

Student film climbs to first place at Hunter College Film Festival

By Jennifer Fletcher
News Contributor

Three students from William Paterson University have received honors for film, video and news media from The Hunter College National Student Film Festival.

International exchange student Felix Viscarret had the honor to win the first place award for his film "The Day I Saw Karin." Viscarret comes to WPU from Pamplona, Spain.

Other winners were Andrew Halasz of Garfield, a senior communication major, and Peter Murphy of Ridgewood, who already has a B.A. in communications from WPU.

The festival was held at Hunter College in New York City on Oct. 16 and 17.

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The film demonstrated hard work and dedication by the students.

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like Dunn, WPU student

Halasz's film "Gluegun Girl, A documentary" was also picked as a finalist at the Rhode Island International Film Festival. Murphy's film "Utopian Static" was composed of old movie reel footage. He is planning to attend a school for film studies, specializing in sound effects.

Viscarret was a two-time winner receiving the Maurice Kanbar Award for his film "Dreamers" and the Director's Achievement Award for his film "The Day I saw Karin."

The awards ceremony took place at the Sylvia and Danny

Kave Playhouse at Hunter College. Present at the festival were actor Richard Dreyfuss, two-time Oscar winning documentary film maker Barbara Kopple, director Jerry Schatzberg and producer Elliot Kastner. All served as presenters.

Seven hundred colleges and universities were invited and only 34 were chosen to enter.

A panel of distinguished professionals judged the competition, which included Schatzberg, Wendy Keys of the Film Society of Lincoln Center, Mary Jane Skalski of Good Machine International, Karen Schartz Man of the Independent Feature Project, Josh Siegel of the Museum of Modern Art, film critic Thelma Adams and writer/producer Eleanor Bergstein.

The film festival was the first to combine film, video and news media and was mostly administered by students.

"This is great. Student run films are good because they are real and not part of the mainstream," said Colleen Humphry, sophomore.

Campus Girl Scout reach out to younger generation

By Aaron Cooper
News Contributor

For many young girls today, it is hard to find someone their own age that they can relate to.

"Campus Girl Scouts are about helping the community, on and off campus, and working with kids in the surrounding area," said Dana Romatowski, executive vice president.

Samantha Ramsey, president of Campus Girl Scouts said that the club is about trying "to give the under privileged children in the area a positive role model."

Over the past two years, campus girl scouts has planned programs on different topics dealing with multiculturalism, peer pressure, economic growth, and health issues.

Some programs that the Campus Girl Scouts have done, and will be doing are The Junior Girl Scout Dance, People of the World, From Stress to Success, Daisy Winter Wonderland, and Girl Scouts go to College.

"Our main program (People of the World) promotes Multi-cultur-

am," said Romatowski.

The program has six different sessions, each one representing a different country. Romatowski said. In this program they either do a craft, play a game, hear a tale about that country, learn a dance, have a snack, or learn a song, she said.

From Stress to Success is a way of teaching the girls how to deal with everyday issues like peer pressure, economic growth and health issues, said Ramsey.

Girl Scouts go to College is a program for high school girls designed to show them what college is like, to help them get ready for college, to show them how to prepare for the S.A.T.'s, and to explain to them that they have more options than college because college is not for everyone, Ramsey said.

Besides doing their own events, Campus Girl Scouts also help out other clubs on campus.

"On November 21, we will be doing a soup kitchen with B.F.A. to help out the Greek Council with their events, and basically we will help out anyone that needs it,"

said Romatowski.

"The thing that I find interesting, and not too many people might know this, is that you don't have to be a girl to be a Girl Scout. Once you are over 18 you can be a registered member of Girl Scouts. We do have members that are males," Romatowski added.

Doing the community service projects makes many of the members of Campus Girl Scouts feel good about what they do.

"When I'm working with the kids I feel like I'm a kid again. When I'm teaching them something, they appreciate everything you do for them and they are open to learn new things about everything, even though it might be from another country," said Goethy Guareno.

"I think that the community service projects that we do are very good for the kids around the William Paterson community because they get to experience different things, and they get to deal with us on a more personal level than they might with their scout leaders," said Danielle Lewis.

Grant awarded to WPU professor for cancer research

By Angela Seales
News Contributor

A two-year grant of \$227,000 funded by the American Cancer Society has been awarded to Nelda Semarel, professor of nursing at William Paterson University.

With this recent grant, she now has a total of \$1 million in funding, which stems from both the National Institute of Health and the American Cancer Society.

This grant has been given to her to continue her research in Arkansas, on how white and minority women cope with the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer in poor areas in that state.

Semarel's research is mainly focused on how social support and education have an impact on women. She has always believed that social support and education can assist cancer sufferers in adapting to their illness, ever since she began her research in 1990.

Semarel has made national and international presentations relating to breast cancer research within the past eleven years.

In India, she participated in research at Chidambaram College of Nursing. In Spain she took part in a program developed by Sigma Theta Tau International Congress.

Due to her dedication and hard work with breast cancer research, Semarel has received various awards and honors.

Her most recent awards include the New Jersey Governor's Nursing Merit Award (1997) and the Dean's Award for Scholarly Achievement (1990-92), presented by William Paterson University.

In addition to completing her research, Semarel will receive help from Elizabeth Ann Coleman, professor of nursing at the University of Arkansas for medical sciences, and Lorraine Tulman, an associate professor of nursing at the University of Pennsylvania.

Semarel has previously experienced working in the nursing department at many universities located in New Jersey before coming to WPU.

Some of these institutions include the University of Pennsylvania, Rutgers University, and Brookdale Community College. She holds four degrees in Education: A.S. from Brookdale Community College, B.S. in nursing from the University of the State of New York, M.S. from Hunter College, and Ed.D from the Graduate School of Education at Rutgers University.



Happy Halloween! From the Beacon Staff

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Campus Calendar

Monday, Oct. 26
Sociology Dept: Travel to Italy, June '99 - College Credit: 11-12:00 in SC348. For more info, contact Dr. Martorella. Also meets on Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Catholic Campus Ministry: Visits to Preakness Nursing Home every Monday, 6:30pm - meet at the Catholic Campus Ministry Center. For more info, contact Fr. Lou or Joanne at x3524.

Tuesday, Oct. 27
Women's Center: Breast Cancer Walk; donations welcome, but you do not have to pay to walk. 12-2:00; meet in front of the Student Center. Contact Meryle at x2946 for more info.

Women's Center: Women's Discussion Groups every Tuesday; co-led by Professor Joan Grescom and by Meryle Kaplan - 3:30 to 4:30 in SC214. Contact Meryle at x2946 for more info.

Tuesday, Oct. 27
Catholic Campus Ministry: Weekly Mass during common hour in SC215. For more info, contact Fr. Lou or Joanne at x3524. Also on Thursday, Oct. 29.

Greek Senate: Blood Drive; must have ID & know your SS#. Ballroom from 11-6:00. Contact Don at x2273 for more info. Drive runs Tuesday through Thursday.

Wednesday, Oct. 28
Women's Center: Talk by Ellen Ross on the History of Witches. 2-3:30pm in the Library Auditorium. Contact Meryle at x2946 for more info.

Thursday, Oct. 29
Catholic Campus Ministry: Visits to North Jersey Developmental Center every Thursday. 6:30pm - meet at Catholic Campus Ministry Center. Contact Fr. Lou or Joanne at x3524 for more info.

Black Student Association: Male Review at Billy Pat's at 8pm. \$2 Admission; bids start at \$1. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, Oct. 30
Catholic Campus Ministry: Visits to Eva's Kitchen in Paterson every Friday, 10am - meet at Catholic Campus Ministry Center. For more info, contact Fr. Lou or Joanne at x3524.

Sunday, Nov. 1
Catholic Campus Ministry: Mass every Sunday at 7:30pm in the Bishop Frank J. Rodimer Catholic Campus Ministry Center. All are welcome. Transportation from and to the Residence Halls is provided. Contact Fr. Lou or Joanne at x3524 for more info.

Attn: Senior Portraits - Nov. 9-13, Dec. 7-11, Jan. 18-22. Must make appointment the week before the desired sitting. Sitting fee of \$10 will purchase your yearbook. Call 800-687-9327.

Attn: HASA will be collecting Pennies From Heaven for Catholic Family and Community Services (charity organization) during the entire month of November. Contact Sandra at x4188, David at x5263, or Herlaude at x4937 for more info.

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Nussbaum speaks to crowd in ballroom

By Ilisa Schertzer
and Jennifer Probst
News Contributors

In honor of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, William Paterson University presented Hedda Nussbaum, a domestic violence survivor.

Nussbaum's lecture was held on Monday, Oct. 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

Ten years ago, Nussbaum became a household name. Her common-law husband, lawyer Joel Steinberg's face was splashed across newspaper and magazine covers all over America when he beat the couple's six year old daughter Lisa to death.

Both Nussbaum and Steinberg were arrested, but Nussbaum was found to have been completely

incapacitated physically, mentally and emotionally and the New York District Attorney found it impossible to charge her with any crime. Steinberg was sentenced to 25 years in prison and has repeatedly been turned down for parole.

Steinberg still refuses to accept responsibility for the violence towards Nussbaum and for death of Lisa.

Nussbaum was introduced by Meryle Kaplan, the coordinator of the Women's Center, Rob Ariosto, the dean of Student Development, and Mary Zappo, the president of Feminist Collective.

Nussbaum gave a 45 minute account of her life under the abuse of Steinberg.

According to Nussbaum, she came from a "normal, almost boring family." When she met

Steinberg in college, she thought he was "very charming."

The set up for abuse was subtle and gradual. After they moved in together, he began to isolate her by having what Nussbaum called "therapy sessions."

This was when he would analyze her friends and critique her life. Soon she believed his ideas, and stopped seeing her friends, then later her family.

During these sessions, he would encourage her to ask for raises and promotions that she thought she did not deserve.

She went from assistant editor to editor to senior editor in only a few years. Three years after that, Steinberg hit her for the first time and after that it only got worse.

They decided to adopt in 1981, and received Lisa as things got worse at home. Starting in 1982,

Nussbaum was so bruised that she would take off many personal days at her job and therefore was fired. Now she was a stay at home mother and was more isolated than ever, while she helped Steinberg, who was working out of the house at this time.

Soon Nussbaum and Steinberg turned to drugs. Steinberg would force Nussbaum to use cocaine because he thought it allowed them to talk freely in their relationship.

Nussbaum was getting the drugs at all hours of the night as well as dealing them.

Nussbaum soon realized she was in danger and had to get out. She made five and a half attempts to leave Steinberg. Each time,



photo by Sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

Pictured above, Hedda Nussbaum, a domestic violence survivor, spoke in front of a large crowd in the Student Center Ballroom on Monday, Oct. 19. The lecture began at 7 p.m., and Nussbaum shared her experiences with abuse and violence.

Steinberg would talk her back into coming home.

In 1985 she attempted for the last time to leave. The couple received Mitch, another adoption in 1986. The abuse at this time was horrible.

At this point Nussbaum had a ruptured spleen, broken nose, chipped teeth, a broken knee, sleep deprivation, food deprivation and was completely brainwashed.

She was not allowed to do anything without permission from Steinberg, not even seek medical

attention for her nose and knee. She was frequently told to go sit in cold baths as discipline for doing such things as not responding to his calls right away. She could not hear him because of hearing loss in one ear caused from his beatings.

On Nov. 1, 1987, Steinberg beat Lisa unconscious, leaving her to die while he went out to eat.

After the trial was over, Nussbaum tried to get her life back together. Mitch was taken back by

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Catholic Campus Ministry continues to serve

Catholic Campus Ministry has been involved with a number of volunteer programs that have been a part of William Paterson's service to the community for twenty years. These programs have been diverse and encompassing outreach programs.

At present, the CCMC is in the midst of the 20th annual Thanksgiving Awareness Program.

This program started out as a "food collection" and has grown to become a collection can drive, with all money collected sent to the Community Food Bank of New Jersey (in Hillsdale, NJ) on behalf of the twenty-six pantries served by the Emergency Food Coalition of Passaic County.

Last year, this collection netted over \$2500 which was used to purchase sixteen tons of food at the Food Bank.

The greater accomplishment of this, and of all the outreach programs sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry, is that it is inclusive of the entire WPU community.

The Greek Senate, SGA, clubs, students & staff are to be thanked for their sharing in TAP '98!

On Thursday, Oct. 15, CCMC

sponsored the annual "walk-a-thon" for TAP, inviting members of the community to walk or support the walkers.

The culmination of the program is Sunday, Nov. 22, 1998, at 7:30pm in the SC Ballroom.

This Thanksgiving celebration of Mass will feature the Gospel Choir and recipients of the checks from the collection. All are invited to attend.

The outreach programs sponsored by CCMC also include: weekly visits to Preakness Nursing Home (co-sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon); Sunday and Thursday visits to the North Jersey Developmental Center in Totowa (co-sponsored by Alpha Sigma Alpha); Friday service to Eva's Kitchen in Paterson (co-sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega & Alpha Kappa Alpha); weekly participation as volunteer crew members for "Word: Alive & Well" (broadcast on over 25 cable networks in NJ and NY); high school retreats; the annual "Shelter the Homeless" collection, which last year netted \$2600, on behalf of Youth Haven & Eva's Shelter in Paterson; Music Ministry at the Bishop Rodimer CCMC, Bible

study, mass, and prayer gatherings, and Food & clothing collection on behalf of hurricane victims.

These and many other social-service, self-awareness, and spiritual programs are offered as volunteer experiences by CCMC and are offered to all WPU students, faculty, and staff to increase awareness of our community and the oneness we share as a university. The WPU community is invited to freely get involved with any or all of these offerings.

Those who participate can experience the personal and spiritual benefits derived from volunteering.

On Sunday, Nov. 8, the CCMC will be sponsoring the annual "Latino Mass," in cooperation with Latino groups on campus, which will be co-celebrated by Father Robert Wisniewski (Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Passaic) and Father Lou Scurti (Catholic Campus Minister).

All are invited to this and all CCMC events; refreshments will be served.

For further information, call ext. 3524 or (973)595-6184.

Art series continues with lecture on Monet

Claude Monet, the quintessential Impressionist, will be the topic of a lecture at WPU on Thursday, October 29.

The talk by Donald McLaughlin is the third in William Paterson's 1998-99 Art at Lunch series titled "Light, Color, Vision: The Idea of Impressionism," which examines the artists who were important to this development and their individual contributions.

The program will begin at 11:30am in the Ben Shahn Galleries. Attendees are invited to bring a brown bag lunch to the informal gatherings; coffee and tea are provided.

McLaughlin's lecture will focus on the intriguing aspects of Monet's work, his daily life, and his friendships with other painters. He will also discuss Monet's techni-

ques, theories, and enduring relevance.

McLaughlin, an adjunct professor of art at William Paterson, received his bachelor of fine arts degree from the University of Delaware and a master of fine arts degree from Hunter College. McLaughlin, a professional artist, has had numerous one-person shows and has participated in group exhibitions in the United States and Europe.

Art at Lunch lectures are held on Thursdays at 11:30am and are hosted by gallery docents and members of the William Paterson faculty. The series continues on November 5 with a lecture on Sisley and Pissarro. For additional information on the series, please call the Ben Shahn Galleries at 973-720-2654.

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The day Starr never arrived

To the editor:

On behalf of "IMPACT," we would like to apologize to all the students who attended the Brenda K. Starr interview. We recognize your time constraints as students; thus, we feel a responsibility to thank you for your support and apologize for our lack of organization.

The organization "IMPACT" has written a letter to Brenda's manager demanding an explanation. In addition, "IMPACT" has recognized its lack of organization, which the executive board is addressing.

We hope that by recognizing our mistakes, we will improve our performance and avoid wasting your time. We look forward to your support in the future and promise more organization on our part.

We are open to your suggestions as to how we can be more organized.

nized and professional. After all...we are here to learn.

Finally, we need to recognize the following individuals for their sincere efforts to produce our first show: Rosie Olivera, Aileen Colon, Edith Christina Castillo, Carlos Echavarria, Robin Rodriguez, Michelle Polo, Arnold M. Muturi, Monique Varquez, Stephen M. Conway, Kizinga Fleming, Felicia Pettiford, Dave Coppola, Alex Patrick, Gissel Garcia, Erique Rivera, Shekina T. Chalmers, and Marisol Ramirez. We are grateful for their help.

The little that we were able to accomplish would not have been possible without them. THANKS! Students who can provide us with constructive suggestions can contact me at 973-815-2141.

Alex Gomez
President-IMPACT

Gloria Williams will be missed

To the editor:

Gloria Williams: what a beautiful person she was. She will definitely be missed at William Paterson University. I feel privileged and honored to have known

her. Whenever I had a problem with my classes, she always advised me on the right decision. She will always hold a special place in my heart.

Sikirat Alli

How long will campus be beautiful?

To the editor:

At the beginning of the semester, students were writing in to say how nice the campus looks after all the changes that took place over the summer. I also agree that the campus looks great, but how long will it stay this way?

I was totally appalled last week when I walked out of the Student Center only to see tons of trash littering the steps.

A lot of money was spent to improve the look of the campus so let's keep it that way. I realize that students enjoy taking their food outside to eat when the weather is nice, but if you do take food out of the Student Center, please throw the garbage in the proper place. It's called a TRASHCAN!

Michelle Hug

Comments about 'Just Bitter'

To the editor:

As I began to read the "Just Bitter" in the Oct. 19 issue, I became elated that Ms. Caputo was addressing the issue of overcrowding at animal shelters and was hoping she'd inform the community of WPU of ways that they can help.

Although her idea of "asking everyone you know if they are willing to adopt a pet" is the ideal

answer, it is not a logical one. Yes, there is an abundant number of animals at animal shelters and thousands are put to sleep everyday, but not all shelters euthanize.

The Triboro Animal Shelter in Butler, P.A.T.C.H. in Pompton Lakes, and the Bloomingdale Animal Shelter, to name a few, do

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Human Rights in Latin America: A Work in Progress

By Dr. Martin Weinstein
Beacon Contributor

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human Rights, my training as a political scientist and my experience as a Latin American specialist give me cause to reflect.

Human rights, like democracy, is a work in progress - a process more than a product. Much more remains to be done whether in the areas of women's and children's rights, sexual orientation, race, religious and ethnic identity, and civil liberties in the more classical defined sense of political rights.

Although we have human rights abuses right here in the United States, I will focus here on political rights in Latin America in the past half century (which is the area of my academic expertise).

During this period the pendulum in Latin America has swung from democracy to dictatorship and back again to democracy.

From the vantagepoint of 1998, our southern neighbors are in the best political shape in decades. Representative government flourishes in the Caribbean and South America, with all but the governments of Cuba and Peru elected in relatively clean elections.

This is a far cry from the 1970's when a plague of repression swept South America to the extent that only Colombia and Venezuela had elected governments. The United States frequently supported dictatorships in Latin America, but that is the subject for another essay.

Nevertheless, the legacy of massive human rights violations by the military dictatorships of the 1970's and 1980's, with tens of thousands arrested and tortured and thousands murdered and "disappeared,"

continues to haunt the democracies of the region.

In Argentina, for instance, despite a pardon by President Menem of the top officers of the three juntas that ruled during the dictatorship, revelations of trafficking in the babies and children of murdered prisoners, confessions by some officers, and the harassment of journalists who report on these events are frequent occurrences.

In Guatemala, the Auxiliary Bishop of Guatemala, Msgr. Juan Gerardi, was murdered on April 26 of this year, two days after he issued Guatemala Nunca Mas (Never Again), a church-sponsored report that documented over 55,000 executions and murders during the three decades-long "civil war" in that country.

In Colombia, which has an average of ten politically motivated murders a day, human rights abuses are frequently seen as business as usual. Finally, in Uruguay, the issue of "disappeared" persons (although relatively few in number compared with the thousands in Chile, Argentina and Guatemala) continues to be debated, despite an amnesty law that was passed in 1986 and upheld in a public referendum in April of 1988.

In sum, in spite of detailed reports (and even some trials in Argentina), most governments in Latin America chose some form of amnesty in dealing with the gross violation of human rights under their military governments. The problem that remains can be described as the difference between knowledge of these crimes and their acknowledgment by the perpetrators. As long as the military in the region feels immune from truth telling, let alone punishment, they may, in the future, act with the kind of gross impunity that they did in the past.

Dr. Martin Weinstein is a member of the Political Science Department, William Paterson University

Halloween brings out the 'kids' in us

Boo! Did I scare you? OK, so maybe that was pretty lame. But this is the time of year when you are supposed to pull this kind of corny stuff. It's Halloween!!!

When we were kids, everyone loved halloween, right? I mean, it was the one day of the year, when we could dress up like freaks, go around to complete strangers and harass them until they gave us candy.

You remember the old line, "Trick or Treat, smell my feet, give me something good to eat!"

This was great. You would blatantly tell people to smell your stinking feet, and they would chuckle, think your adorable, and give you candy! This was so cool.

The problem starts when you hit the teen years. You think you're too cool to dress up and go trick or treating. So, what do you do? Mom won't let you go party yet, so you think of alternative fun.

This is what I did. I told Mom I was going trick or treating, and threw together some lame costumes, then I met up with friends, ditched the costumes, and pulled out the good stuff, (a.k.a. rolls of toilet paper, eggs, and oh yes, shaving cream-the extra foamy kind). Then you run a-muck in the neighborhood and have a fun night!

Then when you come close to running out of supplies, you slather yourself in shaving cream, and wrap yourself in toilet paper. Boom, you got an instant mummy costume! It's beautiful. Then you take the now empty bag in your hands, and go

score yourself some delicious candy. Yummmmmmy!

On your way home, you grab the lame costume you previously hid in the bushes, scrap off the toilet paper and shaving cream, and all is well.

Then you sit back in front of the fire, watch some scary Halloween movie about some psycho who stalks camp counselors with an ax, and enjoy some candy. Yeah, it sounds like a great plan for a 13-year-old, but what do I do now? I can't run around in my neighborhood anymore. I could get arrested for that stuff for crying out loud! So, now what do I do?

Let's see, I could do the party thing now. I could make some really funky "bloody eyeball punch" that has, let's just say adult beverages in it. And I could put some melon balls that look like eyeballs in it and red food coloring so it freaks everyone out.

Yeah, that would be cool. Or I could go to one of those haunted houses.

Incidentally, if anyone lives near the Vernon area, there is a pretty cool one at the Gingerbread Castle. Its one of those where they ask for your name at the beginning, so they can freak you out. In the beginning, there was this freaky looking monk named Bob, and he asked my name.

Then when I was getting ready to walk in, he yelled, "Robyn's coming!" I thought it was funny. Yeah, funny. It wasn't scary, but it was fun.

OK, fine you can call me cheezy, but be warned, I will find you and decorate your house with shaving cream and toilet paper!



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Let's Talk Life

By LaShonda Lipscomb

Hello, angels. How's everything doing? If your answer to this question is "not so good," I feel this week's message will do the trick.

Now, for this edition of "LTL," I had a bunch of topics to choose from. But for some reason or another I couldn't make up my mind on one. So I sort of pushed it out of my mind, and then fate stepped in and saved the day.

This weekend a dear friend of mine invited myself and another good friend to his house for the weekend. To make a long story short, we were supposed to go to a club but that didn't go through so we ended up hanging out and renting some movies.

One of the movies chosen was "City of Angels." Now if you

haven't seen this movie, I recommend you do so ASAP. If, on the other hand, you have seen it, shame on you for not bringing this to my attention earlier.

Not only does the soundtrack rock, but it is definitely one of the best movies I've seen in a while.

By now I hope you all know the plot to this story. If you don't or need a little refresher here goes: Nicholas Cage plays an angel who falls in love with a surgeon played by Meg Ryan and later falls from heaven to be with her.

This sums it up very quickly and takes a lot away, but in the interest of time, work with me.

During the movie, I realized that all the little things we do everyday we take for granted. And whether you're religious or not, you have

to acknowledge the fact that something bigger gave you these abilities; just our five senses alone are very powerful examples.

First, the ability to see. How often do you appreciate your eyes? Do you realize there are people who are blind or have eye problems which glasses can't fix?

These people will never see all the beauty you behold in one day. They can't see the sunrise, the trees change colors, or even how to match their clothes.

They can't even see smaller scale things such as their friends' smiles, the snooze button on the alarm clock, or the faces of their favorite superstars.

Hearing is the next sense. This sense is very dear to me, and I'm sure it is to all you other music

lovers. What would you do tomorrow if you couldn't hear your favorite CD? Or your friends call your name? Or just the sound of everyday life?

Next is the sense of smell and taste together. You know how miserable you are when you're sick and can't smell anything which directly affects your sense of taste? Imagine being that way all the time.

Imagine not smelling your mom's cooking or your lover's body. Imagine not being able to taste your favorite muffin or drink.

And lastly, the sense of touch. What would happen if you couldn't feel, receive, or give? What would a hug or kiss be like? What about a massage or pat on the back? What about petting your cat or dog?

Now I know a lot of people today aren't religious. But I at least hope that you know there is something higher; something that

gave us all the ability to be. Whether it be God, Allah, Buddha, Great Spirit, or any other colloquial term that you have for your "higher being," please be thankful, because we all have the greatest gift anyone could ask for.

Your exercise this week is ... choose which sense you take for granted the most.

Whether it be one or all, and imagine life without them. And if done correctly, this exercise shall truly humble you. It should help you see that we are all a part of something much bigger.

My point is: We should all be thankful for all we take for granted, not just our senses. Walking, talking, sitting, laughing, breathing, etc. We should also appreciate life. Just life.

Here's to a week of enlightenment. Make it good. See you later!

Mailbag

Paper serves as a 'Beacon' of light for a campus visitor

To the Editor:

What a treat for me! I recently visited the campus of WPU for an open house. All went well, and on the way to my car I picked up a copy of the Oct. 19 "Beacon."

This was at 8 p.m., and when I got home and started to read it, I couldn't put it down. It was great.

I graduated from schools in South Florida, and moved up north with my family nine years ago. Needless to say, it's been a while since I stepped onto a college campus, and glancing through your paper, I came away thinking this is the university I would like to attend.

Let me further explain all the things I really related to - aside from the professors with whom I

came in contact during the open house.

I enjoyed reading the article about the play being put on, and how the students feel about something so intimate in its subject matter. The changes on campus, the construction which is almost complete, remind me of my former university.

The sensitivity, and compassion toward Gloria Williams, the tribute was incredibly moving. I never met the woman, but I cried knowing that so many people cared about her, and she did so much for the community - touched many lives. I would like to contribute somehow, but there wasn't enough info (contact/ ph#) for me to respond in kind.

The music program looks like

something I would really enjoy, and I plan to attend the concert (tonight).

The article on Nixon's impeachment - radical! How it relates to Clinton.

The mailbag column - I love Starbucks and wouldn't have known there was one on campus. It's very progressive. The reviews were okay, (helpful), and the horoscope entertaining.

I felt envious of those students who were able to utilize the NSE program (something I always dreamed of doing), and those who were able to travel to Italy.

I was moved to read that the student body was not apathetic (like those in my school), and gathered together to help the hurricane victims.

I was unable to attend the Cathart lecture, but I understand the struggle. My brother was gay, and died of AIDS related complex over 10 years ago. I was devastated. I remember when I was 13, my parents took me to Key West and told me my brother was "gay." I remember telling them that "I loved my brother" and that was all that mattered.

Mitch was always good to me - sensitive and kind. He was ALWAYS there when I needed him - moving from Seattle, Washington to N. Miami, Florida to my "rescue" because I was so lonely being with my parents who didn't "understand" me when I was 15.

Well, I can go on, but I would just like to say that I abhor vio-

lence of any kind, toward anyone - for any reason. I don't want to lecture, but simply stated would remind others that "Love Each Other" were His own words. Anyhow, I would like to go on.

When I learned that you all are called "The Pioneers" well, MY High School was nicknamed the "Pioneers" - coincidence? I don't think so.

I can't wait until I start in January, and would be interested in becoming involved with paper, as well.

Thank you all for putting together this "Beacon." I felt it was there just for me - a "Beacon" of light, to guide me.

Karen "katgut" Guth-Holland

Comments about 'Just Bitter'

from MAILBAG page 4

not euthanize any animals. The problem is not the shelters that do. The problem is us.

People who have pets need to have them spayed or neutered. This is where the problem begins. Pet owners allow their pets to have litters, then just give the puppies and kittens away and don't do anything to solve the problem.

If pet owners would use the spay/neuter option, the number of stray and abandoned pets would decrease dramatically.

Also, if people interested in owning a pet would go to one of these shelters instead of purchasing a pet through a pet store, this would lower the number of animals euthanized every year.

the inhumane conditions that occur at puppy mills where pet store dogs come from.

These are dirty, poorly kept places where female dogs are used only for breeding and are forced to have litter after litter of puppies.

Most puppies that are shipped to pet stores are inbred, sickly and diseased. These are things you are not told when you purchase your pet.

The only problem solving techniques to lower the number of abandoned and stray animals are to stop the breeding process by spaying and neutering your pets and adopt those left at shelters.

Tara N. Fritsch

Lack of feminist response is shocking

To the editor:

The lack of feminist response to President Clinton's affirmation of his affair with Monica Lewinsky (after adamantly denying it for months) is shocking.

Here we have a man in a position of authority over a woman. They have an affair, and when the affair becomes public, the man perpetuates lies about the woman, encouraging his colleagues to slander her and destroy her reputation.

What does this teach us about gender roles in society and in the workplace? Based on public opinion polls, Americans are more forgiving of the man who, with a condescending smile, begrudgingly admitted he lied to the American people than a young woman who told the truth all along.

The Democratic Party is known for its platform on women's issues. Are the feminists encouraging us to completely submit ourselves to a political party that professes to support women while their actions degrade them? Clinton's affair and his response to it has set the women's movement back a good twenty years.

I am especially disappointed with the women's studies department at WPU. I have yet to hear a response from them. Why aren't the so-called women's advocates on campus outraged?

The women's studies department is always calling us to "break the silence." By their own standards, the only way to interpret the feminist lack of response is as a nod of approval.

Angela Heerema

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Scene This One? Apt Pupil

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN THE EXISTENCE OF EVIL YOU HAVE A LOT TO LEARN.

By Christopher A. Paseka
Michael K. Wnoroski
Staff Writers

First off, we would like to thank Sony/Loews Theaters in Wayne, for sponsoring us once again. We appreciate their continuing support. This week's target is...*Apt Pupil*.

Directed by: Bryan Singer
Produced by: Phoenix Pictures
Screenplay by: Brandon Boyce
Based on the novella *Apt Pupil* by: Stephen King
Starring: Ian McKellen, Brad Renfro, Bruce Davison, Joe Morton, Joshua Jackson, and David Schwimmer.

A sixteen-year-old high school student discovers a deadly secret about an old man living in his home town. Todd Bowden (Brad Renfro) is a boy obsessed with the history of the Holocaust. When he finds out Kurt Dussander (Ian McKellen) is a Nazi war criminal, he blackmails him for first hand information. In time a game of psychological warfare develops between the two. From there it's a question of "Who's got power over whom?"

M- Well, I had very mixed feelings watching this film. I loved the concept! I only wish I had read the Stephen King novella before seeing the screen interpretation. I'm sure the reading is much better.

Anyway, this is definitely a twisted movie! Ian McKellen and Brad Renfro did a great job of bringing this story to life. To be honest, they kind of freaked me out. Especially Renfro as Todd Boden.

C- Twisted is a weak word to describe this film. It was extremely warped. The film starts off real fast and it brings you right to the point. Then it takes two hours to explain the point. That irritated me a bit. All I have to say is, why is Pasey (Joshua Jackson) in another film as the off-beat five minute cameo?

M- I'll agree, the movie does start to see how he made this discovery, and even that didn't take long to unravel.



Dussander. We only need to wait to see how he made this discovery, and even that didn't take long to unravel.

I didn't find the movie dragging until three quarters into the film. At that point it was unclear what was going to happen next. I thought to myself, "Is this the end?" at least twice before the film actually ended.

As for Pasey, I don't know Chris. Maybe DAWSON'S CREEK just ain't doin' it for him at the moment!

C- Yeah, he probably doesn't get paid enough, YEAH RIGHT?! On with my opinion. I had a little problem with the film and the emotions they were trying to create. Obviously the subject of the Holocaust is gruesome, but this film doesn't depict that enough. They want you to feel the power of evil, yet they don't give you enough to feel that way.

History allows you to have the emotions. For those who don't

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Under the Microscope

The Queers
Punk Rock Confidential
(Hopeless)

The Queers have made extensive changes for their newest album, *Punk Rock Confidential*, which includes replacing both drummer Hugh O'Neill and bassist B-Face. As if this weren't enough, The Queers also have brought along Chris from John Cougar Concentration Camp as an extra guitarist. Despite the number of changes, the new Queers lineup sounds as good as ever.

This album has even more of a pop feel to it than earlier projects, cramming about six ballads into a fifteen track album. The rest are typical Queers-funny, aggressive, catchy songs about punk rock girls and being angry at the world.

The Queers frontman Joe King brought along a few friends to help with their latest album. J.J. Rassler co-wrote the title track "Punk Rock Confidential", and King teamed up with Lisa Marr of Cub to write another song. Ben Weasel penned the track "Idiot Savant", and also co-wrote "Like a Parasite" (which can also be found on the Screeching Weasel album *Wiggle*).

Along with the aforementioned tracks, "Tamara's a Punk", "I Didn't Puke", and a cover of the Banana Split's "I Enjoy Being a Boy" all qualify as album highlights.

Overall the album proves to be a success, even though some songs on the album are not quite what you would expect from The Queers. And yes, sadly enough, the keyboards that were present on their last album can also be found on *Punk Rock Confidential*. But don't let that dissuade you, this is some of the best stuff The Queers have ever put out. (DR)

Jay-Z
Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life
(Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam)

Jay-Z? Pop artist or hardcore rapper? Whatever you may consider this Brooklyn native, he is definitely blowing up the charts. His third album, *Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life*, contains smash hits "Can I Get A..." (featuring Amil and Ja) and the title-track/ghetto anthem with the dope Annie hook. Jay-Z's albums always show his versatility, including, *Vol. 2*. With upbeat songs for the ladies and thugged-out songs for the fellas, *Hard Knock* is a sure shot.

Jay-Z and his iced-out pal, Jermaine Dupri, help us splash the bubbly with "Money Ain't A Thang". Double-platinum rap superstar, DMX, arrives early with only one verse on "Money, Cash, Hoes".

The love-hate friendship between Jigga and Westcoast rhyme veteran, Too Short, combine in "A Week Ago". Dancehall DJ, Kid Capri, lays down a swervy track on "It's Like That". Fellow Roc-A-Fella artist, Memphis Bleek, proves his skills on three tracks including the futuristic, "It's Alright".

Puffy lets the Lox out of their cage to kick it with Beanie Siegal and Sauce Money on "Reservoir Dogs". *Vol. 2* compares with Jay-Z's previous albums, *Reasonable Doubt* and *In My Lifetime Vol. 1* because of the similar themes, being: fly women, fast cars, and millions of dollars.

Jay-Z is taking the hip-hop world by storm and will remain on top with *Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life*. It seems like all of Willy P is singing along. Check Jay on this verse: "Stick up the world and split it 50-50/ Uh-huh/Let's take the dough and stay real jiggy/ Uh-huh/sip the Cris and get pissy/ Flow infinitely like the memory of my niggas Biggie. BABY!" *Hard Knock* is like a trampoline because it makes ya' bounce. Ya heard? (ML)

'Sex and Death' is a must-see at Willy P

By Cyndi Fox
Staff Writer

"Sex and Death," a comedic play involving love, sex and death is entertaining, well performed, well directed and a must see performance.

The three one-act comedy was originally produced off-Broadway and written by Diana Amsterdam. The director is a William Paterson University professor of creative writing, Philip Cioffari.

"Sex and Death" takes a look at three different situations that most people will be able to relate to, and definitely laugh out loud about.

In the first act of the play, "Janet" who is played by Marlene Matsko, comes to the realization that the passion and zest in her relationship with her husband is gone. This funny scene involves the character reflecting on her life with her husband before she had kids and housework to deal with. Matsko said she really liked playing her character and loved work-

ing with the director.

"He always chooses plays that send a poignant message, and he's not afraid to take chances," she said.

The second act is a scene that involves a man who cannot seem to commit to a relationship. "Max," played by Mark Antony Tambone, gave a very comical performance as a sex starved man who falls in love with an innocent southern girl named "Sally," played by Christie Sobota.

The third character in this act is played by Julie Okuliez. She plays "Sabrina," the sexy other woman who fulfills "Max's" fantasies.

The "death" portion of Sex and Death was also very funny even though it dealt with death in a literal way. The three characters in this act are "Jerome," played by Rashad Davis, "Curtis," played by Thomas Jefferson, and "Alice," played by Aqueelah Shaheed.

Cioffari wrote that "love, sex and death are inextricably bound

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Horoscopes

Aries (March 21 to April 19): Morning hours this week may bring a few antisocial feelings, but these quickly subside as you have exhilarating times in the company of your friends. Romance is a plus, particularly over the weekend.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20): Success comes in business by maintaining a low profile. Though it's not the best time for dealing with higher-ups, you nevertheless can get a lot of significant work done now.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20): This is a good week for getting

together with your friends or for participation in a group activity. Try to guard against needless expenditures. The weekend is the best for quiet pursuits.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22): Don't overreact to a callous remark you overhear. A certain element of secrecy is necessary to insure the success of a project. Your financial situation improves as the week winds down.

Leo (July 23 to August 22): Be especially attentive to the feelings of a family member.

You're bursting with creative energy this week and should begin new projects. Surprise news is welcome.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22): You could be a trifle extravagant, but money is well spent if it goes on the home this week. In romance, be sincere. You're inclined now to put too much emphasis on superficial things.

Libra (September 23 to October 22): It may be hard to muster up enthusiasm for a current work assignment, but you're excited about a creative

project or a new romantic interest. Surprise news arrives this weekend.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21): Either you or a family member seems moody as the week begins, but you're on the right track regarding an innovative career move. Do-it-yourselfers begin new projects this weekend.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21): It's a wonderful week to do something new for entertainment, provided that you don't go wild in your spending. Loved ones tune into different facets of each other's personalities.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19): Try not to let

the moods of others disrupt you, as you have important work to do this week. Ingenuity and intuition are your allies on the road to accomplishment.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18): The personal touch doesn't work very well for you on the job this week. Maintain a businesslike decorum to get ahead. Partners are on the same wavelength.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20): An unusual suggestion is made to you in business this week. Tact and diplomacy are needed in dealing with a sensitive friend. Avoid spending money frivolously while shopping over the weekend.

Scene This One? Apt Pupil

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know the accurate history, this film just tiptoes around the topics. Tasteful, yet visually inept. That is exactly what Todd Bowden wants to do, visualize this horror. The film falls short.

M- I couldn't disagree with you more, Chris. This isn't a Spielberg

film, buddy! I thought the decision to concentrate more on the two individuals was a good one. Personally, I don't want to learn about the Holocaust in a movie based on Stephen King literature. Kurt Dussander's words and the few dream sequences were enough for me. Besides, this movie concentrated more on evil's power to corrupt. The Holocaust was simply a backdrop.

ply a backdrop.

C- The dream sequences and flashes of the painful images were enough to give you an idea, not enough to create emotion.

Anyway, I had a little problem with Brad Renfro carrying this film. He was good but needed camera work and lighting to make his "evil" sides more effective.

Ian McKellen was great though. He nailed his performance. I was terrified by his character and the stories. The supporting cast members were just mantle pieces. They didn't contribute or take away from the film.

M- Overall, this film made me uneasy. I'm not sure if this had to do with the subject matter or the jumpiness of the script. I thought there was a lot of positive aspects of this film. For a first time screenplay writer, Brandon Boyce did a pretty good job.

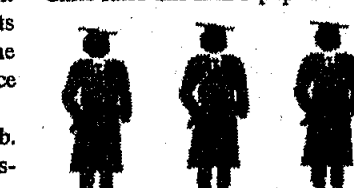
The director also did a good job. His attention to detail was impressive. I thought the acting by the two leads was very good. I liked Brad Renfro's choices, he played a good psycho. Ian McKellen's performance was excellent. His emphatic cigarette smoking alone gave me the creeps. Now, some of you may find this film to be "stupid", as I heard one movie patron exclaim, but others may find it interesting. Check it out!

C- Overall, I enjoyed the film. I

had some problems with their choices, but that doesn't mean they made bad choices, just different ones. The movie definitely takes you on a rollercoaster ride of twists and turns. I think the ideas and images conveyed in this film will make most people squirmish or even sick.

On a scale of 5 apt pupils:

Chris rates this film 3 pupils



Mike rates this film 3.5 pupils



'Sex and Death' is a must-see show this year

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in these three one-act comedies...the author suggests that neither love nor death exists independently in life's comedy, but rather they co-exist as complements of one another that affect our perceptions of ourselves as well as the way we interact with friends and lovers.

All of the actors said they believe that students and the community should come see this play basically because it's entertaining and many people will be able to relate to it.

"The play is very revealing of the inner workings of the characters, and very much like real life," said Okuliez.

Alyce Rosolen, stage manager, said that "the issues in the play pertain to younger people even though the characters are playing older people."

All of the actors gave a realistic view of their characters, and a fabulous performance. It was hard to believe that most of the cast were not professional working actors.

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At the Coffee House sponsored by Essence, the WPUNJ English Club, held on Monday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., various students shared their poetry, music, and other talents with the audience in the new Center Cafe, located on the ground floor of the Student Center. Clockwise from the top, musicians shared their talents by playing a couple of Dave Matthews songs for the crowd; Jonathan Smith read some of his original poetry; on the right, a two-man group called "15 Keys" played some original songs; and pictured on the left, Essence President Jeffrey Wickersty took time out from taking care of Coffee House business to play a few songs on the guitar. Many people read poetry, played music, and some even performed monologues on the Center Cafe stage, and are now looking forward to the next Coffee House on Dec. 7.

A Night at the Alehouse

By Dave Roe and Ed Eriemeyer
Insider Editors

The Backstreets
198 Belmont Avenue,
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Select Thursday nights at The Backstreets equal fifty cent drafts with no cover. There must be a god. To boot, Backstreets' jukebox features an eclectic mix, from Sinatra to Guns n' Roses to the Dead.

The bar area is spacious with a big screen TV in the corner along with three others spread throughout the bar.

Backstreets is located on the outskirts of Haledon, yet it proves to be worth the trip.

The selection of draft beers are rather limited (Bud, Amber Boch, Black and Tan), but they also offer affordable quality alterna-

tives such as Pete's Wicked and Heineken.

Possibly the most attractive aspect of The Backstreets is their backroom, complete with a pool table, dartboard, trivia machine, and a couch.

There are constant specials throughout the month on a daily basis. All night Sunday features \$1.25 domestic bottles and Monday night football features \$1 pints. Live entertainment can be found at the Backstreets on Friday and Saturday night, while other specials vary.

All in all, The Backstreets proves to be a highly entertaining pub. The bar is well kept, and the bartenders there instantly make you feel comfortable.

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Dave: 5 1/2
Ed: 5

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Hurricane relief project proves to be 'very productive'

By George H. Alford
News Contributor

Hurricane Georges may have caused a disaster in other countries, but it brought unity among the students and the Campus Police at William Paterson University with a hurricane relief softball bash.

Approximately three weeks ago, WPU hired three new police officers, who walked in and introduced themselves to different clubs, fraternities, and sororities

such as the Spanish Club, the Organization of Latin American Students (O.L.A.S.) Club, Lambda Sigma Upsilon and Mu Sigma Upsilon.

The three officers, Carlos Sanchez, Jose Jamie, and Roman Galloga came up with the idea of a hurricane relief softball bash to not only donate items to people of Puerto Rico and Santa Domingo, but also to get people together to have a good time.

"We are not just here to give out parking tickets, but we want to

break down the barriers between the police and the students to help out with the community," said Sanchez.

The bash began at 10 a.m. on Oct. 17 at the WPU softball field, where the students and police officers donated clothes, canned goods, and perishables such as seasoning salts, cereal and soup, and decorated the field with different fraternity banners and logos. The items were loaded in a van and taken to the Paterson Fire Department.

During the event, some of the students and officers broke up into groups to play a game of softball.

"This event was very productive," said Jerry Moreira, a Resident Assistant and fraternity of Lambda Sigma Upsilon. Moreira also stated that once the students get to know the police, they would be more willing to help out on campus.

Many other members of Campus Police attended the event to aid the hurricane victims.

Kelly Delia, who just graduated from the police academy, is the second female officer on the WPU police force. Delia stated that she had done 10 years of volunteer work by being a Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). She was also a participant in the softball bash.

Sergeant Anthony Fasolas did not play softball with the other



Photo by Sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

A winning pitch helps WPU groups come one step closer to the goal.



photo by Sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

groups, however, he did help by picking up students who needed transportation to the bash.

Many club members said they thought the bash was a great idea to get people together. Claudia Leon, president of the Spanish Club said, "Many times we try to come up with ideas for events, and Officer Sanchez helped them come up with this event for a softball bash."

Edward Cisneros, vice president of the Spanish Club, also participated in the event. "I think it's a great idea to get the Puerto Ricans and Latinos together," he said. "I agree that the campus police

officers should get involved because there is so much animosity between the police and students. I believe people in every community should get involved," added Cisneros.

Other students said it was a shame that it had to take the hurricane to bring people together.

According to Elvis Lopez, president of O.L.A.S., there are many times that people don't get together. "I work hard to fit in to break the ice," said Lopez.

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Pioneers scorched by Red Dragons

By Ira Thor
Sports Columnist

William Paterson has managed to stay off the front page of *The Beacon* for a fifth straight week, being burnt in every sense of the word 47-6 by the Cortland State-SUNY Red Dragons. It was a four hour trip to the Syracuse area of central New York; the Pioneers apparently should have never gotten off the bus.

Not that the Pioneers lacked the effort, because their hearts were surely in this one. Their secondary wasn't, and for the second straight week, their offense was caught in hibernation, crossing the goal line only once in this contest, as they did in a 12-7 loss to Montclair State.

William Paterson's secondary, which actually had been the strongest link defensively this season for the Pioneers, absolutely

collapsed, allowing the quarterback Jeff Humble to receiver Brian Girardi tandem to scorch them for three touchdowns, and a 27-0 half-time lead.

Girardi caught 10 passes for 186 yards, and three scores, while Humble was actually held under his average of 289 yards per game, humbling WPUNJ on 17 of 24 for 255 yards. Humble threw all of his three touchdowns to Girardi, with only one interception.

Humble tried to pick apart the Pioneer secondary. Rudy Pointdujour and Paul Kergides, both still managed ten tackles.

Omar Darling, the 1997 East Coast Athletic Conference (ECAC) Player of the Year, added 110 yards and one score, on 24 carries.

The Red Dragons collected 444 total yards of offense, while limiting WPUNJ to 148 yards. Offensively, the Pioneers could only manage six first downs. For the second straight week, one has

to wonder what is wrong with quarterback Jamie Golden. Golden appeared tarnished, tossing 2 of 11 for only 27 yards and one interception. Even Golden's fleet feet, which have been invaluable to the Pioneers this season, were not a factor. In fact, Golden carried four times, losing 30 yards. Thus, Golden tallied -3 yards of total offense in the obliteration.

Coach Jack Peavey made several gutsy calls to try to snap his team

out of its unexplained offensive funk.

After John Perez put the Pioneers on the board with a 40-yard run, Peavey stunned the Red Dragon special team with an onside kick that the Pioneers recovered.

And when the Pioneers couldn't move the ball on three plays, Peavey took a gamble, going for it on fourth down at midfield. WPUNJ turned it over on downs, leading to Darling's touchdown.

On the next possession, Peavey

again chose to go for it on fourth down at midfield. Again, the Pioneers failed to convert, leading to excellent Cortland field position, and a score.

This loss leaves the Pioneers with a slim chance of finishing .500 for the year. Now 2 and 5, New Jersey City University, a team with a reciprocal 5 and 2 mark, comes calling Friday, Oct. 30 at 7:30pm on Wightman Field.

You can catch the Jersey City game on 88.7 WPSC-FM at 7:15 p.m.

Pioneer ice hockey prepares for new season

from **HOCKEY** page 16

Jedrzejak, Damian Smith, Jon Blanchard, Jeff Kucharski, and Paul Reimels.

Defensively, a sound nucleus returns with stars Jim Taylor, Conor Jenkins, and Noah Antonoff.

Chris Daggett joins Alferi as an enforcer trying to help the team's checking ability.

"I'm definitely looking to play aggressive," said Alferi. "I like banging around and hitting people around the boards a little bit."

On offense, the Pioneers look for goal scoring from newcomers Jay Richards, John Ozogopoyan, Craig "Anvil" Hoppey, Mark Namm, and Jay Morroni.

The Pioneers have also added hard hitting Matt Pardine, Ed Vennard, Joe Drigon, and speedster Don Bennett to their defense.

In goal, a strong contingent of

goaltenders looks to stop anything thrown at them.

Newcomers Frank Zahn and C.J. Stevens, along with veterans Vince Panico and Pete Giovannille look to lead the Pioneers to victory.

"Our emphasis is going to be on team play and systems. And if we hold to that, we'll be successful," said Schor.

Alferi feels the offensive system is important for the Pioneers to have a good season. "I really think once the offense starts playing together a little bit more, we're going to put some pucks in the net and win a lot of games this season," said Alferi.

Coach Schor feels the team's attitude and commitment to a total team system of play, especially on defense, is the key to victory. "Our strength is in our goaltending," said Schor. "I'd like to play a very defense-oriented type of

approach. I think that's what this team needs to be successful, and backed up with strong goaltending that will take us a long way."

The team looks to be ready for the season to start, and has been skating since Sept. 21, preparing for their opening game at Seton Hall this Saturday, Oct. 31.

The first home game is this Sunday, Nov. 1 at 8:30 p.m. at Mackay Arena vs. the Pirates of Seton Hall.

Carnathan feels that all students and faculty who support the team and attend the games are promised fast-paced action and hard-hitting play.

Anyone that can't make it to the games can listen to 88.7 WPSC-FM, which will broadcast a total of 10 games this season.

For any other information, contact the Student Government Association and ask for Carnathan or any other hockey player.

Swimming teams start off on the right stroke

from **SWIMMING** page 16

extremely well. Schirman performed a 57 for the 100 freestyle in October and Crowder performed well in the breaststroke and the IM events.

Gurka feels that the outstanding performances by his younger swimmers are going to help push the older swimmers such as junior co-captains Casey Modrzewski and Colleen Tessier, to work harder.

"We went to the relay carnival last week and I found that obviously Rowan and Trenton are very tough teams but we are right in there with our relays, so that's promising. We are well on our way to the championships in Florida. We hope to train hard and come back and taper up all of our hard work," Gurka said.

Other stand up performances, this time on the men's side, include, sophomore, Chris Bell who some did some of the power races, sprints, and backstroke with a very fast arm. Freshman, Dame Pletvarec is competing in the 200 IM, 100 fly and 100 free. While, Billy Kessel has done backstroke events for the last couple of meets for Brian Boardman who is having problems with his knee.

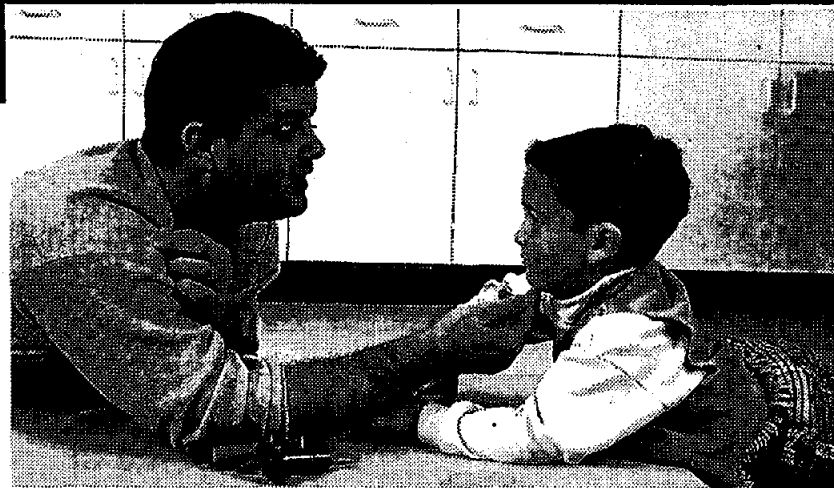
"Hopefully Boardman's knee problem is going to subside in the next couple of weeks however Kessel seems very promising until then," said Gurka.

So far the men's team is 1-0 in their division. Their win came against the hard competitors in The Metropolitan Conference, Eastern Division, College Of Staten Island. They have four more competitions to go until the championships.

"Hopefully we will get the NCAA Division III championships which will be held in Minnesota this year," says Gurka.

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Women's volleyball team defeats Misercordia

By Sheri A. Freeman
Beacon Contributor

The Lady Pioneers defeated Misercordia on their home court on Thursday, Oct. 22 in four matches, 15-6, 6-15, 16-14, and 15-8. The Lady Pioneers improve their record to 12-9.

Meredith Schwartz, sophomore powerhouse, lead the game with 24 kills and 11 digs. Aside from two serving errors, Schwartz could do no wrong.

Outside hitter, Karen Cassetta has proved to be an important asset game after game. The sophomore contributed 16 kills and 29 consistent assists to the victory.

After falling to Misercordia, 15-6 in the second match Cassetta had no problem identifying the team's mistakes.

"When you serve the ball to some place that's weak you'll keep serving there and that's what they (Misercordia) did," said Cassetta. "We were lost as to who's ball it was and we lost communication. We eventually got it back but it was too late."

Freshman setter, Tara Van Laere showed her versatility as a spiker also. Playing at Collegiate, a private school in Passaic, she never had the opportunity to be anything but a setter. She explained that being able to hit in college is a great opportunity and it is important to be flexible while competing against a team with a full bench.

"We know we can't screw up or get hurt because there's only two people on the bench so we have to



Photo by Sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

Sophomore Karen Cassetta, No. 20, hits around the Misercordia block in Thursday's win.

look out for each other and cover each other well," said Van Laere.

The team, especially Karen Cassetta is optimistic about the outcome of their season.

"I think we'll definitely be ranked higher than last year," Cassetta said. "I know coach has all the confidence in the world in us. She sees how we've progressed and how we're playing as a team."

Nussbaum addresses serious issues in lecture

from **NUSSBAUM** page 3

his biological mother, and Nussbaum has not seen him since.

Today, Nussbaum co-facilitates a domestic violence support group and has recently written a children's book called *Why Does Dad Hit Mom?*

The lecture was funded by the Student Government Association, and was co-sponsored by the Feminist Collective, MOST Club, and the Women's Center in conjunction with the Passaic County Women's Center and the Passaic County Working Group on

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Pioneers win two straight to stop losing streak Men's Soccer beats Stevens and NJCU

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

The William Paterson men's soccer team stopped their eight game losing streak with a 7-1 victory Wednesday, Oct. 21, over the Ducks of Stevens Institute of Technology. The Pioneers followed up with a 4-1 victory over the New Jersey City University Gothic Knights on Saturday, Oct. 24.

The Pioneers started off the season winning five of their first six games, and then lost eight in a row. The two wins improve their record to 7-9 on the season, and 2-4 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC).

"Injuries and lack of the ability to get the right people on the field have hurt us," said Head Coach Brian Woods.

William Paterson has lost key players to injury this season, which has left coach Woods unable to diagnose the problems.

"It's definitely been the most disappointing, the most confusing season I've ever been a part of," said Woods. "Knowing that we were better than probably 80% of the teams, or just as good, and not getting the result is really very frustrating."

In his seventh season coaching at William Paterson, coach Woods

"It's definitely been the most disappointing, the most confusing season I've ever been a part of."

- Head Coach Brian Woods

has never suffered this many losses.

"It's a devastating experience for me because, at this point in the season, we have never been below .500 in quite some time," said Woods. "I don't ever expect our program, to be below .500 at any time."

Coach Woods feels that some of the team's difficulties this season lie in finishing their shots, and clearing the ball on defense. After the Stevens game, some of the Pioneers expressed that they need to work more as a team to be successful for the remainder of the season.

"We picked up the intensity tonight, and we finished our opportunities," said sophomore forward Tim Crilley. "Players are

back, and we just played as a team. We just have to keep doing that and I think we'll be fine."

Senior defenseman Elliott McPherson agrees with his teammate.

"I think we played more together tonight then we have recently and that's what we need to do," said McPherson. "We're moving forward, but we can fall into the same trap anytime, of not playing together."

In the 7-1 victory over the Ducks, juniors Anthony Pulizzano and Mark Menadier each scored, and assisted goals. Sophomore Kurt Schweitzer scored once and got two assists. Freshman John Foster scored on an assist from junior Rueban Pleasant. Crilley added three goals in the game.

"Today we kept our composure and we buried the ball every time we had a chance," said Crilley.

With a goal in the 4-1 victory over New Jersey City University's Gothic Knights, Crilley now has a team high of 15 goals on the season.

Woods feels the team needs to regain confidence, and is incorporating a new mindset into the team.

"We are not trying to go out there and say 'let's not lose this game,'" said Woods. "We're going on the field and saying 'let's win - let's win this game.'"

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To the Beacon staff - You're all doing a good job, just keep doing it! - Pam

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY PIONEERS SPORTS

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Field Hockey @ Delaware Valley 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 10/27
Volleyball vs. Kean 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 10/28
Men's Soccer @ TCNJ TBA
Women's Soccer vs. Western Connecticut 3 p.m.

Friday, 10/30
Football vs. NJCU 7:30 p.m.
Field Hockey @ Kean 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, 10/31
Men's Soccer vs. Rutgers-Newark 2 p.m.
X-Country NJAC Championship 11 a.m., Ewing, NJ
Sunday, 11/1
Women's Soccer vs. Georgian Court 12 p.m.

Lady Pioneers capture conference championship

WPU defeats Ramapo 8-0

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

The women's soccer team has only been in existence since 1994. With their 8-0 win over the Roadrunners of Ramapo on Oct. 21, William Paterson collected their first ever New Jersey Athletic Conference

(NJAC) Championship, in Mahwah.

The Lady Pioneers, who defeated the Lions of The College of New Jersey on Oct. 14 2-0, held the Lions from there fifth title in as many years.

In the latest National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III poll, William Paterson

is ranked third in the nation and first in the metro region. The Lady Pioneers have the nations best winning percentage as their record has improved to 12-0-2, and 6-0 in the NJAC.

Junior goalie Maren Fluhr has nine shutouts this season, and has 70 saves for a goals against average of .154. Her goals against average is third in the nation.

The team is also seventh in the

nation in shutouts per game.

The William Paterson team defense is third in the nation, and should move up, after only allowing 4 goals in a total of 14 games.

Junior midfielder Kyle Lubrano had 4 assists in the game. Lubrano now has a team high 11 assists to go along with her 4 goals.

Senior Vicky Wagner and sophomore Liz Carr scored two goals a piece. Also scoring for the

Lady Pioneers were junior Dana Armstrong, sophomore Jen Wood, and freshmen Marlo Martin and Danielle Milano.

William Paterson outshot the Roadrunners 35-1, and season opponents 326 to 116.

The Lady Pioneers next game will be against powerhouse Western Connecticut Oct. 28 on Wightman Field at 3 p.m.

Swim team opens season with winning moments

By Tony Krucinski and Elena Rossi
Beacon Contributors

On Tuesday, Oct. 22, the Pioneer Swim Team began their season with a home meet against The College Of Staten Island.

The Men's team defeated CSI with a final score of 130-112. While the ladies pummeled the opposing team with a victorious score of 137-47.

Standout, Allison Coyle, last seasons highest point scorer as a Freshmen, is returning and looks promising so far. Coyle won the 50 and 100 butterfly.

Other winners, for the women, included, Freshmen, Rebecca Schirman in the 50 and 100 Freestyle. Freshmen, Cathrine Crowder in the 50 and 100 breast stroke and the 100 IM.

Winners for the men included, Sophomore, Chris Bell, who won the 50 and 100 backstroke and 50 butterfly. While, Freshmen, Dame Pietvarec succeeded in winning the 100 butterfly, 200 IM and 200 freestyle.

"I'm pretty excited about both performances, women and men in the Staten Island meet. On the girls side 159-200 medley relay times for October is really good. It was actually faster then what we did at the Championship meet," said coach Ed Gurka.

"We are a young team with a lot of freshmen and sophomores and we have a lot of potential to go places. I, personally, look forward to the 200 medley relay going at 1:55, 1:54 at the championship meet."

The swim team seems to have a lot of standup performances, on the women's side, freshmen, Rebecca Schirman and Catherine Crowder seem to be swimming

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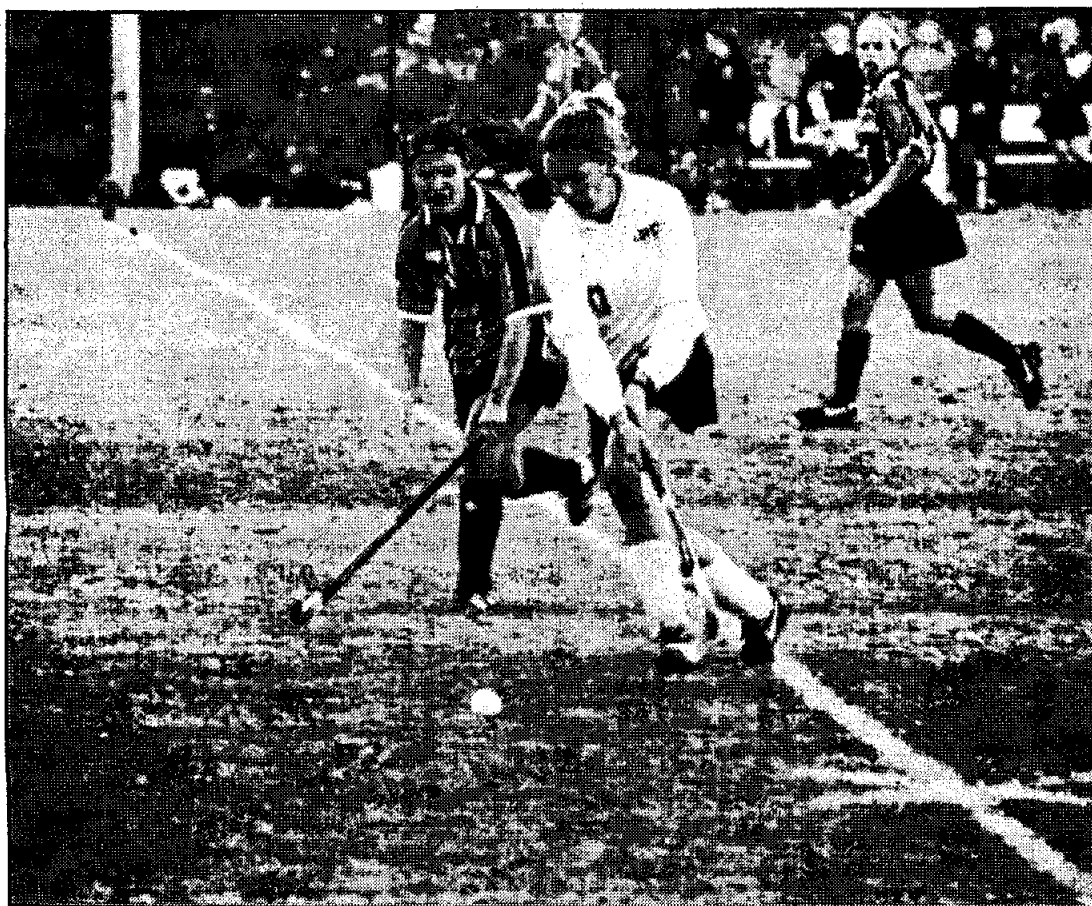


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Junior forward Summer Conaway (in white uniform) carries the ball against an FDU-Madison player in the 2-0 win on Thursday, Oct. 22.

A successful dance with the Devils

Lady Pioneers defeat FDU-Madison 2-0

By Susan Moran
Beacon Contributor

The Lady Pioneer field hockey team defeated the Farleigh Dickenson University Devils in a 2-0, to close our their last home game of the season.

The team's main focus during the past week was game strategy. Ending their home season with a win was important to the entire team; and even more so for graduating seniors Becky Perkins and Jill Cavuto, who have been co-captains for two years.

Despite a week off prior to their big game, the Lady Pioneers' blowout performance showed how much they wanted to win.

Head Coach Hallie Cohen said, "I was unsure how we would do in the game because we had a week off. Sometimes towards the end of a season it's not always easy to get yourself up and motivated for a game, but I thought we played very well."

"All week we made it our goal to attack the ball, and that really showed in our game," said sophomore goalie Diane Naugle. "We wanted to go out in a bang for our two seniors, Becky and Jill."

With the two goals being scored in the first half it was easy to see just how intense the Lady Pioneers were involved in getting their win.

Freshman forward Lesley Dube was assisted by sophomores Kate Alleger and Missy McNair in

knocking in the first of the team's two goals.

Within the next two minutes, forward Alleger drove in the second shot. She remains the 2nd highest scorer on the squad.

"The two goals were beautiful," said Cohen, "brought up from the midfield all the way down to the goal cage- it was the way a play was meant to be."

Though the team's record stops them from reaching the NCAA tournament, they are striving for the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Playoffs to help them officially close out the season.

With the team's current record at 8-6, and two more games to go, it is evident their combination of heartfelt devotion and spirit will drive them to two more victories.

Pioneer Ice Hockey set to hit the ice

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

After an unsuccessful season last year, finishing 6-10-3, the Pioneer Ice Hockey club is gearing up for a successful season this winter. With a new home, coaching staff, and many new players, William Paterson has high hopes for this season.

Pioneer Hockey President and Captain Robert Carnathan and his teammates have helped to build a new team for this season.

"I feel a younger squad is going to add a lot more experience to the team this year, and it's going to make us go far this season," said Carnathan.

"I think Bobby did a really good job this year of putting the team together," said team member Rob Alferi.

"We've got a lot of new guys this year. We lost a lot of players last year, but we replaced them well. This team has become much more of a unit than I think it's ever been," added Alferi.

Mackay Arena in Englewood is the new home for the Pioneer hockey program. The players hope that Mackay will provide a home ice advantage that other teams will fear.

Head Coach Gary Schor and assistant Mike Chomiak, both of whom attended William Paterson, look to lead the Pioneers to the next level. Both coaches are new to the program this season.

"The team is definitely excited; and that goes for myself and Mike Chomiak," said Schor. "We're very optimistic so far with what we've seen regarding their attitude and commitment. We're very pleased."

Returning on offense are Steve

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Student film climbs to first place at Hunter College Film Festival

By Jennifer Fletcher
News Contributor

Three students from William Paterson University have received honors for film, video and news media from The Hunter College National Student Film Festival.

International exchange student Felix Viscarret had the honor to win the first place award for his film "The Day I Saw Karin." Viscarret comes to WPU from Pamplona, Spain.

Other winners were Andrew Halasz of Garfield, a senior communication major, and Peter Murphy of Ridgewood, who already has a B.A. in communications from WPU.

The festival was held at Hunter College in New York City on Oct. 16 and 17.

"I think it's really good that students from WPU are winning awards. It shows that our efforts can pay off" said Mike Dunns, a junior communication major.

The film demonstrated hard work and dedication by the students.

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-Mike Dunns, WPU student

Halasz's film "Gluegun Girl, A documentary" was also picked as a finalist at the Rhode Island International Film Festival. Murphy's film "Utopian Static" was composed of old movie reel footage. He is planning to attend grad school for film studies, specializing in sound effects.

Viscarret was a two-time winner, receiving the Maurice Kanbar Award for his film "Dreamers" and the Director's Achievement Award for his film "The Day I saw Karin."

The awards ceremony took place at the Sylvia and Danny

Kave Playhouse at Hunter College. Present at the festival were actor Richard Dreyfuss, two-time Oscar winning documentary film maker Barbara Kopple, director Jerry Schatzberg and producer Elliot Kastner. All served as presenters.

Seven hundred colleges and universities were invited and only 34 were chosen to enter.

A panel of distinguished professionals judged the competition, which included Schatzberg, Wendy Keys of the Film Society of Lincoln Center, Mary Jane Skalski of Good Machine International, Karen Schartz Man of the Independent Feature Project, Josh Siegel of the Museum of Modern Art, film critic Thelma Adams and writer/producer Eleanor Bergstein.

The film festival was the first to combine film, video and news media and was mostly administered by students.

"This is great. Student run films are good because they are real and not part of the mainstream," said Colleen Humphry, sophomore.

Campus Girl Scouts reach out to younger generation

By Aaron Cooper
News Contributor

For many young girls today, it is hard to find someone their own age that they can relate to.

"Campus Girl Scouts are about helping the community, on and off campus, and working with kids in the surrounding area," said Dana Romatowski, executive vice president.

Samantha Ramsey, president of Campus Girl Scouts said that the club is about trying "to give the under privileged children in the area a positive role model."

Over the past two years, campus girl scouts has planned programs on different topics dealing with multiculturalism, peer pressure, economic growth, and health issues.

Some programs that the Campus Girl Scouts have done, and will be doing are The Junior Girl Scout Dance, People of the World, From Stress to Success, Daisy Winter Wonderland, and Girl Scouts go to College.

"Our main program (People of the World) promotes Multi-cultur-

alism," said Romatowski.

The program has six different stations, each one representing a different country," Romatowski added. In this program they either get to do a craft, play a game, hear a folk tale about that country, learn a dance, have a snack, or learn a song, she said.

From Stress to Success is a way of teaching the girls how to deal with everyday issues like peer pressure, economic growth and health issues, said Ramsey.

Girl Scouts go to College is a program for high school girls designed to show them what college is like, to help them get ready for college, to show them how to prepare for the S.A.T.'s, and to explain to them that they have other options than college because college is not for everyone, Ramsey said.

Besides doing their own events, Campus Girl Scouts also help out other clubs on campus.

"On November 21, we will be doing a soup kitchen with B.F.A. We help out the Greek Council with their events, and basically we will help out anyone that needs it,"

said Romatowski.

"The thing that I find interesting, and not too many people might know this, is that you don't have to be a girl to be a Girl Scout. Once you are over 18 you can be a registered member of Girl Scouts. We do have members that are males," Romatowski added.

Doing the community service projects makes many of the members of Campus Girl Scouts feel good about what they do.

"When I'm working with the kids I feel like I'm a kid again. When I'm teaching them something, they appreciate everything you do for them and they are open to learn new things about everything, even though it might be from another country," said Goethy Guareno.

"I think that the community service projects that we do are very good for the kids around the William Paterson community because they get to experience different things, and they get to deal with us on a more personal level than they might with their scout leaders," said Danielle Lewis.

Grant awarded to WPU professor for cancer research

By Angela Seales
News Contributor

Due to her dedication and hard work with breast cancer research, Samarel has received various awards and honors.

A two-year grant of \$227,000 funded by the American Cancer Society has been awarded to Nelda Semarel, professor of nursing at William Paterson University.

With this recent grant, she now has a total of \$1 million in funding, which stems from both the National Institute of Health and the American Cancer Society.

This grant has been given to her to continue her research in Arkansas, on how white and minority women cope with the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer in poor areas in that state.

Samarel's research is mainly focused on how social support and education have an impact on women. She has always believed that social support and education can assist cancer sufferers in adapting to their illness, ever since she began her research in 1990.

Samarel has made national and international presentations relating to breast cancer research within the past eleven years.

In India, she participated in research at Chidambaram College of Nursing. In Spain she took part in a program developed by Sigma Theta Tau International Congress.

Her most recent awards include the New Jersey Governor's Nursing Merit Award (1997) and the Dean's Award for Scholarly Achievement (1990-92), presented by William Paterson University.

In addition to completing her research, Samarel will receive help from Elizabeth Ann Coleman, professor of nursing at the University of Arkansas for medical sciences, and Lorraine Tulman, an associate professor of nursing at the University of Pennsylvania.

Samarel has previously experienced working in the nursing department at many universities located in New Jersey before coming to WPU.

Some of these institutions include the University of Pennsylvania, Rutgers University, and Brookdale Community College. She holds four degrees in Education: A.S. from Brookdale Community College, B.S. in nursing from the University of the State of New York, M.S. from Hunter College, and Ed.D from the Graduate School of Education at Rutgers University.



Happy Halloween! From the Beacon Staff

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The day Starr never arrived

To the editor:

On behalf of "IMPACT," we would like to apologize to all the students who attended the Brenda K. Starr interview. We recognize your time constraints as students; thus, we feel a responsibility to thank you for your support and apologize for our lack of organization.

The organization "IMPACT" has written a letter to Brenda's manager demanding an explanation. In addition, "IMPACT" has recognized its lack of organization, which the executive board is addressing.

We hope that by recognizing our mistakes, we will improve our performance and avoid wasting your time. We look forward to your support in the future and promise more organization on our part.

We are open to your suggestions as to how we can be more organized.

Alex Gomez
President-IMPACT

Gloria Williams will be missed

To the editor:

Gloria Williams: what a beautiful person she was. She will definitely be missed at William Paterson University. I feel privileged and honored to have known

Sikirat Alii

How long will campus be beautiful?

To the editor:

At the beginning of the semester, students were writing in to say how nice the campus looks after all the changes that took place over the summer. I also agree that the campus looks great, but how long will it stay this way?

I was totally appalled last week when I walked out of the Student Center only to see tons of trash littering the steps.

Michelle Hug

Comments about 'Just Bitter'

To the editor:

As I began to read the "Just Bitter" in the Oct. 19 issue, I became elated that Ms. Caputo was addressing the issue of overcrowding at animal shelters and was hoping she'd inform the community of WPU of ways that they can help.

Although her idea of "asking everyone you know if they are willing to adopt a pet" is the ideal

answer, it is not a logical one.

Yes, there is an abundant number of animals at animal shelters and thousands are put to sleep everyday, but not all shelters euthanize.

The Triboro Animal Shelter in Butler, P.A.T.C.H. in Pompton Lakes, and the Bloomingdale Animal Shelter, to name a few, do

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Human Rights in Latin America: A Work in Progress

By Dr. Martin Weinstein
Beacon Contributor

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human Rights, my training as a political scientist and my experience as a Latin American specialist give me cause to reflect.

Human rights, like democracy, is a work in progress - a process more than a product. Much more remains to be done whether in the areas of women's and children's rights, sexual orientation, race, religious and ethnic identity, and civil liberties in the more classical defined sense of political rights.

Although we have human rights abuses right here in the United States, I will focus here on political rights in Latin America in the past half century (which is the area of my academic expertise).

During this period the pendulum in Latin America has swung from democracy to dictatorship and back again to democracy.

From the vantagepoint of 1998, our southern neighbors are in the best political shape in decades. Representative government flourishes in the Caribbean and South America, with all but the governments of Cuba and Peru elected in relatively clean elections.

This is a far cry from the 1970's when a plague of repression swept South America to the extent that only Colombia and Venezuela had elected governments. The United States frequently supported dictatorships in Latin America, but that is the subject for another essay.

Nevertheless, the legacy of massive human rights violations by the military dictatorships of the 1970's and 1980's, with tens of thousands arrested and tortured and thousands murdered and "disappeared,"

continues to haunt the democracies of the region.

In Argentina, for instance, despite a pardon by President Menem of the top officers of the three juntas that ruled during the dictatorship, revelations of trafficking in the babies and children of murdered prisoners, confessions by some officers, and the harassment of journalists who report on these events are frequent occurrences.

In Guatemala, the Auxiliary Bishop of Guatemala, Msgr. Juan Gerardi, was murdered on April 26 of this year, two days after he issued Guatemala Nunca Mas (Never Again), a church-sponsored report that documented over 55,000 executions and murders during the three decades-long "civil war" in that country.

In Columbia, which has an average of ten politically motivated murders a day, human rights abuses are frequently seen as business as usual. Finally, in Uruguay, the issue of "disappeared" persons (although relatively few in number compared with the thousands in Chile, Argentina and Guatemala) continues to be debated, despite an amnesty law that was passed in 1986 and upheld in a public referendum in April of 1988.

In sum, in spite of detailed reports (and even some trials in Argentina), most governments in Latin America chose some form of amnesty in dealing with the gross violation of human rights under their military governments. The problem that remains can be described as the difference between knowledge of these crimes and their acknowledgment by the perpetrators. As long as the military in the region feels immune from truth telling, let alone punishment, they may, in the future, act with the kind of gross impunity that they did in the past.

Dr. Martin Weinstein is a member of the Political Science Department, William Paterson University

Halloween brings out the 'kids' in us

Boo! Did I scare you? OK, so maybe that was pretty lame. But this is the time of year when you are supposed to pull this kind of corny stuff. It's Halloween!!!

When we were kids, everyone loved halloween, right? I mean, it was the one day of the year, when we could dress up like freaks, go around to complete strangers and harass them until they gave us candy.

You remember the old line, "Trick or Treat, smell my feet, give me something good to eat!"

This was great. You would blatantly tell people to smell your stinking feet, and they would chuckle, think your adorable, and give you candy! This was so cool.

The problem starts when you hit the teen years. You think you're too cool to dress up and go trick or treating. So, what do you do? Mom won't let you go party yet, so you think of alternative fun.

This is what I did. I told Mom I was going trick or treating, and threw together some lame costume, then I met up with friends, ditched the costumes, and pulled out the good stuff, (a.k.a. rolls of toilet paper, eggs, and oh yes, shaving cream-the extra foamy kind). Then you run a-muck in the neighborhood and have a fun night!

Then when you come close to running out of supplies, you slather yourself in shaving cream, and wrap yourself in toilet paper. Boom, you got an instant mummy costume! It's beautiful. Then you take the now empty bag in your hands, and go

score yourself some delicious candy. Yummmmmmy!

On your way home, you grab the lame costume you previously hid in the bushes, scrap off the toilet paper and shaving cream, and all is well.

Then you sit back in front of the fire, watch some scary Halloween movie about some psycho who stalks camp counselors with an ax, and enjoy some candy. Yeah, it sounds like a great plan for a 13-year-old, but what do I do now? I can't run around in my neighborhood anymore. I could get arrested for that stuff for crying out loud! So, now what do I do?

Let's see, I could do the party thing now. I could make some really funky "bloody eyeball punch" that has, let's just say adult beverages in it. And I could put some melon balls that look like eyeballs in it and red food coloring so it freaks everyone out.

Yeah, that would be cool. Or I could go to one of those haunted houses.

Incidentally, if anyone lives near the Vernon area, there is a pretty cool one at the Gingerbread Castle. Its one of those where they ask for your name at the beginning, so they can freak you out. In the beginning, there was this freaky looking monk named Bob, and he asked my name.

Then when I was getting ready to walk in, he yelled, "Robyn's coming!" I thought it was funny. Yeah, funny. It wasn't scary, but it was fun.

OK, fine you can call me cheezy, but be warned, I will find you and decorate your house with shaving cream and toilet paper!



Opinions & Review

Let's Talk Life

By LaShonda Lipscomb

Hello, angels. How's everyone doing? If your answer to this question is "not so good," I feel this week's message will do the trick.

Now, for this edition of "LTL," I had a bunch of topics to choose from. But for some reason or another I couldn't make up my mind on one. So I sort of pushed it out of my mind, and then fate stepped in and saved the day.

This weekend a dear friend of mine invited myself and another good friend to his house for the weekend. To make a long story short, we were supposed to go to a club but that didn't go through so we ended up hanging out and renting some movies.

One of the movies chosen was "City of Angels." Now if you haven't seen this movie, I recommend you do so ASAP. If, on the other hand, you have seen it, shame on you for not bringing this to my attention earlier.

This sums it up very quickly and takes a lot away, but in the interest of time, work with me.

During the movie, I realized that all the little things we do everyday we take for granted. And whether you're religious or not, you have

to acknowledge the fact that something bigger gave you these abilities; just our five senses alone are very powerful examples.

First, the ability to see. How often do you appreciate your eyes? Do you realize there are people who are blind or have eye problems which glasses can't fix?

These people will never see all the beauty you behold in one day. They can't see the sunrise, the trees change colors, or even how to match their clothes.

They can't even see smaller scale things such as their friends' smiles, the snooze button on the alarm clock, or the faces of their favorite superstars.

Hearing is the next sense. This sense is very dear to me, and I'm sure it is to all you other music

lovers. What would you do tomorrow if you couldn't hear your favorite CD? Or your friends call your name? Or just the sound of everyday life?

Next is the sense of smell and taste together. You know how miserable you are when you're sick and can't smell anything which directly affects your sense of taste? Imagine being that way all the time.

Imagine not smelling your mom's cooking or your lover's body. Imagine not being able to taste your favorite muffin or drink.

And lastly, the sense of touch. What would happen if you couldn't feel, receive, or give? What would a hug or kiss be like? What about a massage or pat on the back? What about petting your cat or dog?

Now I know a lot of people today aren't religious. But I at least hope that you know there is something higher; something that

gave us all the ability to be. Whether it be God, Allah, Buddha, Great Spirit, or any other colloquial term that you have for your "higher being," please be thankful, because we all have the greatest gift anyone could ask for.

Your exercise this week is ... choose which sense you take for granted the most.

Whether it be one or all, and imagine life without them. And if done correctly, this exercise shall truly humble you. It should help you see that we are all a part of something much bigger.

My point is: We should all be thankful for all we take for granted, not just our senses. Walking, talking, sitting, laughing, breathing, etc. We should also appreciate life. Just life.

Here's to a week of enlightenment. Make it good. See you later!

Mailbag

Paper serves as a 'Beacon' of light for a campus visitor

To the Editor:

What a treat for me! I recently visited the campus of WPU for an open house. All went well, and on the way to my car I picked up a copy of the Oct. 19 "Beacon."

This was at 8 p.m., and when I got home and started to read it, I couldn't put it down. It was great.

I graduated from schools in South Florida, and moved up north with my family nine years ago. Needless to say, it's been a while since I stepped onto a college campus, and glancing through your paper, I came away thinking this is the university I would like to attend.

Let me further explain all the things I really related to - aside from the professors with whom I

came in contact during the open house.

I enjoyed reading the article about the play being put on, and how the students feel about something so intimate in its subject matter. The changes on campus, the construction which is almost complete, remind me of my former university.

The sensitivity, and compassion toward Gloria Williams, the tribute was incredibly moving. I never met the woman, but I cried knowing that so many people cared about her, and she did so much for the community - touched many lives. I would like to contribute somehow, but there wasn't enough info (contact/ph#) for me to respond in kind.

The music program looks like something I would really enjoy, and I plan to attend the concert (tonight).

The article on Nixon's impeachment - radical! How it relates to Clinton.

The mailbag column - I love Starbucks and wouldn't have known there was one on campus. It's very progressive. The reviews were okay, (helpful), and the horoscope entertaining.

I felt envious of those students who were able to utilize the NSE program (something I always dreamed of doing), and those who were able to travel to Italy.

I was moved to read that the student body was not apathetic (like those in my school), and gathered together to help the hurricane victims.

Well, I can go on, but I would just like to say that I abhor violence of any kind, toward anyone - for any reason. I don't want to lecture but simply stated would remind others that "Love Each Other" were His own words. Anyhow, I would like to go on.

When I learned that you all are called "The Pioneers" well, MY High School was nicknamed the "Pioneers" - coincidence? I don't think so.

I can't wait until I start in January, and would be interested in becoming involved with paper, as well.

Thank you all for putting together this "Beacon." I felt it was there just for me - a "Beacon" of light, to guide me.

Karen "katgut" Guth-Holland

Comments about 'Just Bitter'

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not euthanize any animals. The problem is not the shelters that do. The problem is us.

People who have pets need to have them spayed or neutered. This is where the problem begins. Pet owners allow their pets to have litters, then just give the puppies and kittens away and don't do anything to solve the problem.

If pet owners would use the spay/neuter option, the number of stray and abandoned pets would decrease dramatically.

Also, if people interested in owning a pet would go to one of these shelters instead of purchasing a pet through a pet store, this would lower the number of animals euthanized every year.

Many people are unaware of

the inhumane conditions that occur at puppy mills where pet store dogs come from.

These are dirty, poorly kept places where female dogs are used only for breeding and are forced to have litter after litter of puppies.

Most puppies that are shipped to pet stores are inbred, sickly and diseased. These are things you are not told when you purchase your pet.

The only problem solving techniques to lower the number of abandoned and stray animals are to stop the breeding process by spaying and neutering your pets and adopt those left at shelters.

Tara N. Fritsch

Lack of feminist response is shocking

To the editor:

The lack of feminist response to President Clinton's affirmation of his affair with Monica Lewinsky (after adamantly denying it for months) is shocking.

Here we have a man in a position of authority over a woman. They have an affair, and when the affair becomes public, the man perpetuates lies about the woman, encouraging his colleagues to slander her and destroy her reputation.

What does this teach us about gender roles in society and in the workplace? Based on public opinion polls, Americans are more forgiving of the man who, with a condescending smile, begrudgingly admitted he lied to the American people than a young woman who told the truth all along.

The Democratic Party is known for its platform on women's issues. Are the feminists encouraging us to completely submit ourselves to a political party that professes to support women while their actions degrade them? Clinton's affair and his response to it has set the women's movement back a good twenty years.

I am especially disappointed with the women's studies department at WPU. I have yet to hear a response from them. Why aren't the so-called women's advocates on campus outraged?

The women's studies department is always calling us to "break the silence." By their own standards, the only way to interpret the feminist lack of response is as a nod of approval.

Angela Heerema

Letter to the editor should be no more than 150 words, and should be submitted in person or via e-mail to the Beacon office, Student Center Room 310, or to beacon1@frontier.wilpaterson.edu

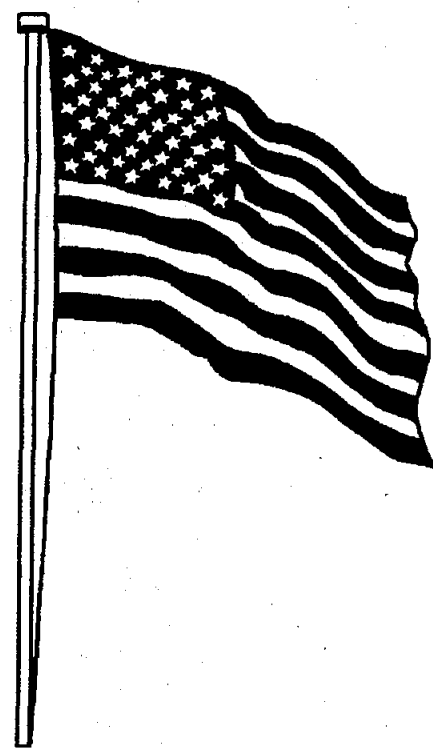
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Scene This One? Apt Pupil

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN THE EXISTENCE OF EVIL YOU HAVE A LOT TO LEARN.

By Christopher A. Paeka
Michael K. Wnoroski
Staff Writers

First off, we would like to thank Sony/Loews Theaters in Wayne, for sponsoring us once again. We appreciate their continuing support. This week's target is...*Apt Pupil*.

Directed by: Bryan Singer

Produced by: Phoenix Pictures

Screenplay by: Bradon Boyce

Based on the novel *Apt Pupil* by: Stephen King

Starring: Ian McKellen, Brad Renfro, Bruce Davison, Joe Morton, Joshua Jackson, and David Schwimmer.

A sixteen-year-old high school student discovers a deadly secret about an old man living in his home town. Todd Bowden (Brad Renfro) is a boy obsessed with the history of the Holocaust. When he finds out Kurt Dussander (Ian McKellen) is a Nazi war criminal, he blackmails him for first hand information. In time a game of psychological warfare develops between the two. From there it's a question of "Who's got power over whom?"

M- Well, I had very mixed feelings watching this film. I loved the concept! I only wish I had read the Stephen King novella before seeing the screen interpretation. I'm sure the reading is much better.

Anyway, this is definitely a twisted movie! Ian McKellen and Brad Renfro did a great job of bringing this story to life. To be honest, they kind of freaked me out. Especially Renfro as Todd Boden.

C- Twisted is a weak word to describe this film. It was extremely warped. The film starts off real fast and it brings you right to the point. Then it takes two hours to explain the point. That irritated me a bit. All I have to say is, why is Pasey (Joshua Jackson) in another film as the off-beat five minute cameo?

M- I'll agree, the movie does start off quickly. Right from beginning Todd knows the identity of Kurt



Dussander. We only need to wait to see how he made this discovery, and even that didn't take long to unravel.

I didn't find the movie dragging until three quarters into the film. At that point it was unclear what was going to happen next. I thought to myself, "Is this the end?" at least twice before the film actually ended.

As for Pasey, I don't know Chris. Maybe DAWSON'S CREEK just ain't doin' it for him at the moment!

C- Yeah, he probably doesn't get paid enough, YEAH RIGHT?! On with my opinion. I had a little problem with the film and the emotions they were trying to create. Obviously the subject of the Holocaust is gruesome, but this film doesn't depict that enough. They want you to feel the power of evil, yet they don't give you enough to feel that way.

History allows you to have the emotions. For those who don't

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'Sex and Death' is a must-see at Willy P

By Cyndi Fox
Staff Writer

ing with the director.

"He always chooses plays that send a poignant message, and he's not afraid to take chances," she said.

"Sex and Death," a comedic play involving love, sex and death is entertaining, well performed, well directed and a must see performance.

The three one-act comedy was originally produced off-Broadway and written by Diana Amsterdam. The director is a William Paterson University professor of creative writing, Philip Cioffari.

"Sex and Death" takes a look at three different situations that most people will be able to relate to, and definitely laugh out loud about.

In the first act of the play, "Janet" who is played by Marlene Matsko, comes to the realization that the passion and zest in her relationship with her husband is gone. This funny scene involves the character reflecting on her life with her husband before she had kids and housework to deal with. Matsko said she really liked playing her character and loved work-

The second act is a scene that involves a man who cannot seem to commit to a relationship. "Max," played by Mark Antony Tambone, gave a very comical performance as a sex starved man who falls in love with an innocent southern girl named "Sally," played by Christie Sobota.

The third character in this act is played by Julie Okuliez. She plays "Sabrina," the sexy other woman who fulfills "Max's" fantasies.

The "death" portion of Sex and Death was also very funny even though it dealt with death in a literal way. The three characters in this act are "Jerome," played by Rashad Davis, "Curtis," played by Thomas Jefferson, and "Alice," played by Aqueelah Shaheed.

Cioffari wrote that "love, sex and death are inextricably bound

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Under the Microscope

The Queers

Punk Rock Confidential
(Hopeless)

Jay-Z

Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life
(Roc-A-Fella/Def Jam)

The Queers have made extensive changes for their newest album, *Punk Rock Confidential*, which includes replacing both drummer Hugh O'Neill and bassist B-Face. As if this weren't enough, The Queers also have brought along Chris from John Cougar Concentration Camp as an extra guitarist. Despite the number of changes, the new Queers lineup sounds as good as ever.

This album has even more of a pop feel to it than earlier projects, cramming about six ballads into a fifteen track album. The rest are typical Queers-funny, aggressive, catchy songs about punk rock girls and being angry at the world.

The Queers frontman Joe King brought along a few friends to help with their latest album. J.J. Rassler co-wrote the title track "Punk Rock Confidential", and King teamed up with Lisa Marr of Cub to write another song. Ben Weasel penned the track "Idiot Savant", and also co-wrote "Like a parasite" (which can also be found on the Screeching Weasel album *Wiggle*).

Along with the aforementioned tracks, "Tamara's a Punk", "I Didn't Puke", and a cover of the Bananasplit's "I Enjoy Being a Boy" all qualify as album highlights.

Overall the album proves to be a success, even though some songs on the album are not quite what you would expect from The Queers. And yes, sadly enough, the keyboards that were present on their last album can also be found on *Punk Rock Confidential*. But don't let that dissuade you, this is some of the best stuff The Queers have ever put out. (DR)

Jay-Z?...Pop artist or hardcore rapper? Whatever you may consider this Brooklyn native, he is definitely blowing up the charts. His third album, *Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life*, contains smash hits "Can I Get A..." (featuring Amil and Ja) and the title-track/ghetto anthem with the dope Annie hook. Jay-Z's albums always show his versatility, including, *Vol. 2*. With upbeat songs for the ladies and thugged-out songs for the fellas, *Hard Knock* is a sure shot.

Jay-Z and his iced-out pal, Jermaine Dupri, help us splash the bubbly with "Money Ain't A Thang". Double-platinum rap superstar, DMX, arrives early with only one verse on "Money, Cash, Hoes".

The love-hate friendship between Jigga and Westcoast rhyme veteran, Too Short, combine in, "A Week Ago". Dancehall DJ, Kid Capri, lays down a swervy track on "It's Like That". Fellow Roc-A-Fella artist, Memphis Bleek, proves his skills on three tracks including the futuristic, "It's Alright".

Puffy lets the Lox out of their cage to kick it with Beanie Siegal and Sauce Money on "Reservoir Dogs". *Vol. 2* compares with Jay-Z's previous albums, *Reasonable Doubt* and *In My Lifetime Vol. 1* because of the similar themes, being fly women, fast cars, and millions of dollars.

Jay-Z is taking the hip-hop world by storm and will remain on top with, *Vol. 2...Hard Knock Life*. It seems like all of Willy P is singing along. Check Jay on this verse: "Stick up the world and split it 50-50! Uh-huh/Let's take the dough and stay real jiggy/Uh-huh/sip the Cris and get pissy-pissy/Flow infinitely like the memory of my n#s#a Biggie..BABY!". *Hard Knock* is like a trampoline because it makes ya bounce. Ya heard? (ML)

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Horoscopes

Aries (March 21 to April 19): Morning hours this week may bring a few antisocial feelings, but these quickly subside as you have exhilarating times in the company of your friends. Romance is a plus, particularly over the weekend.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20): Success comes in business by maintaining a low profile. Though it's not the best time for dealing with higher-ups, you nevertheless can get a lot of significant work done now.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20): This is a good week for getting

together with your friends or for participation in a group activity. Try to guard against needless expenditures. The weekend is the best for quiet pursuits.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22): Don't overreact to a callous remark you overhear. A certain element of secrecy is necessary to insure the success of a project. Your financial situation improves as the week winds down.

Leo (July 23 to August 22): Be especially attentive to the feelings of a family member.

You're bursting with creative energy this week and should begin new projects. Surprise news is welcome.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22): You could be a trifle extravagant, but money is well spent if it goes on the home this week. In romance, be sincere. You're inclined now to put too much emphasis on superficial things.

Libra (September 23 to October 22): It may be hard to muster up enthusiasm for a current work assignment, but you're excited about a creative

project or a new romantic interest. Surprise news arrives this weekend.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21): Either you or a family member seems moody as the week begins, but you're on the right track regarding an innovative career move. Do-it-yourselfers begin new projects this weekend.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21): It's a wonderful week to do something new for entertainment, provided that you don't go wild in your spending. Loved ones tune into different facets of each other's personalities.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19): Try not to let

the moods of others disrupt you, as you have important work to do this week. Ingenuity and intuition are your allies on the road to accomplishment.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18): The personal touch doesn't work very well for you on the job this week. Maintain a businesslike decorum to get ahead. Partners are on the same wavelength.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20): An unusual suggestion is made to you in business this week. Tact and diplomacy are needed in dealing with a sensitive friend. Avoid spending money frivolously while shopping over the weekend.

Scene This One? Apt Pupil

from SCENE page 7

know the accurate history, this film just tiptoes around the topics. Tasteful, yet visually inept. That is exactly what Todd Bowden wants to do, visualize this horror. The film falls short.

M- I couldn't disagree with you more, Chris. This isn't a Spielberg

film, buddy! I thought the decision to concentrate more on the two individuals was a good one. Personally, I don't want to learn about the Holocaust in a movie based on Stephen King literature. Kurt Dussander's words and the few dream sequences were enough for me. Besides, this movie concentrated more on evil's power to corrupt. The Holocaust was simply

ply a backdrop.

C- The dream sequences and flashes of the painful images were enough to give you an idea, not enough to create emotion.

Anyway, I had a little problem with Brad Renfro carrying this film. He was good but needed camera work and lighting to make his "evil" sides more effective.

Ian McKellen was great though. He nailed his performance. I was terrified by his character and the stories. The supporting cast members were just mantle pieces. They didn't contribute or take away from the film.

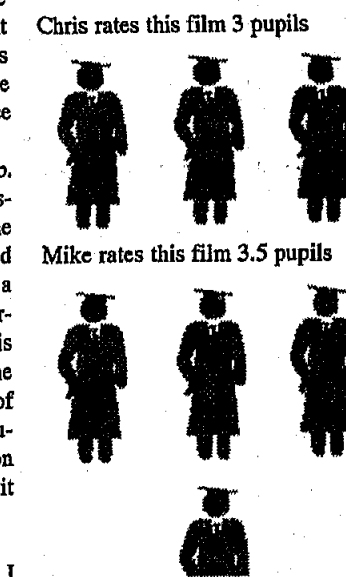
M- Overall, this film made me uneasy. I'm not sure if this had to do with the subject matter or the jumpiness of the script. I thought there was a lot of positive aspects of this film. For a first time screenplay writer, Brandon Boyce did a pretty good job.

The director also did a good job. His attention to detail was impressive. I thought the acting by the two leads was very good. I liked Brad Renfro's choices, he played a good psycho. Ian McKellen's performance was excellent. His emphatic cigarette smoking alone gave me the creeps. Now, some of you may find this film to be "stupid", as I heard one movie patron exclaim, but others may find it interesting. Check it out!

C- Overall, I enjoyed the film. I

had some problems with their choices, but that doesn't mean they made bad choices, just different ones. The movie definitely takes you on a rollercoaster ride of twists and turns. I think the ideas and images conveyed in this film will make most people squirmish or even sick.

On a scale of 5 apt pupils:



'Sex and Death' is a must-see show this year

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in these three one-act comedies...the author suggests that neither love nor death exists independently in life's comedy, but rather they co-exist as complements of one another that affect our perceptions of ourselves as well as the way we interact with-out friends and lovers."

All of the actors said they believe that students and the community should come see this play basically because it's entertaining and many people will be able to relate to it.

"The play is very revealing of the inner workings of the characters, and very much like real life," said Okuliez.

Alyce Rosolen, stage manager, said that "the issues in the play pertain to younger people even though the characters are playing older people."

All of the actors gave a realistic view of their characters, and a fabulous performance. It was hard to believe that most of the cast were not professional working actors.

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Coffee house proves to succeed in new cafe



Photos by Jen Fletcher



At the Coffee House sponsored by Essence, the WPUNJ English Club, held on Monday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., various students shared their poetry, music, and other talents with the audience in the new Center Cafe, located on the ground floor of the Student Center. Clockwise from the top, musicians shared their talents by playing a couple of Dave Matthews songs for the crowd; Jonathan Smith read some of his original poetry; on the right, a two-man group called "15 Keys" played some original songs; and pictured on the left, Essence President Jeffrey Wickersty took time out from taking care of Coffee House business to play a few songs on the guitar. Many people read poetry, played music, and some even performed monologues on the Center Cafe stage, and are now looking forward to the next Coffee House on Dec. 7.



A Night at the Alehouse

By Dave Roe and Ed Erlenmeyer
Insider Editors

The Backstreets
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Select Thursday nights at The Backstreets equal fifty cent drafts with no cover. There must be a god. To boot, Backstreets' jukebox features an eclectic mix, from Sinatra to Guns n' Roses to the Dead.

The bar area is spacious with a big screen TV in the corner along with three others spread throughout the bar.

Backstreets is located on the outskirts of Haledon, yet it proves to be worth the trip.

The selection of draft beers are rather limited (Bud, Amber Boch, Black and Tan), but they also offer affordable quality alterna-

tives such as Pete's Wicked and Heineken.

Possibly the most attractive aspect of The Backstreets is their backroom, complete with a pool table, dartboard, trivia machine, and a couch.

There are constant specials throughout the month on a daily basis. All night Sunday features \$1.25 domestic bottles and Monday night football features \$1 pints. Live entertainment can be found at the Backstreets on Friday and Saturday night, while other specials vary.

All in all, The Backstreets proves to be a highly entertaining pub. The bar is well kept, and the bartenders there instantly make you feel comfortable.

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Hurricane relief project proves to be 'very productive'

By George H. Alford
News Contributor

Hurricane Georges may have caused a disaster in other countries, but it brought unity among the students and the Campus Police at William Paterson University with a hurricane relief softball bash.

Approximately three weeks ago, WPU hired three new police officers, who walked in and introduced themselves to different clubs, fraternities, and sororities

such as the Spanish Club, the Organization of Latin American Students (O.L.A.S.) Club, Lambda Sigma Upsilon and Mu Sigma Upsilon.

The three officers, Carlos Sanchez, Jose Jamie, and Roman Galloga came up with the idea of a hurricane relief softball bash to not only donate items to people of Puerto Rico and Santa Domingo, but also to get people together to have a good time.

"We are not just here to give out parking tickets, but we want to

break down the barriers between the police and the students to help out with the community," said Sanchez.

The bash began at 10 a.m. on Oct. 17 at the WPU softball field, where the students and police officers donated clothes, canned goods, and perishables such as seasoning salts, cereal and soup, and decorated the field with different fraternity banners and logos. The items were loaded in a van and taken to the Paterson Fire Department.

During the event, some of the students and officers broke up into groups to play a game of softball.

"This event was very productive," said Jerry Moreira, a Resident Assistant and fraternity of Lambda Sigma Upsilon. Moreira also stated that once the students get to know the police, they would be more willing to help out on campus.

Many other members of Campus Police attended the event to aid the hurricane victims.

Kelly Delia, who just graduated from the police academy, is the second female officer on the WPU police force. Delia stated that she had done 10 years of volunteer work by being a Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). She was also a participant in the softball bash.

Sergeant Anthony Fasolas did not play softball with the other

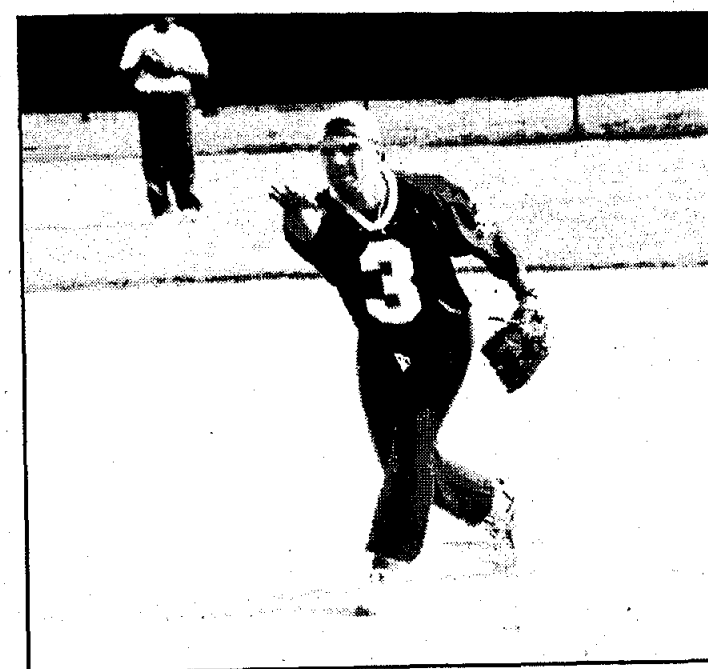


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A winning pitch helps WPU groups come one step closer to the goal.

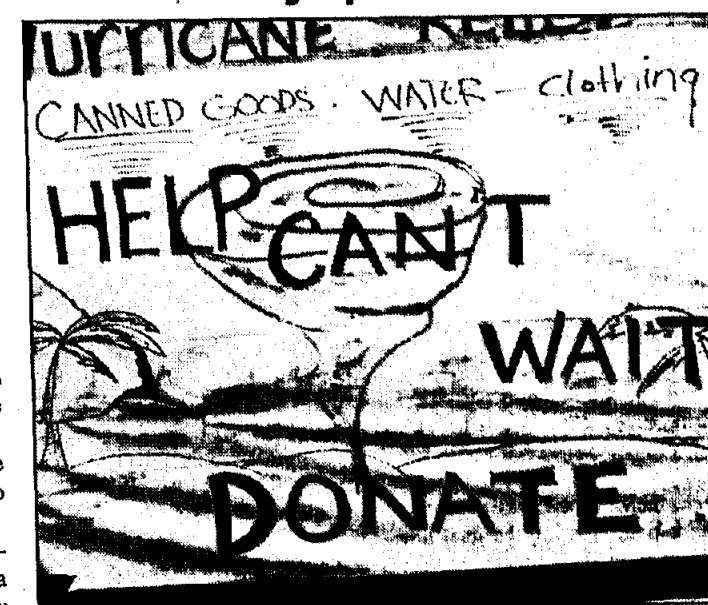


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groups, however, he did help by picking up students who needed transportation to the bash.

Many club members said they thought the bash was a great idea to get people together. Claudia Leon, president of the Spanish Club said, "Many times we try to come up with ideas for events, and Officer Sanchez helped them come up with this event for a softball bash."

Edward Cisneros, vice president of the Spanish Club, also participated in the event. "I think it's a great idea to get the Puerto Ricans and Latinos together," he said.

"I agree that the campus police

officers should get involved because there is so much animosity between the police and students. I believe people in every community should get involved," added Cisneros.

Other students said it was a shame that it had to take the hurricane to bring people together.

According to Elvis Lopez, president of O.L.A.S., there are many times that people don't get together. "I work hard to fit in to break the ice," said Lopez.

The event was hosted by a DJ and food, drinks and other activities were available for the crowd to enjoy.

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Pioneers scorched by Red Dragons

By Ira Thor
Sports Columnist

William Paterson has managed to stay off the front page of *The Beacon* for a fifth straight week, being burnt in every sense of the word 47-6 by the Cortland State-SUNY Red Dragons. It was a four hour trip to the Syracuse area of central New York; the Pioneers apparently should have never gotten off the bus.

Not that the Pioneers lacked the effort, because their hearts were surely in this one. Their secondary wasn't, and for the second straight week, their offense was caught in hibernation, crossing the goal line only once in this contest, as they did in a 12-7 loss to Montclair State.

William Paterson's secondary, which actually had been the strongest link defensively this season for the Pioneers, absolutely

collapsed, allowing the quarterback Jeff Humble to receiver Brian Girardi tandem to scorch them for three touchdowns, and a 27-0 half-time lead.

Girardi caught 10 passes for 186 yards, and three scores, while Humble was actually held under his average of 289 yards per game, humbling WPUNJ on 17 of 24 for 255 yards. Humble threw all of his three touchdowns to Girardi, with only one interception.

Humble tried to pick apart the Pioneer secondary. Rudy Pointdjour and Paul Kergides, both still managed ten tackles.

Omar Darling, the 1997 East Coast Athletic Conference (ECAC) Player of the Year, added 110 yards and one score, on 24 carries.

The Red Dragons collected 444 total yards of offense, while limiting WPUNJ to 148 yards. Offensively, the Pioneers could only manage six first downs. For the second straight week, one has

to wonder what is wrong with quarterback Jamie Golden. Golden appeared tarnished, tossing 2 of 11 for only 27 yards and one interception. Even Golden's fleet feet, which have been invaluable to the Pioneers this season, were not a factor. In fact, Golden carried four times, losing 30 yards. Thus, Golden tallied -3 yards of total offense in the obliteration.

Coach Jack Peavey made several gutsy calls to try to snap his team

out of its unexplained offensive funk.

After John Perez put the Pioneers on the board with a 40-yard run, Peavey stunned the Red Dragon special team with an onside kick that the Pioneers recovered.

And when the Pioneers couldn't move the ball on three plays, Peavey took a gamble, going for it on fourth down at midfield. WPUNJ turned it over on downs, leading to Darling's touchdown.

On the next possession, Peavey

again chose to go for it a fourth down at midfield. Again, the Pioneers failed to convert leading to excellent Cortland field position, and a score.

This loss leaves the Pioneers with a slim chance of finishing .500 for the year. Now, and 5, New Jersey City University, a team with a reciprocal 5 and 2 mark, comes calling Friday, Oct. 30 at 7:30pm on Wightman Field.

You can catch the Jersey City game on 88.7 WPSC-FM at 7:15 p.m.

Pioneer ice hockey prepares for new season

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Jedrzejak, Damian Smith, Jon Blanchard, Jeff Kucharski, and Paul Reimels.

Defensively, a sound nucleus returns with stars Jim Taylor, Conor Jenkins, and Noah Antonoff.

Chris Daggett joins Alferi as an enforcer trying to help the team's checking ability.

"I'm definitely looking to play aggressive," said Alferi. "I like banging around and hitting people around the boards a little bit."

On offense, the Pioneers look for goal scoring from newcomers Jay Richards, John Ozogopoyan, Craig "Anvil" Hoppey, Mark Namm, and Jay Morroni.

The Pioneers have also added hard hitting Matt Pardine, Ed Vennard, Joe Drigon, and speedster Don Bennett to their defense.

In goal, a strong contingent of

goaltenders looks to stop anything thrown at them.

Newcomers Frank Zahn and C.J. Stevens, along with veterans Vince Panico and Pete Giovannille look to lead the Pioneers to victory.

"Our emphasis is going to be on team play and systems. And if we hold to that, we'll be successful," said Schor.

Alferi feels the offensive system is important for the Pioneers to have a good season. "I really think once the offense starts playing together a little bit more, we're going to put some pucks in the net and win a lot of games this season," said Alferi.

Coach Schor feels the team's attitude and commitment to a total team system of play, especially on defense, is the key to victory.

"Our strength is in our goaltending," said Schor. "I'd like to play a very defense-oriented type of

approach. I think that's hat this team needs to be successful, and backed up with strong goaltending that will take us a long way."

The team looks to be ready for the season to start, and is been skating since Sept. 21, preparing for their opening game at Seton Hall this Saturday, Oct. 3.

The first home game is this Sunday, Nov. 1 at 8:30p.m. at Mackay Arena vs. the Fates of Seton Hall.

Carnathan feels that all students and faculty who support the team and attend the games are promised fast-paced action and hard-hitting play.

Anyone that can't make it to the games can listen to 88.7WPSC-FM, which will broadcast total of 10 games this season.

For any other information, contact the Student Government Association and ask for Carnathan or any other hockey player

Vomen's volleyball team defeats Misercordia

Beth A. Freeman
Bion Contributor

The Lady Pioneers defeated Misercordia on their home court on Thursday, Oct. 22 in four matches, 15-6, 15-14, and 15-8. The Lady Pioneers improve their record to 12-9.

Kerith Schwartz, sophomore powerhouse, lead the team with 24 kills and 11 digs. Aside from two serving errors, Schwartz could do no wrong.

Outside hitter, Karen Cassetta has proved to be an important asset game after game. The sophomore contributed 16 kills and 29 consistent assists to the victory.

After falling to Misercordia, 15-6 in the second match, Cassetta had no problem identifying the team's mistakes.

When you serve the ball to some place that's weak, you'll keep serving there and that's what they (Misercordia) did," said Cassetta. "We were lost as to where the ball it was and we lost communication. We actually got it back but it was too late."

Freshman setter, Tara Van Laere showed her versatility as a spiker also. Playing at Collegiate, a private school in Passaic, she never had the opportunity to be a setter. She explained that being able to play in college is a great opportunity and it is important to be flexible while competing against a team with a high bench.

We know we can't screw up or get hurt because there's only two people on the bench so we have to



Photo by Sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

Sophomore Karen Cassetta, No. 20, hits around the Misercordia block in Thursday's win.

look out for each other and cover each other well," said Van Laere.

The team, especially Karen Cassetta is optimistic about the outcome of their season.

"I think we'll definitely be ranked higher than last year," Cassetta said. "I know coach has all the confidence in the world in us. She sees how we've progressed and how we're playing as a team."

Nussbaum addresses serious issues in lecture

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biological mother, and Nussbaum has not seen him since. Today, Nussbaum co-facilitates a domestic violence support group and has recently written a children's book called *Why Does Dad Hit Mom?*

The lecture was funded by the Student Government Association, and was co-sponsored by the Feminist Collective, MOST Club, and the Women's Center in conjunction with the Passaic County Women's Center and the Passaic County Working Group on

Domestic Violence.

According to Kaplan, "This was an important topic and momentous event for our campus. The warning signs of abuse are important, and be aware before getting worn down."

Swimming teams start off on the right stroke

from **SWIMMING** page 16

extremely well. Schirman performed a 57 for the 100 freestyle in October and Crowder performed well in the breaststroke and the IM events.

Gurka feels that the outstanding performances by his younger swimmers are going to help push the older swimmers such as junior co-captains Casey Modrzewski and Colleen Tessler, to work harder.

"We went to the relay carnival last week and I found that obviously Rowan and Trenton are very tough teams but we are right in there with our relays, so that's promising. We are well on our way to the championships in Florida. We hope to train hard and come back and taper up all of our hard work," Gurka said.

Other stand up performances, this time on the men's side, include, sophomore, Chris Bell who some did some of the power races, sprints, and backstroke with a very fast arm. Freshman, Dame Pletvarec is competing in the 200 IM, 100 fly and 100 free. While, Billy Kessel has done backstroke events for the last couple of meets for Brian Boardman who is having problems with his knee.

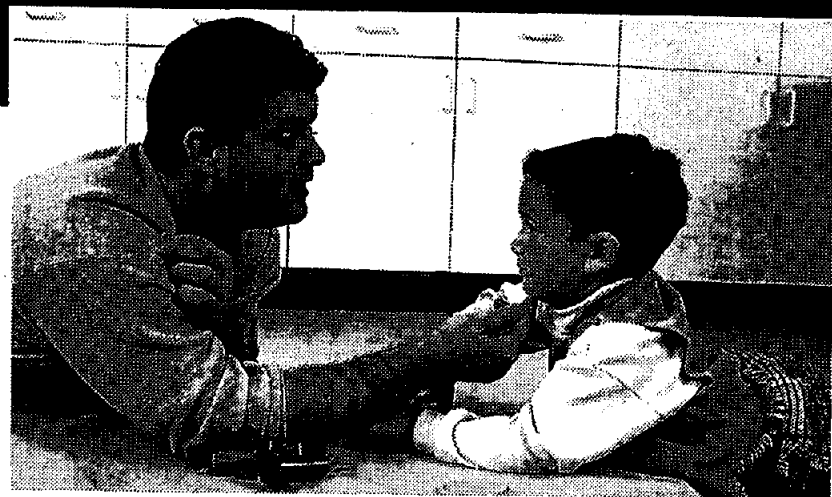
"Hopefully Boardman's knee problem is going to subside in the next couple of weeks however Kessel seems very promising until then," said Gurka.

So far the men's team is 1-0 in their division. Their win came against the hard competitors in The Metropolitan Conference, Eastern Division, College Of Staten Island. They have four more competitions to go until the championships.

"Hopefully we will get the NCAA Division III championships which will be held in Minnesota this year," says Gurka.

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Pioneers win two straight to stop losing streak Men's Soccer beats Stevens and NJCU

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

The William Paterson men's soccer team stopped their eight game losing streak with a 7-1 victory Wednesday, Oct. 21, over the Ducks of Stevens Institute of Technology. The Pioneers followed up with a 4-1 victory over the New Jersey City University Gothic Knights on Saturday, Oct. 24.

The Pioneers started off the season winning five of their first six games, and then lost eight in a row. The two wins improve their record to 7-9 on the season, and 2-4 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC).

"Injuries and lack of the ability to get the right people on the field have hurt us," said Head Coach Brian Woods.

William Paterson has lost key players to injury this season, which has left coach Woods unable to diagnose the problems.

"It's definitely been the most disappointing, the most confusing season I've ever been a part of," said Woods. "Knowing that we were better than probably 80% of the teams, or just as good, and not getting the result is really very frustrating."

In his seventh season coaching at William Paterson, coach Woods

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- Head Coach Brian Woods

has never suffered this many losses.

"It's a devastating experience for me because, at this point in the season, we have never been below .500 in quite some time," said Woods. "I don't ever expect our program, the men's soccer program, to be below .500 at any time."

Coach Woods feels that some of the team's difficulties this season lie in finishing their shots, and clearing the ball on defense. After the Stevens game, some of the Pioneers expressed that they need to work more as a team to be successful for the remainder of the season.

"We picked up the intensity tonight, and we finished our opportunities," said sophomore forward Tim Criley. "Players are

back, and we just played as a team. We just have to keep doing that and I think we'll be fine."

Senior defenseman Elliott McPherson agrees with his teammate.

"I think we played more together tonight than we have recently and that's what we need to do," said McPherson. "We're moving forward, but we can fall into the same trap anytime, of not playing together."

In the 7-1 victory over the Ducks, juniors Anthony Pulizzano and Mark Menadier each scored, and assisted goals. Sophomore Kurt Schweitzer scored once and got two assists. Freshman John Foster scored on an assist from junior Rueban Pleasant. Criley added three goals in the game.

"Today we kept our composure and we buried the ball every time we had a chance," said Criley.

With a goal in the 4-1 victory over New Jersey City University's Gothic Knights, Criley now has a team high of 15 goals on the season.

Woods feels the team needs to regain confidence, and is incorporating a new mindset into the team.

"We are not trying to go out there and say 'let's not lose this game,'" said Woods. "We're going on the field and saying 'let's win - let's win this game.'"

WEEK TO WEEK OUR FAVORITE COLLEGE GAMES

WEEK 9			
Monday, October 26			
Pittsburgh at Kansas City	8:20pm	IRA KC	PAUL KC
Sunday, November 1			
Miami at Buffalo	1:01pm	BUF	MIAMI
New England at Indianapolis	1:01pm	NE	NE
Jacksonville at Baltimore	1:01pm	JACK	BALT
Tennessee at Pittsburgh	1:01pm	PITT	PITT
Denver at Cincinnati	1:01pm	DEN	DEN
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Minnesota at Tampa Bay	1:01pm	MINN	MINN
New Orleans at Carolina	1:01pm	NO	NO
St. Louis at Atlanta	1:01pm	ATL	ATL
NY Jets at Kansas City	4:05pm	KC	KC
San Francisco at Green Bay	4:15pm	GB	SF
Oakland at Seattle	8:20pm	SEA	SEA

BEST BETS ARE IN BOLD
LAST WEEK: IRA 8-4, PAUL 10-2
FOR THE YEAR: IRA 67-36, PAUL 69-34
BEST BET MARK: IRA 7-1, PAUL 7-1

Editor's note: Throughout the 1998 NFL Season, Sports Columnist Ira "Thunder" Thor and Beacon Sports Editor "Hurricane" Paul Bonney will go head to head each week, for 17 weeks. Total win/loss and best bet records will be kept.

This week in Pioneer Cross Country ... Collegiate Track Conference X-Country Championships

Women's Results WPU finished 6th		Men's Results WPU finished 5th	
• Corinne DiStasio, So. (31st) 21:41		• Tim Collins, Sr. (21st) 27:18	
• Angela Perkins, Fr. (37th) 21:58		• Michael Firestone, Fr. (23rd) 27:23	
• Beth Mohan, So. (46th) 22:33		• Marco Alves, So. (47th) 28:45	
• Amy Forte, Fr. (53rd) 22:56		• John Lolacano, So. (53rd) 28:59	

*The eligibility meeting for Indoor Track will be held Thursday, Oct. 29 at 12:15 p.m. in the Science Building, Room 200A.

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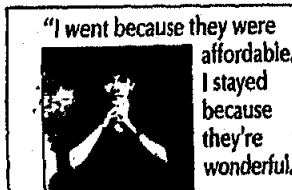
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WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY PIONEERS SPORTS

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Monday, 10/26
Field Hockey @ Delaware Valley 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 10/27
Volleyball vs. Kean 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 10/28
Men's Soccer @ TCNJ TBA
Women's Soccer vs. Western Connecticut 3 p.m.

Friday, 10/30
Football vs. NJCU 7:30 p.m.
Field Hockey @ Kean 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, 10/31
Men's Soccer vs. Rutgers-Newark 2 p.m.
X-Country NJAC Championship 11 a.m., Ewing, NJ
Sunday, 11/1
Women's Soccer vs. Georgian Court 12 p.m.

Lady Pioneers capture conference championship

WPU defeats Ramapo 8-0

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

The women's soccer team has only been in existence since 1994. With their 8-0 win over the Roadrunners of Ramapo on Oct. 21, William Paterson collected their first ever New Jersey Athletic Conference

(NJAC) Championship, in Mahwah.

The Lady Pioneers, who defeated the Lions of The College of New Jersey on Oct. 14 2-0, held the Lions from their fifth title in as many years.

In the latest National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III poll, William Paterson

is ranked third in the nation and first in the metro region. The Lady Pioneers have the nations best winning percentage as their record has improved to 12-0-2, and 6-0 in the NJAC.

Junior goalie Maren Fluhr has nine shutouts this season, and has 70 saves for a goals against average of .154. Her goals against average is third in the nation.

The team is also seventh in the

nation in shutouts per game.

The William Paterson team defense is third in the nation, and should move up, after only allowing 4 goals in a total of 14 games.

Junior midfielder Kyle Lubrano had 4 assists in the game. Lubrano now has a team high 11 assists to go along with her 4 goals.

Senior Vicky Wagner and sophomore Liz Carr scored two goals a piece. Also scoring for the

Lady Pioneers were junior Dana Armstrong, sophomore Jen Wood, and freshmen Marlo Martin and Danielle Milano.

William Paterson outshot the Roadrunners 35-1, and season opponents 326 to 116.

The Lady Pioneers next game will be against powerhouse Western Connecticut Oct. 28 on Wightman Field at 3 p.m.

Swim team opens season with winning moments

By Tony Krucinski and Elena Rossi
Beacon Contributors

On Tuesday, Oct. 22, the Pioneer Swim Team began their season with a home meet against The College Of Staten Island.

The Men's team defeated CSI with a final score of 130-112. While the ladies pummeled the opposing team with a victorious score of 137-47.

Standout, Allison Coyle, last seasons highest point scorer as a Freshmen, is returning and looks promising so far. Coyle won the 50 and 100 butterfly.

Other winners, for the women, included, Freshmen, Rebecca Schirman in the 50 and 100 Freestyle. Freshmen, Cathrine Crowder in the 50 and 100 breast stroke and the 100 IM.

Winners for the men included, Sophomore, Chris Bell, who won the 50 and 100 backstroke and 50 butterfly. While, Freshmen, Dame Pletvarec succeeded in winning the 100 butterfly, 200 IM and 200 freestyle.

"I'm pretty excited about both performances, women and men in the Staten Island meet. On the girls side 159-200 medley relay times for October is really good. It was actually faster then what we did at the Championship meet," said coach Ed Gurka.

"We are a young team with a lot of freshmen and sophomores and we have a lot of potential to go places. I, personally, look forward to the 200 medley relay going at 1:55, 1:54 at the championship meet,"

The swim team seems to have a lot of standup performances, on the women's side, freshmen, Rebecca Schirman and Catherine Crowder seem to be swimming

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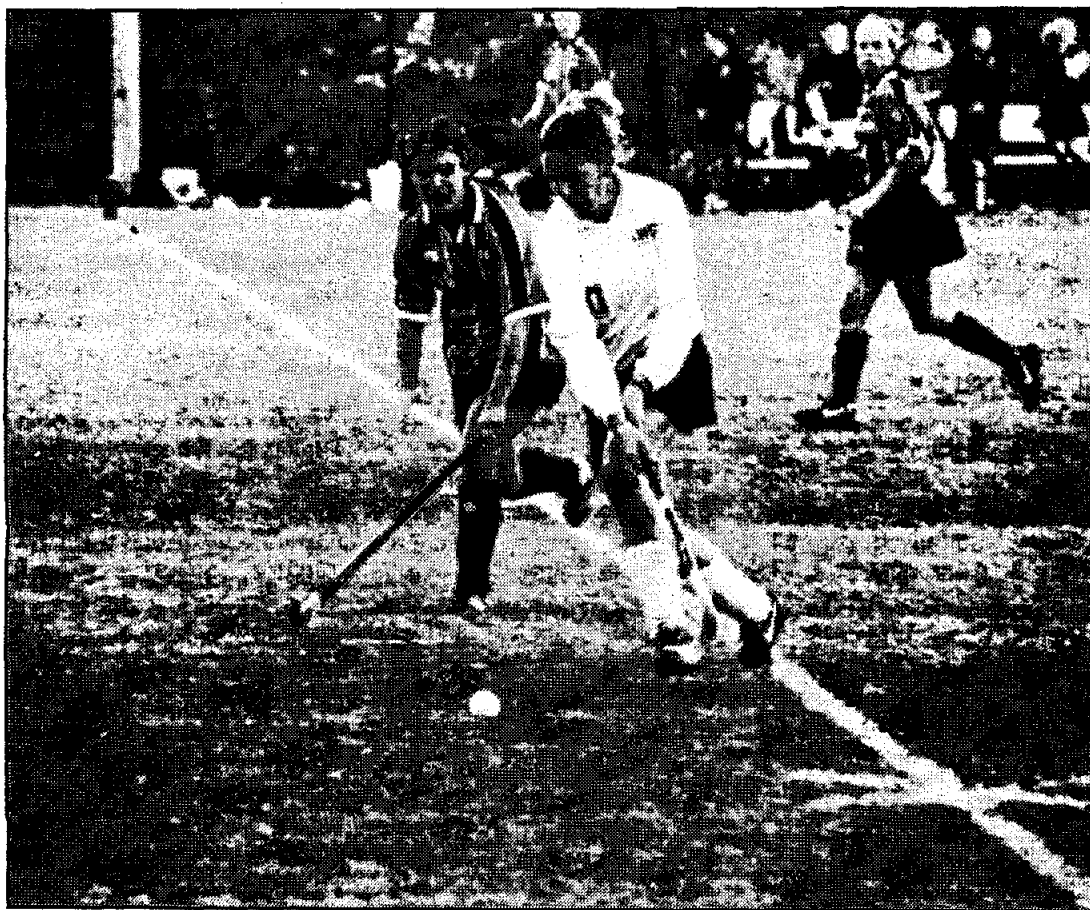


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Junior forward Summer Conaway (in white uniform) carries the ball against an FDU-Madison player in the 2-0 win on Thursday, Oct. 22.

A successful dance with the Devils

Lady Pioneers defeat FDU-Madison 2-0

By Susan Moran
Beacon Contributor

The Lady Pioneer field hockey team defeated the Farliegh Dickenson University Devils in a 2-0, to close our their last home game of the season.

The team's main focus during the past week was game strategy. Ending their home season with a win was important to the entire team; and even more so for graduating seniors Becky Perkins and Jill Cavuto, who have been co-captains for two years.

Despite a week off prior to their big game, the Lady Pioneers' blowout performance showed how much they wanted to win.

Head Coach Hallie Cohen said, "I was unsure how we would do in the game because we had a week off. Sometimes towards the end of a season it's not always easy to get yourself up and motivated for a game, but I thought we played very well."

"All week we made it our goal to attack the ball, and that really showed in our game," said sophomore goalie Diane Naugle. "We wanted to go out in a bang for our two seniors, Becky and Jill."

With the two goals being scored in the first half it was easy to see just how intense the Lady Pioneers were involved in getting their win.

Freshman forward Lesley Dube was assisted by sophomores Kate Alleger and Missy McNair in

knocking in the first of the team's two goals.

Within the next two minutes, forward Alleger drove in the second shot. She remains the 2nd highest scorer on the squad.

"The two goals were beautiful," said Cohen, "brought up from the midfield all the way down to the goal cage- it was the way a play was meant to be."

Though the team's record stops them from reaching the NCAA tournament, they are striving for the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Playoffs to help them officially close out the season.

With the team's current record at 8-6, and two more games to go, it is evident their combination of heartfelt devotion and spirit will drive them to two more victories.

Pioneer Ice Hockey set to hit the ice

By Paul Bonney
Sports Editor

After an unsuccessful season last year, finishing 6-10-3, the Pioneer Ice Hockey club is gearing up for a successful season this winter. With a new home, coaching staff, and many new players, William Paterson has high hopes for this season.

Pioneer Hockey President and Captain Robert Carnathan and his teammates have helped to build a new team for this season.

"I feel a younger squad is going to add a lot more experience to the team this year, and it's going to make us go far this season," said Carnathan.

"I think Bobby did a really good job this year of putting the team together," said team member Rob Alferi.

"We've got a lot of new guys this year. We lost a lot of players last year, but we replaced them well. This team has become much more of a unit than I think it's ever been," added Alferi.

Mackay Arena in Englewood is the new home for the Pioneer hockey program. The players hope that Mackay will provide a home ice advantage that other teams will fear.

Head Coach Gary Schor and assistant Mike Chomiak, both of whom attended William Paterson, look to lead the Pioneers to the next level. Both coaches are new to the program this season.

"The team is definitely excited; and that goes for myself and Mike Chomiak," said Schor. "We're very optimistic so far with what we've seen regarding their attitude and commitment. We're very pleased."

Returning on offense are Steve

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