

By John F. Gillick NEWS EDITOR

A fresh batch of flowers and a newly cut tree stump are all that are left as a reminder of an automobile accident that claimed the life of a WPC student early August 8. Two other WPC students were seriously injured in the crash when the car in which they were travelling ran off the Garden State Parkway, struck a tree and burst into flames in Bloomfield.

Joseph Graci, 23, a former WPC football player from Peekskill was a backseat passenger in the 1984 Oldsmobile that crashed at 1:24 a.m. near Exit 151, authorities said.

Trooper Al Della Fave, State Police spokesman, said the driver, Jose Rodriquez, 27, of Jersey City, and passenger John Heckle, 24, a WPC football player from Prospect Park were airlifted to University Hospital

in Newark, and admitted in critical and serious condition, respectively. Graci was transported to Mountainside Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Della Fave said the men were traveling in the northbound lanes when the car drifted off the highway and struck the tree.

The students were rescued by passing motorists and local residents, he added.

"Trooper John Murphy reported no skid marks at the scene, which would indicate no brakes being used," said Della Fave, adding, "Whatever speed they were going, they hit the tree head-on."

He said that in such accidents the driver is usually fatigued or suffering from medical problems, adding that the investigation was continuing.

"It is a sad moment," commented Athletic Director Arthur Eason. "Joe will be



Joseph Graci

sorely missed and I wish the other two a speedy recovery." "It's a shame," said President

Jose Rodriques Arnold Speert. "It's dreadful to hear and it's devastating to anyone who hears. I hope that

trouble for summer course leged racist remarks spell

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Alleged anti-Catholic remarks made by a WPC professor over the summer sparked a firestorm of controversy involving a Catholic rights group and the Diocese of Paterson.

The professor, Vernon Mc-Clean, stated he used a quote from Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan to illustrate how the anger felt by black people because of racism in the United States can manifest itself in profanity.

The controversy over the re-

marks erupted the week of July 20 after a student's mother complained about the remarks made in McClean's "Racism and Sexism" class. The cause was taken up by the New Yorkbased Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, which describes itself as the largest Catholic civil rights group in the nation.

WPC closed its investigation of the incident July 27, saying that the professor accused of vulgarly deprecating the pope in class "disassociates himself" from the remarks.

In a prepared statement, President Arnold Speert said he was "satisfied that the matter had been resolved fully and completely" after a confidential investigaton that involved questioning of students, the professor, and college officials. However, William A. Donahue, the president of the Catholic League called the college's response "lame" and "wholly unsatisfactory" because it included no apology, no admission of wrongdoing, and no action against McClean.

Donahue said that since the controversy erupted he received calls from six alumni and two faculty members at WPC who complained about other anti-Catholic and anti-Semitic remarks at the college. He would not identify those callers but said the league would investigate their complaints.

Director of College Relations Richard D. Nirenberg said "If Mr. Donohue has evidence of wrongdoing, he should present it through the proper channels. We welcome expressions of opinions by all citizens concerned with the quality of edu-

cation at their state colleges."

The Roman Catholic bishop of the Diocese of Paterson said July 29 that he was disappointed by the official response.

"It still needs to be made clear to the public, especially the Catholic community, whether or not the professor agrees with the substance of the disparaging remarks about Pope John Paul II," Bishop Frank J. Rodimer said in a statement.

"We are disappointed and oncerned that, according to President Speert's statement, the professor has apparently disassociated himself only from the offensive language used and not from the obvious anti-Catholic bigotry that the quoted words convey.'

However McClean said July 28 that he found the quoted remarks "offensive" and that he opposed all forms of bigotry.



Construction continues at Sarah Byrd Askew Library.

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While you were away...

APPOINTMENTS

- Stephen K. Hall, an expert on environmental health, was named dean of the school of science and health this past June.

Since 1992, Hall has been director of the office of environmental health for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in Oklahoma city where he was responsible for public safety and for the safety and health of all FAA employees. In addition, he worked with the World Health Organization (WHO) on its international program on chemical safety and health. He received also the Technical/Scientific Publication Award of the Office of Aviation Medicine, FAA, on August 24 in Washington, D.C.

From 1989 to 1992 he was the Dean of the College of Health Sciences at Chicago State University, and from 1985 to 1989 served as associate dean of the graduate school at the Medical College of Ohio at Toledo. He was acting director of the environmental studies program at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville where he was also a professor of chemistry and environmental health from 1969 to 1985.

Hall, a resident of Wayne, was born in Hong Kong. He was awarded a four-year scholarship to International Christian University in Tokyo, where he obtained a B.A. in chemistry in 1961. He obtained a M.A. from the University of Toronto and a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Pittsburgh. Hall also holds a master of science degree in environmental health from the Harvard School of Public Health.

- Stephen Hahn, Associate Professor of English and Director of General Education, has served as Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Hahn holds a Ph.D. and M.A. in English from Rutgers University and a B.A. in English and Philosophy from Amherst College. He has been a member of the faculty since 1984 and served as Director of Freshman Writing from 1988 to 1991. He has served as Director of General Education since January 1992.

- Norma Levy has been ap-



pointed Interim Director of Library Services this past July.

Levy holds a M.A. in social science, 1982, WPC, a M.A. in library services, 1976, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York, and a B.A.

- Nicholas D'Ambrosio, a former associate professor of curriculum and instruction at WPC and member of the faculty from 1958 to 1994, was named professor emeritus July 26.

- Patricia A. Huber, a former

associate professor of exercise and movement sciences at WPC and member of the faculty from 1968 to 1994, was named professor emeritus July 8.

- Terence M. Ripmaster, a former professor of history at WPC and member of the faculty from 1966 to 1994, was named professor emeritus July 8.

- Joan T. Feeley, a former professor of curriculum and instruction at WPC and member of the faculty from 1971 to 1994, was named professor emeritus July 8.

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- Donato D. Fortuno, a former professor of music at WPC and member of the faculty from 1967 to 1994, was named professor emeritus July 11.

IN MEMORIAM

- William Marcus Bell passed away June 4. Bell worked in Data Processing, and provided computer operation support since 1980. He was also active in the CWA Union.

Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics Reported by the William Paterson College Police Department for period August 1993 through July 1994

The Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 requires the following information to be made available to students, employees and applicants for enrollment.

CR CODE	1992	1993	8/93-7/94
Homicide	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	0	2
Robbery	0	0	0
Aggr. Assault	2	3	2
) Burglary	10	1	1
Larceny/Theft	161	180	156
M.V. Theft	2	3	7
) Simple Assault	15	17	25
Arson	1	2	1
7) Sex Offenses	N/A	N/A	2
8) Liquor Law (Arrests)	5	2	1
9) Drug (Arrests)	1	3	7
0) Weapons (Arrests)	0	2	0



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TENNIS SINGLES	
VOLLEYBALL (M/W)	
COED VOLLEYBALL	
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WALLYBALL	

9/13	
9/14	
9/16	
9/27	
10/11	
10/25	
11/8	

NON-CREDIT CLASSES				
AEROBICS/STEP	9/11			
FIRST AID & CPR	TBA			
WT. TRAINING SEMINARS	TBA			
SELF DEFENSE	TBA			

SPECIAL EVENTS

NAT'L FITNESS WEEK	10/17-23
LIFESTEP CHALLENGE	10/17-21
AEROBICS SUPERCLASS	10/20
TIMEX COMPETITION	10/17-21
MIDNIGHT MADNESS	11/10

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WIGHTMAN GYM

EDITORIAL Silence + Ignorance = Bigotry

By Randee Bayer-Spittel EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Toward the end of last semester, a fairly well-known lesbian on campus came to me and told me about her door being repeatedly defaced.

Kids walking by were ripping things down off her door and writing "dyke" on the door. She told me that she had reported it but really nothing was being done about it. I sat at my desk talking to her and agreeing that something really should be done, then I did nothing.

I did not send a reporter to investigate it or even write an editorial about it. I simply let it slip from my mind because it was not "newsworthy."

Thinking back now, I wonder would I have found it so "unnewsworthy" if it had been happening to a Latino or African-American student and the word "dyke" was replaced by the word "nigger." My answer to myself was that I would have found these events very "newsworthy" indeed.

Now that I look back, I see how many times I have stood by and allowed bigots to stand in front of me making gay jokes where I would not have allowed them to make racist comments. It occurred to me that in those instances I was just as bigoted as they were for not stopping them and saying that those jokes were not funny and I would not listen to them.

Instead, I stood by silently shuffling my feet because even at 24 I wanted to be "accepted" and have "friends." It is taken for granted that by now I should know that the kind of friend who would not respect me for me for standing-up for my convictions are not friends that I want.

By allowing these bigots to perpetuate stereotypes that were neither true nor harmless, I was being

just as bigoted as they were.

I know now that when I hear gays being referred to as "fruits" and AIDS being called "fruitrot," I must step forward the same way that I would if it were the use of word like "spic" or "nigger."

That is the only way to stop bigotry and ignorance from continuing.

So, the next time that I am standing there when I hear someone making jokes about "fags", I will step forward and stand up for my convictions; not as an arrogant liberal in a white tower but simply as a person who knows that these attitudes help no-one, least of all the person making the joke. Finally, I would like to apologize to the woman who came to me with stories of homophobic remarks or incidents. In the future, I will try to be a better listener, and a better friend.

Oppurtunities await you at WPC!

By Yoni Grenbuam Staff Columnist

For those of you who are freshmen, you have probably heard and will continue to hear about all the opportunities that you will have while at William Paterson College. Our Student Government President Lorraine Doumato in her letter in the Student Handbook wrote of the "many academic and extra curricular opportunities available to you." At the upcoming club fair, you will have a chance to check out some of the organizations and opportunities that are available on campus first hand. In addition there are fraternities and sororities each with their own different image. There are clubs that exist for political or religious reasons, and clubs that exist for social reasons. There are even clubs that exist for no reason. Don't forget, there is also The Beacon (which always has room) and the radio station. If it's exercise you want there are sports teams galore.

The opportunities don't stop there. Our campus also has great professors and great classes and the academic support center and the counsel-

ing center...the list just goes on and on.

What you have to remember and what will only get harder as time goes on, is that these opportunities won't just come to you. It is true, that they are there for you, but only if <u>you</u> go out and get them.

Our College President, Dr. Arnold Speert wrote in his letter in the Handbook that "Your college education will not be given to you - you will earn it..." He closes his letter by writing "All things considered your opportunities at WPC have never been better. Take advantage of them..." He's right, you do have to earn it. You'll have to go to the club fair, stop by **The Beacon** office or the radio station. If you don't want to do it alone, then don't, bring a friend, bring two friends. In addition, take part in activities that are for the whole campus. You can make a difference and have your voice heard through some of these actions.

Soon there will be elections for various Student Government Association Officers. If you want to run for a position, then run. Most importantly, remember to vote, remind your roommate and your friends. What it comes down to is that you have to do it yourself. The rest of us are here to guide you, point you in the right direction if you are lost, and give you that nudge when you need it.

There is one opportunity though, that both Presidents Speert and Dummato missed. That is the opportunity to meet great people. Approximately 10,000 people go to our school. You will never have an easier opportunity to meet people from a pool this large. There are all types, people from different religious backgrounds, different cultures, and different countries. Some might be older and some younger. Most importantly, they are there if you want to meet them. It is this last opportunity that will follow you the longest. Just think you might meet your future mate or best friend. So, take advantage.

Hey, I know it's a lot. But its there for you and if you have a question or a problem and no one else seem eto be able to help, hey just stop by **The Beacon** office (student center room 310) and I'd be more than glad to try and help out.

Most importantly, enjoy the year!

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Student Government Association Elections

Freshman Class

President Vice-President Treasurer Secretary

Senior Class Treasurer Secretary

Junior Class officer openings to be announced.

5 club B reps 1 club E reps School of Humanities rep. School of Management rep. School of Arts of Com. Nominations Open, September 19 Elections Tue & Wed Oct. 11 & 12 in SC Lobby 10am-8pm "Simplify, simplify."

Henry David Thoreau

"Hey, that's not a bad idea."

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SAPB (Student Activities Programming Board) is the major programming organization at WPC, providing social, cultural, recreational and educational activities.It is open to any WPC student. Whatever your interest or major, there is something here to interest you!

Committees

Advertising Cinema Concerts Daytime Entertainment Lectures Multicultural Travel

1994/95 Highlights

Welcome Week: Sat., Sept 10 Seaside Heights Trip Sun., Sept. 11 Outdoor Movie "The Crow" & Dance Mon., Sept 12 Comedy in Shea Tues., Sept 13 Outside Games Wed., Sept 14 Activities during Club Fair WE DO IT ALLI Trips...Outside Activities... Comedians...Dances...Movies... Controversial Speakers...Bands Controversial Speakers...Bands Psychics...Spring Break Trip...SPRINGFEST

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The Beacon

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FRI. SEPT.16	TRENTON		7:30 p.m.
FRI. SEPT. 23	WILKES	HOME	7:30 p.m.
FRI. SEPT. 30	KEAN	HOME	7:30 p.m.
SAT. OCT. 8	WESLEY (Homecoming)	HOME	7:30 p.m.
	MONTCLAIR		7:30 p.m.
SAT. OCT.22	WORCESTER POLYTECH	AWAY	7:30 p.m.
FRI. OCT. 28	JERSEY CITY	HOME	7:30 p.m.
SAT. NOV. 5		AWAY	7:30 p.m.
FRI. NOV. 11	ALBANY STATE	HOME	7:30 p.m.

The Sports staff of **The Beacon** would like to welcome the incoming freshmen. We will return for the first issue on September 12 with previews of all the sports.



Nothing New: Summer In Review





By Mike Garry and Dawn Marecki **INSIDER EDITORS**

On with the obligatory "Summer In Review". There wasn't a whole lot new going on in the entertainment world.

We had The Mask with Jim Carrey that looked and played like a scientifically atomized mesh of Batman and Roger Rabbit. Schwarzenegger put another notch on his belt with his latest action saturated True Lies as did Harrison Ford with the third sequel to Hunt for Red October, Clear and Present Danger.

We had the fourth year in the ongoing success story of Perry Farrell's travelling alternative music circus, Lollapalooza and the expensive but harmless resurrection of it's messy mother, Woodstock. The H.O.R.D.E tour also did it again.



Elsewhere in live music, nostalgia continued to dominate, with tours by The Rolling Stones, The Steve Miller Band, Billy Joel and Elton John, The Grateful Dead, The Allman Brothers Band and the "They said it would never happen, but money talks" Eagles tour.

There was a dramatic lack of notable new artists in the popular music



and those that broke through were found out to have been around but unnoticed from five to 12 years.

The ailing grunge machine was challenged by a radical backlash scene known as Retro-Lounge which brought back cigars and Martinis and bands like Love Jones and Combustible Edison featuring ex-members of The Lemonheads and Urge

Q-104.3 continued to get ratings and offered more of their "pure rock format" which featured everything from Jimi Hendrix to Nine Inch Nails

Z-100 followed suit, adding more heavy programming while maintaining some of its pop roots, which made for a frightening combination and a new identity for the station as the terminally uncool United Nations of popular radio.

Stomp was the hit of Off-Broadway theatre.

In a miraculous move, network television actually offered something

bright, inventive and challenging with Michael Moore's (Roger and Me) "T.V. Nation" while MTV took a few breaks from the monotony of Beach MTV with "Lenny Kravitz Unplugged", "Geeks , Freaks and Weirdos", and the award-winning mainstay "The Week In Rock".

And who could forget the ongoing

Nothing is shocking, everything has been done. - Eds.

Overkill, respectively.

The biggest selling book of the summer was yet another John Grisham novel (The Chamber) and outside of that it was pretty much back to the classics.

Beauty and the Beast, The Who's Tommy and Kiss of the Spider Woman continued to do well on Broadway, despite their recycled material.

MTV tried in vain to reinvent the success of "Beavis and Butthead" with the nearly unwatchable "The Brothers Grunt" and gave us "The Real World 3 - San Francisco".

But it wasn't all bad.

With repeated viewings, The Crow kept many happy through June.

The terminally unsung Redd Kross did some headlining and a triumphant tour opening for Stone Temple Pilots. Helmet, The Beastie Boys and House of Pain came back with strong albums. Green Day helped us get over the loss of Kurt Cobain and Nirvana. Public Enemy re-emerged and gave some relief from the tedious "G-Funk"/ Coolio influx.

saga of the O.J. incident. Thanks for the memories (and "the envelope") Juice

Now on to the Fall. Eagerly-anticipated albums by The Black Crowes and Pearl Jam were slated for release August 30, but have been pushed back until October. At least



In other rock n' roll news, rumor has it that Geffen will release a double album from Nirvana. Currently, there is no information on what the record will include.

Broadway should be a draw this Fall, with the premier of Showboat and Sunset Boulevard. Revivals, like How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying starring Matthew Broderick will be creeping up all over the stage and are expected to do well.

The motion picture world will bring variety and action. Clockers, the new Spike Lee film is slated for release in late Fall. Jeffrey, an adaption from the Broadway play, will star Patrick Stewart (Star Trek: The Next Generation) while the new Star Trek film Generations is expected for release around Thanksgiving.

So, the Fall is looking good, you say? Unfortunately, we disagree. Nothing is shocking, everything has been done. New, new, new- you hear it everyday don't you? Well, maybe you should think twice before you believe it. Maybe we've missed something. Then again, maybe we are just bitter and seeking a serious change



we have a couple of things to look forward to. With Dave Abbruzzese fired from Pearl Jam recently the band has been searching for a new drummer. No luck at press time.

of pace. What do you want to see in the Fall? You tell us, we dare you. (send letters to Student Center Rm. 310). Oh, by the way, have a great semester.

"Have you ever danced with the devil by the pale moonlight?"

-The Joker (Batman the movie)

We have! so could you!

The Beacon Student Center Rm. 310 595-2248

September - Activities Calendar

September 1 - September 30 - "Janice New Jersey Chapter of the American Society Golojuch - Collages" Art Exhibit - Student Center Art Gallery - Reception September 8, from 1-2pm - For more info call (201) 595-2591 or (212) 759-6227.

September 6 – September 16 – "Profiles of the Future" Student Art Exhibit - Ben Shahn Galleries - For more info call (201) 595-2654.

September 8 - Midday Artists Series opens with a jazz concert by Horacee Arnold Trio - 12:30pm - Shea Center - Admission \$3 For more info (201) 595-2371.

September 10 - SAPB Bus Trip to Seaside Heights - departs lot 5 at 11am, departs Seaside at 10pm - \$3 Students, \$4 Public.

September 14 – ClubFair - Student Center Lawn.

September 16 - September 25 - The call(201) 595-2654.

of Media Photographers presents an exhibition of Fine Art Photography - The Bergen County Museum of Arts & Sciences, 327 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus, NJ - For more info call Geoff Reed (908) 888-7758 or Mark Balzarette (201) 652-4678.

September 21 – Judy Bady, student jazz vocalist - Billy Pat's - 12:30pm - 2pm.

September 25 - NJ Guitar and Equipment Fair - Falcon Camp Grounds, Sommerville, NJ - 9am to 6pm - \$5 admission - For more info call (908) 359-0124.

September 29 - November 10 - Art At Lunch - "The American Experience - 1906-1939" - Thursdays at 11:30am - Ben Shahn Galleries - Subscriptionfor the two-semester series of 13 lectures are \$30 or \$17.50 for either the fall or spring semesters. Individual lecturers are \$3 per person. For more info

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World Of Pez!

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En 1994 Evan Robb I'M SORRY VIOLET.

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