paper recyclable material.

As a result of President Shirley Strum Kenny, our campus will be receiving an additional 25 recycling receptacles in mid-October. The old igloos have been moved to Chapin and Schomburg Apartments.

In addition, there is currently a paper recycling program in place for the academic and administration buildings. Although in certain departments the collection of paper is erratic, we are working on it. If you happen to notice that your department is not recycling paper, please feel free to address it by either informing the Campus Recycling Coordinator, Martha Young at 2-6007 or by asking your department head to designate a "bin" for paper.

Also, whenever you happen to be in a cafeteria, please look for the recycling bin, for your soda bottles and cans. If you don't see one, politely let the area manager know as it is policy to have one.

Residential Area Recycling

Despite the success of pilot programs in the past, there's been no permanent recycling system set up for residential waste. This fall however, a system is taking form that would address this. In addition to a new and informative education program on residential recycling, we have a new carter for recyclable waste pickup, for pickup of recyclables in outside dumpsites.

It costs \$60 a ton for our carter,

SunMar to haul our trash away. Based on results from waste audits of past pilot programs, residential area dumpsters contain about 1000 pounds of recyclable material per dumpster per week. Using 40 weeks as a time period, excluding summers, we come up with 40,000 pounds/dumpster x 11 dumpsites = 440,000 pounds (220 tons) of recyclables in our trash dumpsters per year!

There is a \$6,000 flat fee for our recyclables hauler (Omni); therefore, in order to offset the cost for sending our recyclables away, we need to recycle 100 tons (100 tons x \$60/ton=\$6,000). Our estimates have us recycling more than twice that, which results in a savings = 120 tons x \$60/ton = \$7200.

Conclusion... it's worth it!

By the end of the week, every hall of every residential building should have a separate trash and recycling bin. This semester, and possibly every semester forward, Environmental Studies students are monitoring Roth Quad's recycling. If you find there isn't a designated bin for recycling on your floor, call Martha Young @ 2-6007. Please note the new red dumpsters outside residential buildings are for designated recyclables only. In addition, suite bins for Roth Quad should be arriving within the next week. Health and safety inspections by assistants will take into account bin

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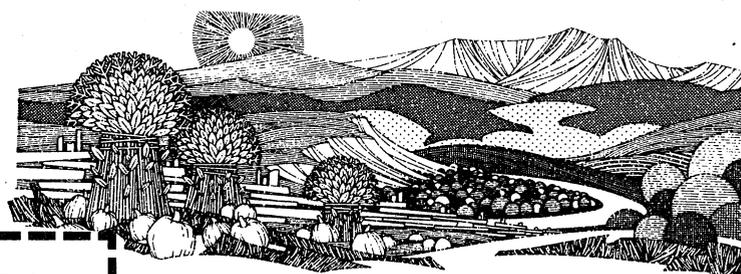
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Volunteers Needed for Residence Hall Sweeps

You can fight cuts the politicians in Albany are proposing by volunteering to sign up voters on campus. On Sunday, October 6th, there will be a mandatory training session for all those interested in helping out with the Residence Hall Sweeps, in the Union Bi-Level at 9:00 p.m. Building RA's and Leg. Executives are especially encouraged to attend. The sweeps will take place on Monday, October 7th and Tuesday, October 8th.
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being blocked by construction materials or furniture. He also complained of the construction materials the contractors left after a day at the back entrance of Keller. According to West, only one shower in his hall worked because of the low water pressure in that building.

According to West, he pointed out these problems to Greg Perricone, a campus safety specialist and Chief Fire Marshall William Finamore.

Fred Tokash, director of Residential Operations for Campus Residences, said, "[Joseph West's] complaints had to do about a couple of things: one was there was no phone and the other was that no laundry equipment was reinstalled in Keller College. He had some complaints about the workers in the buildings and furnitures being stored in the hallway."

Within an hour after talking to West, Tokash said that a telephone was immediately installed in his room. Tokash said that the furniture was left in the living areas and hallways by the movers and that "the laundry equipment was reinstalled after three days."

Regarding the occupancy permit of Keller College, Tokash said that "the college did have an occupancy permit. The college had been inspected by the state fire inspector and had met his requirements and we were issued a temporary certificate of occupancy and with that we were authorized to move people into the building."

"The building was fit for students to live in," said Al Devries, assistant director of Housing Administration for Campus Residences. "From our perspective, [West's allegations] didn't hold water." Devries added that the building has a certificate of occupancy that was determined by an outside factor

and it fits the standard. He also said that the fire extinguishers on the floor were usable. "We're not going to put somebody where the building is not livable. I trust Fred Tokash's opinion if we determined it's a viable building for everybody who wants to live there."

"No lawsuits have been filed," said Brian Delong, quad director for Roosevelt Quad, where Keller is located. "At this point, it would be premature for me to make any comments because to our knowledge nothing has been filed and nothing has been done on his behalf. We don't have anything to date so

I really can't make any comment to it. If there is in fact a lawsuit coming, I really can't say anything about it until we actually see what has been filed. If he actually does file the papers, I think there's probably more that can be said. If through the lawsuits there are specific points made, then I can address them."

Gerianne Jordan Sands, associate counsel for the Finance Division, said that as of yet no suit had been filed.

West's complaint is that he wasn't receiving the

full services that other residents were receiving for the same money in other buildings.

Tokash said that he told West in their

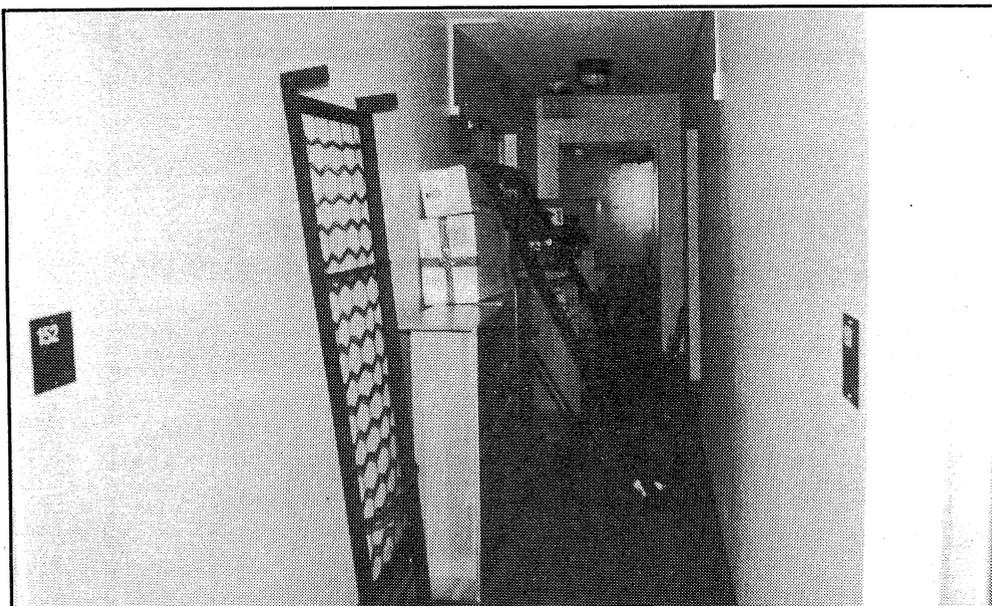


Photo Courtesy of Joseph West

Furniture, in picture above, is in middle of corridor that leads to an exit.

conversation what he can do about his complaints. "If you feel as though you did not get what you were paying for, then I recommended that he write a letter to Campus Residences, and list down the services he didn't have. I agree that if he was paying for something and he didn't receive it, then we should probably give him some kind of credit."

"As a quad director," Delong said, "all I can tell you is we have done the best that we possibly can to provide the best service to our students. Any time you do major rehabilitation or renovation projects, some things take a little more time." □

Future of Recycling on Campus

From RECYCLE, Front Page

presence and use.

New Possibilities

We have submitted a proposal for grant funding from the New York State Department of Economic Development. This grant would enable an even more comprehensive recycling program on campus, for e.g. paper recycling in the residential areas. For now, interested students can bring their paper waste to recycling rooms of the Union, located in the basement near the Polity Print Shop.

Environmental studies students are currently investigating the possibility of using recycled paper in coursepack printing and in campus wide copier machines. Using and buying recycled material is an integral part of closing the "recycling loop". This makes using recycled paper

especially important and we'll be updating you on developments.

In addition, Campus Dining Services is investigating the possibility of using a food processor where food waste could be used for composting and mulch purposes. Campus Dining Services currently recycles cardboard, paper, glass, plastic, metal and grease.

Don't be discouraged by unsuccessful past efforts! They've actually served to increase awareness and enthusiasm in students, faculty, and administrators. As we're all working towards the same goal, any comments or suggestions are more than welcome. These projects are community efforts, one that we're all a part of. . . if you'd like to get involved, mail to the e-mail addresses below. And remember, this is our campus, our community, our planet. Let's take care of it! □

For more information on campus recycling contact:
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The Planning committee welcomes applications from students who would like to become more active in areas of campus life. As the application process is competitive, please make sure that you answer all questions fully and that the completed application is returned by Tuesday, October 10, 1996. Applications should be obtained from and submitted to Marcia Wiener, the SFS Retreat Staff Co-Chair, Union room 266. If you have any questions regarding the application or the Retreat, please call 632-6826 and ask for Millie.

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EDITORIALS

Campus Can't Complain After Given Opportunities

The price of apathy is great. If you don't stand up and take the responsibility you are given then other people will set the standards by which you must live. If you are given the chance to input and you don't then you lose the option to complain.

Last year there was not much interest generated by the renewing of ARAMARK's contract. The meetings devoted to the issue drew a much larger crowd than usual but not in proportion to the number of students that the plan actually affects. More people should have been involved in the project.

That is not the only incident in lack of participation.

The election of the various student officials who act as representatives for the student body always have a low turnout. This is bad because the officials know from the start that they have a free hand. No one is watching them or cares for that matter. They

don't have to pay too much attention to the details.

So that is what happened with ARAMARK. Inattentive leadership encouraged by an apathetic student body. Why should the leaders care if the people don't?

An other example of apathy that will eventually hurt some — the University convocation. That was a perfect opportunity to meet new faculty members who can make a difference. These are people that are important to know if you want to effect any change whatever. Hardly any students attended.

What about the debate on the Draft Five Year Plan? Not more than 25 people were in the theater where it was held (not more than five could have been actual students). Out of a campus of more than 20,000. It was *only* the future course of the University that was being debated. No reason for student involvement.

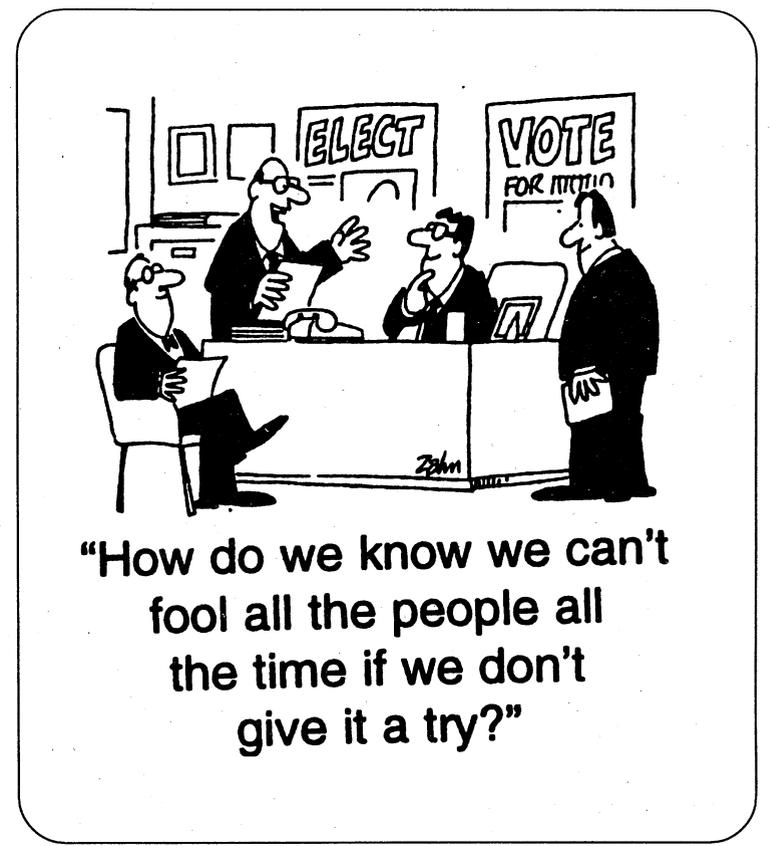
Polity Senate meetings are chronically empty but for a few stouthearted souls. Commuter Student Association has many senator seats open, but nobody joins. This is all wasted input.

With all these means of access, it is easy to become cynical about all the helplessness that is felt on campus. If you want to make a change, be there when it counts.

How can students expect the campus to change and to meet the needs of students if those needs are not even voiced. How can people in responsible positions take seriously the outrage shown by students at the final product of a process over which they were in control all the time?

Either things are fine the way they are, hence no participation, or students are oblivious to their surroundings thereby forfeiting the right to blame others.

There is too much wasted opportunity on this campus.



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Speaking Out For Cartoonist

To the Editor:

I have known Mike Kramer since he came to USB in his frosh year and I have followed his career with interest. I recognized several years ago that he had talent as a cartoonist and I urged him to go to *The Statesman* with samples of his work. Kramer is the most talented cartoonist this campus has had since John Reiner worked on *The Statesman* in the mid 1970s [Reiner does the Lockhorns]. Kramer's strip, *Far Away, So Close*, gave an excellent picture of campus life. He poked fun at the things students should poke fun at — food, roommates, dull teaching, and lousy service by administrative units. His African-American roommate appeared regularly in his strip. So did many campus males and females, Asian-Americans, Gays, Polity members, and other recognizable campus personae. He cheered on his African-American roommate through his initiation and congratulated him and his confreres in their successful admissions to a fraternity. I am so confident of Kramer's future success as a syndicated cartoonist that I drove him out to meet Reiner at his studio so he could learn what it takes to pursue this career. I expect him to be a future Gary Trudeau, an alumnus we will cite for bragging rights.

Last year Kramer told me he was leaving *The Statesman* for *The Press*. A major reason for his decision was the need to shift his satire to a mordant form, one that allowed him to use vulgar language to express his anger and campus anger at failings he felt could not be addressed through *The Statesman*, which censored the wording of his strips. The Press is a humor and opinion piece vehicle. *The Statesman* is a newspaper that goes out to the local community and its standards are necessarily different. College humor is gross and bawdy, irreverent and satirical. Kramer's cartoon was not a statement about race. It was a statement about morale on campus — a new President, a new team, lots of confusion, new directors feeling their oats and not doing things quite right, budget cuts, a state and a nation that dumps on teaching as the source of its discontents. That's what, in popular thought, would drive a leader to drink. It was certainly irreverent to the President but she's a gutsy lady with a sense of humor and I'm sure she's been the butt of college humor before. Administrators are paid well to take flak from their constituents; it's part of the job.

As for the title of Kramer's strips, *Far Away, So Close* was from a rock group lyric and *Shades of the Prison House*, he told me last Spring was from a Wordsworth poem.

Reading racism into that title is a bit like Richard Nixon's mistaken notion that the DuBois Clubs of America were deliberately named by African-Americans to deceive white Americans into thinking that they were Boys Clubs of America. In a world of conspiracy, hate, and suspicion, even the most innocent remarks can become epithets and wounding phrases

Elof Axel Carlson
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Students Get Shafted Again

To the Editor:

Fellow students, are we blind? What kind of college are we attending? While most schools are bending over backwards to make themselves more appealing to the students, ours is asking us to bend over. Well, I for one am getting sore.

We, as students, pay a hell of a lot of money to come here, while everyone else on campus gets paid to be here. That in itself should give us a few automatic perks. But no, alas we are expected to take what we are handed and be happy.

Let me give you some examples. Have you ever had to go? I mean really bad? Well, if you are on the third floor or higher at the library you've got a long walk downstairs. Because when you get to the bathrooms you find them locked with a sign on the door that politely informs you that there are public restrooms in the first floor lobby. Excuse me, I am not the general public. I am a tuition paying student. Why on earth should someone whose job exists because there are students on this campus, and who is getting paid in part by me, be able to use the bathroom while I must run down many flights of stairs to do the same thing.

Another thing that is an old problem is commuter parking. Last time I checked there were a lot more students than faculty and staff. Why then were any of the places in the new lot behind the sports complex allocated to the faculty? Half of the lot. The closer half no less. I have never seen a letter or heard a complaint from the faculty about parking, while countless

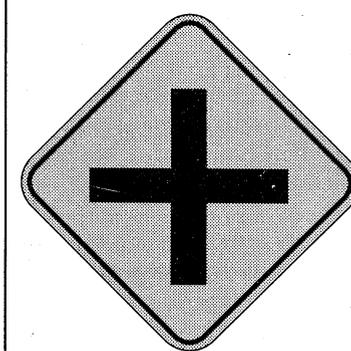
complaints from students exist. They don't need the spaces, we do.

To reiterate — we pay to come here, the people who are not students get paid to be here. Why then are most commuters still forced to park in South-P and then take the shuttle? Why shouldn't the entire lot behind the Sports Complex be for us? Why not the two lots between the math building and Kelly Quad as well? I believe we would very quickly hear some complaints if the faculty had to ride the bus each morning. Hell, if [President] Shirley [Strum Kenny] had to park in South-P, you can damn well bet there be more than just one new parking lot built on the main campus. The stupid thing is that they could have made the new lot a four or five story parking garage, used the same amount of land, and provided parking for a hell of a lot more people.

The new lot is hailed as an improvement. I view it as an appeasement. They can now say "look what we did for you, stop complaining." Hey, I hear that more new "improvements" are on the way. Well, bend over Stony Brook, here it comes again.

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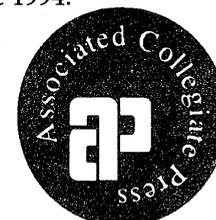
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AS OUR VALUED CUSTOMERS YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO EXPRESS CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR MEAL PLAN.

This article serves to dispel some misconceptions and help make you a well informed consumer.

Misconception: ARAMARK chose this new meal plan.

Fact: Last semester, the food service contract went out to bid. The Food Committee of the Faculty Student Association (FSA) comprised of 9 students & 5 faculty/staff, made the decision to select this new meal plan. The committee had a dual role: a) their job was, as an unbiased group, to review the proposals of all interested food service companies bidding for the contract at Stony Brook. The selection process was narrowed down to two: ARAMARK & MARRIOT. The committee voted unanimously for ARAMARK, one of the main reasons being that prices were cheaper. (Refer to the Statesman article dated Monday April 22, 1996 which published the differences between Marriot's pricing versus Aramark's) b) The Faculty Student Association food committee's second job was to decide whether or not to select a new meal plan. Each food service company was required to submit a proposal on three different plans ie. bid on the old meal plan structure, bid on the current "advantage" structure or come up with a third option for students. The committee voted to select the "Advantage" plan. ARAMARK was therefore asked to implement this new plan under the new contract.

Misconception: Students did not have any say in how the new meal plan was selected.

Fact: The majority of the people on the food service committee were students (9 of 14 members). Any student who wanted to participate on the committee was welcome. In fact, the Faculty Student Association had advertisements in the Statesman letting students know this. Secondly, one page ads were taken out in the school newspaper informing students of the structure of this potential new meal plan. The ad requested as much student participation as possible and invited all students to come to the Polity Senate meeting to give their input on how they felt about trying a new meal plan. (See Statesman article dated Monday March 11, 1996) Further effort was made to seek student input when FSA's representative addressed a few resident building leg meetings to get feedback on the new plan.

Misconception: This new meal plan was invented by ARAMARK to make it harder for students to keep track of where their money goes.

Fact: The new meal plan is not an invention by ARAMARK to make things more confusing to the consumer. This meal plan has been in place at SUNY Binghampton for over ten years and is operated by MARRIOT. As part of the selection process, the meal plan committee visited Binghampton to get students reaction on the similar meal plan implemented there. What they found was that

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Category	Cost
• Salary & Wages for Mgrs	\$682370
• Salary & Wages for Hourly	\$1651823
• Salary & Wages for Students	\$422370
• Mgrs Taxes	\$58387
• Hourly Taxes	\$142057
• Student Taxes	\$25341
• Health Benefits for Mgrs	\$157342
• Health Benefits for Hourly Staff	\$319591
TOTAL ARAMARK LABOR	\$3459281

FSA Management & Customer Advocate Salaries	
• for Permanent Staff	\$60244
• for Student Staff	\$32638
• Payroll Taxes, Insurance, Benefits	\$23043
• Office Supplies	\$2303
• License, Maintenance & Fees	\$3685
• Other Supplies & Equipment	\$6448
• RA Meal Plan Subsidy	\$108000
• Student Orientation Program	\$12000
• Telephone	\$7738
• Utility Fee to University	\$180166
• Space Fee to University	\$56939
• Training & Development Program	\$4606
• Repair & Maintenance	\$18423
• Advertising & Promotion	\$10000
• Meal Plan Office	\$118117
• Facilities & Equip. Replacement Reserve	\$386891
• Student Payroll Operating Expense	\$7830
• Facilities Renovation	\$203326
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(accounting, computer, insurance, legal)	
• Uncollectable Student Meal Plan Accounts	\$45000
TOTAL FSA COMMISSION	\$1402408

• Cafeteria Supplies	\$274085
• Cleaning Supplies	\$39407
• Garbage removal	\$56175
• Pest Control	\$23298
• Repair & Maintenance	\$37713
• Risk Managers	\$48925
• Risk Hourly	\$114819
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• Other	\$117841
(Vehicle Maint. Postage, Equip. Rental Bank Charges, Training, etc)	
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Total ARAMARK Labor \$3459281
Total FSA Commissions \$1402408

Total Direct Expenses \$923518
Fixed Profit \$216392
****TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES \$6001599**

4400 students on meal plans per semester
x 2 semesters
= 8800 plans

\$6001599 ÷ 8800 plans = \$682 per student

satisfaction level was much higher with this meal plan @ Binghampton. Though a similar plan has been implemented at Stony Brook, students here get a greater value. After the operating expenses are subtracted, students at Binghampton can only enjoy "food cost" pricing at their all-you can eat locations. In their (mini-mall) retail locations, students get just a 10% discount. The meal plan offered at Stony Brook has a greater advantage: No matter which location on campus you frequent, once you've paid your contribution to the operating expenses, you purchase everything "at cost".

Misconception: The \$682 subtracted from the total amount students pay for a meal plan is a rip off. Students don't know where that money goes. There's no way the operating expenses amount to \$682 per student. That's a lot of money.

Fact: Most students, understandably so, don't realize just how expensive it is to operate over 9 dining locations on campus. (See chart on left)

Misconception: Aramark inflates the "advantage" price or food cost of a can of Coke. Edwards Supermarket charges \$3.99 for a 12 pack of Coke. ie. 33¢ per can and that has to also cover lighting, rent, facilities, labor packaging etc. So ARAMARK can buy Coke at full retail and still charge less than what they are charging now.

Fact: This is an unfair comparison. Coca Cola does not sell soda to every company or food service operation at the same price. It all depends on buying power. A supermarket like Edwards buys pre-packaged items (eg: canned soda) in much larger volumes than ARAMARK's Deli and therefore may be able to get a better deal on the price. On the other hand ARAMARK purchases fountain soda in much larger volume and can be more competitive in price on fountain style soda. A perfect example of this is as follows: whereas the advantage price on a 20 oz bottled soda is 65¢ "advantage", 22 oz of soda when bought in bulk and sold from a fountain has an "advantage price" of only 29¢. As an educated consumer, with this new meal plan, you will find that purchasing prepackaged items like canned soda, Entenmann's products or Pre-Packaged Cereal will in most occasions be more expensive than buying the same product prepared on campus or bought & served in bulk. Secondly, though a supermarket may sell soda at 33¢ a can, it does not mean that they make any money on that item. They may sell that product at a low price in order to attract customers to their store at which time the consumer will more often than not, purchase accompaniments which are priced more profitably. This type of pricing and menu mix is well known within the food service industry and is referred to as "loss leaders."

**IN ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE, THERE IS ALWAYS DOUBT WITH CHANGE.
We hope you'll find some comfort in the answers to some very hot questions!**

Misconception: ARAMARK's "at cost" prices are not to be trusted. This system shows itself as a vehicle for abuse and unchecked profit.

Fact: ARAMARK's intention has never been to deceive the Stony Brook student. As a valued customer you can be confident that whatever is published as "food cost" was carefully and honestly priced. Food cost is not determined as a blanket percentage as many have been lead to believe. Instead your "advantage" price is determined based on the following criteria:

1) As purchased items

Items like Canned Soda, bags of Chips etc are all priced directly from the invoice. 10% is added to cover employee meals, pilferage and slippage ie. damaged product etc. which are not covered in the operating expense (\$682) paid up front.

Eg: a 24/case 16oz Snapple = \$14.50
1 Snapple = 60¢
60¢ + 10% (as indicated above) =
60 + 6¢ = 66¢ "advantage"

2) Recipe Based items

All recipe items are priced based on the total cost of all necessary ingredients for a specified portion per serving. 10% is then added to that total to cover employee meals, damaged product, pilferage, production waste etc.

Example: All costs are generated by the Eight Steps of Production computer program and is based on purchase price from our food vendors.

Bulk recipe for Chicken Salad
is based on 298 3.5 oz servings

Chicken Salad is priced in the Deli
By the Pound

Chicken Cooked	26 lbs + 4oz	=	\$79.17
Celery Diced	13 lbs + 2oz	=	\$13.125
Honey	1 lb + 12 oz	=	\$2.752
Celery Salt	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.038
White Pepper	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.082
Salt	1.75 tsp	=	\$0.004
Mayo	3 gallons	=	\$31.688
Worcestershire Sauce	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.008
Garlic Powder	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.039
Dry Mustard	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.049
Onion Powder	2.5 tsp	=	\$0.023
Total cost for 298 servings		=	\$126.98

One 3.5 oz portion = $\$126.98 \div 298 = \0.426
1 oz = $\$0.426 \div 3.5 = \0.1217
One pound = 16 oz = $\$0.1217 \times 16 = \1.9474
 $\$1.9474 + 10%$ (as explained above)
= \$2.142 per pound

The "advantage" price in the Deli
= \$2.14 / lb

Question: "If I'm on the standard advantage plan, will I be running out of money real soon?"

Answer: We recognize that there has been a series of articles about meal plan which discusses the possibility of students running out of money in November. We know that this may have created some panic for those of you who may have read the article. As a result of this we generated a meal plan report to identify exactly what student balances are in comparison to the budgeting charts which we handed out at the beginning of the semester. In the most recent report dated 9/25/96, we found that of over 3,000 students on the standard plan, (the most popular plan) less than 6% were over their budget - most of them only a few dollars behind. We know that all our customers have very different eating habits - some of you have busy schedules on some days and skip breakfast while others have more time to sit down for full meals. Still others, go home on weekends etc and so its hard to answer that question without treating our customers as one big group instead of recognizing that you are all very unique - even in the way you eat. By following the meal plan budgeting chart you will be able to determine how well the new meal plan is working for you specifically. If you find that you are falling behind in budget at the end of each week, you may be on the wrong plan. If you are eating three meals a day, seven days a week for every day of the semester the Standard Plan was not designed for you. If you fall in this category, you should be on the Ultra Plan. This new meal plan system is new to all of us. If you have any concerns about your meal plan budget, we would like to hear from you and maybe together we can come up with ways to help keep you on track.

Question: What happens if I run out of money? Am I getting the same value as I did on Standard DB last year?

Answer: This meal plan was designed to give you the same value as Standard DB last year with one difference: Last year many students on SDB had to add more money close to the end of the semester. When they put additional money on their meal card, \$1 cash was worth \$1 declining balance money. This year with the "advantage" plan, the student who has to add money can now see the advantage. Since they have already paid for their contribution to the operating expenses (\$682), any \$1 added will be worth much more in buying power as they will continue to purchase everything "at cost."

Question: According to your meal plan brochure, you promised a 24 hour deli. What happened?

Answer: ARAMARK proposed and was fully geared up to start the semester with 24 hour

deli in the Student Union. However one of the main concerns was security & the lighting around the Union Deli. Questions of whether the walk teams for Residential Safety Program would be able to handle the influx of customers for the deli was also raised. We are now looking to put the deli/ convenience store service in Kelly instead. The idea has been approved and we are waiting for the necessary equipment to be installed. We hope this will be a good option for students.

Question: What happened to "H" Late Night Cafe?

Answer: "H" Cafe has been open since the beginning of the semester and will continue to be open Sunday - Thursday from 9:00pm until Midnight.

Question: Why do we get a delivery charge of an additional 50¢ when we order, we didn't have that last year.

Answer: The extra 50¢ delivery charge is specifically given directly to the student delivery drivers as part of their incentive program. For each delivery made, the student driver receives a 50¢ bonus in addition to their hourly wage. Rather than include this drivers incentive money in the operating expenses everyone pays up front, we decided to do it this way so that you would only be charged for this when and if you use the delivery program.



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Women Rock the Boat in Maritime Law

Christopher Columbus, Vasco da Gama and Marco Polo sailed the rough seas to explore uncharted lands.

But who represented them in court?

Heallie and Baillie is a maritime law firm located near Wall Street in Manhattan. Few women penetrated this field until recently.

Maritime law involves buying and selling ships, cargo claims if there were shipping problems or collision problems if the ship ran aground.

"Traditionally there haven't been that many women in this field, but I think the numbers are increasing," said maritime lawyer Eve Coffee from the Heallie and Baillie law firm. "A lot of women are taking over after their fathers rather than their sons taking over."

A breakfast was held in May and a mailing list grew to 300 to 400 people, of which approximately 100 women were in attendance. Usually when lawyers attend a maritime function, it would wind up being

maybe two women in a room full of 100 men.

Women's International Shipping and Trading

WISTA became a good way to unite people.

Coffee got caught up in maritime law because her father was a sea captain and she was always excited by the field.

"A lot of people come from a maritime background or have sailed for several years before they go to law school," Coffee said.

"Traditionally, women didn't attend most schools and women didn't go to sea and of course that's changing now too.

Because of differing cultural views of women's professional roles, some may be inclined to think that female lawyers would be treated differently by international clients. Coffee never had such experiences. "Nobody would ever tell you that they don't want to do business with you. I have clients now in the Middle East that accept me as their attorney and have no problem with it," she said.

The idea of women in white collar traditional male jobs doesn't seem to be so foreign anymore, where women were formerly discriminated against and passed over because of their gender. "I understand that's

happened in years passed where women had problems representing clients in countries where women were not necessarily viewed as equal and the clients didn't want them to

Male lawyers never seemed to have a problem with women entering the former uncharted terrain. "I think they probably looked at us as a novelty, and the women tended to be younger," added Coffee.

Therefore, the older men would be the mentors for the younger women, because there weren't any women to look to for guidance and support. This didn't prove to be a problem, though. Most of the male lawyers were helpful and went out of their way to teach the young recruits the maritime ropes.

"When you're a new associate everyone looks at you skeptically. It's difficult to say if it was because I was a new associate or a new female associate, and that may have added a little bit to it to make people a little bit more careful of what they said," Coffee said. "But I don't think I was treated any different because of it."

In the last year, Coffee represented a lot of women as clients, which before such time she couldn't remember representing any in court.

Women may have had to rock the boat in the beginning, but the judicial field seems a lot smoother now. □



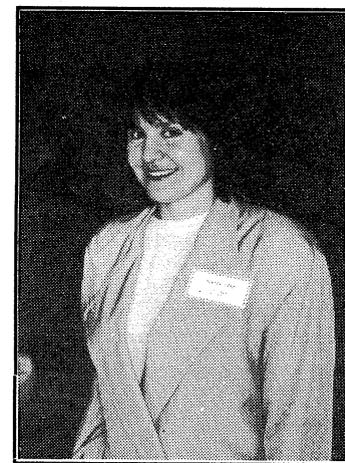
According to Eve

By Brooke Donatone



Association (WISTA) is an international organization for women in the maritime law industry. This organization is

currently trying to establish a chapter in the United States, to network with women all over the world. Men were invited to the breakfast and a few attended, but WISTA isn't out to segregate men and women in the field. Initially, maybe 30 people were expected to be at the breakfast, but as the organizing committee flipped through phone books, they realized many women were being overlooked in the field. Many women were involved in the field but since they were scattered all over the country,



Eve Coffee

be representing them. But I've never run into that problem," Coffee said.

Coffee explained that when she started at Heallie and Baillie five years ago she was the only woman; now, nine or ten women work there. Currently, there are about 35 lawyers in the firm, 13 of which are associates. All of the women are associates.

Mysticum's Metal

Debut an Industrially Sound Crossover

By MARC WEISBAUM
Statesman Staff

Within virtually every genre, sooner or later one band comes along that pushes the limits and proves no boundaries exist. For black metal and Norway, that band is **Mysticum**.

The trio, composed of Cerastes, Prime Evil and Mean Malmberg, at one time included **Mayhem** drummer, Hellhammer. He was asked to leave because they felt the incorporation of human percussion took away from their industrial element. His replacement was a drum machine and it has been the backbone of this industrial assault.

The band is also being touted as the last remaining Deathlike Sentence Productions (Euronymous' label) band. So are they worthy of all this hype? Without a doubt, yes.

With DSP in the grave alongside Euronymous, the band has released its debut LP, *In The Streams Of Inferno* on Thorns' label Full Moon Productions. The vocals are slightly similar to Ihsahn (**Emperor**) but their music is unlike any of the other Norwegian musical entities. Not only does **Mysticum** use keyboards, which many other bands are starting to use, they also include samples. They don't just use them for intros and what not, but as actual ingredients in the songs.

The eerie break in the first main song, "The Rest" leads into an excellent sample from one of the most powerful scenes in *The Exorcist*. The sample gives the song the evil feel the band intended and then they follow it

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up with a relentless attack of sound. Genius. The dark keyboard section in "Let The Kingdom Come" is also worth listening to. The song is highlighted with what sounds like a sample of the opening howl to "Winds Of Funera" from *Morbid's December Moon* demo. The band has also appeared on the

Nordic Metal: A Tribute To Euronymous compilation on Necropolis Records. All of this, plus they worship Satan and drugs. (Somebody please send them some angel dust.) It's hard not to love this band.

Mysticum is the first crossover band. While most American bands mutate to hardcore or punk with metal, Mysticum is fusing black metal with industrial. Industrial has slowly been becoming more like metal anyway. Mysticum, however, is easily one of the most innovative and creative bands to emerge from this scene.

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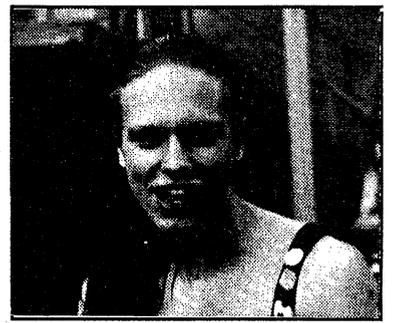


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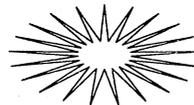
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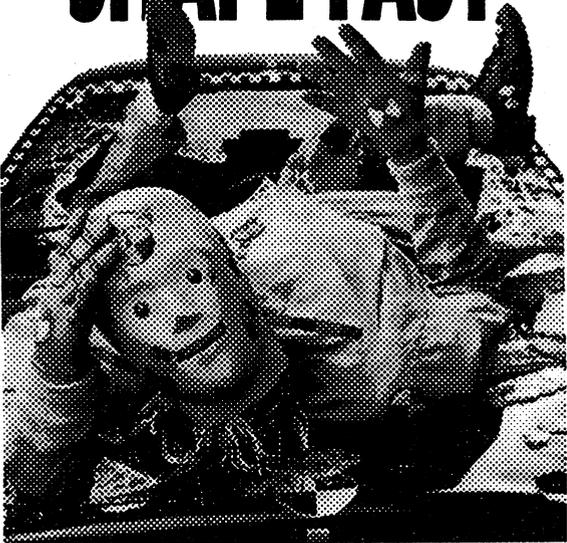


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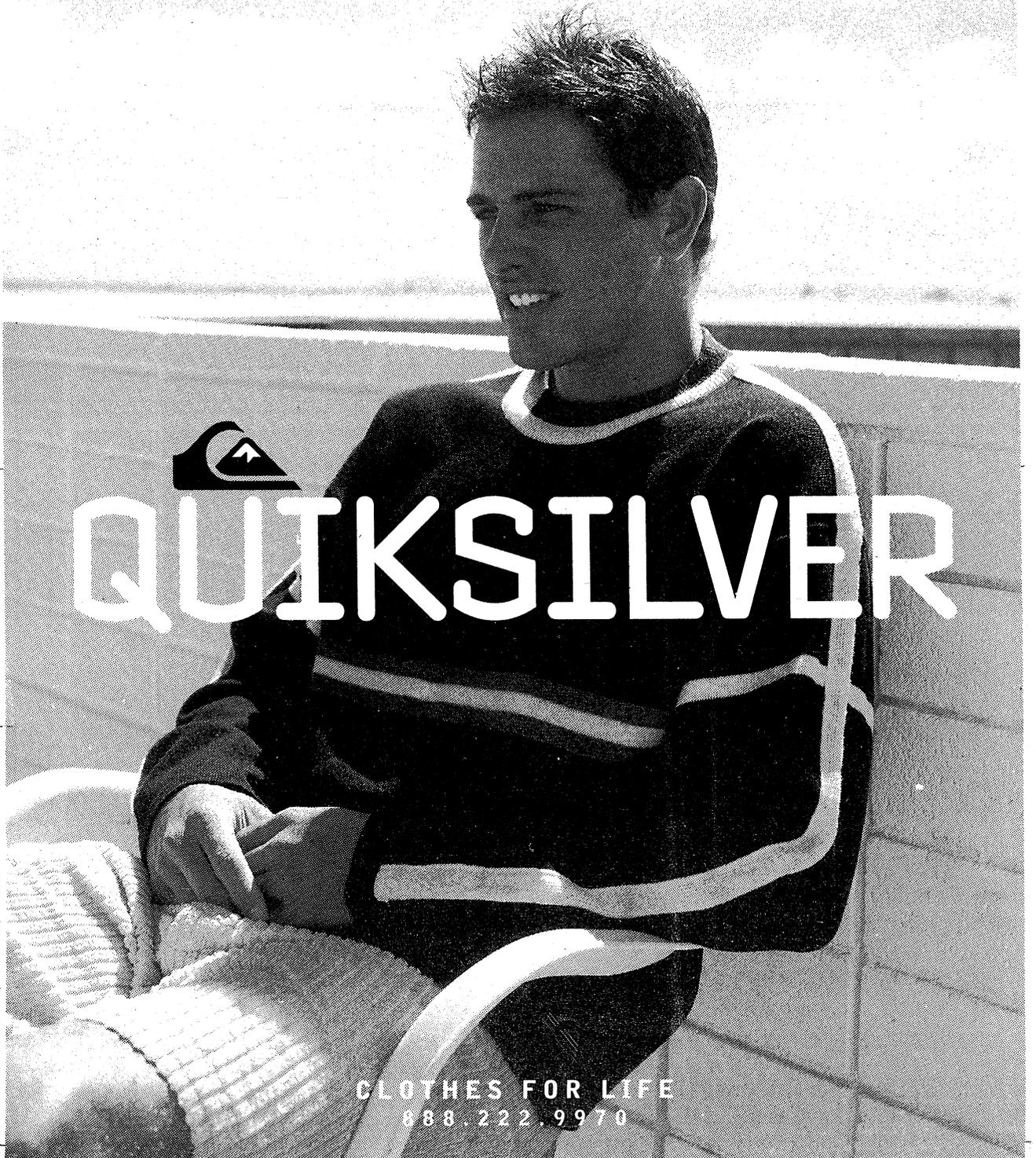
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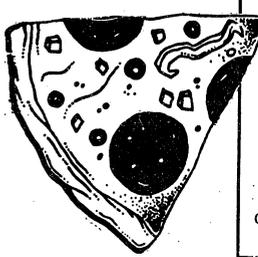
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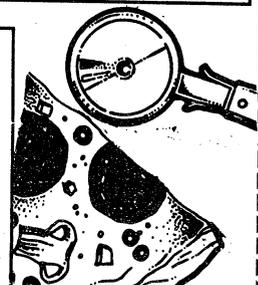
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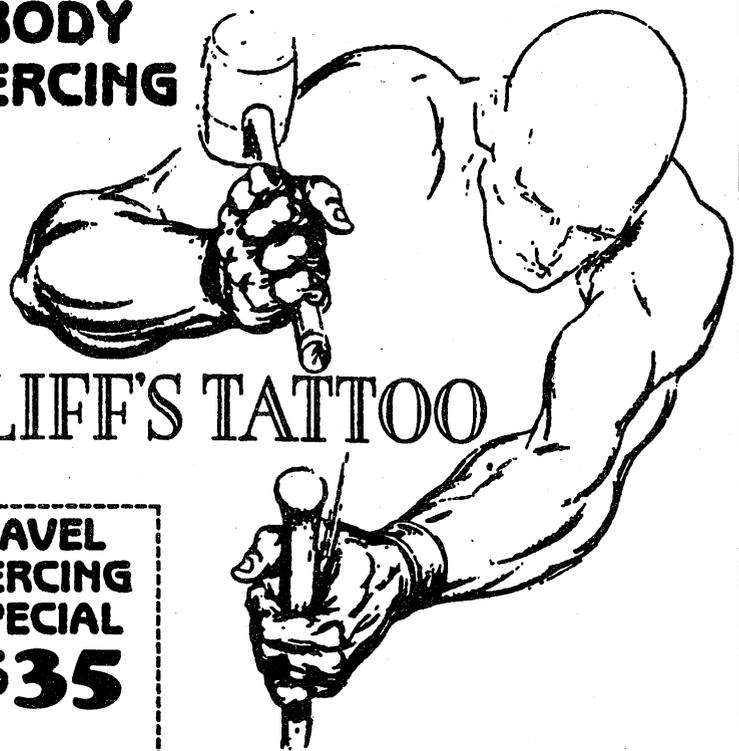
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RUTGERS NIP BLACK WIDOWS 7-5

By AMY BETH TOSKAS
 Special to the Statesman

Although the sun shined on the Rugby pitch this Sunday, lady luck was not with the Blackwidows as Rutgers defeated Stony Brook, 7-5. Robbyn Sanchez, a veteran forward, scored the only try of the game for the Brook. Rutgers dominated most of the match, but Stony Brook was at its best in the last seven or so minutes of the match. The Blackwidows drove the ball almost the entire length of the pitch blowing Rutgers back while attempting to score the game winning try in those last precious minutes. Unfortunately, the Stony Brook women were unable to make good on the try and were ultimately defeated.

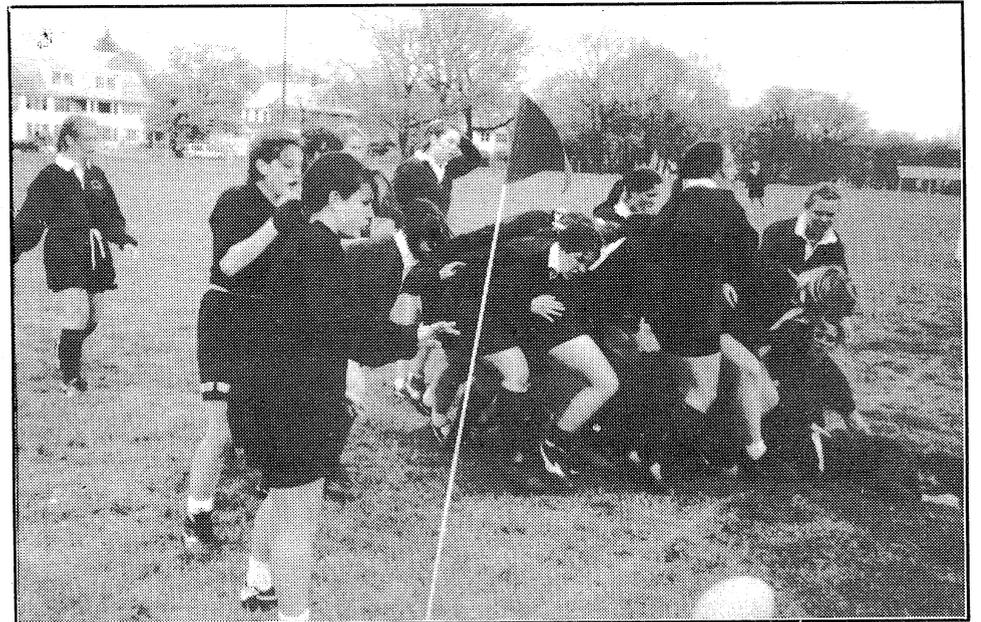
Building on the success of the past year, this brings the Widows record to 1-1, as they open their first season of Division I play in the Metropolitan Rugby Union. "Considering Stony Brook's inexperience, I was surprised at the competitiveness of the game," said Kristine Brenner. Rutgers has been a force to be reckoned with for Stony Brook in past seasons and the close score reflects the growing strength of the Women's Rugby Team.

This season commemorates the seventh semester of the team's formation in the spring of 1994. Ed Chase, a veteran of the

Men's Rugby team, coached the first handful of female Stony Brook Ruggers and lit a fire that has since blazed into the hearts of many. Unable to afford to purchase a set of jerseys, the team played its first matches clad in black shorts and t-shirts and were hence dubbed, "The Blackwidows." The name has since been embraced by the women and represents an important part of the team's history.

Marty Rosenthal, the present coach, received the torch from Chase in the Fall of 1995 and has brought the team to a new level of competition and spirit. As the coach of both the Men's and Women's Rugby teams, Rosenthal has brought the teams together and formed a tight unit. "The men and women of Stony Brook Rugby practice together, travel together, and celebrate together sharing our victories, making them twice as sweet," said player Tricia Cramer. The camaraderie between the two club squads is unique to college rugby and a credit to its members. "Rugby is a total team sport, no singular player can take on an opposing side and succeed without the support of fellow players," Rosenthal always says. This holds true off the pitch as well as on - support is the key to success.

The men are beginning their third year in Division I play, and are looking forward



The USB women's rugby team held close until the end, but lost in their second game of the season 7-5 Sunday.

to a very challenging league schedule. Facing West Point this weekend in a bone crushing game, Stony Brook came up short. However, with some hard play and leadership from the veterans, and what wing Todd Schoepflin calls, "a very promising group of young players", Stony Brook's men are poised to rise in the ranks.

The Stony Brook Rugby teams are hosting New Paltz this Sunday, October 6, 1996. Kick off for the women will be at 11 a.m. and the men will follow at 1 p.m. on the Rugby pitch (between the football field and the soccer field). Come down and check out the contagious spirit and adrenaline of some hard-core Rugby! □

CAN SACRED HEART BE BROKEN?

DA DA DA DA DA-DA!! CHARRRRRGE! The Seawolves kick off against the Sacred Heart Pioneers, Saturday, at the Seawolves Field, 1 p.m. with nothing but redemption on their minds. After a disappointing 29-6 pummeling by the Bentley Red Falcons last week, the 'Wolves are looking to take advantage of a weaker opponent this time.

The Sacred Heart Pioneers (1-2) are not going to be taken lightly by any means. As Kornhauser has reiterated time and time again this year "We don't have any slouches on our schedule this season." According to the Coach, each team is a "good football team." The fact that Sacred Heart has a 1-2 record doesn't mean they're not capable of scoring 29 points in the first half. They are however not a team capable of going undefeated in two or three consecutive seasons at this point in time.

Last season was a disaster for the Pioneers, going 3-7 (2-4 in the ECFC). And this season's start has not exactly been rosy for them either. But look for them to play a strong

defensive game against USB, which means, yep, you guessed it double teaming Glenn Saenz. Saenz broke loose against Pace two weeks ago, and should be able to do the

Kornhauser's



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same Saturday.

On the Pioneers defense, watch for leading tackler Scott Kohler and defensive line-mates James Thomson and John Armstrong. On offense, the man to look at is senior rusher Brian Ihlefeld who is SHU's first 1000 yard rusher in SHU's five year football

history. Other players to look for on offense are WR James Markwica and QB Peter Flora.

Seawolves rusher Bobby Kane is looking for release this week, only gaining minimal yardage last week, while the rest of the running attack will thrive behind Bobby and Ellrich.

Look for Anthony Gazillo to rebound from a turnover marred first half last week, and get the offense back in tune. And on defense you ask? The defense that shut down a powerful Montclair State offense the other week? Well Karafantis and Harris have the sack department covered, which means Peter Flora will be reduced to a _____, well you get the idea.

Too bad Division II doesn't have point spreads for their games given by Vegas every week, to get a better idea of what's going on, but that's all right.

So come on down and watch the Sacred Heart attack be transformed into chest pains for the Pioneers, and you don't need nitroglycerin for that; just an arm called Gazillo and a mind called Kornhauser and you're all set. □

ARMY Crushes USB 60-0

By ORRIN MCCORMACK
 Statesman Staff

This weekend the Men's Rugby team found out why the United States has never lost an official war. USB took on the West Point "A" squad and suffered a 60-0 rout. Stony Brook was unable to maintain possession of the ball throughout the game. They were dominated by Army in the scrums and in the line outs as well as in the general mauling and rucking.

If one were there to root for Army it was a splendid little afternoon. Their poise and determination were really quite something to see. They were disciplined, tremendously fit, and able to hold their intensity the entire game. They did Uncle Sam proud. In the scrums Army got approximately six to twelve inches lower to the ground than Stony Brook. They were able to push Stony Brook around like a cart. They made clean tackles with solid hits. In general Army played an very impressive game.

To their credit USB did give it all their all, pouring their hearts into the game, and blood on the pitch. In this game they were just completely outmatched. "Essentially to play Army is to play a team of government funded Wreckingballs," Todd Schoepflin said.

Stony Brook drops to 0-2 for the season. They will host New Paltz next week, October 6, and Iona College October 27. □