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Jennifer Retcher signs the "Wall of Remembrance" poster that was created in the WPU residence halls and deposited at a memorial wall outside Ground Zero.

## Student trip to Ground Zero finale to week of remembrance

By Gina Moffitt and Robin Kavanagh  
Staff Writers

The week of Nov. 12 was observed on campus as Unity Week. But ResidenceLife added to this by remembering the victims of the World Trade Center tragedy and also by adding another name to the week, Ground Zero Remembrance Week.

About 40 students set off into New York City on the afternoon of Nov. 16 to see Ground Zero. Some went to conquer their fears. Some went to make the events of Sept. 11 a reality. Some just went to mourn.

Joe Poletto, area coordinator for Residence Life, said that the trip was a good way to end the week. He said the goal was to get students back into the city.

"They can go down to the site (Ground Zero) if they want," Poletto said, "but mostly it's just to get the fear of New York City out of them. If they don't want to go to the site then they can just have a nice day in New York. It's a good way to

reintroduce the city to them."

But many students did go to the Ground Zero site. With them, they brought a memorial poster created in the residence halls. According to Laura Barry, resident assistant, the idea of a memorial poster was thought up by a group of resident assistants. They named it "The Wall of Remembrance."

Barry said the original idea was to create a poster that students could sign and leave messages on that would stay in the residence hall. But, she said, when the trip to Ground Zero came up, they thought bringing the poster to the site would show William Paterson's support of the victims, the rescue workers and their families. The poster was brought to a memorial wall at Ground Zero and added to the thousands of others.

The mood on the bus going into New York was light. Many people were laughing and joking. Some played games, but others mused over what their expectations for the day were.

"I am going to see and make it more real for myself

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## Federal grant will lower child-care costs for some students

By Yamira Ledsema  
Staff Writer

Childcare will become more affordable to WPU students thanks to a federal grant awarded to the Childcare Development Center.

The grant will pay 80 percent of the childcare costs for low-income parent students and also allow the center to open for the first time in Summer Session II, said Dr. Aduke Bennett, director of the Center. Parent students can apply for the grant at the center.

According to the proposal, the

Parents in School Program, the grant will help the center provide high quality child care services for eligible student parents, to enhance its child development program in preparation for accreditation and to serve as a vehicle for support for students who have to deal with the high demands of being a parent who attends

school.

The grant was written by Dr. Holly Seplocha, assistant professor in Elementary and Early Childhood Education.

"Parents who attend school have the added pressure and time commitments of attending school, studying, and completing assignments," wrote Seplocha in the proposal. "Student parents may feel isolated and overwhelmed."

According to the proposal, through this scholarship program, the director serves as a resource person for the parent students through regular contact, parent education,

The center is located in the Hunziker Wing, Room 35. It is open Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. during fall and spring semesters; 7:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. during Summer Session I and 7:45 a.m. to 5:40 p.m. during Summer Session II.

## Senior citizens honored at annual Thanksgiving Dinner

By Felicia Pettiford  
Staff Writer

Turkey, stuffing and smiles were plentiful as William Paterson University hosted senior citizens from Passaic and Essex Counties at the 4th Annual Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner, which was held in the Machuga Student Center Ballroom on November 17th.

"I think that this is a wonderful event that the students and faculty [should] be commended for," said participant Rose Mandara, of Paterson. "We've been coming here for the past few years and we haven't been disappointed yet."

Approximately 430 senior citizens were bused into the university from various agencies in Passaic and Essex Counties. Transportation was provided by the Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Newark Division of Social Services Office on Aging.

"We could have easily accommodated 1,000 people, but we only had room for about 500," said Provost Chernoh Sesay, who also took part in the festivities.

Sesay said that over the past several years, the seniors

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# ICM no longer allowed to patrol campus parties

William Allinder  
Writer

Due to insurance reasons, ICM (the internal mentors program) will no longer be allowed to patrol parties on campus, according to a recent decision made by Provost John Sesay.

Instead, members of the patrol will have the choice of working with Sgt. Lynette Berr, director of William Paterson University's student patrol.

According to Butler, students who choose to work for the student patrol will be paid and will secure various services around campus. "I thought it was very honorable of the Provost to give students the option to come over to student patrol," said Butler. "He is providing more security and it's only for parties."

The responsibilities of the student patrol members have changed. Butler will train students to detect problems, as well as what to look for and how to properly report inci-

dents. When a problem occurs, Butler said the ICM members are to report it over the radio to the Department of Public Safety and not get involved. Students who are part of the patrol will also be accountable for escorting students around campus at night.

She says that in order to properly serve the members of the campus, one must believe that the police are the people and the people are the police. Butler also says that the only way to properly protect the campus is by community policing and the best mediators are the members of student patrol. Once a month, Butler plans to conduct community student speak-out meetings in the dorms in order to address and discuss public security concerns.

Butler encourages students to cooperate and work with the police and looks forward to working closer with the students of WPU.

"We have to know what the problems are and solve the problems together," said Butler.

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# AIDS Awareness Week at Paterson University 2001

Wednesday, November 28  
12:00 PM Towers Area Office

### The Band Played On

Randy Shilts' best seller comes a powerful, fascinating, and moving chronicle of our times. In the summer of 1981, few knew of a deadly disease we now know as AIDS. "And The Band Played On" allows the struggles of a handful of strongmen and women who took on the fight to save

This is an unforgettable tale of scientific discovery, media manipulation, corruption, deceit, and triumph.

7:00 PM White Hall Lounge

### Jeopardy

Do you want to know what it is like to contract a sexually transmitted disease (STD)? Do you think you know all there is to know about sex, HIV/AIDS, STD's? Well, if you do, think again. Come challenge yourself with and learn how your fellow students view STD's. Prizes will be awarded. Learn some interesting facts, and you will be sure to be well informed.

7:00 PM White Hall Lounge

### Guest

How can and will affect people in many different ways. Come to find out how this deadly disease has contracted and understand how individuals learn to cope with this disease.

9:00 PM Towers Main Lounge

### Sex

Oh Baby! Come on! Come on! One more time. Come and see how your fellow residents at Paterson University are judged on their sex lives. This will not only be an eye-opening experience but will also be something that you surely do not want to miss! Nurse Nancy Ellson MSNCS,

FNP will be on hand in case.

Thursday, November 29

12:30 PM Starbucks Café

### Open Microphone

"Hope is a waking dream" - Aristotle  
Share your feelings on AIDS/HIV with others through poetry, music, etc. Join Resident Assistants Janice Rasid, Shamara Guidry, and Simone Johnson at AIDS AWARENESS WEEK 2001 ~ Open Microphone

Thursday, November 29

7:30 PM Maca Student Center

### Candlelight Vigil

Join your peers in support of HIV/AIDS Awareness. This silent vigil will start off in the back of the Machuga Student Center (closest to Science bldg.), and the walk will continue around campus and end behind the Machuga Student Center in the Machuga Plaza with poetry and inspirational talk. Cookies and hot chocolate will be available.

Sunday, November 2

7:30 PM Jesus Christ Prince of Peace Chapel

Come join the other members of the WPUNJ Community in a healing mass with thoughts and prayers for those afflicted by HIV and AIDS. All present will also have opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Healing.

### Week

### HIV Testing

Nurse Nancy Ellson at the Health and Wellness Center will be conducting anonymous HIV testing. If you are interested, this is free and confidential. Sign-up will be taking place in the Health and Wellness Center for Friday, November 27, 2001,

and Thursday, November 29, 2001. Appointments are limited. If interested, call the Health and Wellness Center at x2360.

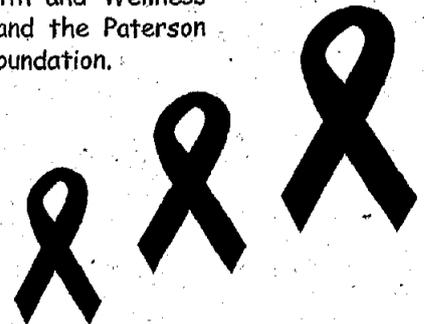
### Red Ribbon Window Campaign

HIV/AIDS Awareness is something that affects everyone in some way, shape, or form. One activity that everyone can easily be a part of is the Red Ribbon Window Campaign. Faculty, staff and students are asked to tape the red ribbons to a window, either in your office or room showing that you support AIDS Awareness.

### Condom Grams and Red Ribbon Campaign

The Department of Residence Life will have "Condom Grams" available in Wayne Hall and from all Residence Halls Offices. These "treats" will be available so that students become aware of the importance of "safety first" every time they engage in sexual activities. Additional information will also be available on what HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases are and how to protect oneself from these viruses.

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# Pioneer Commentary

## AIDS Awareness Week a great WPU tradition

Saturday marks the 14th anniversary of World AIDS Day. Every year, William Paterson University observes the occasion with AIDS Awareness Week. This year is different.

Residence Life, The Health Wellness Center, and the Women's Center plan a week's worth of activities to promote AIDS awareness among the students and including Sexual Pictionary, Condom Bingo, Condom Ms, a Red Ribbon Window Campaign, as well as many more.

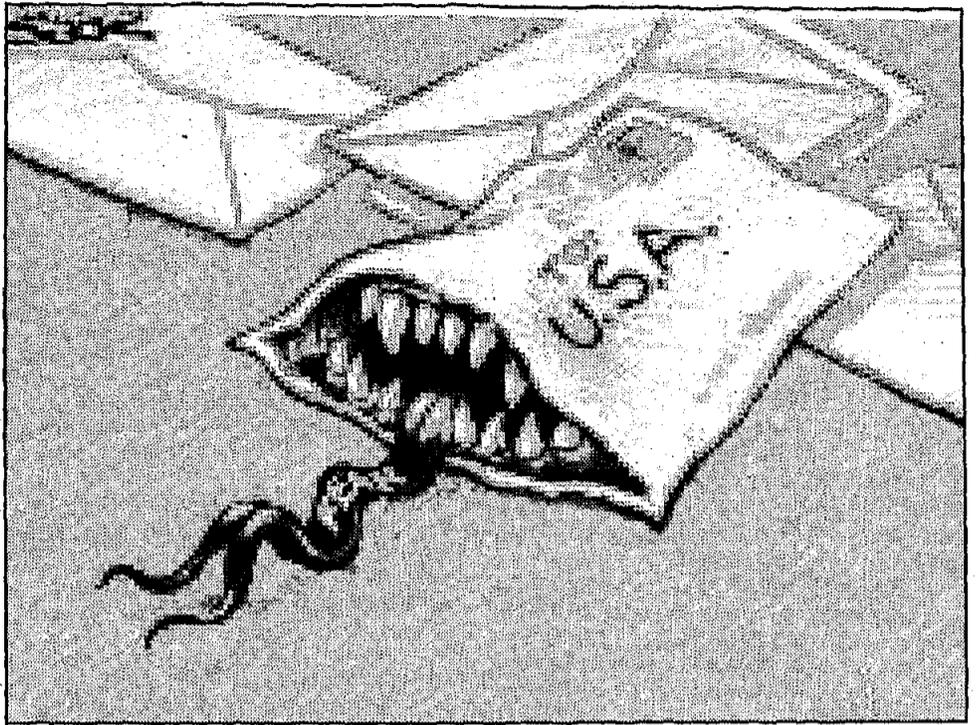
The amount of time put into this week is outstanding and many thanks should be given to all those involved. Students and staff should participate in any activities they can. They serve not only to help us remember those who have lost their lives with this disease, but also to care for those still fighting and for ourselves enough to protect against new infection.

AIDS affects everyone. Whether it comes home while looking at the AIDS Memorial Quilt, which will be on display in the Student Center, or listening to the story of loved-ones lost at the Candlelight Vigil. We tend to forget just how much of a horrible epidemic the AIDS virus is.

The Health and Wellness Center is also doing a tremendous service by offering counseling to those who need it as well as free HIV testing and information about sexually transmitted diseases.

Thank you to Residence Life Health and Wellness Center, and the Women's Center for making AIDS Awareness Week an annual event. It is a staple of this semester and it always should be. We should all go out and participate, learn, and remember.

### EDITORIAL



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## Who is the more dangerous enemy? The terrorists - or our college professors?

By Edwin A. Locke  
*Special to Pioneer Times*

America, it is said, is faced with a new kind of war - a type of war that we have never faced in our history - a war of terror in which the enemy is hidden and faceless. This is true - but not in the way that the media and our leaders have indicated.

Consider these facts. We have chosen to fight only one country, Afghanistan, despite the fact that many different countries, including Iran and Iraq, have supported terrorism,

and Osama bin Laden, for years. We have declared that we will not deliberately hit civilian targets, thus openly inviting the Taliban to hide its soldiers and weapons in civilian locations.

We constantly apologize for civilian injuries. We drop food that undoubtedly is consumed by Taliban soldiers. We constantly re-assure the

My world that we have no will harm them, even though most of these countries wish nothing more than to destroy us totally. We even ask these countries to be part of our coalition against terrorism. (Are we hoping that they will declare war on themselves?) We pronounce that we want the Taliban "moderates" (who presumably are slightly less bloodthirsty than the "extremists") to take part of any future Afghan government.

What kind of a war is this? Should any Western leader after World War II have dared of avoiding all civilian targets, dropping food to the Taliban and offering them a chance at the future government of Afghanistan?

Yes, this is a new kind of war - not a total war, but a war involving bombs with precision - sort of like combined imprisonment with a heaping dose. We are afraid to declare actual, full-scale war because the real hidden

and faceless enemy we are confronted with is: moral self-doubt. We are afraid of people not liking us; we are afraid of hurting too many people; we are afraid of the prospect of destroying the Taliban totally. We are afraid, because we are not certain we are right.

What happened in the 60 years since World War II? Our leading citizens went to college. Before that war most leading intellectuals were Communists, but that "ideal" eventually faded, as its disastrous consequences became evident. Left-wing idealism was gradually supplanted in the last half of the past century by skepticism.

The new assault was not specifically directed against capitalism and freedom but against the foundations on which they rested: reason and moral certainty. Above all, the skeptics hated reason - reason that made possible the triumph of the Enlightenment and the West's emergence from the

religiously dominated Dark Ages.

The skeptics did not seek to supplant reason with religious dogma; rather they argued that reason was "limited," that it could not really know truth. They asserted that reason had nothing to say about moral values, that moral judgments were just a reflection of the society one happens to come from and were only an expression of a subjective, personal preference.

Read the comments of the leading "post-modernist," University of Illinois professor Stanley Fish. He asserts, in reference to the World Trade Center bombing, that: "there can be no independent standard for determining which of many rival interpretations of an event is the true one." Universal absolutes, he says, are "empty rhetoric." We cannot, he says, call the terrorists, either "evil" or "irrational." We can only say, in effect: I see

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# CD Tine: Check out what's hot, forget what's not

By Lori Michael  
Special to the Pioneer  
Times

There has been a lot of great music that can be found in the past couple of months. If you are near your local music stores, I suggest picking up a few CDs of my liking.

Alicia Keys, "Songs in A Minor".

All I have to say is, this chick can wail on the notes. Her soulful voice is significantly different compared to others. I honestly could not relate her to a Maria Carey or Celine Dion. Alicia uses her own sound, however, a little bit of Aretha Franklin was definitely in her tone.

The first song "Piano and I," is a little introduction to the CD and starts in low, quiet tone. I found this song to be very dramatic and enticing.

as little musical interlude to a great album. "Girlfried" is more on the upbeat side, along with "How come you don't call me." Next on the so-called list was the radio-happy song "Fallin." I know every station plays this song to death, but I still love the harmonies on this song.

How often could you relate to a song about falling in and out of love with the same person? "Troubles" has a cooling-around, but the next song "Rock wit U" sounds like an old Bee Gees, 70s song. It really reminded me of "Stan' Alive," I guess it had to do with the funky guitar sounds.

Now, "A Woman's Worth" is the next national anthem for women everywhere. It has a really slow start and then leads into a cool jazzy beat. It also has a nice bass line. The song

sends two great messages: "Everything a woman wants, you want to treat her right," and "A real man can't deny a woman's worth."

"Jane Doe" sounds almost rhapsodic with a fast pace. It is a nice song with a great sing-around, but who would have thought this song is about a woman who steals men? "Goodbye" is another '70s sounding song, with a funky bass line. "The Life" is very powerful and it is pretty much about Alicia's life. "Mr. Man" is with Jimmy Cozier using electric violins, which gives the song a very different sound.

"Never Felt This Way," is a piano and guitar interlude into "Butterflyz." Why do I feel so sad" is a medium paced song with a nice guitar line. One line from the song sticks out in my mind, "There are times to change."

Well the CD is supposed to end with the song "Caged Bird," which is just Alicia and a keyboard. The song is about a woman who is alienated and alone. Lastly, the final song on the CD is a bonus track called, "Loving You Comes Naturally." It reminded me of an old song.

Well guys, if you want to give your special someone a chick CD for the holidays, go for Alicia. She is not as raspy sounding as Jewel, and she will leave you humming her songs until you wake-up the next morning. Both of you would definitely enjoy her ballads during a nice romantic evening just lounging around. But just remember, "real man can't deny a woman's worth."

## Lit, "Atomic"

The underestimated group Lit, consisting of A.Jay

Popoff on lead vocals, Kevin Baldes on bass, Allen Schellenberger on drums, and Jeremy Popoff on guitar and vocals, released its fourth CD, Atomic, with some killer ballads that will leave you dancing/head banging in your room.

The opening track "Something to Someone," sounds like the beginning of Pink Floyd's "Another Brick in the Wall Part II," but it also sounds like a concert, of course I had to snag the line from the song "mother would be proud." "The Last Time Again," has some funky sounds on the guitar.

"Addicted" is not about drugs, but instead another addiction, sex. It is about a guy addicted to a girl that plays mind games with him. Now Lit is a very poppy-punk sounding group (i.e. Eve 6, The Offspring, Alien Ant Farm), but their next song shocked me because it reminded me of the beat to Rage Against the Machine's "Bulls on Parade." However, it obviously was not as heavy. "Everything's Cool" is about living the life of a rock star, and the guy having a girl that practically drags him around while he is drunk or high.

Finally there is a mellow song "Happy in the Meantime," which is a good song to chill to or hook-up with someone. A cute line I got from this song is "save a little rain, wash away the pain." The song is definitely about a one-night stand because the guy will be gone in the morning. "Drop D" goes back to some punk/pop sound with a heavy intro, and there is a good guitar solo in the song, too.

As "Sunny Weather" opened, it reminded of the sound of the group Boston. Another Boston sounding song was "Slip." Danny Walker is the harmony guitarist on the track "Next Time Around." A cute line from this song goes "I'll pick you up and never put you down, lift you up and never let you down." "She Comes" is about a guy who falls for a girl who uses him. "She comes and takes the rest of me."

The last "real" track is "Live for This," which is a slow song, but has a heavy sound on the guitar. There is a bonus track on this CD, too, called "Over My Head," which could be heard in movies and commercials. Steven Tyler from Aerosmith does background vocals, while some of the members of No Doubt play along with the boys from Lit.

If you want a funky, pop/punk album that plays for under an hour, then go buy Atomic. There is a second CD on the limited edition set called Dirty Martini, which contains an unreleased version of a song from their recent album, A Place in the Sun. It also had a couple of bands that are from the West Coast on there. If you like happy, upbeat songs about hooking-up with the wrong people, getting wasted, and/or combining the two, then Lit is the group for you.

Well that's about it with the reviews for this week. If you have any suggestions and/or a CD you would like for me to review for you just email me at: michael@student.wpunj.edu. Thanks and happy listening. =)

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that you want to kill all but, speaking from my own point of view, I would really prefer that you didn't

Professors like fish have infected several generations with a bacterium far more virulent than anrax: the plague of moral relativism. According to these post-modernists, the United States, the first country founded on the principle of individual rights, the country of reason, freedom and the pursuit of happiness, is objectively no better than any primitive dictatorship; we just happen to like our system better.

Could any major nation fight a successful war if they accepted such a premise? In this respect the terrorists have an advantage over us. Although they are evil and irrational, they feel no doubts at all about the rightness of their cause - the cause of spreading death and destruction.

Our superior weapons will do us no good if we do not possess the moral certainty that we, as Americans, stand objectively for the good - good because we are pro-life on this earth, pro-man and pro-happiness. A hand-wringing, self-doubting super-power is no match for dedicated primitives anxious to die for their cause.

We have an absolute right to defend ourselves using every weapon at our disposal until the enemy is totally defeated. The struggle is not between opponents who happen to have different personal preferences; the struggle is between the morality of life and the morality of death.

Our most worrisome enemy is not Osama bin Laden and his cohorts - rather, it is the corrupt little college professors who have striven relentlessly to destroy their students' confidence in their power to think and to make moral judgments. If we

reject the mind-killing professors, we will have no trouble defeating the man-killing terrorists.

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# Notes from a visit to Ground Zero

By Tamara Stowe  
Staff Writer

Twisted metal, bined, scared. A blown out cavity hangg silently - dark, vacant, still.

Dirty carpet droo over what is now the top floor of ance great building. A strong steelam juts out, dislocated, rusted, lmed. The arm of a distant bulldozesilently picks up bundles of dirt,nd concreté. I cannot believe I was shding in there just two months a:

"Boom"... the stillilence is destroyed as the ball of crane crash-es into the stubborn remns. The steel beam creaks as it'sulled further away from its body. Coriete crum-bles into the levels below My ears ache in the rumbling ech

"I've walked throgh there," a lady describing herself as Diane from Connecticut", says. "I cae here to see if it's really as bad ashey show on television."

"Is it?" I ask.

"It's worse" she rdies. "It's nothing now ... Devastatiy ... You can still smell it."

I shift with the crcd all bustling to get a better vw - a vast vacant space full of decayg rubble. My friend says she has tceave.

A police officer stats behind the makeshift metal barris giving tourists directions to bettadvantage points. A tall blonde womn inter-rupts. "Can I ask a questn?" she asks.

"Sure," he replies.  
"Are you married?"  
"No"

She reaches out over the barrier, pulls him towards her and gives him a great lipsticked kiss on his cheek.

"Thank you," she says.

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A man asks me to take his pho-tograph against the backdrop of dev-astation.

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I came to see "Ground Zero" on Nov. 16 on an organized bus trip that was part of Unity Week at William Paterson University. I spoke to co-organizer Argenis Colon on the bus. "We decided to end Unity Week with this trip," he said, "with a realization that something really did occur. To see it face-to-face, to realize the impact."

"It doesn't feel real right now, watching it on television," Daksha Makhija, a student said. "Actually seeing it will make it real."

"I don't want to miss this opportunity to see history," said Tim Banos, echoing another common theme among the students. "I want to take photos that one day I'll be able to show my kids and grandkids."

"My cousin was there ... he passed away," said Steve Ochelli. My heart stopped.

"I'm sorry," I said.

"Part of my family was involved and there was nothing he could do to prevent it ... he'd just started work

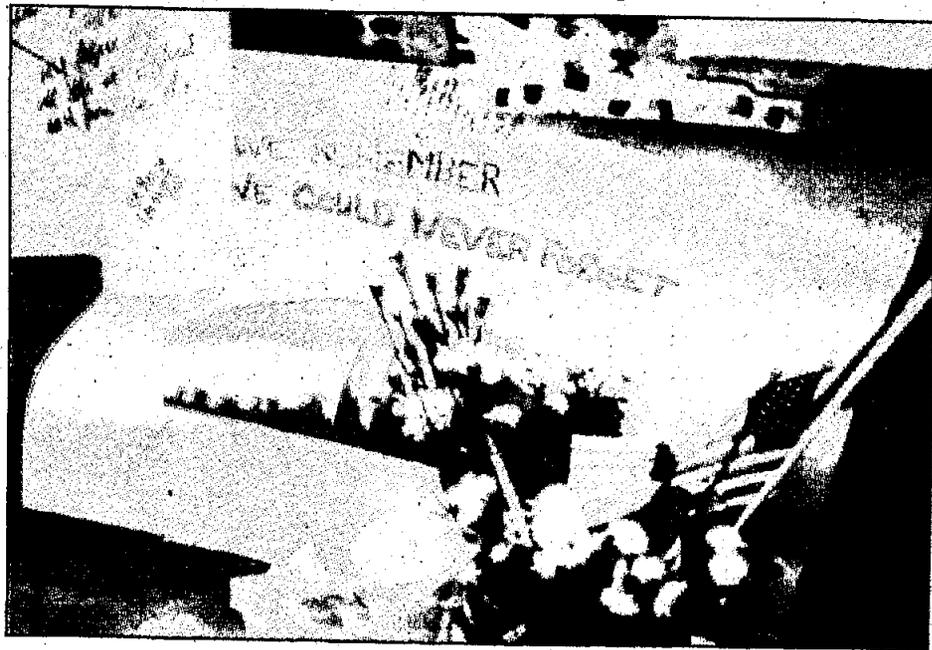


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**Top:** Remains of the World Trade Center  
**Left:** (L-R) Laura Barry, Adam Cooper, and Kristina Wasmer place the "Wall of Remembrance" at Ground Zero.  
**Right & below:** Memorials



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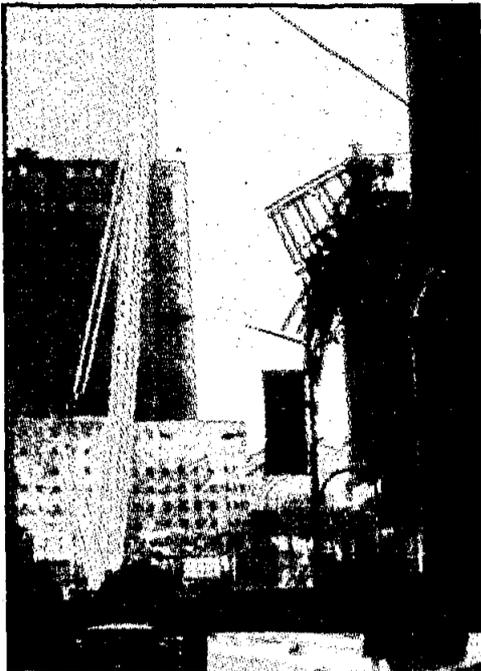
**In honor, respect, and gratitude  
to the heroes of the WTC tragedy.**

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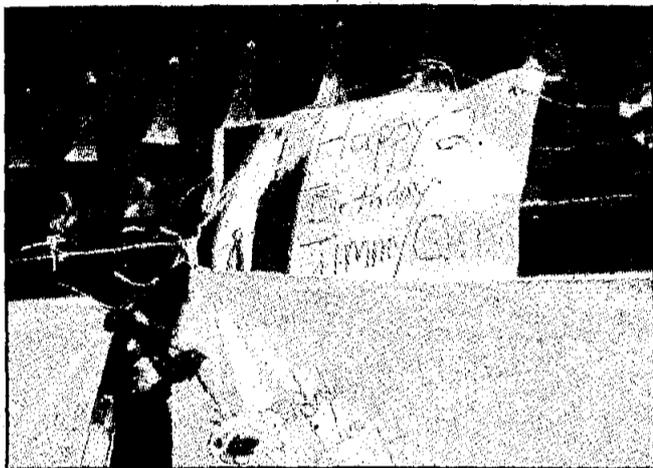
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**Clockwise from top left:** Memorials left by international visitors; the remnants of one of the towers; Jenny Clater and Evie Romero listen to WPU alumnus Officer Leiana Cummings; Cummings addressed crowd; birthday memorial for Timothy Quinn.



that day, on the 84th floor ... It's so messed up.

"I was already there," Ochelli said, "I was crying ... I'm going to remember all the times I spent with my cousin."

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At the site I have a stomachache. Notebook and pen in hand, I don't feel like asking anyone anymore questions. But like the rest of the wandering crowd I feel the need to see more. I'm told you can get to the back of the site, I drag along my uneasy friend.

I notice two security guards behind metal barriers in front of Liberty One.

"You a reporter?" one calls out.

"Yes," I answer and walk over.

"Would you like to answer some questions?"

"Yes," says Frank Hidrio, security supervisor of the Liberty One loading dock.

I barely have to ask him anything. Hidrio wants to talk, to share.

"I wake up four to five times a night now," Hidrio says, "That shock I haven't got off yet. From time to time, when I hear a heavy crowbar I will jump, thinking that it may be another one ... I'm not scared but cautious. Every time I see a plane it would cross my mind. They say they're going to make this a no-fly zone, but big planes fly over all the time.

"I was there when it happened," Hidrio says, "When number one was hit we didn't see any plane. There was just fire, and debris coming down from the top. People were running, screaming, and there was dust. A foot of dust. All you could see were eyes. There was no red, blue, yellow, just white and the eyes opening and shutting.

"The second plane hit number two. I saw people jump from there," he said pointing at the blank space in front of us.

"Either they were blown out or they jumped. Over 35 people I saw jumping from 80 or 75 floors. People were suffering from asthma ... asking for help. it was the most horrible scene I have seen in my life. I will never forget."

Hidrio still spends his days at this site, watching the crowds come from all around the world.

"From every state they come to grieve with us. Most cry, take pictures, ask questions," he said. They want to know exact locations, how it happened, hear from the people who saw it.

"I only smell it in the mornin' he said. "When I come from home and I notice the difference."

Did you know coal still burns underneath from the ancient-style air conditioning system that they used? That, Hidrio tells me, is where the smoke still comes from.

"They should make a beautiful park here," Hidrio says. "My friends that are in there. I don't want people to build on my friends."

I was shocked. "Are you angry?" I asked.

"You cannot fight fire with fire he said, "only put water on the fire ... I only regret is that I did not have four arms, but two, to help more people at day."

This from a man who has seen such hell, who cannot have a sound night's sleep, and flinches at big planes. From a man who continues to deal with the sad scene and visitors each day, am I struck with an inarticulate silence.

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At the back of the site my silence is broken but my inarticulation remains.

"F\*\*k," is all I can say as I turn into a street that cannot be part of New York City. I am either in a movie looking at the Ancient Ruins of Rome. My

work in trenches in the middle of the street, among pipes, pushed, bent up, broken. Wooden walk ways and clogged gutters line the wet, muddy streets. Police barriers and signs prohibiting photography are everywhere. A bulldozer caked in mud and rubble sits dormant at the side of the road.

I walk with a group of on-lookers as close as we can to the shell of a fallen tower that lies in a void at the end of the street.

I cannot stay.

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Back in the bus, exhausted I ask the students how they felt, confronting the scene called "Ground Zero".

"I had to get away. I felt like crying," Heather Tabman said.

"I was overwhelmed. Standing so close. I can still see the street signs on the ground and a fire hydrant detached from the concrete. The smoke and the smell of the burnt air," said Jenny Clater.

"I imagined all of the kids in my school and multiplied them by four or five times. I cannot think of that many people dying," Yvonne Romero said. "We signed a memorial sign. It's something that we can have forever. Something that we can save."

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At the site I pass memorials. Pictures of loved ones, poems, banners, a drawing of a burning building and rising angels by a kindergarten student. "Happy 24th Birthday" says one sign accompanied by a picture of a handsome young man. A volunteer hands me a marker. On a banner I write:

To the souls now free. May you have found a safe place more peaceful than here...

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Christensen, the Pioneers will do well in defending their honor this season.

But if you thought the fire was out because Jenkins was gone, you were dead wrong. The #14 conference ranked Pioneers, sporting a new home uniform enhanced by black-lettering as opposed to orange, caught a wild one 71-68 over the #5 Cardinals of Catholic. Point guard Brandon Constantine, playing with huge shoes to fill, led the team with 21 points including a deciding 3-point play with less than a minute to go to win the game. Returning stars Rashaan Barner aided with 14 points while big-man Dag Christensen scored 11. Returning starter Michael Everett along with other new

talent including transfers Seth Brown and Ryan Jurgensen winged an always aggressive and unfortunately foul-plagued Pioneer attack.

Five years ago the Pioneers were hardly a threat with a 12-12 record and didn't even win a spot for the ECAC tournament (a regionally tournament of the East Coast commonly referred to as the D-III NIT). Friday's win over fellow nationally ranked Catholic may come as a surprise to those who thought it was Jenkins alone who brought the wins to the team. While Jenkins may have spurred some enthusiasm for the Pioneers and brought some much needed attention making recruitment easier, it was Coach Rebimbas who quietly established a team that

would not only survive, but thrive beyond the years of Jenkins. Over the two and a half years of Jenkins' history, a definite growth occurred among Pioneer talent including new player additions, a stronger defensive team (in particular under the boards), and a much more all around team consistently displayed by a somewhat stronger schedule than in the past.

Over the last seven years Coach Rebimbas has successfully commanded respect for the Pioneers among NJAC colleagues. A steady trend of ever increasing numbers in the win column season after season has brought the Pioneers to their third straight pre-season national ranking and a reputation of being a consistent and

sometimes dangerous heads-up squad. In the spring of '98 Coach Rebimbas guided the Pioneers to a 15-11 record which has steadily grown to a new university record of 26 with an NCAA season at 19-12 in 1999 and another playoff season at 23-5 in 2000.

While the Pioneer fire is no longer lit with rocket fuel, it is still burning nonetheless. Not aiming to predict any outcome, it is likely the Pioneers will be playoff contenders in the NJAC if for no other reason. The 2000-2001 regular season came to a close with the Pioneers at 22-4. This season may not be quite as striking although it will most certainly be that of NCAA contention.

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have responded very well to the event and the number of people being served has grown.

"About four years ago, our president, Dr. Arnold Speert and Dr. Chernoh Sesay decided to have this event in order to give thanks to the senior citizens and all their contributions to society," explained Dr. Pedro Martinez, assistant vice-president for Academic Affairs, who has been a part of the senior citizen program since its inception.

Because the Thanksgiving dinner started as an outreach program coordinated by the Office of Special Adult Programs, Valerie C. Marino, program assistant to the Office of Special Adult Programs, has been actively involved in putting the event together over the last several years. For

her, it has been a joy to serve.

"I like to see the smiles on the seniors' faces. I like to see that they're happy they're [at the dinner] and [don't] have to think about sickness and death," says Marino. "If I can make their day happy for whatever time they have left, then that is my fulfillment."

Student volunteers were also on hand to help greet and transport the seniors, serve food, and help distribute food baskets that were donated by various individuals, agencies, student clubs, and community organizations.

"My favorite moment [of the day] was handing out the baskets and seeing the smiles on the senior citizens' faces and seeing how excited they were," said Corey Swire, a sophomore.

Michelle Reeves, a junior who also

participated as a volunteer, saw how a simple gesture of kindness could make someone's day.

"I was grateful to see that we have a community that cares about people and it's really great to get to show God's love to other people," said Reeves.

Entertainment included selections by the William Paterson University Gospel Choir, a ballroom dancing performance, and steel drum band music provided by Utopia Pan Soul, the WPUNJ Pioneer Steel Orchestra.

Dorothy Gold of Altera Assisted Living in Passaic County summed up the feelings of many of the seniors when she said, "we are so grateful that we were invited. It was beautiful."

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because I'm in denial," said Michelle Reeves, a student. "Then I will be able to accept it and move on."

But as the reality of the situation took hold, moods changed. As soon as the bus exited the Lincoln Tunnel into New York City, the students fell silent. When Reeves actually found the site, her reaction was much different.

"I just stood there and stared," Reeves said. "I couldn't stop staring."

Others' reactions were

similar. Chris Rodriguez went on the trip just wanting to see where the World Trade Center was, but he found much more there.

"I was speechless," Rodriguez said.

The area around Ground Zero was barricaded, with National Guardsmen and police officers keeping watch over the site. Leiana Cummings, a New York City Police officer, was among the gatekeepers. She is also a William Paterson alumnus. She was very happy to see the group from William

Paterson making the trip to see Ground Zero and the "Wall of Remembrance" memorial that they left. She took time out from her duty to speak with Resident Assistants Jenny Clater, Evie Romero, and Argenis Colon about her experiences at William Paterson and as a police officer in New York.

At the day's end, the trip had been a success, with many feeling glad that they went. Colon, whose brother was supposed to be in the World Trade

Center on Sept. 11, said that he went on the trip out of curiosity. But what he saw was "much more than (he) thought".

"I'm glad I came," Colon.

Helene Gillespie, resident director of North Tower and trip leader, said that she thought that the trip was a good idea.

"The students that came will be able to express themselves better now," Gillespie said.

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set a great example off the field as well as on the field for the younger players. They deserve to go out with a win."

Coach Arico said that he is sure that the four nationally ranked teams that they played this year (Montclair State, Rowan, Western Connecticut, and Western Maryland) will be ranked next year and possibly two more of their opponents

could be too. That would mean that 60 percent of their games next season would be against nationally ranked teams.

"It makes us a better ball club," he said. "We're faced with a challenge week in and week out. There are no easy games."

The coach would not make any predictions for next year, but said that both his staff and his players have something to work on.

As for himself and his staff, Coach Arico said he has to watch films and fill out paperwork to prepare for the new recruiting class. He said the team gets about 800 recruits and probably gains around 40 or 45 players.

As for the players, he gave a typical coach response.

"They (the players) need to hit the weight room," he said with a smile.

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# Calendar of Events December 1 - 2

By Kerry Johnson  
Calendar Editor

**Sunday, Dec. 2**

New musical version of the Brothers Grimm tale, The Elves and the Shoemaker, is written especially for pre-school through third grade children, presented by ACME Performing Arts at 2 p.m. at the Shea Center. Admission is \$7. For further information call x-2371.

**Wednesday, Dec. 5**

The William Paterson University Toastmasters Club offers a supportive environment for anyone interested in strengthening their public speaking and leadership skills at 4:45 p.m. in College Hall. For further information call x-3201.

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A lecture on "Stress and Anxiety Reactions Arising from Global Crises," will take place from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Machuga Student Center 324-5. Speakers are Dr. Isora Bosch, from New York University, who specializes in stress management programming, and Dr. Emile Gurstelle, from WPU, who works in crisis intervention. Refreshments will be served. Space is limited, so please register by Nov. 28 by leaving your name, phone number and number attending at psychgrad@wpunj.edu or call x-3629 for further information.

*The William Paterson*

*University Chorus* presents Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Schubert's "Magnificat" with orchestra and soloists. Admission is free and the concert starts at 8 p.m. For further information call x-2371.

**Monday, Dec. 10**

*A New Music Festival* is presented by the New Jersey Percussion Ensemble and New Jersey New Music Ensemble, co-presented by the Composers Guild of NJ at the Shea Center at 7 p.m. Admission is free. For further information call x-2371.

**Tuesday, Dec. 11**

*A blood drive* will be held at

the Health and Wellness Center from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sponsored by the WPU's Student Nurse Association, in conjunction with the Center and the Bergen Regional Blood Center. The blood drive is being heralded as a "cele of the Sexes" to see if more women or men will donate. For more information contact the Health and Wellness Center.

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| <b>Dec. 1: El Kabong</b>                   | <b>Dec. 8: Ethan Band</b>           |



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# Special effects fly away with 'Sorcerer's Stone'

By Enily Shafer  
Special to the Pioneer Times

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" opened in a record breaking 3,672 theaters on Nov. 16...a long awaited debut for many people all over the U.S. and Canada...and already, it has woked magical wonders.

The box-office hit based on J.K. Rowling's books about a young wizard discovering his magical background has broken many records. In it's first three days, the movie made \$93.5 million, breaking the three-day record previously held by "The Lost World: Jurassic Park"

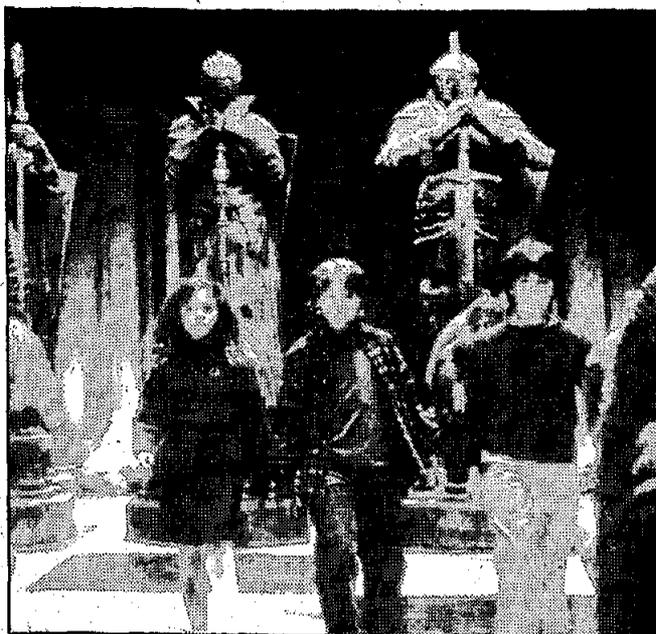
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from 1997. The movie also broke the record for the best single day earnings, beating "Star Wars: Episode I-The Phantom Menace" from 1999.

Chris Columbus, who is known for his work on the films "Mrs. Doubtfire", "Home Alone" and "Bicentennial Man", directed the film.

Newcomer Daniel Radcliffe plays the title role of Harry Potter, an orphaned wizard who lives with his aunt and uncle on Privet Drive in England. As Harry turns 11, he is invited to attend the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. After entering the wizard world for the first time, Harry learns that he is famous for surviving dark wizard Lord Voldemort in the fight that killed his parents and gave him the characteristic lightning bolt scar on his forehead.

In his first year at the school, Harry befriends Ron and Hermione, two students who are his accomplices through all the mischief one can get into at the school. They are searching for the answer to the secret about the Sorcerer's Stone, and end up fighting trolls, hiding under invisibility cloaks battling three heading dogs, and



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Emma Watson, Rupert Grint and Daniel Radcliffe portray students at wizard school in "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone."

befriending Hagrid, the giant, who is a dragon lover. But ultimately, their mischief ends up with Harry in another battle with his nemesis, Lord Voldemort.

The movie was excellent, although the ending was not as dramatic as it should have been depicted.

The special effects for the movie were great, especially for the Quidditch matches. Quidditch is a game that wizards play in the books, where the wizards fly around on broomsticks and score goals with the quaffle (a ball).

Harry is on one of the school's Quidditch teams, and wins the game for his house, Gryffindor. The Quidditch match was one of the best parts of the movie, since you really could not tell that the flying was not real...it really appeared that the kids were flying around on broomsticks without any special effects. It was truly spectacular, and one of the best scenes in the movie. The movie was 152 minutes well spent...although it was not as good as the book, it was an enjoyable experience, and it is recommended to anybody, whether a

# Harry Potter: It's for everyone, not just kids

By Kerry Johnson  
Staff Writer

On Nov. 16th the most anticipated movie of the year, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" opened and did not disappoint its audiences.

I, along with most of the people who had heard about Harry Potter caused the record-breaking crowds for this movie in its opening weekend. I can't remember the last time I actually looked forward to seeing a movie this much, and this one was well worth seeing.

Harry Potter is a young boy growing up in London with his aunt, uncle, and cousin. Harry knows he's different and can't explain why strange things happen when he's around. His aunt, uncle, and cousin don't like him and keep him locked

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under the stairs most of the time. Then on Harry's 11th birthday he learns the secret to his life and his dead parent's life: He's a wizard and has been accepted into Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry to learn about and develop his powers.

During his first year at school Harry makes new friends, has many new adventures, fights the evil Dark Wizard, and learns the truth about his parents.

The movie was excellent and lived up to its hype. It was a wonderful adaptation of J.K. Rowling's book and made the movie easy to follow for those who haven't read the book. The much talked about special effects were incredible and I particularly enjoyed the scenes with the Sorting Hat, Quidditch, and the final scene with the Sorcerer's Stone.

Whether you've read the books or not, I highly recommend you go see this movie. It's not just for kids.

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goals, two assists) and senior goalie en Menges (4.5 shutouts, 13-4 record) both were given second-team All-Mid-Atlantic Region honors.

**Cross Country**

The men's and women's cross country team's season finished on Oct. 27 at the New Jersey Athletic Conference championship. The races were held at Washington's Crossing Park and featured eight NJAC school.

Juniors Stephanie Maxwell, Jill Sanders, and Craig Cantanese represented William Paterson well. Maxwell placed fifth, which earned her the honor of first-team All-NJAC. Sanders finished 12th and was given second-team All-NJAC honors. The lady Pioneers finished third overall.

For the men, Cantanese

finished 15th and was named to the second-team All-NJAC. The men's team finished in sixth place.

**Men's Soccer**

Coach Brian Woods'

team came up just shy of making the playoffs this year. The Pioneers were led by junior Mike Guerdat and freshman Carlos Ortiz, who were both named All-NJAC second-team. Guerdat, a forward, ended the season with eight goals and three assists. Ortiz, a midfielder, finished with three goals. All-NJAC honorable mentions were given to senior captain back Jeff Adams and sophomore back Gary Jordan for their all-around play. Another bright spot for the Pioneers was senior captain Jon Russo who finished out the season with three goals and three assists. The team ended the season at

8-9, 3-6 NJAC. Women's Soccer

The WPU women's soccer team had great play from many different individuals to lead them to a record of 8-6-2, 5-3-1 NJAC.

Sophomore Amy Wieszun received the All-NJAC first-team award for scoring 16 points on the season. The forward had six goals and handed out four assists. Pioneers earning the honorable mention for the All-NJAC team were: seniors Colleen McGhee (four goals, five assists) and Marissa Fenner (two goals), and sophomores Erin Finn (four goals, three assists), Allison McCathy (two goals, one assist), and Lindsay Birdsall. Other highlights for the lady Pioneers was sophomore forward Kat McPhail, who had scored four goals and dished out three

assists, and freshman goalie Heather Tabman, who had 65 saves on the season.

**Volleyball**

The 2001 WPU volleyball team was paced by a strong season from senior Meredith Schwartz. Schwartz averaged 3.84 kills and 4.71 digs per game to lead her team in both categories and earn the NJAC first-team honors. Other leader on the team were senior setter Tara Van Laera (2.72 digs, 5.49 assists/game), junior middle hitter Kristen Skirbe (1.01 blocks, 3.76 digs/game), junior backcourt player Brenda Kaus (3.45 digs/game), and senior opposite hitter Sharon Stewart (2.81 digs/game). The team ended their season at the NJAC playoffs with a record of 16-11, 3-4 NJAC.

# PIONEER SPORTS

## Pioneers win in close contest with Catholic U Cardinals

By Joe van Gaalen  
Staff Writer

The William Paterson Pioneers and the Catholic University Cardinals have become, simply put, friendly enemies since 1999. As Duke and North Carolina endlessly trade blows season after season, it is likely that Catholic and William Paterson will do the same. After four games in the history books, the Pioneers and the Cardinals are all tied up at two games apiece, thanks to the Pioneers recent down-to-the-wire win, 71-68.

The teams seem to battle along the twin themes of upset and eliminate. When the Pioneers tiptoed through the Big Dance of March 1999, the

Cardinals were upset by the high-flying Cinderella Pioneers led by All-American Horace Jenkins.

The following year as the Pioneers gained some much needed national press they faced Catholic again in the exact same position, the NCAA Sweet 16. This round the Pioneers, the favorites, were eliminated and so the saga continued.

In March of 2001, the Pioneers ended their season again in a game with Catholic losing in the NCAA Finals. Somewhere amidst this story WPU Head Coach Jose Rebimbas and CUA Head Coach Mike Lonergan earned a certain respect for each other. It is at this note where the Nov. 16 game comes into play. Coach Rebimbas and

Coach Lonergan decided what better way to continue the story than to play a game that is on the schedule rather than one decided by fate.

With the loss of two-time D-III All-American Horace Jenkins to professional ball in Italy, it might seem the Pioneers are at a loss for the up-coming 2001-2002 season. Despite this fact, Coach Rebimbas has successfully ironed the Pioneer insignia to a wooded spot in Northern New Jersey on the D-III basketball 'map' and now intends to polish the logo. With a handful of new talent and a string of returning players including the always-airborne Rashaan Barner and defensive hammerhead Dag

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PT photo by Gina Moffitt

Pioneer guard, Brandon Constantine battles against a Catholic University foe at the recent game. Pioneers won, 71 to 68.

## Awards aplenty for Pioneers

Paul French Jr.  
Sports Editor

The fall sports season has come to a close and many William Paterson University players were the recipients of awards and honors. Here is a round up of the fall stars from WPU:

### Field Hockey

The WPU field hockey team had a strong season, which saw them go 13-4, 2-2 NJAC. The team was lead by senior forward Lesley Dube, who finished with 42 points (19 goals and four assists) and earned the first-team All-American award, the first WPU field hockey player to do so. The three-time All-American was named the NJAC Offensive Player of the Year and was also named to the All-NJAC first team and the All Mid-Atlantic Region first team.

Dube ended her career as the Pioneers' all-time leader in goals scored in a game (six), goals scored in a single-season (19), career goals (55), and career points (129).

Joining Dube with both All-NJAC first team and All Mid-Atlantic Region first team honors is Sophomore Krista Hinshillwood. The forward finished the season with 12 goals and four assists.

Also receiving All Mid-Atlantic Region first-team was senior link Katie Higgins, who finished with a goal and five assists on the season. Senior back Danielle Battoni (two

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## Record breaking year for Pioneer football

Paul French Jr.  
Sports Editor

Consider the season a success. Head Coach Larry Arico does:

His Pioneers improved upon last year's record of 2-8, 1-5 NJAC and broke 19 school records, despite having one of the toughest schedules around. The progress made by the team was important to not only the coach, but to his players as well.

"We wanted to see it (a better record) on paper," said Arico. "We had far more games come down to the wire that we almost won. We had quit a tough schedule. We definitely improved."

Not only did this year's team (3-7, 2-4 NJAC) play better than last year's, but the offense played better than any other in WPU history. All 19 records set by the pioneers were done by the offense.

"We had an opportunity to shatter a lot more records," said Arico. "I think it's great. It gives the guys something to shoot for."

Senior quarterback Rob Warchol was responsible for breaking 12 of the records. Warchol set single-season marks for passing attempts (426), passing completions (220), passing yards (2,516), passing touchdowns (18), and 300-yard

passing games (four).

He also set records in attempts (66), completions (32), and yards (398) in a single game. During the season, Warchol became the holder of career records for attempts (692), completions (366), and yards (4,116).

Warchol teamed with junior Sean O'Connor to help set a team record for most passing yards in a game with 432. The team also set a record for most passing yards in a season with 2,919.

"We have an efficient offense," said Coach Arico. "Our running game has to improve."

Sophomore wide receiver Bryant Richardson set records for passing receptions in a game (11) and receptions in a season (64). Fellow receiver, freshman Brian Lowenstein set his own records with most receiving yards in a season (736), most receiving yards in a game (192), and most receptions by a rookie (52).

"Those are positive things that the guys are taking to the off-season," said Arico. "(Teams) gain the biggest improvement over the off-season."

The coach said that the team will be losing "maybe" 10 seniors.

"This is a great way to end your career," Arico said to his seniors. "I'm glad they got to go out with a W. They

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