

## Wightman Soccer Field to host 2002 Musicfest

By Armando Triana  
Staff Writer

Because of noise complaints and security issues with crowd control location, the of this year's Musicfest has been moved to the Wightman Soccer Field.

"Several complaints have come from faculty and students who are affected by the loud noise, which travels to most of the academic buildings during four regular class periods," said Francisco Diaz, director of campus activities. "The safety of our students is paramount and the location lends itself to complicated monitoring."

With attendance expected to be anywhere between 350 and 500 on May 1, officials hope the move will help the outside security personnel and WPU public safety officers with crowd control.

"The area will now be able to be monitored differently," said Diaz. "We will post security forces at each of the entrances to the field and be able to monitor the crowds more effectively."

Not everyone is happy with the new location. Members of the Athletic Department are concerned that the field might not be cleaned properly and maintained following the event.

"I was not in favor of the change in location," said Arthur Eason, director of athletics. "It was first planned to move to one of the practice fields because the university has invested a lot of money in the upkeep of that field."

Wightman Soccer Field is shared by the men and women's soccer teams and the women's field-hockey team, none of which is currently in season, but will be in the fall.

"We have our fingers crossed hoping nothing happens," said Eason.

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## MEISA Career Day



Former CBS Records executive talks with Music Department Chair Dr. Stephen Marcone at last week's Music and Entertainment Industry Student Association Career Day Panel discussion. See page 6 for the full story.

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## Students react after indictment of former *Beacon* editor

By Jill Sanders and  
Armando Triana  
Staff Writers

The former editor-in-chief of William Paterson University's *The Beacon* student newspaper has been indicted on two counts of theft by deception for inappropriately taking money from the paper's advertising accounts.

According to the indictment, handed down recently by a Passaic County grand jury, Ryan L.

Caiazzo, 24, allegedly stole \$50,000 in advertising revenue, which was used for unauthorized purchases including computers and furniture for the *Beacon* office, and

dinners.

Caiazzo also allegedly took a \$3,000 trip to Amsterdam while studying in England to research an article about prostitution in the Netherlands.

Each count carries a possible five-year prison term.

Efforts to reach Passaic County chief

assistant prosecutor John A. Snowdon were unsuccessful, but in a *Herald News* article dated April 11,

Snowdon said that Caiazzo opened a separate bank account for

the paper and spent the money without the proper permission in order to avoid a Student Government Association rule

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**"This is just embarrassing...I didn't realize they had access to that amount of money."**

**-Stanley Brideforth,  
Business Major**

## Fiscal year 2003: WPU faces \$6.3 mill financial gap

By Jill K. Sanders  
Staff Writer

William Paterson University is facing a \$6.3 million budget gap for the 2003 fiscal year following news that the funds the university lost this year, \$2.8 million, will not be replaced as had been expected and that \$3.5 million increases in union professors salaries won't be covered by the state.

In addition, the state's 2003 fiscal year budget, released on March 26, shows the state will be giving \$40.3 million less to senior public colleges and universities. While Steven Bolyai, vice president of Administration and Finance, gave no specific figure as to what WPU might lose out of that figure, he did say that the state's budget would have a noticeable negative effect.

"He (Gov. James E. McGreevey) did not expand it (the budget) and that's a cut," said Bolyai.

The nearly \$3 million the university lost after McGreevey called for a cut in state funding late January played a big part in the financial gap that WPU is facing.

"The \$3 million we lost this year is not going to be restored," said Bolyai.

Another major factor in the budget crunch is the contracted salary increases for the university's union employees. Coming into the last year of the four-year contract for the teacher's union, the salary increases total \$3.5 million, none of which the state will cover. The university will have to absorb those increases, according to Bolyai.

The university's Finance and Audit Committee met twice this month to discuss ways to close the gap, according to Bolyai who was present for the gatherings. Also in attendance at those

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# Senioritis in full effect

By Emily Shafer  
Staff Writer

Spring is in the air, and with it comes excitement for many seniors who are graduating in May. This is also the time for the annual disease that afflicts many of the future graduates — senioritis.

The first symptoms surface between Thanksgiving and Christmas of the fall semester of senior year: unfinished homework, a lack of interest in studying for a big test. However, in January full-blown senioritis starts to emerge.

Senioritis is an epidemic that affects soon-to-be college graduates all over the country. Symptoms of senioritis, according to a bulletin put out by Centre College in Kentucky, include anxiety about job searches, graduate school plans, and moving back with parents or living alone.

Centre College has developed a program for seniors called "Beyond Centre".

The purpose of the program is to help alleviate some of these concerns. During the series of lectures, students are able to listen to staff and alumni talk about issues that students face after graduation.

According to Nancy Ellson, nurse practitioner at William Paterson University, there are two types of senioritis that students may experience. They may be excited since they can't wait to start their new life because they know what their goals are, or they may feel despair since they are unsure about what they are doing and they're scared.

"Everybody has mixed feelings about graduation," said Ellson. "But they usually fall into one of these categories. They're either ready to graduate because they had career goals, or they are thinking 'Oh crap! I'm graduating, and I don't know what I want to do!'"

Several seniors on campus feel that they have reached a point where they don't want to do anything anymore.

"I'm at the point where I just don't care anymore," said Lauren Wagenhoffer, a senior sociology major. "It's so nice outside and I don't want

to be holed up inside finishing up stupid papers. I'm done...I'm going to graduate this May no matter what."

It's even worse when you're a "super-senior" (fifth year student) according to Rachel Heffers, a fifth year communication major.

"I don't want to do anything," said Heffers. "Right now I basically only have one class that I have to go to regularly, so that's all I do. Sometimes it takes too much of an effort to even go to that one."

Senioritis is a stress-related illness according to Ellson. Whether you are experiencing stress in a good way or a bad way, the body doesn't know the difference. In either case, it's a time that you have to take particularly good care of yourself. This includes eating nutritiously and using less drugs and alcohol.

The university does offer some programs to help ease the stress of the final semester. For example, the university recently held a Graduate Salute in the Machuga Student Center for

seniors where they had an opportunity to clear everything with various offices (such as Financial

Aid, Registrar, Bursar).

Representatives from all offices were present to make sure everything is in order for those intending to graduate. Also, students could pick up their cap and gown, and order class rings or graduation announcements.

On the day before graduation, the alumni office sponsors the Senior Send-Off, an event to celebrate graduation. The alumni office provides information for students who want to stay involved with the university as alumni.

Graduation is the exact opposite of the homesickness that students experience when they start college as a freshman, although Ellson says that the feelings are actually quite similar.

You left the familiarity of home and high school to go to college, something totally different. You finally got used to college, and now you're leaving another familiar place to tackle another new one.

"Both situations deal with going from a known to an unknown," said Ellson. "It's the same situation."

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**-Lauren Wagenhoffer**  
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## Alumni Lecture Series welcomes business writer John Byrne

By Holly Tedesco

Staff Writer

John Byrne, a 1975 William Paterson University graduate, will speak today as part of the Alumni Lecture Series at 2 p.m. in the Cheng Library auditorium.

Byrne is co-author of "Jack: Straight from the Gut," the New York Times best seller about General Electric's Chairman and CEO, Jack Welch. The book debuted at the top of the best-seller list and remained there for more than 23 consecutive weeks. The story details the life and journeys of Welch, a prominent businessman.

Byrne has written seven other books, including "Chainsaw," a behind-the-scenes story of Al Dunlap's rise and fall as a business celebrity, and "Odyssey," the business biography of former Apple Computer chairman John Scully. He has also written "Business Week's Guide to the Best Business

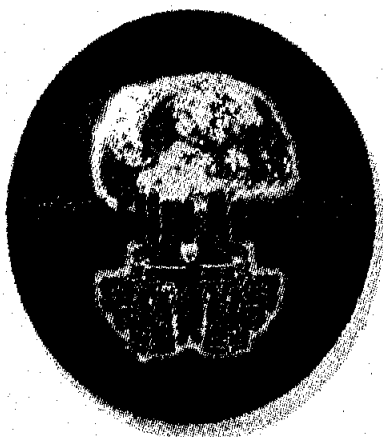
Schools."

Byrne currently works for Business Week magazine, where he has been a writer since 1985. His articles have explored the fairness of executive pay, the folly of management fads, and the governing of major corporations. Previously he served as an associate editor and staff writer for Forbes magazine, and as a correspondent for Fairchild Publications in London and Washington D.C.

Byrne has a master's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri and an undergraduate degree in English and political science from WPU. During his time on campus, he was editor of the Beacon.

According to Judith Linder, director of Alumni Relations, "John has an affinity for our campus because of his times on the Beacon staff."

Byrne was unavailable for an interview.



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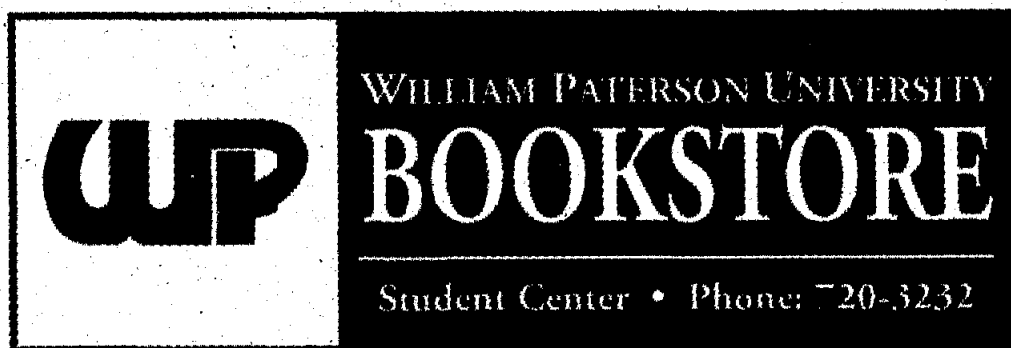
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## Pioneer Commentary

## Musicfest a great event; Dont spoil it with mischief

Senoiritis, the stress of exams and papers, fights with friends and family can all be alleviated with one day, a day which William Paterson University students pine for each spring-Musicfest. This day of good food, drinks and music is a William Paterson tradition that is enjoyed by the community, and those both veteran and new.

This year's activities have been moved from Zanfino Plaza to the Wightman Soccer Field, a move which has caused some controversy within the athletic community, as well as student body. Francisco Diaz, head of Campus Activities, has said the move was spurred **EDITORIAL** by complaints from students and faculty about noise and disruption of classes. This is a valid point and the move will be able to free inhibitions more now that the locations is so far from any classroom.

However, security issues were also looked at. This year's Musicfest will be patrolled more thoroughly by security forces. We all know where fun can be found, mischief often follows. And with the change of location, students can feel free to let loose and really enjoy themselves, which has the potential for danger.

All who attend should be careful to remember that everyone there is out to have fun--safe, clean fun. Let's make this year's festivities the best ever celebrated on campus and not let mischief rear its ugly head. Be responsible, have a good time. But respect the facilities and those attending. Show the university that the extra security is just that, extra, not necessary.



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WKTU's Valeta Pafford and Jay West at last year's Musicfest.

## Fraternity T-shirt messages cross decency line

By Jill K. Sanders  
Staff Writer

A fraternity is a group of community-serving young men who are sibling-like friends to each other, and share a common pride for the fraternity they represent. Beta Theta Epsilon (BTE), one of William Paterson University's frats, is just one of those groups who should be proud to show off their name, their fraternity pride, and their community service. And how do they advertise it?

"Pullin' bitches and issuin' stitches."

I saw the t-shirt, with the BTE symbol displayed on the front in their traditional black and yellow colors, and I saw the back with a scantily clad woman with an arm draped around them and the beaten man at the feet of the frat boy.

My favorite part, of course, is that women are lovingly referred to as "bitches" and that we can be "pulled" in by a man who calls a woman such and one who fights for no apparent reason listed on the t-shirt.

As a group of young men in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, BTE says that women are bitches and that fighting to the point of injury is just fine. Not only is this offensive to me and to women across the campus, it is a poor showing of the groups that should be spreading the idea that their fraternity (or sorority) is doing good in the world.

BTE is not a lone fraternity that degrades women; there is another campus frat that condones cheating!

Alpha Pi Delta (APD), in their traditional colors with the fraternity name printed, had a t-shirt that said, "You may not like us, but your girlfriends do."

Yeah, your girlfriend likes them because she hangs

out with them and you know what THAT means -- she likes them by more than just a "frierl."

What is going on? Is this what my fellow classmates believe? Women are bitches, fighting is cool, and cheating is all right?

Sadly, there are other groups that brag about how drunk they like to get. One that comes to memory is a shirt that said something along the lines of, "You may not like us, but we're drunk to care." Yes, that is how they spelled 'too' on the t-shirt.

And how do the real representatives, the people who refer to women as women, who won't issue anything close to stitches, who remain faithful to their partners, who know the difference between 'to' and 'too,' who give community service and practice true loyalty to others, combat the offensive and ridiculous t-shirts of these groups?

Perhaps since BTE and APD are acting like children, they should be treated as such. They should ask for permission and approval before they can show how they would like to represent their fraternity in clothing form.

## Study states the obvious: Smaller schools equal better education

By Jane Eisner  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Sometimes it takes years of exacting, exhaustive research to prove what common sense might tell us if we only asked.

Here I refer to the results of the largest survey of its kind ever conducted in the United States, released a week ago. It found that students who attend smaller schools tend to feel more connected to their teachers and to one another - and are less likely to engage in risky behavior such as drug use, violence or early sexual activity.

The researchers carefully surveyed nearly 72,000 students in 127 representative schools

**COMMENTARY** across the country to confirm what anyone familiar with teen-agers knows all along: They need our attention, no matter what they say.

"In smaller schools, students, teachers and school administrators all have more personal relationships with each other," Robert Blum, director of the University of Minnesota's Center for Adolescent Health and Development, said in the introduction to the study he authored.

"They know who you are. This is important to keeping kids engaged and a part of school."

Blum's research adds to what educators already know about the academic value of smaller school environments - that test scores, attendance rates and graduation rates improve when high schools are home to several hundred, rather than several thousand, students. This is especially true for poor and minority students. Smaller schools are a well-tested academic equalizer.

Yet the average enrollment in the nation's public schools is creeping upward. For elementary schools, it has held steady for the last few years, but at the highest rate in 15 years. For regular secondary schools, average enrollment is as high as it's ever been in that time frame.

Imagine: There are high schools in this country with more than 5,000 students. That's the size of a small army. And while schools of that size are rare, the proportion of schools with 1,000 or more students is increasingly steadily - while the percent with 400 or fewer students is shrinking.

As with everything else in education, there are caveats. Small is better

but it is not perfect. Size does not always predict student achievement. And educators themselves don't agree on the definition of "small."

But this much is certain: The pressure on schools to grow and consolidate is unabating - whether to realize economies of scale in distressed school districts or to absorb burgeoning populations in sprawl communities. Even Congress acknowledged that fact when it recently offered competitive grants to encourage school districts to create "small learning communities" in mega-high schools.

Going even further, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation announced last month a \$40 million program to create 70 small high schools in which students could also earn college credit. The foundation already had committed more than \$300 million to create new small schools and transform high schools into more manageable, personalized communities.

Think they're on to something?

Holly Perry has known about the benefits of smaller schools 18 years, since she became principal of A.M.Y. Northwest, a Philadelphia middle school with about 250 students and a

solid academic reputation. Yes, there is a downside to her more intimate environment - which is why she was answering the office phone one afternoon this week, when there was no replacement for an absent secretary.

Still, Perry is convinced that size matters and is cost-effective in the long run. As an example, she has tracked how many of her graduates complete ninth grade in one year, an excellent predictor of whether they'd eventually receive a diploma. The district-wide average is about 50 percent. For A.M.Y. Northwest grads, it's between 85 percent and 90 percent.

That achievement might be overlooked by those focused on short-term academic and financial pangs. Perry worries that "someone will come in and not understand how schools work - that connectedness is essential to community, and community is essential to learning."

It's an equation born out by research and reinforced by common sense. Which, in the murky realm of politics and education, may be just enough to doom it.

## Pioneer Commentary

## Sexually transmitted diseases can infect anyone

By Emily Shafer

Staff Writer

Like many college students, I was one of those who always said, "It can't happen to me." Well it did happen to me. I contracted a sexually transmitted disease...actually two.

I am currently taking a class called Human Sexuality with Dr. Stuart Lisbe. At the end of February, Dr. Lisbe discussed the HPV virus, more commonly known as genital warts, and advised us that if we were sexually active, we should be tested for this virus, along with other STD's.

The day after that class I had an appointment for my yearly gynecological exam. Based on what Dr. Lisbe said in class and on my own sexual history, I decided I should be tested, especially since diseases like chlamydia and gonorrhea typically don't show any symptoms. So I had the test done thinking that nothing was wrong with me. "It can't happen to me," remember? Shortly after the exam, I forgot all about it.

During spring break, I was home relaxing, sitting in my bed reading "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" when the phone rang. It was a doctor from my gynecologist's office.

"You have chlamydia," she said. "And your gonorrhea test wasn't too great either." WHAT? But I thought that it couldn't happen to me.

Luckily, chlamydia and gonorrhea are two STD's that are curable with antibiotics. That night I took the antibiotics and ended up in the hospital with a severe reaction to the medication.

That day started my new fear. If I had one STD, what if I had another? What if I was also HIV positive? What if I had to pay for my one mistake with a non-curable disease that sooner or later may lead to my death?

The Monday that I returned from spring break, the first thing I did was go to Dr. Lisbe's office and thank him for talking about the HPV virus in class. If it hadn't been for that lecture, I never would have even thought about having an STD test. I was lucky that I had caught my diseases early. If I hadn't, they could have led to something more serious, and affected my health and ability to have children in the future. I was lucky, but I was still scared. The thought of HIV would just not leave my mind. It was the scariest experience I ever had in my life.

I made an appointment for an HIV test at Planned Parenthood on Hamburg Turnpike. I was somewhat happy to find out that they did not need to draw blood, since I am scared of needles. Instead, they have a new test called Ora-Sure. With Ora-Sure, there is a swab that you put in your mouth for two minutes. Then they can tell if HIV antibodies are present from your saliva.

The next few weeks were very bleak. Not one day went by that I didn't sit and cry thinking, what if? What if? I was very scared. Things were finally falling into place with my life.

I had been accepted to graduate school at Temple University. I had been chosen to do an internship with The Press of Atlantic City for the summer.

I was graduating in May. I was going to England in June.

I talked to several people about my ordeal, mainly just to help me through it, including Michelle Moravec, the director of the women's center, and Nancy Ellison, coordinator of Wellness Services. Both had great things to say, and quite honestly, if it hadn't been for their words of wisdom and encouragement, I don't think that I would've made it through the weeks as I did.

During those two weeks I was lucky enough to see the musical *RENT* on Broadway. If you have ever seen it, you know that it is filled with characters who

are HIV positive. Imagine what that did to my already rocky feelings. I had no idea about the content of the show; I just wanted to see it because I heard it was good. The musical was great, but since I believe in signs, I also thought that it was telling me I was HIV positive.

I did everything that I could to take my mind off the wait for the results, and most of it worked. There were times, especially lying in bed at night, when I would start thinking about it...and thinking....and thinking. I was thinking about my previous sex partners, thinking about where they had been. I was thinking what am I going to do if the test comes back positive? Nurse Nancy told me that HIV positive people often live many years without any sign of the AIDS virus. She also said they go on to get married, and can have healthy children. I was told that no matter what the results, I should not let them keep me from doing what I always wanted to do.

During the two weeks, I became a reborn Christian. I had always doubted my faith, but at this point I felt that I didn't have anywhere else in which to turn. I went to a Christian store where I live, and ended up spending more than \$50 dollars on a new Bible, a cross, and inspirational cards. I guess I was desperate. "Please God...I know that I haven't been the best child in my life. But you know that I don't deserve this. You know what this would do to me. Please just let me stay healthy," I prayed.

I was told that maybe this scare was just a way for God to tell me he wanted me to have faith in him again. He was saying, "What can I do to make her turn to me again?" It worked.

The Wednesday finally when I would be able to get my test results arrived. I called Planned Parenthood first to make sure that they were in, and the I had two good friends who were ready to go with me for moral support. I was ready to tackle whatever came. I hoped for the

best, but prepared for the worst. I knew that if it was positive, I would get through it. If it was negative, I was going to treat all of my friends to a drink.

When I called the office, and gave my confidential number, I was put on hold. After about two minutes, she came back on and verified my confidential number. "Your results are negative...congratulations!" she said. I told her that I wanted to give her a big hug, and she said that I could come by anytime to do so. And yes, I did treat many of my friends to dinner that weekend.

The point of this story is to let everyone know that it can happen to you. It only takes once, which is all it took for me. I'm happy to report to you that I am now STD free, and keep condoms in my desk drawer. Never again will I be caught having unprotected sex.

The feelings that I had during the past month were excruciating. The pain I felt is something that I would never wish on my worst enemy. I hope that nobody ever has to go through what I went through. Millions of college students every year are diagnosed with STDs. Some, such as chlamydia and gonorrhea often do not show symptoms in women or men. They can only be detected through a test done by a doctor. If you are sexually active, whether protected or unprotected, I strongly urge you to have a test done.

If you need more information, you may contact Planned Parenthood or visit the campus Health and Wellness center. I don't recommend talking to a regular gynecologist. The one that told me about my disease was not helpful, and did not provide me with the information I needed. Planned Parenthood or the Health and Wellness Center on campus deal with these situations more often, and will be able to provide you with more useful information.

You just never know, because it can happen to you.

## Spring break behavior getting out of control

All of us were treated last month to the daily escapades of college students on spring break. Cancun seemed to have most of the action. One student fell to his death from a balcony because he had gotten drunk and lost his balance. Thousands of others were shown on television drinking and dancing; co-eds posing for the cameras by lifting their t-shirts to show their breasts (which were usually blacked out by the film editors) were always included.

A recent editorial section of the *Bergen Record* stated that a federal study found 1,400 college students to be killed each year in alcohol-related incidents, and college drinking linked to an estimated 70,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year. It went on to add that at least four tour lines aim advertising at high school students.

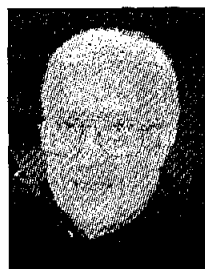
The theory seems to be "if you get them young

## Our Times

By Domenick Pedalino  
Columnist

enough you can teach them anything". High school drinking has now progressed to unsupervised drinking parties that have gotten completely out of control. Police in 20 Bergen County towns have been given authority, by ordinance, to enter the premises where a drinking party is taking place and issue summonses to any underage drinkers. Penalties can range from fines to suspension of driver's licenses and community service.

Some parents (probably the same ones that allow unsupervised drinking parties in their homes) have lamented that "the new ordinances give the police too



much power". They don't get it. The new ordinances are in place because they haven't done their jobs as parents.

On March 29, Ayat al-Akhras, 18, a high school student from Bethlehem, Israel went home on her lunch hour. She was engaged to be married, but for some time was troubled that Arab leaders of the Palestinian movement weren't doing enough to end Israeli occupation. She did not go to Cancun on spring break this year. Instead she removed her blouse, attached a dozen dynamite sticks to her bosom and walked to the nearest supermarket where she blew up herself, along with a man and woman.

The teachers and parents of this country had better start doing what they can to raise responsible, well-educated and intelligent children. The world has become too dangerous a place to suffer fools.

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# BRIEFS

## Distinguished Lecturer Series' final guest scheduled

P.J. O'Rourke, a political writer and foreign affairs editor for Rolling Stone magazine, will bring a comic spin to the Distinguished Lecturer Series on Friday, April 26 in the final program of this year's series. The author of nine best-selling books, O'Rourke has established himself as one of America's premier political satirists through his books and columns. In his most recent book, "The CEO of the Sofa," he embarks on a mission to the most frightening place of all, his home. From there, he pushes himself off the couch to pursue assignments as his penchant for journalism takes him to the international scene on which he reports with the skills and discipline of an investigative reporter. He has covered some of the most important events of our time including the civil war in Lebanon, the Palestinian uprising, and the troubles in Northern Ireland. In addition to Rolling Stone, he has written for the New York Times, The New Republic and Forbes. By reputation, he is known as a hard-bitten, cigar-smoking conservative, but in reality skewers politicians of all persuasions.

A limited number of single tickets may be available at the Shea Center Box Office on April 22.

## Images of Lower Manhattan Exhibit to close this week

The Images of the lower Manhattan skyline exhibit at the Ben Shahn Galleries, photographed by Jersey City artist Carol Westfall, close April 26.

The exhibit, titled "Cityscapes: Remembrances of Things Past," features Westfall's photographs of the World Trade Center, the Statue of Liberty and New York Harbor, which have been transferred to fabric and hang suspended on the walls of Ben Shahn's East Gallery.

"In July of 1993, I moved to Jersey City," explains Westfall. "As a novice sailor, I learned every nook and cranny of that harbor. I took great delight in photographing the twin towers at all hours of the day and night and all seasons of the year. There was nothing quite so spectacular to me as my 'personal view' of Manhattan. Now it is gone."

In tribute to the lives lost in the attacks on the World Trade Center, Westfall has crafted 3,000 paper doves, which are piled on the floor in the center of the exhibition space. "I am heart-sick over the loss of over 3,000 innocents," she says. "How can one ever truly acknowledge the enormity of this tragedy?"

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

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# Students, professional exchange ideas Second MEISA Career Day a success

By Jenifer Petrocca  
Staff Writer

If you want to make it in the music and entertainment industry, you have to be willing to do anything, go anywhere and even work for nothing while you make connections and try to get your foot in the door. But then again, you could also attend the Music and Entertainment Industry Student Association's (MEISA) career day panel and start networking with the industry's top professionals while you are still in college.

Many students are musicians, have bands or are just interested in the industry and don't know what to do next or they are just not aware of all the job choices available in the music and entertainment industry.

"We like to give students the opportunity to network with people who can help them," said Alana Saratore, MEISA president. "We bring the people to them."

On April 10th, MEISA held its second annual panel discussion in the John Victor Machuga Student Center Ballroom, treating students to not only music industry leaders but also to an array of sandwiches, cookies and drinks. The represented companies covered many areas of the industry, including booking shows and tour promotions, public relations and publicity, business management, entertainment law, and recording.

Dr. Stephen Marcone, music department chair, opened the well-attended event by introducing the panel and giving some statistics about the \$13 billion music industry that offers over 800 career possibilities.

"Over 90 percent of records released do not make money," Marcone said. "One third of 1 percent of albums released generates 56 percent of all sales."

Since last year, industry sales declined 10 percent. Consumers bought more blank CDs than pre-recorded ones. From record companies to tour promoters to booking agents to radio stations, consolidation of the business is the current trend. Panelists addressed audience questions about these issues before adjourning to the Gallery Lounge to meet and talk with students and faculty in a relaxed atmosphere.

The surprise guest of the evening was Walter Yetnikoff, former chief



PT photo by Jenifer Petrocca

Ariel Hyatt, of Ariel Publicity, lends her advice to a student after the MEISA Career Day panel discussion.

executive officer of CBS Records. His accomplishments include working with artists such as Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel and George Michael. He is credited with engineering the sale of CBS Records to Sony, Inc. for \$2 billion and is the subject of the 1991 Vintage Books publication "Hit Men: Power Brokers and Fast Money Inside the Music Business," written by Fredric Dannen.

Also on-site was Gene Bowen, founder of Road Recovery, an educational outreach program that uses the power of music to teach kids and musicians about the dangers of drug and alcohol addiction. The organization uses industry professionals affected by addiction, as well as sober professionals, to get their message out through seminars, discussions and concert events. It also provides free job placement for road crews looking to work in sober environments.

Marie Alcindor, a junior Communication major, hoping to work in artist and repertoire development (A&R), was inspired by her one-on-one chat with Yetnikoff. Feeling a bit deflated lately about the possibility of landing a job in this "who-you-know-industry", she was motivated by Yetnikoff's advice about following her dreams.

"I think seeing people who were like us, in college, who worked for nothing, become something...motivates

me to do more," Alcindor said.

Senior Communication major, Greg Robinson, felt lucky to have stumbled upon MEISA's presentation and even luckier to have had a bunch of his hard rock band Avviad's CDs in his bag, ready to hand out.

"I thought tonight was awesome," Robinson said. "There should be more. I've used the Internet, web-sites, Career Connections and it's been no hope. This is great. You can talk and make connections."

The other guest speakers included WPU alumnus Aaron Van Duyne of White Hot Management, who represents acts such as The Dave Mathews Band, 3 Doors Down and Kiss; Derek Graham, VP of sales for Wind Up Records, whose top client, Creed, has record sales of their current album topping 5 million; Adam Kornfeld, senior booking agent for Artists Group International (AGI), a top tour promoter in the country today; Mark Shulman of Metropolitan Entertainment Group, a top promoter in the New York metropolitan area for decades and one of the few independents left in the industry; Ariel Hyatt and Ryan Romana of Ariel Publicity in New York City; entertainment lawyer Paul Ungar, Esq.; and Ari Nisman of Degy Entertainment, a full service entertainment company located in Union, NJ.

## 8th Annual Film Festival

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Association

6:00 p.m. May 3rd

Hobart Hall 140A



# Calendar of Events April 25th- May 8th

By Kerry Johnson  
Calendar Editor

## Thursday, April 25

This year's *Take Our Daughters to Work Day* activities will focus on stimulating interest in math and science. To register, contact the Women's Center at x-2946.

The men's baseball team plays New Jersey City University at 3:30 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call x-2705.

Patricia Fernandez Kelly, a sociologist from Princeton University, presents *Workers Under Fire: Mexico, Globalization, and NAFTA's impact*. The program will discuss the impact of globalization on border industries, women in the workforce, and the labor force since NAFTA. It will take place from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the David and Lorraine Cheng Library Auditorium. A reception will be held after talk at the Machuga Student Center Gallery (first floor). The program is free and open to the public. For more information, please call Prof. Grisel Maduro, Director, Latin American Studies Program, at x-2808.

*The Annual Spring Aerobics Superclass* will take place at the Rec Center from 4:45 p.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free and prizes will be drawn by raffle at the end of class. For more information, call the Rec Center at x-2777.

Dr. Edward Kravitz, the George Packer Berry Professor of Neurobiology at Harvard Medical School, will present a seminar titled *"Fighting flies and lobsters: model system for study of aggression."* The program will be in the Atrium Auditorium at 5 p.m. For further information, contact Dr. Onaivi at x-3453.

*The Opera Workshop*, directed by Stephen Bryant is in

Shea 101 at 8 p.m. Admission is \$6 standard, \$5 WP community, senior citizens, students, and limit two per ID. For further information call x-2371.

*The William Paterson University Brass Quintet*, Horn Ensemble, Low Brass Ensemble, and Saxophone Ensemble performs the works of Frackenpohl, Bach, Dahl, Woland, and Ewald in Shea Center at 8 p.m. Admission is free and open to the general public. For further information call x-3466.

## Friday, April 26

The Department of Nursing presents a two day conference, *"Palliative Care Nursing: Beyond the Usual and Customary."* Friday night keynote address by Ann Berger RN, MS, MD, chief of the Pain and Palliative Care Service at NIH, Bethesda, MD. Saturday morning and afternoon sessions focus on managing symptoms and alleviating suffering. The fee is \$45 and includes Saturday lunch. For more information call x-3516.

Do you walk on your break or lunch hour? Grab a friend and take a walk around campus! *The Rec Center presents Walk for Fun and Fitness*. Prizes will be awarded. Registration is required. For more information call x-2777.

*The Student Leadership Conference for gays, lesbians, bi-sexuals, transgenders* (and their supporters), learn about forming GLBT groups and transgender 101 domestic partnership benefits. For more information contact Jacqueline Safonte at x-2351.

*The 2-on-2 Beach Volleyball Tournament* will be held at the Outdoor Volleyball Court located by Century Hall at 1 p.m. Please re-register your team at

the Rec Center by calling x-2777.

Whether dealing with the inner workings of the federal bureaucracy, or the shifting political and economic sands of the new world order, *P.J. O'Rourke* has proven himself as a savvy guide to national and world affairs. As a political writer and foreign affairs editor for Rolling Stone magazine, he can be found at the center of the world's latest hot spot. He may cover stories with the discipline of an investigative reporter, but he gives that reporting a unique comic spin. *P.J. O'Rourke* will speak as part of Distinguished Lecturer Series. For more information call the Shea Box Office at x-2371.

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## Saturday, April 27

The men's baseball team plays Montclair State at 12 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call x-2705.

The women's softball team plays Rowan University at 1 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call x-2705.

*Richard Shindell*, guitarist, and special guest to be announced will perform an evening of folk music at 8 p.m. Admission is \$20 standard, \$18 senior citizens and William Paterson community, \$7 William Paterson students, limit 2 per ID. For further information call x-2371.

## Sunday, April 28

*The William Paterson University Chorus* will present Mendelssohn's "Elijah" with orchestra and soloists in collab-

oration with the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale. The program will start at 4 p.m. and be directed by Stephen Bryant. Admission is free. For further information call x-2371.

## Monday, April 29

The Rec Center presents an *American Red Cross Infant and Child CPR Class*. Learn the necessary skills to assist an infant or child in an emergency situation. The cost is \$25 WPUNJ students and \$35 faculty, staff, and alumni. Pre-registration is required. For more information call x-2777.

## Tuesday, April 30

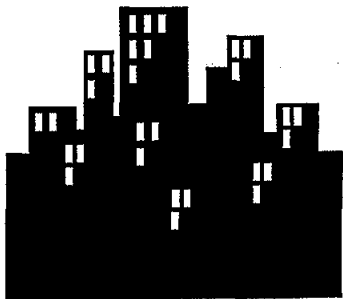
The men's baseball team will play Felician at 3:30 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call x-2705.

## Wednesday, May 1

*The Tibetan lamas*, Ven. Khenchen Palden Sherab Rinpoche and Ven. Khenpo Tsewang Dongyal Rinpoche, will speak on aspects of Buddhist thought, including compassion, loving kindness, meditation and the reality behind all appearances. The lamas are noted authors, lecturers and teachers. They have founded dharma centers here and abroad. The program will be in the Machuga Student Center in Rooms 324-325 at 2:30 p.m. For further information contact Prof. Marie Friquegnon at x-3032.

## Sunday, May 5

*The musical The Tale of Peter Rabbit* for pre-K through third grade, presented by ACME Performing Arts, with toe-tapping music, audience interaction and sing-alongs. Admission is \$7 and the show begins at 2 p.m. For more information call x-2371.



## The Best of New York

As part of the continued healing from the Sept. 11 attacks, the Pioneer Times will be featuring reviews of New York City bars, restaurants and clubs in the hopes of reinstating confidence in the city and helping students to find a good time on the weekends.

### Like it hot and spicy? Acme is just the ticket

By Franklin Woolf  
Staff Writer

If you're a fan of hot sauce or just good food and music, Acme Bar & Grill is a place worth checking out. Located at 9 Great Jones St. on the corner of Lafayette Street, Acme is walking distance to either the West or East Village.

When you enter the restaurant, you will come into a long room with tables at both walls. A waiter will seat you, or you can seat yourself at the bar at the end of the room. Posters of blues artists and original work by local artists line the walls. The current artwork includes photographs of musicians in the New York subways. On the east wall, is a shelf featuring more than 50 different hot sauces for you to try with your food. Some of the hot sauces' names include Acid Rain, Happy Sheik, Bite Me, Ass in the Tub and Flaming Bush.

Yes, they do have Tabasco Sauce.

Acme's menu is impressive, as well as amusing to read. A quote on the menu by Duke Ellington reads, "Ain't the gravy good."

The menu starts with, "Appetizers." This includes: Shell-Shucked Oysters, Chicken Fingers, Grilled Portobello Mushrooms and Buffalo or BBQ

wings.

Next on the menu you come to Po-Boys & Burgers, including Veggie Burgers, Portobello Po-Boy and Cheddar Burgers. Two other sections are the Big Plates and Big Bowls. These include Catfish Platter, Salmon Platter, Seafood Gumbo and Jambalaya Shrimp Platter.

Acme also has daily specials and four draft beers, including Acme Home Brew, a red larger; ice-cold buckets of Rolling Rocks sell for \$9. For specialty drinks look at the menu's

"Roadhouse Specials". Some of the drinks included are Three- Rum Hurricane, Carburetor (Frozen), Lynchburg Lemonade (w/Jack Daniels), Blue Voodoo (Frozen) and Swamp Juice.

A sign on the bar reads, "Rudy's Righteous Roadhouse Special. Everyday from 4-7 pm. All appetizers are priced at the bar."

An added perk: meet Rudy Murray himself. After working at Acme for the last 15 years, he still tends bar from 4 p.m. to midnight Monday through



PT photo by Franklin Woolf

Tony Neily (left), Rudy Murray and Brian Cororan inside of Acme, an NYC bar to be reviewed next issue.

Friday.

Below the restaurant is Acme Underground which features touring rock bands from around the country. The music begins between 8 and 9 p.m.; usually four or five acts are featured per night. If you are interested in hearing live music, two numbers you can call are Underground Booking Line 212-677-6963 and Underground Info Line 212-677-6924.

In the next issue: night life at the Acme

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## Baseball

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early on.

The Houston Astros are off to a slow start. Their 5-7 record can mainly be attributed to Wade Miller and his 0-3 start. Miller anchored the staff last season, but has gotten off to a rocky start. Roy Oswalt is picking up where he left off last year. Oswalt is 2-0 with and is third in the league in strikeouts with 22.

Outside of Sammy Sosa and his five home runs, the Chicago Cubs haven't been able to generate any offense. Jon Lieber, Kerry Wood, and Juan Cruz have been fine, but the Cubs aren't putting any runs on the board.

The Milwaukee Brewers are 3-9, including a seven-game losing streak. Outside of Ben Sheets, it looks like the Brewers don't have enough pitching to compete in this division.

Who else but the New York Yankees would be in first place in the American League East after the first two weeks of the season? Mike Mussina is off to a 3-0 start, and free-agent pick-up David Wells has looked impressive. Many people said Robin Ventura was done when he came over from the Mets. However, he is second in the AL in home runs and runs batted in.

The Boston Red Sox's Pedro Martinez got rocked on opening day to the Toronto Blue Jays, bounced back

with a solid outing against the Baltimore Orioles, then had a decent outing against the Yankees. Derrick Lowe, who was the closer last year, has been the team's best starting pitcher in the early going. Carlos Delgado is on fire for the Toronto Blue Jays. He is second in the AL with a .410 average, to go along with four home runs.

The Blue Jays can score runs, but they have also given up a Major League-leading 81 runs.

After sweeping the Detroit Tigers, reality set in for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. The team, picked by many to be the worst team in baseball then got swept by the Yankees, but check in with a respectable 5-6 record after two weeks.

After beating Roger Clemens and the Yankees on opening day, the Baltimore Orioles went on to lose eight of their next 10 games. Scott Erickson has been the lone bright spot for the Orioles, after not pitching at all last year because of arm surgery, has comeback and pitched well.

The hottest team in baseball can be found in Cleveland. The Indians have won 10 games in a row and are 11-1. Ellis Burks leads the league in hitting, Bartolo Colon is 3-0, and Bob Wickman has five saves.

The Minnesota Twins have gotten off to an 8-5 start. Jacque Jones has

been a pleasant surprise for the Twins. He is hitting .358 with four home runs, two of which came on opening day.

Ace Mark Buehrle has the Chicago White Sox a game over .500. He is 3-0 with a 0.95 earned run average. Kenny Lofton has done well as the team's new leadoff hitter, and Frank Thomas appears to be healthy.

The Kansas City Royals are 4-6. Paul Byrd has gotten two of the team's four wins, and Chuck Knoblauch has a league leading eight steals.

Then there are the Detroit Tigers. They are 0-11, and already have fired their manager, Phil Garner. It has been a tough run for the city of Detroit as of late. The Detroit Lions were 0-12 before they won a game last year.

The Seattle Mariners have won seven games in a row and are 10-3 to lead the American League East. However they lost Edgar Martinez with a torn hamstring. Tim Hudson is 2-0 for the 8-5 Oakland A's.

The Anaheim Angels and Texas Rangers have started slowly; closing games have been a problem for both of these clubs. With Troy Percival on the disabled list, the Angels bullpen has not been able to hold late inning leads, and John Rocker has blown two saves for the Rangers.

With April bringing the start of the NBA and NHL play-offs, as well as the

Master's tournament and the NFL draft, baseball still holds spots fans captivated with its start-of-the-season quirks. We'll all be watching closely to see how the story ends.

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# Campus Vignettes

The Pioneer Times announces its new series, Campus Vignettes. Every issue, we will be running small profiles of some of the people that make the WPU campus tick. As always, we are open to suggestions. If you know someone who has an interesting story, e-mail us at [pioneertimes@student.wpunj.edu](mailto:pioneertimes@student.wpunj.edu). Enjoy!

## 'Mr. Picture Guy' Gazdag wears many hats

By Gina Moffitt  
Staff Writer

Ah, the weekend. It's the time when people relax and take time off from work. While most people love Fridays, William Gazdag, on the other hand, does not.

Gazdag, a public relations specialist for Passaic County Technical Schools (PCTS) and William Paterson University adjunct, refers to the day as "frantic Friday" because that is the day that everything is due.

Deadlines are not the only pressure Gazdag deals with when it comes to his

job. He also designs newsletters, takes photographs and assists with special events. He recently had a key role in a PCTS conference.

On March 4, the New Jersey Commissioner of Education addressed the school's superintendents. Gazdag was responsible for a variety of things—from preparing the food to taking care of the shuttle bus.

Though Gazdag does a lot of work behind the scenes, what he enjoys the most is working with 2,000 students from Passaic, Paterson and Clifton.

"My favorite part of the job is seeing the students at their best," he said.

Known as "Mr. Picture Guy" to the

high school students, Gazdag shoots pictures for the yearbook. He said the male and female athletes wanted their pictures taken the most, but always kept a straight face.

"They were constantly begging me to take pictures, but they rarely smile," he said. "They want to look tough."

Gazdag also works with special needs students.

"I admire the students because they can be optimistic in the face of great personal challenges," he said.

It's not surprising that Gazdag also enjoys working with his colleagues and students at William Paterson as well.

Gazdag, teaches various communica-

tion classes such as interpersonal communication, oral communication, and public relations.

Being an adjunct and a public relations specialist "work well together," Gazdag said, noting that some of the high school students come to WPU for college studies.

In both of his jobs, Gazdag enjoys the company of people.

"My favorite part of my job is interacting with the students," he said.

"That's what attracts me."

## Adjunct Orraca has seen the naked truth about TV talk shows, up close

By Jenifer Petrocca  
Staff Writer

Regina Orraca was relaxing one morning, reading "The New York Times Book Review," when she noticed a query from an author seeking out people whose parents were over the age of 50 at the time of the person's birth. Orraca's father had been 52 years-old when she was born.

She answered the author's request for information, which ultimately led to her appearance on "The Maury Povich Show" in the winter of 1991.

Orraca, an adjunct professor at William Paterson University in the Accounting and Law Department, reflected on her experience.

"I was interviewed several times by the author," Orraca said. "He wanted to find out how the children felt about having older parents. I was different from most of those interviewed because I was the youngest of four children."

The majority of respondents were in the only-child category and thought it was wonderful — and with good reason. The research showed these children were really wanted, spent more time with their parents and were more intelligent and secure.

Orraca's father had died when she was five causing her to feel differently.

"I felt it was irresponsible," Orraca said. "In 10 to 15 years, where would you be when they

needed you to make decisions about life? You might be dead."

When "The Maury Povich Show" decided to air a segment that celebrated a 70 year-old father of newborn triplets and his 40 year-old wife, it needed someone with an opposing opinion.

"I was the big, bad wolf," Orraca said. "I was set up. The audience had been planted with older couples of young children who booed and hissed at me. But I didn't change my mind. I stood my ground."

"There was an undercurrent of 'he's such a stud', which I found distasteful. I talked to the 70 year-old father after the show and found out they had gone to a fertility clinic. Another couple that was planted in the audience was having a fight backstage because the husband didn't want to take care of the baby. It was all a big lie."

She felt the show was biased and intended to show a certain viewpoint. Her role was to be the token negative viewpoint.

Orraca was graduated magna cum laude from WPU in 1987 and passed her CPA exam in one shot the following year. During the day, Orraca is the controller for Enterprise Press, a division of Mail-Well Inc. in New York City. She has taught financial and managerial accounting at WPU for the past several semesters at night, and says she loves teaching.

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# The Pioneer Times would like to announce Jill K. Sanders and Jennifer Urban as its new co-editors, beginning this fall. Congratulations!

## Music Fest

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"Things happen when people get festive and are not concerned with the field."

University officials believe, however, that the new location will ease cleanup following the five-hour event, which is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. and end at 5:30 p.m.

"The aftermath of cleaning an area heavily traveled by students, faculty and staff (also) prompted the move," said Diaz. "We have actually been approached by student groups who would like to support the major cleanup as a service project."

One of these organizations, Alpha Phi Omega, believes the clean-up efforts are an important detail in the planning of Musicfest, and are asking representatives from other fraternities and sororities on the Greek Senate for help.

"The Greek Senate is putting so much money into Musicfest that helping the maintenance crews will deter some of the costs," said Theresa Skinner, sergeant at arms for Alpha Phi Omega. "APO will be there early the next morning along

with maintenance when cleanup starts."

This year's Springfest, sponsored by the Student Activities Programming Board (SAPB), follows a carnival theme titled "Fusion Festival 2002" and has events scheduled for the week of April 27 to May 4.

Five bands are scheduled to perform during Musicfest, the Wednesday during Springfest week, along with the WPU Dance Team, and a DJ playing in between band sets.

"The location of the event is the only major change that affects students," said Roland Watts, associate dean of student development. "There is no intent to deny students the enjoyment of Musicfest and cutback or cutaway anything."

Watts believes the new location will be a beneficial compromise, being away from classrooms, providing students with an appropriate outdoor environment, and increasing security control and monitoring.

"I hope that students do not pass judgement on the event until it is over," said Watts. "I think that they will be pleasantly surprised and satisfied with the outcome."

## Beacon

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which requires all money to be deposited into a general account.

Caiazo was the paper's editor-in-chief during the 2000-2001 academic year. At the beginning of the fall of 2000 — and in the issue in which the prostitution article appeared — *The Beacon* did not list either a content or financial advisor in the paper, nor did it list a business manager. The Student Government Association requires all clubs to have either a faculty or staff member serve as advisor to their clubs and *The Beacon's* constitution calls for a business manager to make financial decisions for the paper, in consultation with the editor-in-chief.

*The Beacon* was without a content advisor for most of this year, according to Francisco Diaz of Campus Activities, but recently Joe Van Putten, a professor in the Art Department, agreed to advise the paper. The paper's financial advisor is Nick DiMinni, the financial advisor to the SGA.

Stuart Goldstein, the vice president of Institutional Advancement at WPU, said the school could not comment on any current legal matters.

Students at WPU expressed disbelief on how something like this could happen.

"I read it every week and I am shocked," said Jennifer Rencher, 21, an education-English-philosophy major. "I didn't realize that (the paper) had access to that amount of money."

Another student, Erin Finn, 19, expressed her amazement as well.

"I heard about it but didn't realize it was that big," Finn said. "It's kind of scary that someone could do that."

Some students were concerned about the impact the charges would have on the paper's ability to attract advertisers.

"I'm shocked that they would do that," said Rosann Talocci, 19, a communication major. "It's bad... because now advertisers may choose not to place ads."

"Their advertisers' confidence is probably bad," said business major Stanley Brideforth.

"They thought they were giving money to place an ad and instead it was paying for his trips."

*The Beacon* does not receive any funding from the university, but receives space from the SGA in the John Victor Machuga Student Center. The paper is funded by its advertising revenue, and its constitution provides for some salaries for top staff members, either in the form of commissions for ad sales or flat fees. The salaries are not to exceed \$10 an hour. In years past, *Beacon* editors have been paid as much as \$100 to \$125 a week, according to sources.

According to the *Herald News* story, *The Beacon* lost \$10,000 last year.

Some students believe the most recent allegations have done more damage to the paper's standing in the community.

"Their reputation is further tarnished, on top of the crazy Holocaust thing that happened," Brideforth continued, referring to the May 2000 issue in which *The Beacon* parodied the Holocaust.

Following that issue, the university withdrew all advertising from *The Beacon*. University President Arnold Speert said neither he nor members of his administration would speak to the paper's representatives.

The university has since begun advertising in the paper again and representatives of Speert's administration do speak with *Beacon* reporters.

"When the first incident happened a few years back, I supported them because it was a joke, and they were expressing their freedom of speech," said Rencher. "This is just embarrassing.... I didn't realize they had access to that amount of money."

After this incident, questions are being raised as to how something like this could happen, and how the situation could have been avoided.

"Their advisor should keep closer tabs on the daily operations and on the practices of the editor," said Brideforth. "If the advisor was fully involved with daily routines, that would have never happened."

"I thought the paper was going to fold then (after the May, 2000 situation)," he continued. "Now this."

## Fenner

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Fenner was selected to the New Jersey Athletic Conference honorable mention squad in the fall after scoring two goals in 15 games (all starts) while providing strong defense and leadership to a young Pioneers' (8-6-2, 5-3-1 NJAC) squad. She was selected to the 2000-01 NJAC Scholar-Athlete squad.

The Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars 2002 10th Annual Awards were published in Black Issues in Higher Education magazine in the April 11 issue. The magazine is also available online at [www.blackissues.com](http://www.blackissues.com).

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## Budget gap

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meetings were University President Arnold Speert, Provost Chernoh Sesay, and Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Trustees Marc Schaeffer.

According to Bolyai, what the state does is recommend how to formulate a budget, that then must be enacted by the end of June by the state legislature.

In addition, because the state is not increasing funds to the Tuition Aid Grants (TAG), if there is a difference between the TAG grants and WPU's tuition for the 2002-2003 year, the university will have to make up the difference in the awards to students.

The upside is that WPU will not be losing any faculty in the 2003 fiscal year as are Rutgers and Rowan Universities.

"The president has been clear he doesn't want to lay off employees," said Bolyai.

However, Bolyai continued, the layoffs at other state universities will indirectly affect William Paterson because it stops the positive momentum of the state's higher education community. Bolyai added that the state government doesn't recognize higher education as a priority.

"It's sad that 50 percent of students leave the state (to pursue higher education)," said Bolyai. "This has been a historic problem we have had to deal with."

The cuts have affected staffing at WPU, although not as severely as some of the state's other schools. Bolyai said the university president and vice president will review the open positions, assess whether they are priorities and need to be filled.

"Every position that is vacant is being scrutinized," said Bolyai. "We're not laying off people, but we're not able to hire new people (open up new positions)."

Bolyai also suggested that in order to close the financial gap, the university's lower enrolled classes may be combined or eliminated.



# PIONEER SPORTS

## Major leagues host the good, the bad and the unknown

By Ryan Anderegg  
Staff Writer

The warmer weather, the leaves growing on the trees and the green grass are all signs that baseball is beginning. In the first two weeks of play, there have been some surprises, and some things that haven't changed.

Barry Bonds is on record pace once again. He moved into sixth place on the all-time home run list when he belted his seventh homer of the season off Milwaukee Brewer starter Nelson Figueroa. Bonds, along with solid starting pitching, have the San Francisco Giants atop the National League West.

The defending World Series champion Arizona Diamondbacks, led by Curt Schilling and Randy Johnson, are in second place with an 8-5 record. Schilling and Johnson have combined for six of the team's eight wins.

After starting the season 1-5, the San Diego Padres bounced back and evened their record at 6-6. Brian

**COMMENTARY** Lawrence has gone 2-0 with no runs allowed over 16 innings in his past two starts.

The New York Mets have received excellent pitching from all five of their starting pitchers. Despite poor defense and light hitting, the Mets are 7-5, leading the National League East. Off-season acquisitions Shawn Estes, Pedro Astacio, and Jeff D'Amico have all looked sharp in their first two starts.

The surprising Montreal Expos are tied with the Florida Marlins for 2nd place at 6-6. Catcher Michael Barrett is leading the NL in batting average and is second in runs batted in with 15. The Atlanta Braves are off to a 6-7 start, but more importantly, Greg Maddux returned from injury and had a solid outing. The St. Louis Cardinals, led by ace Matt Morris (3-0), lead the National League Central with an 8-4 record. The Cardinals are picked by many to be the team to beat in the NL. The Cincinnati Reds are 7-5, but have lost Ken Griffey Jr. for at least 3-6 weeks with a knee injury. Mike Williams has saved five of the six wins for the Pittsburgh Pirates. The Pirates have also received good starting pitching

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## Lady Pioneers' winning streak busted by TCNJ Lions

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The College of New Jersey's Lions finally doused the Lady Pioneers red-hot 14-game winning streak during Sunday's double-header.

The Lady Pioneers, ninth in the nation, are now 23-7 with just six games remaining before post-season play begins. At 12-2 among NJAC competition, the Pioneers now look ahead to possible playoff preview games against the Rowan Profs (24-12) as well as fellow NJAC competition by Rutgers-Newark.

Having defeated last year's national champion in their season-opener, and with a record of 23-7, the Pioneers aim continues to stretch to the skies. Undefeated at home, the Pioneers are led by three players with averages above .400. Recent transfer, junior Sam Kszepka, leads the team with a .455 batting average and 22 RBIs. Last year's all-stars, seniors Lauren Hertzberg

and Courtney Heller, also ride high with a .421 and .406 averages, respectively.

The loss of All-American Dianne Naugle has not stunned the Pioneers as much as rivals would have liked. Replacements Sam Kszepka and Dianne Catalano both maintain nearly invincible ERA's of 0.98 and 1.05, respectively and together combined for 21 of the Pioneers' 23 victories in the 2002 campaign.

The Lady Pioneers have out-hit their opponents this season by nearly double, with a .339 team batting average compared to opponents' .189. The teams' next game will be Thursday April 25th, when it plays host to Moravian College at 3:00 p.m.

NJAC Playoffs open May 2 and the Pioneers look to maintain the #1 seed with wins against Rowan and Rutgers-Newark.



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WPU's Lady Pioneers rank ninth in the nation as the team ends its 14-game winning streak last Sunday.

## Catalano named NJAC Pitcher of the Week

Senior righty Diane Catalano (Sayreville, NJ) was named the New Jersey Athletic Conference Pitcher of the Week on April 15, after helping William Paterson stretch its win streak to 11 games, including sweeps of conference rivals Montclair State and Rutgers-Camden last week.

The Pioneers (20-6, 9-1 NJAC) have shut out 10 opponents during the streak, with Catalano having thrown three full

shutouts and one combined shutout to help her team claim first place in the conference.

Catalano went 3-0 with two shutouts and a combined shutout last week, allowing only three hits and one walk while striking out 17 in her 14 innings of work. She spun a one-hit shutout with five strikeouts in an 8-0, five-inning victory over Montclair State last Tuesday, tossed two scoreless innings

with five strikeouts in a 9-0 win over Mount St. Mary, then fashioned a two-hit shutout with one walk and seven strikeouts in a 1-0 victory over Rutgers-Camden on Saturday.

Overall, Catalano is 9-4 with a 1.27 ERA and 73 strikeouts in 77.0 innings. She has five shutouts and one combined shutout to her credit, including a five-inning no-hitter against New Jersey City on March 30.



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## Fenner named Ashe Sports Scholar '02

Defender Marissa Fenner (Somerset, NJ), a four-year standout on the William Paterson women's soccer team, was named to the Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars 2002. Women's Soccer 2002. A history/political science double major, Fenner has a 3.22 cumulative grade point average and posted a 3.66 during the fall semester.

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## Pioneer baseball looks forward as season draws to close

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The Pioneer season is coming to a close, men's baseball hovers on the edge of national recognition two years running.

Falling just outside of the Top 30 Rankings for the NCAA Division III, William Paterson looks to use the NJAC playoffs to advance to the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships and eventually the NCAA Division III College World Series.

The Pioneers took a sweep over The College of New Jersey on April 21. Winning two games, 2-0 and 4-2, against the Lions of Central New Jersey, the Pioneers are now 22-8 overall on the season. Generally a record such as this merits a spot aboard the Top 30 Rankings, but the Pioneers are eclipsed by fellow NJAC competition including the 25-1 Rutgers-Camden Scarlet Raptors and

the 16-5 Montclair State Red Hawks.

At 10-5 in the NJAC the Pioneers sit dangerously close to looking outside in when playoff time arrives. Montclair State, Kean University, Rutgers-Camden and The College of New Jersey sit ahead of the Pioneers for berths among the NJAC championship tournament. And yet again, with new NCAA rules regarding seeding in the NCAA, the Pioneers will most likely need an NJAC tournament semi-final appearance to place a berth in the Mid-Atlantic Championships against the likes of Pennsylvania's DeSales University and Maryland's Johns Hopkins University.

Today, the Pioneers play host to fellow perennial tournament contender Rennselear Polytechnic Institute of New York. The Pioneers will close out the season prior to the NJAC Tournament with games against arch-rival Montclair State, New Jersey City University, and in an NAIA battle against Felician College.