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Celebrating Women at WPC

This second annual event sponsored by the William Paterson College Women's Center provides an opportunity to pay tribute and celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of women students and staff at WPC.

Members of the college community are encouraged to fill out forms available at the Women's Center (SC 214).

The tributes will be recognized at the Celebration of Women, Mar. 26 at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. In addition to the tributes there will be entertainment and refreshments.

For more information contact the Women's Center at 595-2946.

Careers in Cyberspace

Longing for a job in the World Wide Web? Interested in becoming a Webmaster, a Cybrarian, a Web designer or consultant? Come to "Careers in Cyberspace," a program sponsored by the William Paterson College Career Services, to be held on Thursday, Mar. 28, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in Morrison 146.

There will be a panel of four speakers and three women from "Webgirls," an on-line and in-person women's networking group from NYC. From on-campus will be Robert Harris, Coordinator of Academic Technical Consulting of the WPC Department of Instruction, Research and Technology.

Please register in advance by calling 595-2282. Seating is limited.

Acclaimed author to speak

Geoffrey Canada, the acclaimed author of *Fist Stick Knife Gun: A Personal History of Violence in America* will speak at William Paterson College on "How We Treat Our Children: Schools and Social Policy in America Today."

Canada is the winner of the 1995 Heinz Award for his passionate concern for children and his determination to make their lives safer and saner.

The lecture begins at 2 p.m. in Sci and will be followed by at 3:30 p.m. with discussion groups moderated by WPC faculty.

The program is sponsored by WPC's Department of Political Science, WPC Project 30 Alliance and the School of Education's Diversity Committee. For information call 595-2138.



The annual Health Fair took place Thursday, March 19 in the William Paterson College Student Center Ballroom. The Health Fair allowed students, faculty and staff to get information on current health issues and even be tested like the student (above) who is getting her cholesterol level checked.

Gena Zak/The Beacon

Parking ticket showdown

• Campus police attempt to collect over 1 million dollars

By Mona Zughbi

BEACON STAFF WRITER

Recent steps taken by William Paterson College to collect over \$1 million in unpaid parking summonses dating back to 1989 have sparked resentment and confusion within the college community.

WPC Campus Police sent collection notices to those who owed outstanding parking summonses early in the spring 1996 semester. The notices stated the amount of the outstanding fines, and that "unless payment was received no later than Mar. 11, 1996 the fine would then be subject to assignment to a professional collection agency." It also stated that "New Jersey State Income Tax refunds and/or Homestead Rebates may be withheld and applied against a fine obligation."

This new method of collection, the first of its type on the WPC campus, has aggravated students, faculty and

even alumni.

"Up until now I was under the impression that I would pay the \$90 I owed before I graduated," said Scott Carlson, Student Government Association Vice President. "But now they change the game and give us two weeks to pay up with no option of a payment plan. That is ridiculous, especially for a college student."

Tim Fanning, WPC associate vice president of the Administration and Finance explained that "this approach was necessary because the institution had a problem that had to be addressed."

Not all students would agree.

"I think students should come together and petition for more time [to pay] since this problem could have been approached in a more considerate way," said junior Lisa Melone. "This school is supposed to be doing for the students. Damaging our credit before we graduate is uncalled

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• Blackout cancels WPC classes, closes dormitory

Power to most of the William Paterson College campus was cut Tuesday night when high winds brought down a tree snapping a 13,000 kilovolt power line, officials said.

The downed wires forced the closure of East Road and the college entrance near Pompton Road. A resulting fire which gave off bright blue sparks were visible throughout much of the 280 acre campus.

The blackout which lasted a little over six hours, forced the evacuation of the colleges Tower dormitories and the cancellation or interruption of nearly 100 classes.

Buildings that were not effected included the colleges library, Hobart Hall, College Hall and Hillside Dormitory. These building were on a different electric line officials said.

Power was restored at 1:30 a.m. No injuries were reported and only minor damages to equipment were reported.

• Fire forces students from Towers dorm

A suspicious fire at 3 a.m. Friday on the third floor of the William Paterson College Towers dormitory caused a evacuation of the building, officials said.

The cause of the fire is being investigated by the WPC campus police and the Passaic County Prosecutors Office. According to reports, a couch in the building lobby was set on fire, apparently with a roll of toilet paper.

The fire was initially put out by WPC campus police Sgt. Robert McFarlane with a hallway extinguisher. Two other officers who responded were overcome by the smoke that soon filled the dormitory lounge.

Security Officer Frank Wilson and Officer David Feliberty were taken to Barnert Hospital, Paterson, where they were treated for smoke inhalation and released, officials said.

No arrests have been made.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday

Career Services--Workshop: "Introduction to Resume Expert" Advance sign-up required. 4:30-6:30, Morrison 148. Contact Sharon Rosengart, ext. 3020.

Pioneer Yearbook--Attention all seniors. Be a part of the 1996 yearbook. Last call for senior portraits on 4th, 5th, 6th. Don't miss out. Contact Davor Photo for appt. @ 1-800-836-0558, \$10 sitting fee).

Beta Zeta Phi--Annual dating game. All proceeds go to Philanthropy: Tomorrow's Children (Children with

Cancer). Admission \$3 for WPC students and \$4 for others. To participate, there is an entry fee of \$10. 8 p.m., SC Ballroom. Contact Mona, 696-9414.

Tuesday

Catholic Campus Ministry-- Give yourself a spiritual break! Join us for eucharistic service in celebration of God's goodness to brighten your day. All are welcome. 12:30, SC 215. Contact Joanne, ext. 6184.

Wednesday

Student Council for Exceptional Citizens--In honor

of Multicultural Awareness Week, SCEC and Feminist Collective are sponsoring an Ethnic Luncheon. Ethnic foods will be provided and entertainment will be "Jazz Prophets." Tickets \$3, students; \$5, faculty and staff. 11:00-2:00, SC Ballroom. Call ext. 2526 for info.

Career Services--Workshop: "Planning for Graduate School" 2:00-3:00, Morrison 146. Contact Sharon, ext. 3020.

Thursday

WPC Music Dept.--Paterson Guitarfest '96. Events include:

Lecture Recital w/ Dr. Richard Jacobowski; Midday w/ Dr. Nicholas Goluses; Seminar w/ Seth Himmelhoch; Student Concert. Events span entire day in Library Auditorium. Contact Music Dept, ext. 2315.

Feminist Collective--Meeting at 12:30 in SC 304. All are welcome.

Faculty Senate/Sociology Dept. - Workshop: "Teaching Effectiveness/Student Needs" 12:30-1:45, Library-Curriculum Materials Classroom.

United Asian Americans--

Come and join the UAA at their general gathering! Come one, come all! 12:45-1:45, Sci. 439. Contact Michael, ext. 2497.

Career Services--Workshop: "Teaching Certification" 4:30-5:00, Morrison 146; Workshop: "Interview Techniques" 5:00-6:30, Morrison 146. Contact Sharon, ext. 3020.

Friday

SCEC--March Canteen is a seasonal program for adults w/ disabilities. We need volunteers to help out w/ activities and spend time w/ the clients. 7:00-9:00 p.m., SC Ballroom. Contact ext. 2526.

CAMPUS NEWS

Policy sparks debate, confusion and anger

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Complaints like these and others have reached Henry Krell, WPC dean of students, "My office has received many complaints about this situation," he said. "Had it been my responsibility to handle this, I would have done it differently."

The situation has sparked debates on campus about what exactly should have been done.

"A more constructive way to have gone about this would have been to divide the amount of the fee by the amount of semesters they have left and tack that amount on each tuition payment," said Junior Christopher Krautcheck. "It is more realistic for me to pay \$50 a semester rather than \$200 within a small amount of time."

"I was just as surprised as anybody else, when the letters started coming in," said Krell. "I would have prepped everybody on campus as to what was going

to happen."

Allen Williams, WPC assistant chief of security, violations and park explained that "The system we currently have is like an honor system in a class room. If you don't go to class, you still fail even though the professor doesn't knock on your door everyday."

While many of the students who received the notices might not agree with Williams, there were those who did.

"There should not be a need for continuous warnings or reminders for those who owe," said sophomore Sally McCue. "The ticket itself is a warning and should have been paid immediately so that the accumulation summonses and the creation of outrageous balances would not have to occur."

Although there has been many suggestions regarding the collection process, this new approach seems to be working.

Since the notices have been sent, approximately \$100,000 in fees have been collected.

While the majority of the outstanding fines are for individuals who have only a couple of tickets, there are over twenty-five WPC students who owe over \$1,000. According to College records one student even owes over \$7,000 in fines.

While these students acknowledge they received the tickets, many do not approve of the colleges collection process.

"I think the men who ticket are overzealous," stated WPC senior Keith Jordan, who owes over \$1,000. "I'm not quite sure how I am going to handle my situation."

Williams explained that "Nothing has changed with the people who owe the larger amounts because the complex issue of human nature kicks in. It becomes a financial burden on them. I do not want to say



Construction in the Atrium, the new academic building adjacent to the library now concentrates on the interior since the translucent roof has been completed. Gena Zak/The Beacon

they're ignoring the problem but maybe they haven't found a solution yet."

According to Williams, the money collected so far goes into a general fund that is handled through administration and finance. He noted that the people issuing the summonses and the collection of fines don't work on commission.

"The money we've collected in the past in terms of parking fines have gone into things like the shuttle bus, snow removal, repairing the roads, hiring parking attendants, student security, etc," said Fanning. "I think the

"The balance sheet had become huge and the ability to manage it with the personnel we had had come from a system that has been inundated and approved back in 1990," said Williams. "The ability to manage it with the personnel we have become strained so there are several cases of typographical errors, duplication, etc."

Williams urged anyone that has any discrepancies to write to Campus Police. Additionally, the appeal process is printed on the back of a ticket if anybody feels that there was an error made.

"We are not looking to crucify," said Fanning.

The college is concerned that individuals might attempt to take advantage of the situation and try to get out of paying legitimate fines.

While all those who question their tickets will be given consideration, Fanning hopes that people will show their integrity and be honest.

Students who have not paid outstanding fines or receive new ones should prepare for another change in the system.

According to Fanning, "There will be changes starting in the fall when registration time comes." He explained that

outstanding tickets will be considered part of a student's financial obligation and listed on tuition bills. If students don't pay the fines, the college will prohibit them from registering.

This policy is used by other colleges in New Jersey and throughout the country.

"The most effective way of solving the parking problem would probably be that people abide by the regulations and respect each other so that we wouldn't be engaged in issuing summonses," Fanning added.

Add/drop policy: take three

By Clementina Pope
BEACON STAFF WRITER

Effective Fall 1996 students at William Paterson College will have yet another version of Add/Drop to understand.

According to Stephen Hahn, vice president of Academic Affairs, this will "allow students to adjust their schedules following the time of the first scheduled meeting of a class for which they are enrolled."

Alex Malino, president of the Student Government Association, said that the re-establishment of the program is "a big victory for the students. Students are actually being put first."

During the past three years, the policy has been changed as many times.

Now, students get one class session to decide whether they want the course or not. In the past it was two sessions. "It gives students the opportunity to see what they are getting," stated Malino.

"Dr. Sesay is a miracle work-

er," said Malino, adding, "He agreed to the terms of the SGA and enacted them through the deans. He doesn't just listen to the students, he works with and for them, which is a pleasant surprise." Chernoh Sesay is the provost and vice president of Academic Affairs.

Hahn stated that the Add/Drop policy requires "that classes will meet at their first scheduled time, and that instructors will be present at the meeting."

Students are expected to "arrange their academic programs in a timely way," stated Hahn, adding, "Failure to complete the process by the deadline will not constitute a legitimate exception to procedure."

"The goal is to get the semester underway, and not to spend too much time on settling students," stated registrar Mark Evangelista.

"It is a good thing that you can add or drop a course after the first class, because you don't know a professor's per-

sonality and method of teaching until you sit in on a class session," stated junior Jennifer Felix.

Another student agreed with Felix, stating, "I think it was stupid to get rid of it in the first place."

"It was an institutional decision," stated Evangelista. "I have no problem with it. If that's what the students want, I'm glad to see it. I hope it works out very well," he added.

"The power is back with the consumer," stated senior Michael Leung. "We get a chance to preview our purchase. If you can't make-up or replace the credits dropped, it's like losing your buying power."

The policy will require "a period of give and take," stated Hahn. "There's a need for balance. We have to keep control but not be too rigid."

"The policy will be reviewed to see whether it is too open or too restrictive," said Hahn, "but the expectation is that it will stay."

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MARCH 25TH:

In Honor of Women's History Month, come here Rebecca Walker speak in SC BR 12:30 co sponsored w/ Feminist Collective

APRIL 1ST:

Come here the First Female Mayor of the Nation's Capitol: Sharon Pratt Kelly SC room 203-205 12:30 pm Reception will follow

MARCH 26TH:

Come see the hilarious Judith Sloan perform "The Whole K'cuffin' World & a few more things" in the Library Auditorium at 7pm.



April 2nd:

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Dateless Losers: Sicko Wants You!

By Tim Bornemann
ASSISTANT INSIDER EDITOR

In support of their third full-length album, *Chef Boy R U Dum*, pop-punk deity Sicko is crisscrossing the country on their first extensive U.S. tour. Although greeted by large groups of fans at each show, the members of Sicko are very humble and surprised at their growing popularity. But these up and coming rockers who were highly ranked on the CMT charts deserve the praise bestowed upon them, as Sicko is one of the most energetic groups currently inhabiting the punk rock world.

Due to their late arrival, the group was placed under strict time restraints (such is the harried life of struggling artists). Still, before hopping into their van, Sicko set aside some time for *The Insider* after the show, right. On a sidewalk outside Newark's Pipeline, band members Ean and Denny answered some questions on touring, tattoos, and Star Wars while drummer, Josh was on the phone with his girlfriend.

Insider: With all the people at your shows you must get your share of fan mail, what types of comments do people generally have?

Ean: We get a letter or two from 14-year-old girls who are dateless losers. Generally speaking we get letters from 14-year-old boys who want to say, "Dude, can I play with your band when you go on tour." Usually stuff like that.

Denny: We got this one from a girl from Boise [Idaho] who thanked us profusely for changing her life and making her realize that her friends were lame and that they sucked. She basically sounded like we alienated her from her friends and she was thanking us for that. She was also thanking us for getting her into this great show that we played in Boise but we've never played there.

Ean: She went to the level of cutting out a felt cat and drawing on it and saying stuff like we were cute and all this and we've never been to Boise.

Your fan club is the Dateless Losers Club, what do you for joining?

Ean: You get a card, you get the Dateless Loser Manifesto, you get some "L" stickers and you get the Sicko newsletter.

But don't you guys have girlfriends?

Ean: This is true.

How can you sleep at night knowing that all of these dateless losers are coming out of the closet confessing to you and meanwhile you have girlfriends?

Denny: This is all Ean's fault, this is Ean's song and his deal and he has a girlfriend!

Ean: Okay, it does deserve some explanation. I don't know anything about it, I don't have a girlfriend. No, at the time I wrote the song I did not have a girlfriend. I had a number of friends who identified themselves as "dateless losers" and I stole the idea from them for a song. I thought it would be a cute idea for a fan club and on top of that I often get the sinking feeling that probably at some time in my life again I will be a dateless loser. So, I don't feel too bad about it.

What do you think of the first person with a Sicko tattoo?

Ean: Alan (of True Zero, and documented as Sicko fan #1) is a complete fucking wierdo, but a very nice guy.

Denny: I believe someone else said it best when they said that stalking is still illegal in all 50 states.

Ean: I'd like to add that recently I've been considering getting some form of Sicko tattoo because it's been a big part of my life for almost five years now, but I'm not sure if it's a big enough part of my life just yet to get that tattoo. I kind of hope to be the second guy with a Sicko tattoo.

Denny: I'd like to say all those budding Sicko tattoo people some people gave me this great idea to actually take the tattoo Alan got and make disposable tattoos out of it. That way anybody can get it for an hour or two. So what has become of Top Drawer Records?

Ean: I started it years ago with a friend and we became more interested in other things. Plus, I just got sick of doing it. It's a thankless job. I was putting out records I wasn't interested in doing it anymore. I realized it was way more fun to have other people put out your records and concentrate more on the band. If you want to spend lots of money, lots of time and get no recognition aside from the occasional "Hey, aren't you the guy who did that?" then start a record label.

Does Munster Records [distributor of Sicko's vinyl releases] have a proofreader to find misspelled words on their albums?

Ean: Clearly not one who knows English.

Denny: "Don't ask, and don't tell." [Referring to one of the many typos on the latest release].

Ean: On the Bum records they did. Bum has a great song called "Wedding Day," I believe

they spelled it "Weeding Day." I heard you guys were big "Star Wars" fans, so who's your favorite character?

Ean: Boba Fett

Denny: Wedge, and Josh would say Princess Leia.

How is your first U.S. tour going?

Ean: It's going well. We're pleasantly surprised to see as many people come out as actually come out.

What are your plans for the future?

Ean: We complete the U.S. tour in two more weeks to be a total of six. We'll have a week off and then go to Spain for two weeks. After that we will spend various amounts of time doing various things other than rock and we will reconvene sometime in June.

Denny: The court will reconvene at which time we will decide the case of Sicko versus the Weasel of Doom.

Anything further to add?

Ean: Slam dancing is just getting out of hand, people need to be nice to each other.

Denny: Boy, they're crazy in New Jersey.



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Various Artists
Saturday Morning Cartoons' Greatest Hits
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Saturday mornings blessed youngsters with animated classics for decades. Along with the early cartoons of the times introduced the rock and roll theme songs that culture-shocked the nation in the 60's and decades after.

Shows like *Josie and The Pussycats* and *The Archie Show* gave kids a glimpse of cartoon characters singing and playing instruments in their episodes. Both the music and the episodes coincided indiscriminately making the cartoons of the early 60's and 70's a widespread craze. *Saturday Morning Cartoons' Greatest Hits* simply does justice to this very creed by ingeniously meshing today's artists with animated classics of yesteryear. "My goal is for these songs, once so specific in their purpose, to be transformed into idealistic numbers for the artists. So these cartoons and their songs have new life," said producer Ralph Sall.

S.M.C Greatest Hits plots nineteen

bands, most reminiscent of today's alterna-rock: *Sponge*, *Violent Femmes*, *Tripping Daisy*, *Juliana Hatfield*, *Collective Soul*, and 13 others. Classic animated themes like "Happy, Happy, Joy, Joy" (from *The Ren and Stimpy Show*), "Open Up Your Heart and Let The Sun Shine In" (from *The Flintstones*), "Underdog," and other themes from *The Jetsons*, *Fat Albert and The Cosby Kids*, *Dastardly and Muttley in Their Flying Machines*, *Speed Racer*, etc., dominate.

Amongst the wide range of signature cuts, no single, transforming tracks stand out above the others. Wax's cover of "Happy, Happy, Joy, Joy" reminds listeners that a punkish ska sound works while pleasing a younger audience. "Open Up Your Heart and Let The Sun Shine In," originally performed by Pebbles and Bamm Bamm on a *Flintstones* episode called "No Biz Like Show Biz," is a conservatively enduring cover by Frente! *Violent Femmes*' cover of "Eep Opp Ork Ah-Ah (Means I Love You)" could easily be mistaken for Jet Screamer's version on *The Jetsons* 1962 episode "A Date With Jet Screamer" until Gordon Gano and

crew turn the last 30 seconds of the song into a fast, unified mirror of mayhem. Gano argues, "Love in outer space between humans and aliens will be the salient issue facing the 21st century. 'Eep Opp Ork Ah-Ah' is a very prophetic song that transcends mere entertainment."

While *Butthole Surfers* do great justice to "Underdog" as *Toadies* do with "Goolie Get Together" (from *The Groovie Goolies*), face to face probably had the hardest task by transforming "I'm Popeye The Sailor Man" (originally performed in 1933) into the likes of today's animated admirers. *Reverend Horton Heat*'s versions of "Jonny Quest" and "Stop That Pigeon," from *Dastardly and Muttley In Their Flying Machines*, are intertwined ingeniously to create the ultimate Southern-based punk sound fitting for this very occasion. *Tripping Daisy* does the same with their version of "Friends/Sigmund And The Seamonsters," which are actually two separate tracks that evolve into the ideal alterna-whirl of cartoon chaos.

On the flipside, *Liz Phair*'s (with *Material Issue*) cover of "The Tra La La Song (One Banana, Two Banana)" (from *The Banana Splits Adventure Hour*) is sacreligious compared to *The Splits*' version recorded in 1969 which made it to #96 on the Hot 100. *Mary Lou Lord* and *Semisonic* make all attempts to get creative with *The Archie Show*'s "Sugar Sugar" but every attempt is a failed one compared to the original version by *The*



Archies which was a #1 single in 1969. And *Matthew Sweet*'s rendition of "Scooby-Do, Where Are You?" is the biggest disappointment of the bunch because Sweet prolongs the theme for two minutes with an unnecessary breakdown with the absence of Scooby yelling, "Over here."

Amidst the few sacreligious recordings that should have yielded to their original theme songs, *Saturday Morning Cartoons' Greatest Hits* is justified in Ralph Sall's looney creativeness. To many surprises this creation of looniness works.

By Joe Giglio

PUNK VIEW: A BREED APART

By Ary Nussbaum
INSIDER EDITOR

Aptly titled *Roots* (Roadrunner), the latest from Brazilian blasters Sepultura features guest appearances from the likes of noted Latin percussionist Carlinhos Brown on "Rathamatta," as well as Korn's Jonathan Davis, Mike Patton of Faith No More and DJ Lethal from House of Pain. It finds them utilizing a stripped-down, minimalist heavy metal approach to the sonic discord hard music fans are familiar with.

The album's first single, "Roots Bloody Roots," comes straight from the ample gut of vocalist/guitarist Max Cavalera, whose chilling screams seem capable of making one's heart stop. Its thick texture can be attributed to Paulo Jr.'s bottom-heavy bass playing, in tandem with Igor Cavalera's equally skillful drumming, creates the increasingly popular, mosh-friendly music that is prevalent throughout.

Sepultura branches out on *Roots*, as it has done with preceding efforts. Implementing sambas and other cool sounding percussive instruments such as djembe, lataria and surdo de meio, the spiritual aspect of the band is exposed. Lyrically, M. Cavalera said, "I wanted to show some parts of Brazil that were artistic, rather than just songs dealing with street kids and corruption."

As they did with 1994's *Chaos A.D.*, the band recorded with a Brazilian Indian tribe, Xavantes, deep in the Amazon jungle. While recording "Itsari," Sepultura, producer Ross Robinson (Korn) and a small crew lived with the tribe for two days, painting their bodies and adopting other customs. As the group played, the Xavantes danced and stomped their feet.

The prelude to "Itsari," is an acoustic song performed by guitarist Andreas Kisser, "Leaf," a token to their penchant for smoking chronic (pun not intended).

For "Lookaway," Sepultura team up with an all-star trio of Davis, Patton and DJ Lethal, resulting in a disturbing, industrial sound. The lyrics were obviously written by the Korn frontman because there isn't one discernible word - not even a nursery rhyme. The group's demonstrated ability to jam with anyone has led Robinson to dub them the "jam band."

Other standouts include "Attitude," the slow-down groove of "Dusted" and "Straighthate," a track that clearly has the punishing stamp of one of the top heavy music bands around. The song ends with M. Cavalera screaming, "What goes around, comes around." Recorded using vintage analog equipment at Indigo Ranch Studios in Malibu, California, one can expect others to follow this formula to get the ultimate heaviness *Roots* contains.

A departure from past albums but no less intense, the unpredictable quartet lives up to its reputation.

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By Jeremy Singer
SPORTS EDITOR

As the William Paterson College outdoor track team prepares for the 1996 season, it is still without an adequate home track. The conditions at Wightman Track, which is plagued with dangerous holes and fading paint, continue to hold back an otherwise improving WPC track program by scaring off potential high school recruits and limiting the Pioneers to just one home meet this season.

WPC officials, hampered by a tight budget that will not allow the athletic department to make necessary renovations to its home facilities, admit that the improvement of the track is not a project which will be implemented anytime soon.

Shaughnessy wins award

William Paterson College women's basketball coach Erin Shaughnessy has been named New Jersey Athletic Conference "Coach of the Year." Shaughnessy coached the Lady Pioneers to an 18-8 overall record this past season.

The only other WPC player to earn a post-season honor was Bridget Brennan, who was named First Team All-NJAC. Stephanie Arrigo, the Lady Pioneers' best outside shooter this past season, lost the conference "Rookie of the Year" award by one vote to Wykemia Kelley of Montclair State University.

For the WPC men's team, Justin Frederick and Gerard Wilson were named All-NJAC Honorable Mention.

ROWAN WINS NCAA'S

New Jersey Athletic Conference representative Rowan College won the NCAA Division III men's basketball tournament earlier this month. Rowan had beaten Stockton State College, another NJAC team, in the sectionals to advance to the Final Four.

Wisconsin-Oshkosh won the Division III women's basketball tournament.

mented anytime soon.

With the college planning to attain University status by next year, WPC track coach Ralph LaMonica continues to wish that renovating Wightman Track was a higher priority on the athletic department's list of "things to do."

"There's a crying need for a track, and it doesn't have to take me to say it," said LaMonica,

who has doubled the number of players on the WPC track roster since being named head coach a little over a year ago. "If you want to have a University status, you should have a track."

LaMonica's feelings are shared by nearly everyone involved in WPC athletics, including Athletic Director Art Eason, a former track athlete and coach. Eason has proposed

a \$2 increase in the student athletic fee, which is currently \$2 per student, to help pay for projects such as the improvement of Wightman Track, the renovation of the WPC football field and the addition of lockers in the WPC locker rooms, which are currently bare.

"This will put aside money for a capital improvement campaign," said Eason, regarding

the possible increase in student athletic fee. "I don't see Governor Whitman saying in the near future, 'here's money for your capital improvement campaign.' Although we're trying to set up the Pioneers Athletic Club for fundraising for athletics, until then, where do we get the money from?"

WPC has initiated this "capital improvement campaign" by constructing a new soccer field

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Softball survives Florida

By Dan Lancia
SPORTS CONTRIBUTOR

The William Paterson College softball team returned from its recent season-opening Florida road trip with four wins in eight games, and, more importantly, experience against upper-echelon opponents.

The Pioneers improved on their 1-7 Florida record of a year ago, an improvement that WPC coach Hallie Cohen hopes the team will carry into its regular schedule, which begins Tuesday with a double-header at home against Kings College.

"We faced a mixed bag of teams down there," Cohen said. "It's hard to plan what the other teams will look like, but we definitely faced teams that will end up in the regional rankings."

Cohen was pleased with how well the Pioneers competed against the tougher clubs, but said there is definitely room for improvement in several areas.

At times in Florida, the Pioneers took the field with up to eight freshmen starters, and Cohen acknowledged that there were some growing pains.

"We made a lot more mental mistakes than physical ones," she said. "The younger players need to settle in and start making more confident decisions. Once that happens, we can start

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The WPC baseball team celebrates a home run during their recent season-opening Florida road trip.

WPC SOARS IN THE SOUTH

•Pioneers come home after winning nine of 12 games

By Hector Lopez
SPORTS CONTRIBUTOR

With 12 players gone from last year's William Paterson College baseball squad, which won the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship, the Pioneers brought in 15 new players this year in hopes of winning the conference title as well as earning a return trip to the college World Series.

The Pioneers' season-opening 12-game road trip, which the team completed Saturday, helped ease that anticipation, as WPC coach Jeff Albies got to see what these players could do. The Pioneers went 9-3 down South, including 7-3 while playing games in Florida March 7-15.

"We had a good trip. The competition was good and we responded well," Albies said. "We got to see some of the questions we had in the winter answered."

With so many new players on this year's roster, the Pioneers were anxious to see if they could come together as a team. Senior shortstop Brian

Lindner believes they jelled rather nicely.

"Teamwork is what baseball is all about," said Lindner, who hit .442 and drove in a team-high 21 runs during the trip. "Each guy has to do his part in order to be a successful team. If one player isn't a team player, it's like a cancer and it affects the whole team. Fortunately, we don't have guys like that on this team."

The Pioneers opened the season by winning their first five games, kicking off the 1996 campaign with a doubleheader sweep against Michigan State University.

In the first game, Bob Slomkowski pitched a complete game and Lindner smashed a grand slam on the way to an 11-3 WPC romp. Junior college transfer Brian Appelman followed Slomkowski's example with another complete game in the second game as he shut out the Spartans 8-0.

WPC continued to win three more games consecutively to start the season, receiving wins from starters Eduardo Gomez against Mercy College, Bill Zabolka against Lynn University and

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WPC faces tough competition in the spring

1996 previews for William Paterson College's opponents in the New Jersey Athletic Conference, in order of the teams' finishes in 1995. Last year's NJAC and overall records of the teams, respectively, are listed in parenthesis.

BASEBALL

Montclair (16-2, 29-13-1): Key returners include All-Region players OF Chris Roof, OF Tom Vellis and NJAC and New Jersey College Baseball Association "Pitcher of the Year" Brian Cordeiro. Catcher C.B. Leon is All-Conference. Pitchers Scott Brown Tom Fleming, Kevin O'Shaughnessy and Harold Eckert, shortstop Brian Mercier and infielder Joe Chonka look to contribute in their first seasons with the Red Hawks, the defending NJAC champions.

Trenton State (13-5, 26-13): Trenton will rely on pitchers Darren Anderson and Troy Ingham and CF Aaron Mitchell, who is expected to be the top run producer. Other top returners include infielders John Augusta and Jeff Perelli. Trenton lost superstar Brian Caballero to graduation.

Jersey City State (11-7, 19-15-3): Infielders B.J. Fearon, John Bucco, Jeff Gajewski Anthony Delallo and Joe Olivelli; outfielders Jason Panaro, Phil Zaffarano, Paul Oeckel and Omari Knight; C Mike Lang; and pitchers Joe Divine, Brian Fearon, Sean Ryan, Eric Strifflino, Mike Tironi and Phil Zaffarano are the returning lettermen. B.J. Fearon is the Gothic Knights' best player.

Rutgers-Newark (10-8, 23-12-1): With a recruiting class featuring one high school all-staters and eight all-county players, Newark plans to build this year's team on youth. Rutgers will look to returners 2B Tony Scarnato, second team All-NJAC last year; OF Gary Edwards; and pitchers Kevin Maddon, Ron Sabatino and Rob Healy. Freshman SS Chuck Kling may start, and the team will look for added contributions from IF Tony Mendoza, IF Charlie Diehl, C Pat Malave, OF Dave Handwork and C Pat Malave.

Rowan (8-10, 18-17-1): The Profs return an infield of All-NJAC Honorable Mention 1B Bob Hemphill, Rowan RBI leader Steve Hawk at second, SS Mark Peters and 3B Charlie Shudtz. Newcomer John

Yurkow will get some playing time in the infield. Incumbents Brian Sheldon and Ron Carano will be joined in the outfield by transfer Joe Costello, the junior college "Player of the Year" in 1995. Shawn Kulik will catch pitchers like Chris Kobylakiewicz, Henry Williams and Kris Gervasi.

Kean (6-12, 13-23): Newcomers join returning IF Kirk Frazier; outfielders Chris Dunbar, Jim Vircik, Shawn Crockett; catcher Allen Lopez, an All-Stater; and pitchers John McGeown, Brian Sloan, Joe DePeri and Vinny Rettino to lead the new-look Cougars.

Rutgers-Camden (5-13, 15-18): Camden's top players include infielders Gerry Gatelin, Shawn Garrison and Steve Kolwicz; outfielders Kris Giangreco and Hugh Donaghy; C Jamie Schwantes; and pitchers Doug Dreby and Rick Koss.

Richard Stockton (4-14, 12-21-2): Key returners for the Ospreys include pitchers Brian Hopely, Ken Wisniefsky, Albert Sewell and Dennis Pilger; outfielders Joe Gurick and Gary Gottlob, the NCAA national leader in stolen bases two years ago; infielders Nick "Airport" LaGuardia, Bill Aumenta and Marc Nehmad; and C Harry Driscoll.

Ramapo (2-16, 3-33): With a recruiting season that was once again almost non-existent, as well as a weak group of quality returners, Ramapo looks to be the doormat of the NJAC for yet another year. CF Drew Burns, 1B Jorge Hernandez and C Andy Valenzano, Jr. will attempt to keep the team above sea level.

SOFTBALL

"A" Division

Trenton State (7-1, 48-6): The second-best team in the country last year, Trenton will enter 1996 under a first-year coach, Sally Miller. But Trenton returns 10 lettermen, including four of last year's eight all-Americans, including P Karen Stefanowicz, designated player Sonny Montos, OF Alicia Sanchez and C Chris Owens. The team will also rely on pitchers Jenny Boss and Barbara Fralinger, who would be an ace anywhere but at Trenton, and utility player Leslie Miller, which should be enough to counteract the loss of graduate Michelle Carlson, the Babe Ruth of Division III softball. Trenton entered the season ranked No. 2 in the nation.

Rowan (5-3, 32-14): The Profs return C Julie Moncries, 2B Crystal Feo and Sally Singley, second team All-Region SS Joy Pittner, 3B Michelle Andre and third-team All-American OF Tiffany Miller, who stole 40 bases in 43 attempts last year. Newcomers include OF Stephanie Andre, Nora Sullivan and Karen Marino and 1B Jamie Musey.

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Melanie Whitall will become the ace of the pitching staff, joined by youngsters Melissa Maxwell, Kellie Alexander and Kimberly Matsinger.

Montclair State (4-4, 37-11): The Red Hawks return 1995 NJAC "Pitcher of the Year" Robyn Baron as well as All-Region second-teamers OF Jennifer Citarella, OF Jessica Gondek and SS Rosalie Guzzi. C Jerrilyn Acevedo, 1B Cheryl Lopez and P Sharon Ormsbee are also returning. Gone is superstar Jen Flinn and standouts Amy Edinfor and Fran Bellapianta. Montclair will add

Megan Clancy, Cindy Helper, Danielle Matraxia, Susan McCarville and Jamie Lascik as they attempt to make a run at the NCAA Division III World Series.

Kean (3-5, 24-20): Kean will look to 3B Liana LaVecchia to pick up the slack. Other infielders include Diana Luts, Michelle Simonini, Chris Fanelli, Nicole McDonnell and Stephanie Zitsch. In the outfield, Jennifer Ciesielski will join All-Region players Ann Marie Scharz and Lacey Thierry. Karen Talarico, Lori Abry and Randi Meyers will battle for the catching job. Newcomer Amber Lang will join Andrea Clark in the pitching rotation.

"B" Division
Ramapo (8-0, 20-12): All-Conference players C Nancy Gallasso and P Deena Bishop attempt to lead Ramapo back to the playoffs. 2B Stacy Morris and 1B Stephanie Gurnary will also contribute. Freshman Leah Verde will do a great deal of pitching and will also see time in the field.

Richard Stockton (5-3, 13-25): Stockton looks to get over the hump this year and become

a force in the NJAC this year. The key for them will be to beat their non-conference opposition, something they had trouble doing in 1995.

Jersey City State (3-5, 10-25): First-year coach Mike Alvarez takes over the Gothic Knights with P/SS Dana Holtje, the team's best player, SS/P Sharyn Hunchak, 3B Jen Ambrose, IF Ana Castellanos, C Janet Bradshaw and OF/C Robin LeFurge.

Rutgers-Newark (3-5, 12-18): Jack Farrell, a former assistant at WPC, enters his first year as head coach at Newark. All-NJAC players 2B/P Jayme Trizzuzi and C/P Susan Peiffer join 1B Jennifer King, the team's best power hitter. SS Jen Watrel, OF Monica Gonzalez and pitchers Stacey Seinfeld, Angela Pereira and Liz Laterzawill also see playing time as Rutgers attempts to turn its program around.

Rutgers-Camden (1-7, 4-18): Camden has delayed the start of its season and is currently without a full squad. The team hopes to resume its schedule shortly and is currently looking for players.

Softball team goes .500 in Florida

Pioneers still trying to bring together their hitting & pitching

FROM FLORIDA PAGE S1 taking it to a higher level."

The pitching situation was up in the air at the onset of the trip, but Sue Ramm emerged with an 0.45 earned run average, two saves, and a stellar one-hit 1-0 loss to Ithica March 15, in which she was victimized by a muffed infield pop-up by a sun-blinded Jen Grasso, the WPC shortstop who is generally counted on for her solid glove.

"Sue missed a lot of practice prior to Florida because of sickness, but she came on well and kept hitters off balance," said Cohen regarding Ramm. "We will be counting on her in the big games."

Robin Stohrer posted a 2-2 record and a 4.67 ERA on the trip, leading the Pioneers with four game starts and 24 innings pitched, but showed lingering effects of off-season knee surgery, allowing 28 hits in 24 innings.

Jessica Yehle was WPC's only undefeated pitcher in Florida (2-0), but at times lacked control, walking seven batters in 8.1 innings. Yehle

ended the trip starting games at third base and provided solid defense.

"Robin will build up strength in her knee, and Jessica is such a hard worker that she won't let



Sue Ramm: 0.45 ERA, 2 saves

this (spotty control) bother her," Cohen said of her pitching staff. "Then each of our pitchers will add her own dimension."

Offensively, the Pioneers started out well, with 27 hits in the first two games, both played March 9: a 9-7 win over Bethel and a 12-7 win over Olivet. WPC's hitting leveled off for the rest of the trip after the first two games, although the Pioneers did bang out 10 hits in

an 8-0 win over Westminster March 13.

Jen Foody sparked the top of the WPC lineup by hitting .357 while leading the team with 10 hits and 12 total bases.

"Jen really hit well down in Florida, and she is such a heads-up baserunner that she makes a lot happen out there," Cohen said.

Another WPC player who performed well near the top of the order was Grasso, who hit just .273 but was five-for-five in stolen base attempts. On the negative side, Grasso uncharacteristically committed a team high six errors. As a team, the Pioneers committed 25 errors on the trip, although, according to Cohen, many of those errors were early season mistakes that will be corrected as the year goes on.

"More of the errors that cost us runs down there were mental errors," Cohen said. "We went from the gym floor, where everything comes off smoothly, to the field, where you really have to concentrate on the ball."

Designated hitter/third baseman Lauren Wescoat, who cranked a three-run homer in the win against Olivet, will be counted on to drive in runs from the middle of the order this season. Wescoat must improve her defense in order to become a complete ballplayer, indicated

Cohen, who limited Wescoat to nine at-bats in Florida.

"She struggled a little at third base, but, offensively, we're going to need her the rest of the season," said Cohen regarding Wescoat, WPC's leading hitter in 1995. "She's strong, she's got a good bat, and she has mental toughness. If she can get back on defense, she'll be in the line-



Bridget Donovan: .368 average

up."

Bridget Donovan excelled on the trip, batting .368, as did Dana Feltz, who batted either fourth or fifth in every game and hit .364 while leading the Pioneers with seven runs scored and six runs batted in.

Cohen believes that, once the team settles in more at the plate, other areas of their game will come around.

"We were a little tense at the plate and we swung at some bad pitches, but these are all typical for the beginning of the sea-

son," she said.

Another highlight of the trip, Cohen said, was the naming of Grasso, a sophomore, as team captain.

"She has got to be the youngest captain I have ever dealt with," Cohen said. "She sets an example on and off the field by putting her heart and soul into it, and people genuinely respect her."

At practice this week, the Pioneers sat down and outlined some concrete goals for the team regarding mental toughness.

"We have to learn to bounce back. There were times in Florida that we hung our heads and let the game get away from us," Cohen said. "We have to concentrate on playing hard for seven innings. This is a very talented team, and if we start believing we can do well in the conference, we can go far."

The Pioneers christen their newly renovated softball field against Kings Tuesday at 3 p.m. It's the same field WPC has played its home games at for years, but it is has been entirely redone for the 1996 season.

WPC Scores and Schedule

BASEBALL SCORES

3/7 WPC 11, Michigan State 3
3/7 WPC 8, Michigan State 0
3/8 WPC 5, Mercy 1
3/9 WPC 10, Lynn 4
3/12 WPC 12, Wesleyan (CT) 6
3/12 Columbia 7, WPC 6
3/13 WPC 13, Wesleyan (CT) 7
3/14 WPC 5, Ashland 1
3/15 Shippensburg 11, WPC 10
3/15 Shippensburg 10, WPC 8
3/22 WPC 8, Georgetown 7
3/23 WPC 12, Mary Wshngtn. 4

SOFTBALL SCORES

3/9 WPC 9, Bethel 7
3/9 WPC 12, Olivet 7
3/12 Wisc.RiverFalls 10, WPC 0
3/12 WPC 6, Bloomfield 5
3/13 Simpson 3, WPC 1
3/13 WPC 8, Westminster 0
3/15 Ithica 1, WPC 0
3/15 Marietta 8, WPC 5

This Week's Schedule

Baseball:
QUEENS, Tuesday, 3 p.m.
West Point, Thursday, 3:30 p.m.
Eastern Conn., Saturday, 1 p.m.

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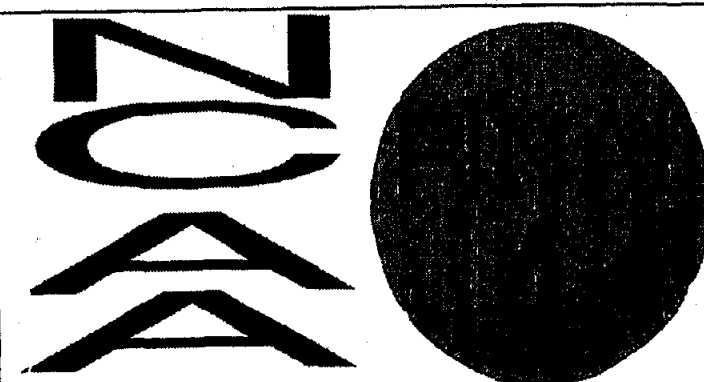
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hockey field behind the Rec Center, complete with lights, bleachers, and, maybe in the near future, a press box.

For now, any method proposed to improve the condition of the WPC track is still on the drawing board. The only renovations which have taken place on the track over the past few years have been band-aid measures; for instance, a top coating, including newly painted lines and numbers, was put on the track in 1990, and workers were seen patching up the high jump approach last week.

Completely redoing the track is a project that will cost an estimated \$200 thousand, Eason said, money that the college doesn't have right now. When the track was originally constructed in 1980, the cost was about \$30 thousand, Eason said, although not enough was done to make the track everlasting.

Universal Reslite, an asphalt-like substance, was used in the original construction of the track. If the college had spent roughly twice what it did on a higher grade of track finish instead of the cheaper Universal Reslite, according to Eason, the track might be in better condition now.

In addition to taking the cheaper way out when originally finishing the track, Eason said, "no attention was paid to the water problem" below the surface of where the track is. 16 years after its original construction, parts of the track, in addition to the nearby tennis courts, are warped because of the underlying water tables.

"The bottom line is they didn't do what was needed to be done," said Eason, referring to the people in charge of the track's construction in 1980. "It was a comedy of errors."

When WPC built the Rec Center in the 1980's, the school planned to build an adequate track inside the building. By the time the \$3 million Rec Center project neared completion, LaMonica said, there were not enough funds to complete the indoor track.

As a result, the WPC track team continues to compete and practice at Wightman Track or inside Wightman Gym, a facility which is considerably smaller than the Rec Center main gym, where the WPC basketball teams play.

"We have to make the best with what we have," LaMonica said. "It goes without saying that

even some high schools have better facilities than we do."

Despite the unattractiveness of the WPC track facilities to high school track athletes, LaMonica has succeeded in improving the numbers of the recruiting class each of his two years with the Pioneers.

"There have been more contacts, phone calls, and campus visits (by high school recruits). Everything is up from last year," LaMonica said. "That's a result of constant work. Recruiting is a 24 hour constant job for me here."

"I don't have an award-winning track here, so I have to show them (recruits) that I want them here more than other coaches," he added.



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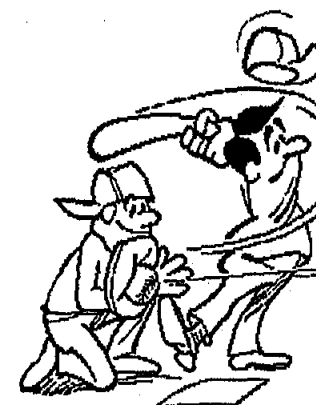


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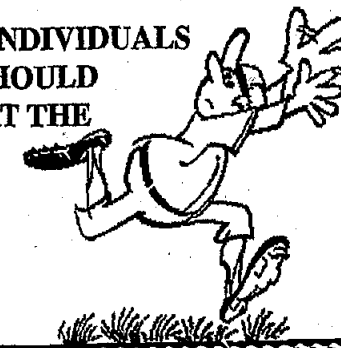
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BASEBALL

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Appelman against Wesleyan College. Lindner hit his second grand slam of the year in WPC's 12-6 win over Wesleyan.

Columbia University ended the Pioneers winning streak, beating WPC 7-6 March 12. The loss served as a wake-up call to the Pioneers, who were finally brought down to earth against Columbia.

WPC won twice more, 13-7 over Wesleyan March 13 and 5-1 over Ashland March 14, before having its worst day of the trip on its last day in Florida: the Pioneers dropped a double-header to Shippensburg College, 11-10 and 10-8, March 15.

WPC catcher Dan Egbert (.410, one home run, 14 runs batted in during the Florida trip), right fielder Brian Kelly (.439, 7 RBI) and centerfielder Mark DeMenna (.394) all helped pace the Pioneers' offense, although Lindner was by far the team's most productive player in Florida.

"Lindner is a quality player. He will have a big year on the field if he can stay focused," Albies said. "He is our leader on the field and can dominate on the field; he is regarded as one of the best players at his position in the country."

According to Kelly, a senior, putting up solid numbers is only part of the job of being one of the team's older players.

"It is my responsibility along with the other seniors (Lindner, Paul Bumbaco, and Scott Wolfe) to step it up and perform," he said. "We also know that if we don't do it, the younger players are mature and qualified enough to perform."

WPC incoming transfers Greg

Cimilluca, Mike Scher, Marc Salvatore, Matt Piccini, Pete Banach and Appelman all have blended well with the team's impact freshmen, Eduardo Gomez, Nick Franklin, and Jay Hawkes, according to Albies.

"All of the new players have had opportunities to produce, and they did so rather effectively," the coach said. "Appelman

and Gomez are proven winners and will make major contributions. Salvatore, Scher, and Piccini are all experienced players and will blend in nicely. Nick Franklin and Greg Cimilluca have also added value and depth to this club."

The Pioneers continued their road trip with two games well north of Florida this weekend.

WPC defeated the Hoyas 8-7 Friday. Pioneers' closer Matt Piccini came into the game in the ninth inning with runners on first and second and nobody out. He walked the next batter before settling down and laboring to retire the final three batters to preserve the win.

The next day the Pioneers concluded their road trip by

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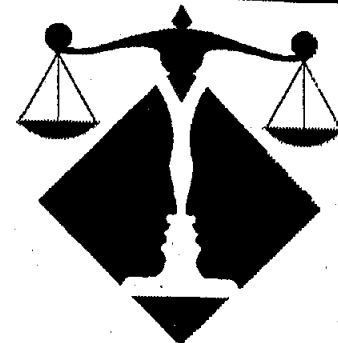
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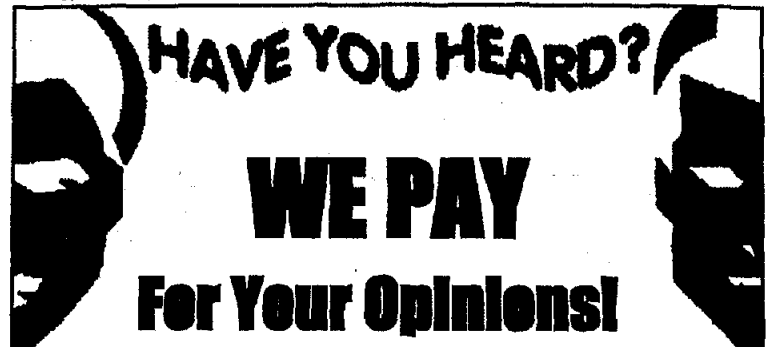
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CONCERT REVIEW

Dog Eat Dog/Fury of Five
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March 2, 1996

Playing to a hometown crowd in Asbury Park, **Fury of Five** hit the stage after a barrage of lack luster local bands. Rap act **Fun Loving Criminals** were supposed to receive the slot on the bill before headliners **Dog Eat Dog** took the stage, but as it turned out, **Fury** just had too many fans in the house. This moved **F.L.C.** back a notch which, in turn, caused them to cancel all together.

Fury of Five play straight up, in your face, New Jersey hardcore. Drummer **Chris Rage** utilizes the double bass drum to create rolling, thunderous beats which are backed up by the heavy, crunching guitars of **Jay Fury** and **Johnny Anger**. The extremely large and heavily tattooed singer **James Ismean** growled his way through each number with the intensity of a madman. He marched and spun his way around the stage without missing a step. This was a **Fury of Five** crowd and everyone knew it.

The band was recently signed to a record label based in Germany that could possibly take them to new heights, proving that the hard-core scene is growing rapidly not only on the East Coast but apparently around the world. Songs included "Unreal," "Deadhead," and

"Want It All" off of their *Reflections of Reality* demo and a couple off of an earlier release entitled *The High Cost of Dying*. These five guys represent N.J. hard-core at its best, so expect bigger and better things from them in the future.

Although **Fury of Five** was a tough act to follow, New York funksters **Dog Eat Dog** definitely lived up to the task. One small problem, too many new songs. It's been a while since their album, *All Boro Kings*, was released and singer **John Conner** explained early into their set that the band was to start recording new material shortly.

Hardly anyone in attendance knew the new songs which took up about half of their hour-plus performance. "Izms" and "Numb" were a small display of some of newer material which sounded good none the less, but reaction wasn't too strong until some older material was played. "No Fronts" and "If These Are Good Times" had the crowd moshing about. The band finished off their set with a searing rendition of their namesake song "Dog Eat Dog."

The next year should be quite generous to these fellows. They won best breakthrough band at this year's MTV European awards show and with a new album on the way, their future only seems to be getting brighter.

By Ed Erlenmeyer

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TAURUS

(April 21 - May 21)

If you've been feeling depressed, ride it out and the feeling will be replaced with the urgency to accomplish tasks you've been putting off for some time. You are full of energy, even aggression, don't overdue it though.

GEMINI

(May 22 - June 21)

Try to stay centered, because all those around you are in quite a funk. Co-workers are grumpy and your mate wants to squabble. This tension will continue to drain your energy until you take time out for you - pamper yourself and buy something special.

CANCER

(June 22 - July 23)

It's a pretty uneventful week, don't

expect much from those close to you. Resolve financial questions for long and short term investments, easing a loved one's mind. You will accomplish more than expected, despite opposition from a foe.

LEO

(July 24- August 23)

You are on top of the world both emotionally and physically. Take advantage of the high energy to convince those around you about an idea you've been toying with for sometime. You are surrounded by love, so show you appreciate it. The pace at work is hectic.

VIRGO

(August 24 - September 23)

Many demands will be made on your time. Watch out just where you spend your energies and with who. Share any dreams with your mate - you are able to read each other's mind. Your evenings are made for romance. Expect a battle of wills in the workplace.

LIBRA

(September 24 - October 23)

A few authoritarian types may get in your way, so pursue independent projects. Your financial outlook is on the upswing.

Pressures at work will probably ease up, and your cheerful mood contagious. Share the passion and romance with your lover.

SCORPIO

(October 24 - November 22)

Be sure to think before you speak, or you may come off sounding like an opinionated pain in the neck. Take it easy if you're feeling washed out, the flu may be coming on. There's nothing happening at work that can't wait until tomorrow.

SAGITTARIUS

(November 23 - December 21)

This may not be the best time to interact with others. You and your sweetheart experience a clash of egos, so play it cool. If confused about your motives, wait until you are seeing things more clearly to sort out the situation. A vacation is a great idea.

CAPRICORN

(December 22 - January 20)

The people around you need your help just when you want to hide out and get your own act together, try to at least listen to their problems. Play it cool with colleagues who may demand a confrontation. Any tensions from earlier in the week seem to be gone for good.

AQUARIUS

(January 21 - February 19)

A friend with problems may need to talk. Laughter in this situation will be the

best medicine. A co-worker is looking for a fight, so try to keep a low profile and don't be a target. Make sure to think before you speak, your bluntness may land you in trouble.

PISCES

(February 20 - March 20)

This week promises to be full of fun, laughter and friendship. All you need to do is be yourself. You may be feeling that everything is against you at work - the obstacles are only temporary. If you accept a new challenge, you can increase your income.

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Women run businesses growing in New Jersey

By Melissa Viola
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

"So, you want to be like Friends, the T.V. show?"

These words from a bank official ran through Nancy Burke's ears as she struggled to find a bank that took her and her cafe seriously enough to grant her the "sanctuary" she had always searched for.

Being in the corporate sales field for nine years involved much traveling which always had Burke endlessly looking for

cle for most women interested in setting up their own business.

Many of these new female business owners are in their thirties and forties, juggling families, and coming out of corporate America, according to Principe.

"A lot are, or start out, as home-based businesses," she said. Making their own money and hours, as well as being able to "control their own future" is appealing to many of the women.

Janet Gerard Smith, Attorney



Nancy Burke serves coffee at her cafe - Sanctuary, a "mellow and social" coffeehouse in Little Falls, New Jersey

a place to sit back, relax, and forget about work for a while. She had several friends in the cafe field who she helped out quite frequently.

"I slung coffee just like everyone else did," said Burke. One day she decided to give it a shot on her own.

After five attempts at different banks, usually dealing with men, Burke finally received her small business loan and opened Sanctuary Cafe, a "mellow and social" coffeehouse in Little Falls which has been in business for four months.

Scenarios like this are becoming more and more common throughout the country. According to the United States Small Business Administration, 38% of all small businesses are owned by women as of August 1995 and the numbers are increasing.

Linda Principe, a vice president of the Middlesex chapter of the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners, said there are over 1,000 members of the association, 100 in Middlesex County alone. Principe said that finding financing and "getting taken seriously by bankers" is the major obsta-

cle for most women interested in setting up their own business. Many of these new female business owners are in their thirties and forties, juggling families, and coming out of corporate America, according to Principe.

Smith admitted that when first starting out she thought she would face discrimination but surprisingly hasn't really encountered any.

"Sometimes when dealing with a person who has been in the same business for a number of years and he/she finds out you're a woman, it can be a little condescending," said Smith.

Smith believes that as long as you, "present yourself in a reasonable manner so that people find you credible," the chances of facing discrimination can be lessened.

To become an active member to the NJ Association of Women Business Owners, the business must be at least 51% woman-owned. The association provides training programs and a support system for women who are just starting out new businesses as well as for those whose businesses have "been around for years," said Principe.

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It's everything stupid!

The uproar that has developed as a result of attempts by William Paterson College Campus Police to collect over one million dollars in outstanding parking fines points to problems in both the college's alleged collection process and the attitudes of many of the students at WPC.

The resulting storm has caused a great deal of finger pointing on the WPC campus. Students who have received collection notices have been quick to cry unfair and blame the college for a "lousy system." College officials weary of reported miss-billings are quick to point the finger at ... each other.

This situation, has less to do with blame, then with a policy that is outdated, unclear and for the most part ineffective.

Officials are quick to point out that 60 percent of the outstanding tickets are held by the same people. One has to wonder how effective a policy is when it allows students to accumulate thousands of dollars in fines for hundreds of tickets?

The current system has created students who owe thousands of dollars -- money which many of them do not have.

Students have been busy complaining that they did not realize how many tickets they had or accumulated or how much money they owed. While it is true that the current system foolishly allows stu-

dents to accumulate tickets rather than pay them up within a reasonable time period, there are two basic things here that students should not be doing. The first is getting the ticket. There is never going to be great parking, but there will always be parking. Secondly, students should be paying their fines promptly. How many students would still have credit cards if they treated them the way they treat parking fines?

One student who owes over \$1,000 in fines still parks in faculty parking and still receives tickets. If this is a battle of wills, an observer would have to wonder just who is the parent and who is the child?

O.k. you may be saying, the system sucks, so what? So, something needs to be done. There are many colleges that give out tickets, and most manage to collect their fines. WPC and campus police should investigate these other campuses attempt to rebuild our system from those that work.

But, if rebuilding is to be successful, it is going to have to include students. The very people who will be most impacted by any changes should have some sort of say in them. The bottom line is, no matter what the changes are, it is the students who need to get their act together - follow the rules, pay your fines when you don't -- act like the adults you claim you are.

The SGA: A great Opportunity

The William Paterson College Student Government Association general election will soon occur. Nominations open this week and will stay that way until April 4.

The SGA is an important component of WPC. It is just as important as the Campus Police who attempt to keep the college community safe or the administration which attempts to keep the college running smoothly.

Unlike any other groups on campus, the SGA is run for students by students.

For the past couple of years, turnout at SGA elections has been falling lower and lower. The students who have been elected have not been swayed by this. The SGA is actually doing more and more -- fighting for issues that effect students, looking out for students interests, making sure that students ARE first.

More students need to get involved. If the SGA is to be truly representative, then it needs as many representatives of

the student body as possible.

It is true that many students today have less time than past students. That does not mean that students should not get involved when they can.

Nominations are a great opportunity for students who might not of considered it, to get involved.

Many of the SGA members from this year will probably run again. If no one runs against them, they will probably win. Now, this is not to say that these are not the best people for the job, but we will never know, if no one runs against them.

Not only will the students wind up with better representatives, but the competition will also bring excellence.

So, when you sit and complain about how crummy things are, give some thought to doing something yourself. Think about running for a position, at least look into. Maybe you could be the one to change the school.

Student questions education system

Editor, The Beacon:

WARNING! YOU ARE BEING SCAMMED. Colleges all over the country including WPC are bleeding their students dry all in the name of "The Well-Rounded Education." These scams are disguised in the form of "required classes." These classes are mandatory and you have to take them if you want to graduate. In general, these classes are useless, unnecessary, and Y O U have to pay for them. Here are just a few of many.

Scam #1: The Science Requirement

I am a sociology major, but because of this scam, I am "required" to take two science classes. Right now I am taking Environmental Biology. Wanna know what we did last week in lab? We identified twigs! Correct me if I'm wrong but as a Soc. major I don't think that I will be using the fine art of twig identification that much in my chosen

field.

Scam #2: The Language Requirement

Have you ever sat in a class and said, "gee, I did this in high school!" Remember you had to take two years of language in high school in order to graduate? Well you have to take another two semesters in college, and they are the same damn classes you already took. You're paying for classes you have already taken! Not only that but most of us never touch the language again after two semesters. In five years, you'll be lucky if you can remember how to count to ten in that language. Useless, I think so!

Scam #3: The Health Requirement

This one really ticks me off. We need classes like Current Health Issues and Fitness for Life; Meanwhile, we have a Burger King and a Taco Bell in the Student Center. I think there might be a contradiction here somewhere.

I've also noted a large reduction in the amount of students that smoke cigarettes due to these classes, haven't you. Remember you pay for this.

Think about how many students go to this school. Think about how many "required" courses you have to take in order to graduate. Then think about how much money the college rakes in from these required classes alone. I know that the defenders of this sacred system will claim that it is very important to have a well-rounded education. I say why pay for stuff we don't need and won't use. I say stop wasting our time and our money. Cut out all this crap from our education. Let us focus more on our majors and let us graduate a year earlier.

Sincerely,

Paul Rivers

Don't let peace process go up in smoke

Editor, The Beacon:

For the third time in less than 10 days, Israel was rocked by another terrorist bomb attack against its citizens. Two of the attacks were in the capital of the country, Jerusalem. All together, the death toll has reached almost fifty including two citizens from our area. The people of Israel are once again under siege from the Palestinian terrorist group Hamas.

Hamas' goal is to destroy Israel. It does not recognize the Jewish State, and is totally against their peace process between Israel and P.L.O. Since the Accords were signed almost three years ago it has waged a bloody campaign of suicide bombings and other acts of terror against Israeli civilians claiming over two hundred lives.

Israel has given the Palestinian people every chance to pave their way for independence. Israelis hoped and believed that

this peace agreement would end Palestinian terrorism that they have had to deal with for over thirty years. Instead Israelis are still being murdered and their security has not improved, but rather deteriorated.

Many Israelis are questioning whether or not the Palestinian people and Mr. Arafat specifically really want peace. While Mr. Arafat has condemned every attack, he does little to control these terrorist groups. Mr. Arafat should know all too well the consequences of terrorism, since his organization used to commit these same types of atrocities for many years. It's about time he stops talking about stopping these groups and starts showing some action. If Arafat can't do anything to control Hamas, then Israel will deal with them accordingly and teach them a lesson once and for all.

Even after all the blood that has been spilled in

Israel, the Peace Process has survived, sometimes barely. The people of Israel have always yearned for peace with its neighbor since day one of its independence almost fifty years ago. However their patience is running out, and many are questioning if this Peace Process is worth it. Hamas does not only aim to kill Israelis, but also their "main prize," the Peace Process. Palestinians must realize that their number one enemy is the terrorist groups from within their own community. If they don't stop them, then they will be the losers. As for Israelis the only way to completely destroy Hamas and other groups like it, is to make an everlasting peace with the "majority" of Palestinians who want to live side by side with them in a peaceful co-existence.

Sincerely,

Yariv Cohen
Senior, Political Science

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New Jersey voters never got a crack at voting for Steve Forbes

By Thomas Martello
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

When his childhood friend Gov. Christie Whitman announced she would be backing another Republican for president, magazine publisher Steve Forbes made one request: Could you please move up that New Jersey primary?

Forbes wanted to have at 'em in his home state. The Somerset County resident wanted to take his message of a flat tax fueling economic prosperity to New Jersey voters, hoping a strong showing would give him momentum against GOP frontrunner Bob Dole.

Of course, Dole-supporting Whitman wasn't about to give Forbes any edge. The answer came back lightning-fast: Sorry, Steve, the last-in-the-nation June 4 primary stays where it is.

Forbes, who dropped out of the race last week, ended his quest nearly three months shy of the New Jersey primary. His attention to the Garden State was limited to setting up a campaign headquarters in hometown Bedminster, making a few speeches and attending one rally to get the endorsement of Somerset County Republicans. New Jersey residents could only see commercials he focused on neighboring New York and Delaware.

"Oh sure, he made an impression here," Whitman said. "There are a lot of New Jerseyans who are very proud to have a native son do as well as he did, and be someone who focused a debate on the national level. Would he have won the primary here? I think Bob Dole would have won the primary."

When Forbes started his self-financed campaign in September, he became New

Jersey's first presidential candidate since Woodrow Wilson. But he elicited the same response at home as around the rest of the nation: "Steve Who?"

Six months and \$30 million later, the nation knows who Steve Forbes is. But in the end, New Jersey got to see him through the same eyes as the rest of the country.

"He was not looked on as a New Jerseyan running for president," said Roger Bodman, a Republican analyst. "He was looked on as a significant businessman, a magazine publisher running for president. Christie Whitman or Bill Bradley or Bob Dole, they usually have a state assigned to them. He was not a favorite son. He just happened to have his home here. He could have easily been from Westchester County (N.Y.) and gotten the same support."

Dale Florio, the Somerset County Republican chairman who backed Forbes, said the publisher's "intention was to be a national candidate, not a geographic candidate; a candidate of the people, not the political leaders."

Florio said he believes Forbes "helped bring the ball closer to the line when it comes to the nation accepting an outsider."

But a funny thing happened to the self-professed Washington outsider on his journey through the primaries. He learned his New Jersey friends were consummate insiders.

In 1993, Forbes advised childhood pal Whitman to make the tax-cut pledge that catapulted her to victory and national prominence. The following year, he rode campaign buses with U.S. Senate candidate Garabed Haytaian and advised him to run on the flat tax. But Whitman and Haytaian, now state GOP chair-

man, both endorsed Dole.

"A lot more people know who Steve Forbes is around New Jersey," said Haytaian. "Listen, \$30 million will get you a lot of name recognition. He did make an impression, mostly on a national basis. That filtered to New Jersey. We watch the network news, too."

Larry Bartels, a Princeton University political scientist, said that despite the attention, "I think he's had generally very little impact in the race, and I sus-

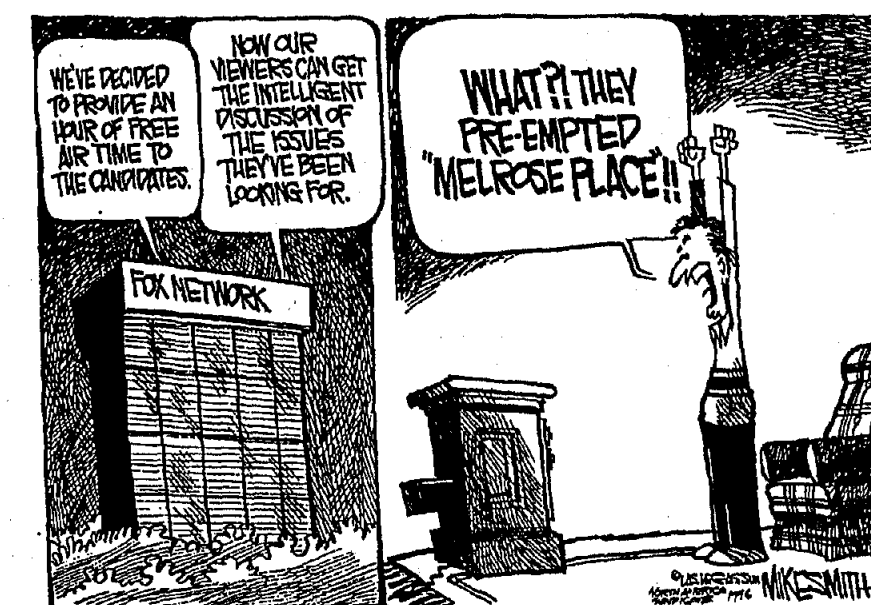
pect that's true in New Jersey as well."

Bartels said it remains to be seen how far Forbes' flat tax idea will advance. As for New Jersey, he said Forbes has some work to do if he wants to build a long-term political career in the state.

"People only focus on these things during periods of national excitement or if there is a primary," Bartels said. "If he had won in New Hampshire, people in New Jersey would have paid more attention to him."

Bodman said if Forbes wants a political career in New Jersey or on the national level, the past six months have bought him a valuable commodity in politics: name recognition.

He is not just a magazine publisher who had a flamboyant father, the late Malcolm Forbes, Bodman said. "He's made his mark as a serious thinker committed to very substantive ideas. This was not a waste of his time if he has any other political ambitions."

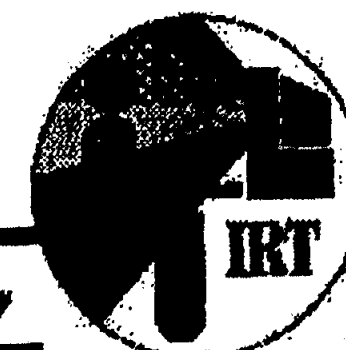


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