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INTERNSHIP ALERT

NEW SUMMER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR HUNTER

The Thomas J. Watson Foundation announces the inauguration of a Summer Fellowship Program to enhance the future choices of promising undergraduates from 8 selected New York City colleges. The purpose of the new Summer Fellowships is to help the recipients compete for jobs, graduate admissions, and national fellowship programs such as Fulbright and the Harry Truman Scholarships.

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The new Summer Fellows Program is named in honor of the founder of the Watson Foundation, Jeannette K. Watson, whose husband, Thomas J. Watson, founded IBM. When the program is in full operation it is expected to include some 40 and 60 internships. Jeannette K. Watson Fellows will be selected from nominations proposed by eight invited colleges: City College; College of Staten Island; Hunter College; Lehman College; Long Island University (Brooklyn Campus); Marymount Manhattan College; Pace University (Manhattan Campus); and Queens College.

In announcing the program, President of Long

Island University, David Steinberg, noted his delight that students from universities like our will be given opportunities that would otherwise be beyond their reach financially.

The director of the Watson Program is Alice Stone Ilchman, former president of Sarah Lawrence College, and chair of the Board of The Rockefeller Foundation.

The Thomas J. Watson Foundation has offered since 1965 a program where graduates of some 60 highly selective colleges spend up to a year in travel and developing their own projects.

The deadline for the individual campus selection is March 1, 2000. For more information, contact me at the Office of Student Services, (212) 722-4867.

Myrna Fader
Office of Student Services

REST EASY

LOCKER ROOM FOLLIES TAKEN SERIOUSLY BY HUNTER SECURITY

Students should know that the theft of property at this college is a matter we take very seriously.

Therefore, I want to inform readers of your November 23rd article on Hunter's locker rooms about the steps that Public Safety Director John Williams has taken to address the security problems the article raised.

In the past month, Mr. Williams assigned a security guard specifically to the B2 Men's Locker Room from Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Already, this locker room patrol has acted as a deterrent to would-be thieves. Moreover, we are working to find the substantial funding needed to repair broken locks or replace the lockers entirely.

Regarding the reported hole in the ceiling of the men's locker room: the ceiling tiles had to be removed for extended maintenance work, but they have been replaced and all related debris has been removed.

Thomas G. Tyburczy
Vice President for Administration

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COMMENTARY

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BACK FROM THE DEAD



It's a brand new semester, and here you are once again, trying desperately to get into that closed History class. Inspiration hits, and you figure that maybe you can get into another section, but wait - there are no other sections. Budget cuts. So sit down and catch up on some current events and insightful Ferret commentary instead. Lots of things happened while you were away.

Are you feeling sorry for Puffy because of his gun charges? Don't trouble yourself. Remember 1991, when he oversold a concert at a City College gym. Nine people died and 29 others were injured.

New York State has decided that it may be unconstitutional to prevent cameras in the courtroom. This ruling will be specifically applied to the Amadou Diallo case. However, it sets a precedent that should not be ignored. Two letters: O.J.

The Brooklyn Museum of Art won the "Sensation" battle, or so it seems. The show triumphantly wound up two weeks ago and the museum got to keep its funding. But if anybody thinks that Giuliani won't try to retaliate in some petty way, they must not be living in this city.

On the subject of Giuliani, the man is a true megalomaniac. A week ago, when someone said that he would be famous for "cleaning up the streets" and not building things like Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, he immediately came up with proposals for four different building projects, including an Olympic complex. Talk about leaving a legacy.

Finally: mergers. Is it just the Ferret, or does it seem like all the world's corporations, Internet and otherwise, are merging into a large Omnicorp with unlimited worldwide access to all known forms of media? The most recent example is the new AOL-Time Warner-EMI. That's the newspaper business, the magazine business, the book-publishing business, the music business, the television business, the film industry, and 22 million AOL subscribers all in one. At least Citicorp isn't involved, although you never really know.

Hunter and High School Students' Mock Democratic Convention Chooses Former Knick for Prez

BILL BRADLEY TAKES DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION OVER GORE

Aliyah Khan
NEWS EDITOR

"Gore had won, and all of a sudden the whole Wyoming delegation runs into the hall from the bathroom and votes for Bradley," said Hunter student Cornelia Jervis. "It was insane."

Jervis was a participant in Hunter College's Presidential Convention 2000, which "went spectacularly well," according to coordinator Christopher Malone. Malone, a graduate teaching fellow in Political Science at Hunter and York Colleges, was instrumental in organizing the mock Democratic and Republican nominating conventions.

The Convention 2000 Project, which grew out of a suggestion made to Political Science Department Chair Kenneth Sherrill by Hunter President David Caputo, brought together 70 Hunter College students, 100 high school teachers, and 450 students from 30 New York City public high schools.

"The very essence of representative democracy as we know it in the United States is threatened by the decreasing participation of young people and all Americans in the political process," said Caputo.

Participating schools included Jamaica High School in Queens, the Bronx High School of Science, the High School of Fashion Industries in Manhattan, and Midwood High School in Brooklyn.

The high school students were assigned to various political parties, state delegations, and issues, and for the last month were guided through the nominating process by Hunter students who had completed last year's "Nominating the President" Political Science course taught by Malone.

NYC Comptroller Carl McCall spoke at the January 7 opening of Convention 2000. The mock Democratic convention was held next, on the weekend of January 14. In the surprise upset, all seven of the Wyoming delegation's votes were cast for Bill Bradley, making him the Democratic presidential candidate, 85-82. The Bradley campaign was represented by Ronnie Eldridge of the New York City Council, and the keynote address was given by Edward Sullivan, Chair of the NYS Assembly's Higher Education Committee.

Convention 2000 caught the attention of the New York press, and Newsday carried an article about Hunter students and their work. NBC also ran a two-minute spot featuring the mock Democratic convention.

Unlike the Democrats, New York Republican politicians were notable by their absence. "But the

Hunter students filled in and they did a fantastic job," said Sherrill, who supervised the project. "Quite honestly, they were better than many professional politicians, and the level of debate they engaged in was more impressive than a lot of what I've seen on the floor in Albany."

At the January 21 mock Republican convention, George W. Bush won the nomination by a margin of 98-96, barely beating out John McCain. "I can't think of a better practical demonstration of the power of a vote than these extremely close victories," said Caputo.

Hunter Students Shine

"I was extremely impressed by the Hunter students," said Margaret Naranjo, a Social Studies teacher at Hillcrest High School in Queens. "They knew what they were doing, and were able to give us a personalized overview of the entire process."

Students like Jervis devoted themselves to the project, said Malone. "I can't say enough about the Hunter students. They were apprehensive about becoming teachers, because you learn things much more differently, more thoroughly, when you have to teach it. It surprised me how good a bunch of teachers we have among our students."

Jervis, who worked with students from Walton High School in the Bronx, admitted to being nervous about becoming a teacher. "At first I was a little intimidated," she said. "But then the students got all riled up about the issues, and it was great." Jervis says that she is still in touch with some of "her" high school students.

According to Sherrill, the biggest single benefit of Convention 2000 was the "improved quality in education" for Hunter students. "I haven't seen this kind of intellectual community working collaboratively since 1967. It's the kind of thing you hope for, that is easier to achieve at a residential college. Chris [Malone] did everything right."

"I'm just so very proud of the Hunter students and the way they carried the responsibility of being role models," said coordinator Malone.

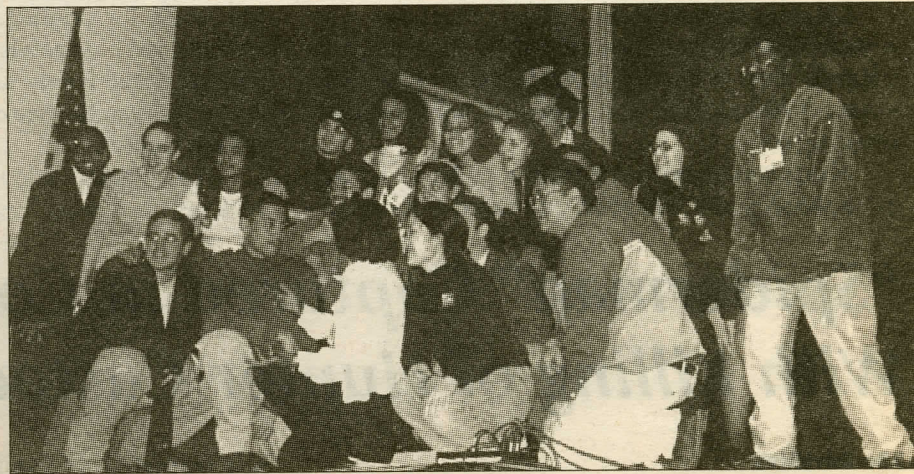
Changing the Remediation Debate: High School Students and CUNY Benefit

On November 22, the New York State Board of Regents voted to end remediation at the senior colleges. Since then, Hunter has embarked on several programs, like Prelude to Success, that are designed to ready high



CHRIS MALONE

MALONE ANNOUNCES Bradley win (above), and **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** take a break during rehearsal. (below)



school graduates for college-level work and get them into a senior college as fast as possible.

However, events like Convention 2000 give high school students the chance to actively work with Hunter students and faculty before they leave high school. The high school students also spent a great deal of time at the 69th Street Hunter College campus. According to Jervis, many of the participating high school students asked her about the requirements for applying to Hunter.

"From the recruiting standpoint, this was great," said Malone. "Every CUNY campus should do something like this to get links with the high schools. We could transform the whole debate about remediation."

Naranjo admitted to being disappointed that the actual candidates, though invited, did not show up. But, she said, that was outweighed by the benefits to her students. "It was an excellent opportunity for the students to experience the electoral process firsthand" and "make them more politically aware."

"It was a very good experience," said Hillcrest high school senior Janelle Richmond, one of Naranjo's pupils. She added that she was now "more aware of what's going on not only in New York but in other states too," and said that she was now interested in applying to Hunter College.

Only the Beginning

For Malone, Sherrill, and Hunter College, this is only the beginning. The Convention 2000 project originally had difficulty finding funding, and the only corporate sponsor was Lucent Technologies, Inc. But "after the success of this one," said Political Science Chair Sherrill, "there'll be no trouble getting funding."

Hunter plans to hold mock nominating conventions every four years, and the publicity garnered by this first effort will help guarantee their success.

After the Democratic convention, Jervis and other Hunter students were invited to New Hampshire by the Gore campaign, where, she said, "They promised us free food, free transportation free lodging, everything." Jervis spent all of last weekend in New Hampshire.

According to Malone, several other students received job offers. One student was even offered a job in Washington working for a member of the House of Representatives.

"We have got to widen this out to all of CUNY," he said.

Hunter Student Killed in Robbery Attempt

Freshman Wanted to be a Doctor

Fatima Rashid
STAFF WRITER

On Sunday, January 9, an 18 year-old Hunter College freshman was killed near his Coney Island, Brooklyn home in a failed robbery attempt. Gary Wong was walking home from a friend's house around 6:30 p.m. when 18 year-old Lamar Means demanded his wallet. Means then fatally shot the Hunter student in the chest and arm.

Gary's father, Johnny Wong, said that he heard the shots. "Why would they rob him?" he said. "All he had was a school bag."

Off-duty transit officer Anthony MacLean, who witnessed the killing, then chased Means, who then allegedly fired at the officer. MacLean then shot and wounded Means, who was treated for nonlife-threatening injuries.

Means was charged with murder, robbery, and illegal possession of a .32 caliber gun found at the scene.

According to Johnny Wong and his wife, they fled political and military repression in Burma in 1979 in order to give their children a better life. Gary Wong was their eldest son, and by all accounts, was living his parents' dream.

Friends describe him as "bright" and a "genius." He attended Bronx Science High School, but transferred to his local high school when the commute proved too long. He was fascinated by computers and read medical books. "He told me he wanted to be a doctor," said Johnny Wong.

Gary also had a part-time job making mass-mailing labels for printing company Philip Holzer and Associates. His supervisor Noreen Wong (no relation), a friend of the family, said that for Gary Wong's parents, "This was the free country, and this was the future for the family."

"I feel shock," said Johnny Wong. "You know, they took my heart away."

"Spiderman" Captured in Connection With Killing of Hunter Custodian

Lev Davidson
STAFF WRITER

21 year-old Jaquan Muhammad was dubbed "Spiderman" by the media after eluding police on January 11 by leaping from a 19th story building window to the ledge of a nearby building on East 53rd Street. He escaped, but was stopped on a bus crossing into Canada a week later when he produced a passport under the alias of Naftali Triplett. He was also wanted for crimes under that name.

Muhammad was charged with the second-degree murder of 47 year-old Paul Farrell, a Hunter College custodian and father of three from East New York. Farrell was stabbed and slashed numerous times in Brooklyn's Lincoln Terrace Park on the day after Christmas.

According to police spokesman Detective Robert Samuel, Farrell was stabbed to settle a "dispute." The police did not reveal any other details. Muhammad is

also suspected in 13 knife-point robberies of Manhattan pedestrians.

Customs agents at the Canadian border searched Muhammad's luggage and found a sword, two knives, and a "very descriptive" diary linking him to the murder. According to the agents, the sword appeared to be the weapon used in the murder.

Also found in the luggage was written material that included threats against the United States and Israel. But police said that Muhammad was not a terrorist and that his notes were "just rantings."

After he was detained at the border in Buffalo, Muhammad again attempted to escape by shinnying into a crawl space in the ceiling of a Customs holding room. He was recaptured after "officers poked the ceiling panels with a broomstick, causing him to fall to the floor."

Muhammad was then put in leg irons. Police officers are now "watching him like a hawk," said one official.

CUNY BRIEFS

Governor Calls for Cuts in TAP, CUNY childcare

Governor George E. Pataki recent 2000-2001 budget proposal included a \$40 million suggested cut in New York's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), a 6.52% loss. In addition, the budget does not renew \$4.6 million added last year by the Legislature to hire new full-time faculty for programs including childcare. Pataki proposes a 39% reduction in childcare services at the CUNY senior colleges and a 37% reduction in childcare at the community colleges. However, he also recommended an increase of \$28.2 million for senior college operations, including \$9 million for remedial education. State aid to community colleges will remain the same, as will undergraduate tuition at both CUNY and SUNY.

Goldstein Thanks Pataki for New Budget

CUNY Chancellor Matthew Goldstein issued a statement responding to Governor Pataki's proposed 2000-2001 budget thanking him for, among other things, the increase in "new funding to strengthen academic support services at all colleges" and the "maintenance of the financial aid programs so that student financial assistance can continue to provide a critical foundation of help for eligible college students." Goldstein also promised to work with the state to "further identify University budget priorities that will advance both the fulfillment of CUNY's educational mission and the necessary reforms to enable all CUNY students to realize their dreams."

Giuliani Appointee Proposed as LaGuardia President

According to a recent issue of New York Magazine, New York City Board of Education Deputy Mayor for Education and Human Services Ninfa Segarra is being proposed as a permanent president for LaGuardia Community College. Segarra, a Giuliani appointee, was described in the article as "Giuliani's education point person for six years," who "has always voted as the proxy of her patron." Her candidacy is being supported by CUNY Board of Trustees Chair Herman Badillo and Trustee Randy Mastro, also a Giuliani appointee.

Mayor Wants Benno Schmidt's Company to Run Public Schools

On January 11, in response to State Education Commissioner Richard Mills' decision to add 24 more schools to the state's list of poorly performing schools, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani suggested contracting with private companies to run some schools. He specifically mentioned Edison Schools Inc., a private company that operates public and charter schools for a profit. The company is chaired by Benno C. Schmidt Jr., the Vice Chair of the CUNY Board of Trustees and former head of a Mayoral task force that issued a report urging the reorganization of CUNY.

CSI First Amendment Case Moves Forward

In Spring 1997, College of Staten Island President Marlene Springer canceled a CSI student election on the grounds that a CSI student newspaper endorsed one of the slates. In the case of Husain v. Springer, staff members and editors of the paper, including Sara Husain, are seeking summary judgment and an injunction on the grounds that Springer violated their First Amendment rights.

Chancellor Refuses to Support Queens College Dorms

At a January 18 public hearing of the Committee on Higher Education regarding CUNY Chancellor Goldstein's future plans for CUNY, Goldstein stated that he did not support Queen's College's efforts last year to construct dorms. The plan, which prompted many to question whether Queens College was attempting to secede from CUNY, also came under fire from civic associations in Queens, which complained that it would destroy their parking spaces and overall quality of life.

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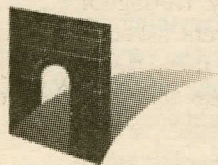
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ANTI-REMEDATION REGENT NAMED SCHOOLS CHANCELLOR

Levy Voted to End Open Admissions

Aliyah Khan
NEWS EDITOR

The New York City Board of Education chose State Regent Harold O. Levy as Interim Schools Chancellor on January 9, in defiance of Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. Levy, a Citigroup lawyer, was chosen over mayoral pick Robert R. Kiley, executive director of the New York City Partnership.

At issue was Levy's lack of educational experience. In fact, State Education Commissioner Richard P. Mills gave Levy a waiver to become Chancellor, since he lacked any formal credentials as a school administrator. As a member of the New York State Board of Regents, Levy has in the past worked closely with Mills.

At the historic November 22 Regents vote that ended open admissions at the City University of New York's senior colleges, both Levy and Mills opposed remediation. In the days leading up to the decision, Levy was perceived to be a crucial swing vote. One City College student who spoke at the October 19 hearings on remediation reported seeing Levy "deep in conversation" with CUNY Chancellor Matthew Goldstein.

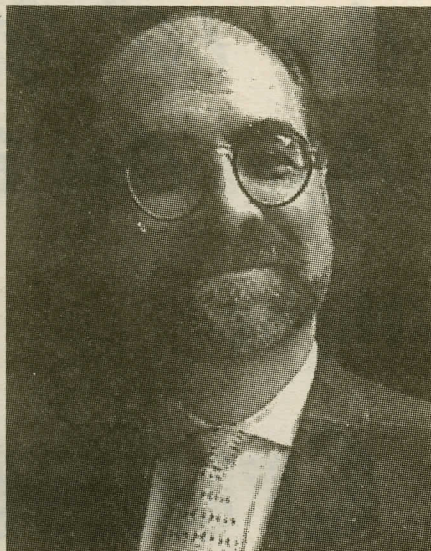
The new remediation policy passed by exactly the nine votes needed. One of these was Harold Levy's. According to Levy, he only voted for it because the Friends of CUNY group brokered a last-minute backroom deal with the Board of Regents that gave City and Lehman Colleges one more year of Open Admissions. "If I were on CUNY's board, I would have voted against this," he said. "But I am comforted by the knowledge that the Friends of CUNY have acceded to it."

Friends of CUNY included Edward Sullivan, chairman of the State Assembly's Higher Education Committee, and several former and present CUNY faculty and union members. The compromise was heavily criticized by students like Edward Ellis, a Baruch College student and current acting Chairman of the University Student Senate, who said that it was made without consulting the actual CUNY student body.

According to Goldstein's office, the CUNY Chancellor did not plan to comment on Levy's appointment. The two chancellors, however, will have to work together to assure the success of new post-remedial programs that aim to prepare high school students for college-level work.

Levy's candidacy was supported by Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, an opponent of Giuliani's. According to Giuliani, his choice had more managerial experience. "They have selected the least qualified of the two," he said. "I have to say to myself, there must be some other influence involved."

The 47 year-old Levy is the director global compliance for Citigroup. He ensures that Citigroup, the corporation that once refused to give up South African holdings during the era of apartheid, abides by local governmental regulations in foreign countries.



ENVOY ARCHIVES

NO FRIEND OF CUNY: New New York City schools chancellor Harold O. Levy.

The swing vote appointing Levy to the chancellorship was cast by Queens representative Terri Thomson, usually an ally of the Mayor's. Thomson is also the director of city and state affairs at Citigroup. Board of Education lawyers, however, ruled that it would not be a conflict of interest for Thomson to support Levy, since they "do not work in the same department" or "for each other."

Levy's most notable accomplishment to date is a 1995 report on public school buildings that criticized the city for not spending enough on school construction, which earned him the dislike of Giuliani. As a Regent, he has also called for more state aid for schools.

After conflicts with Mayor Giuliani, former Chancellor Rudy Crew's contract was not renewed last month. Crew issued a statement saying that he realized that "it might be impossible to restore the solidarity that my first three years as Chancellor. It is now time for a new leader to build upon our accomplishments and move the school system into the new millenium."

Levy will have to implement Crew's policy of ending "social promotion," and deal with the resulting 300,000 extra students who will need summer school. He will also have to negotiate with the United Federation of Teachers, whose contract expires in November. Board officials said that they hope to find a permanent chancellor by late spring, and that Levy was not expected to be considered for the job.

The new Chancellor said that he will "recognize the depth of the challenge and have no political or social agenda." He has thus far made his presence felt at 110 Livingston Street by allowing visitors to come and go freely. During Dr. Crew's tenure, visitors were asked to enter and exit the building through special security doors. Giuliani once said that he wanted to blow up that particular building, but later tempered this declaration by saying that he wanted to sell it instead.

Giuliani's representatives said that he has no plans to meet with the new Schools Chancellor.

WORLD BRIEFS

QUITO, ECUADOR: Military and Indians Seize Power

On January 21, hundreds of Indians and several junior army officers, angry over Ecuador's continued economic decline, stormed the empty Congress building and installed a three-man junta. But as a result of U.S. pressure, the junta, which included Ecuador's military chief, was dissolved hours after seizing power. Former President Jamil Mahuad is in hiding, and the country is now being led by Vice President Gustavo Noboa. Noboa faces many problems, including the newly radicalized Indian movement which is said to feel "betrayed" by the military's decision to relinquish power to him.

ISTANBUL, TURKEY: "Muslim Feminist" Tortured, Murdered

The bodies of 32 savagely tortured male Kurdish businessmen and one female Turkish intellectual were found two weeks ago in Konya, Turkey. The woman, Konca Kuris, a prominent proponent of women's rights in Turkey, was kidnapped in 1998. Kuris lectured and wrote about Islam as a religion that guarantees women's rights, a fact that she believed had been twisted and obscured by male religious figures over the centuries. A videotape containing scenes of her torture over several weeks was also found. The bodies were found on property belonging to the fundamentalist group Hizbollah or "Party of God", which is believed to be unrelated to the Lebanese Hezbollah and is committed to "de-secularizing" Turkey. The Turkish military and government denied involvement in the murders.

HAVANA, CUBA: Elian's Grandmothers Travel to Miami

Last week, Raquel Rodriguez and Mariela Quintana left Cuba for the U.S., where they met with U.S. officials to plead for their 6 year-old grandson's controversial return to Cuba. Elian's mother and 10 others fleeing Cuba for the U.S. died last November when their boat capsized. Elian was the sole survivor. In a case that has stirred up heated debate in both the U.S. and Cuba, the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service granted Elian "parole," or temporary permission to remain in this country. Congressional Republicans have introduced a bill that would make Elian a citizen, thereby relegating his case to Florida Family Court. President Clinton, however, has hinted that he would veto the bill, saying that it would set a too-hasty precedent. Protestors in Cuba have called for Elian's return to his divorced father, who appears to be a fit parent. Cuban exiles and Elian's family in Miami, however, have charged that his Cuban family is being coerced into demanding his return, and initially refused to let Elian see his grandmothers outside of the Miami family home. The grandmothers, who finally met with Elian at a neutral location after the INS threatened his Miami relatives with revoking his "parole," had no comment on the meeting.

BEIJING, CHINA: Imprisoned Scholar from U.S. "Admits" Crimes

In a case that has outraged academics and human rights activists, China last week claimed to have elicited a "confession" from Dickinson College research librarian Song Yongyi. According to Chinese officials, he "undermined China's national security by secretly transferring abroad materials and documents weighing about 700 pounds." Song, who has been detained for six months, was charged with "the purchase and illegal provision of intelligence to foreigners," accusations which have mystified academics the world over, since Song had been in China to legally purchase documents from China's 1966-76 Cultural revolution. Such documents are readily available in China, where it is fully legal to both buy and sell them. Song, who was scheduled to become an American citizen last September, has not been able to see a lawyer.

MEXICO CITY: University President's Attempt to Break UNAM Strike Fails

The President of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) marched to the campus on January 25 to give student leaders the result of a referendum in which 157,000 university members voted to end the paralyzing university strike. Nine months ago, students seized control of the university, and have since refused to release the campus until the state agrees to free tuition and open admissions from certain high schools. President Juan Ramon de la Fuente was barred from entering the campus by a chain-link fence, and was "engulfed" by journalists and protesting students, who refused to listen to the results of the referendum. Since then, he has said that he will not return to negotiations until the campus is released.

MYANMAR: 12 year-old boys lead Burmese "God's Army"

The most recent incident in the two-week rampage by the Burmese Christian fundamentalist group "God's Army" ended in the January 25 death of 10 Army gunmen, who had taken an entire hospital in neighboring Thailand hostage. Fifty years of guerrilla warfare and fighting between Myanmar's military regime and ethnic separatists have led to thousands of Burmese refugees fleeing to Thailand. "God's Army," associated with the ethnic Karen minority, is led by 12 year-old cigar-smoking twins Luther and Johnny Htoo, who are believed by their 200 followers to be divinely guided. The Htoo brothers were not among those killed. The hostage situation, accompanied by increasing numbers of Burmese refugees has led to a surge in nationalism and anti-Burmese sentiment in a formerly sympathetic Thailand. The Htoo twins are believed to be still at large.

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Hunter Celebrates 180th Commencement

With a blizzard outside, it felt like Spring

Envoy Informational

Hunter College celebrated its 180th Commencement on Wednesday, January 26. 778 students received undergraduate degrees and 406 received graduate degrees from Hunter College President David Caputo, who was also the commencement speaker.

There were three valedictorians, all of whom earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average. 22 year-old Madalena Barretta received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and elementary education. 27 year-old Benjamin Maisani, who also earned a Presidential Scholarship, received a bachelor of arts degree in arts history with honors. Agorasty Sourelos, 23, received a bachelor of arts degree in English and secondary education. Both Barretta and Sourelos plan careers in teaching.

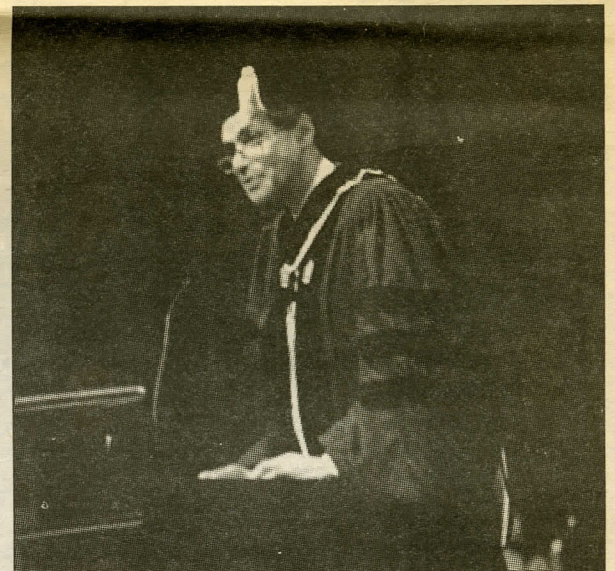
One of the two honorary degrees awarded was given to Rabbi Arthur Schneier, an internationally recognized human rights leader and president of Appeal

of Conscience Foundation. He has also been the spiritual leader of nearby Park East Synagogue since 1962.

Hunter alumnus and Deputy Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management John U. Sepulveda was also awarded an honorary degree. The highest-ranking CUNY graduate in the U.S. Executive branch, Sepulveda, a New Yorker of Puerto Rican descent, entered Hunter through the SEEK program for educationally disadvantaged students. Sepulveda could not attend the commencement ceremony as a result of "snow."

An Outstanding High School Counselor Award was also given to Bernard Cohen of Benjamin Cardozo High School in Queens.

The new graduates included Hunter Envoy Advertising Manager Daniel Haywood, 23, who also came to Hunter as a SEEK student. "I'm finally graduating," he said. "Can you believe it?"



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SPEAKER AT GRADUATION

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1999'S 10 BEST

Albert Gil de la Madrid
General Manager,
WHCS

10 *Sick Of It All* *A Call To Arms* (FatWreckChords)

New York City hard-core scene veterans bring you one of their best albums in years.

9 *Puya* *Fundamental* MCA

The only group not noticed in the so-called "Latin invasion," Puya offers a great mix of Latin grooves with great rock riffs and great production.

8 *Reveille* *Laced* Elektra

They are like Rage Against the Machine — just not as political.

7 *Donnas* *Get Skintight* *Lookout!*

They covered Kiss' strutter. There was a reason that I couldn't get in to their Digital Club Festival Show (I had a VIP badge). The place was packed.

6 *Orange 9mm* *Pretend I'm Human* NG

They mix all kind of influences (poetry, Hip Hop, Rock) into their best album yet.

5 *Cibo Matto* *Stereo Type A* Warner

The best pop album of the year. The Japanese group grows as songwriters and bring you a very refreshing album.

4 *Lagwagon* *Let's Talk About Feeling* *Fat Wreck Chords*

The band shows the softer side of Punk.

3 *Underworld* *Beaucoup Fish* V2 Records

Check out Sam's list for an explanation.

2 *No Use For A Name* *More Betterness* *Fat Wreck Chords*

They are grown up and they sound better than ever.

1 *Incubus* *Make Yourself* Epic

This album is full of different sound: rock, funk, r&b, and all that other crap that makes it so great.

...CIBO MATTO... KOOL KEITH... RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

APOCALYPSE

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BEST OF THE BEST BY GENRE

Samuel Ko
Staff Writer

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Foo Fighters

There Is Nothing Left To Lose
Roswell / RCA

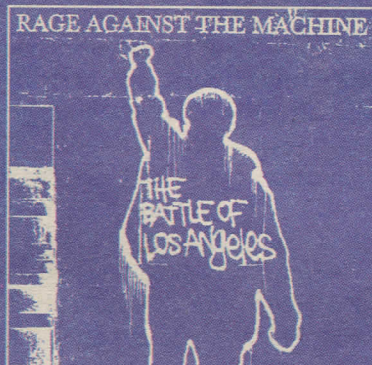
Another impressive album proving that Dave Grohl is not just a drummer for one of the greatest rock bands ever.

Filter

Title Of Record
Reprise

It was just a great album overall, Filter proves that *Short Bus* wasn't just a case of beginner's luck.

...HONORABLE MENTIONS:



Rage Against the Machine

The Battle of Los Angeles
Epic

Another good album from Rage, the formula remains the same.

Blink 182

Enema of the State
MCA

Wish it were a longer album.

Blur

13
Virgin

Not the best Blur album, but still pretty darn good.

ALTERNATIVE / POP

Beck

Midnite Vultures
DGC Records

Beck proves he's the hardest workin' man in the biz since James Brown.

Luscious Jackson

Electric Honey
Grand Royal Records

Just one of those feel-good albums.

...HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Dido

No Angel
Arista Records

She has plenty of potential. We can only hope for a second album soon.

Pet Shop Boys

Nightlife
Parlophone / Sire

PSB is still at it after all these years, and they still sound original.



THE MACHINE... UNDERWORLD... THE ROOTS... MACY GRAY...

YPSE THEN

D PICK THE BEST ALBUMS OF 1999

ELECTRONIC

Roby
ay
2 Records
creative genius takes a trip to
e Gospel side. "Bodyrock"
asn't even the best track on the
bum.

Underworld
caucoup Fish
solid album overall, too bad
ey didn't get enough radio
ne.

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Chemical Brothers
rrrender
talwerks
his fell short of a lot of people's
pectations this year. Better
ck next year guys.

Jaxxx
medy
talwerks
reat production. Needed more
eat tracks.

HIP-HOP

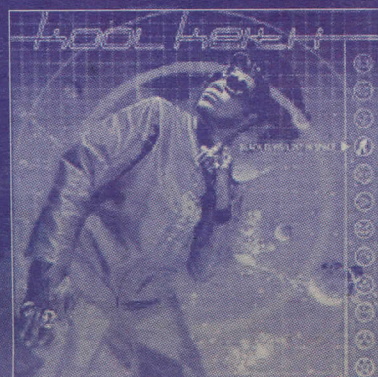
and some Boy Modelling
chool

o... How's Your Girl?
ommy Boy Records
his is what hip-hop should be.

Eminem

The Slim Shady LP
Aftermath / Interscope
So what if he's a rude, crude,
and insane piece of white trash?
He's also a lyrical genius.

...HONORABLE MENTIONS:



Kool Keith

Black Elvis / Lost In Space
Ruffhouse / Columbia
Another lyrical genius, but he
just didn't see any radio airplay.

COMPILA-TIONS

Beastie Boys

The Sounds of Science
Grand Royal
Over a decade of Beastie histo-
ry, including B-sides, what more
can a fan ask more?

WORST OF THE WORST

Backstreet Boys

Millenium
Jive Records
Thank you for starting the "boy
band" craze. Now please end it.

Britney Spears

...Baby One More Time
Jive
I'll hit myself one more time if I
hear any of her songs.

Ricky Martin

Ricky Martin
C2
Menudo, with pubes!

Christina Aguilera

Christina Aguilera
RCA
What this guy wants is for her to
get some better songs.

Limp Bizkit

Significant Other
Flip / Interscope
Overrated rap + rock + metal
fusion. Just some radio hits,
nothing else.

Will Smith

Willenium
Columbia
Makes me wish for the days
where we only saw him on *The*
Fresh Prince of Bel-Air. Men in
Black and *Independence Day*
was enjoyable, this wasn't.

...MACY GRAY

MOHAMED'S TOP 5

Mohamed Fathelbab
Staff Writer

5 Paula Cole Band

Amen
Imago / Warner
I don't care what anyone else thinks about this
album. No threat will ever make me reevalu-
ate my decision to call *Amen* the best of the
year. Come and get me!

4 Macy Gray

On How Life Is
Epic
Once you get past the voice, which actually
enhances one's listening pleasure, you have a
beautifully written compilation.

3 Robbie Williams

The Ego Has Landed
Capitol
Ex-member of Brit boy band does good.

2 Red Hot Chili Peppers

Californification
Warner
A mature Chili Peppers create their best work
to date.

1 The Roots

Things Fall Apart
Elektra
Gritty urban funk. Can be both entertaining
and thought provoking. One of the best live
bands out there.

GARBAGE

To make a list of all the crap that was dropped
into record stores in 1999 would mean a lot of
trees would have to die mercilessly. So, I won't
even bother with my "Worst Albums of the
Year" list. Instead, here are ten descriptions of
albums you should avoid when CD shopping:

...POUTY GIRLS

If there is a blonde teenaged girl posing with
pouting lips on the album cover.

...POUTY BOYS

If there are four or five "cool"-looking guys,
posing with pouting lips on the album cover.

...MR. SHORT-TERM MEMORY

If the artist's idea of "legend" is someone whose
career began after 1982.

...THE "L" WORD

If the word "love" is in the title of record. If the
word "love" is in over half of the tracks on the
album.

...CLOTHES ON LOAN

If there is a ghetto-looking white kid on the
cover, and it's NOT produced by Dr. Dre.

...DON'T GIVE UP YOUR DAY JOB

If it's by an actor-pop singer, with the exception
of Madonna, Frank Sinatra, and Elvis.

...THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN

If any of the tracks has ever appeared on *Total*
Request Live.

...BAD COMPANY

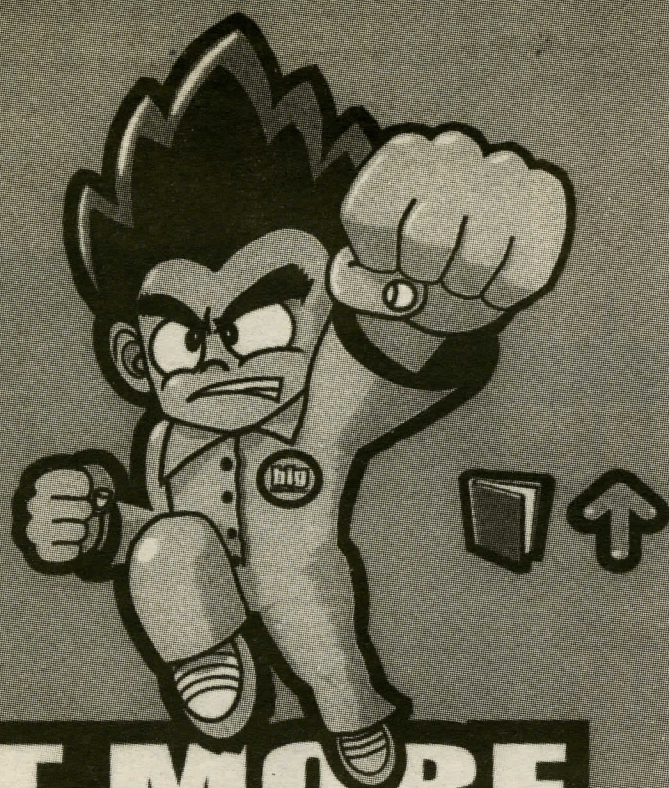
If Carson Daly has ever dated the artist.

...AND THE WINNER IS...

The Number One item you should be wary of
while at the record store: if the words "No" and
"Limits" are anywhere on the album.



...BECK



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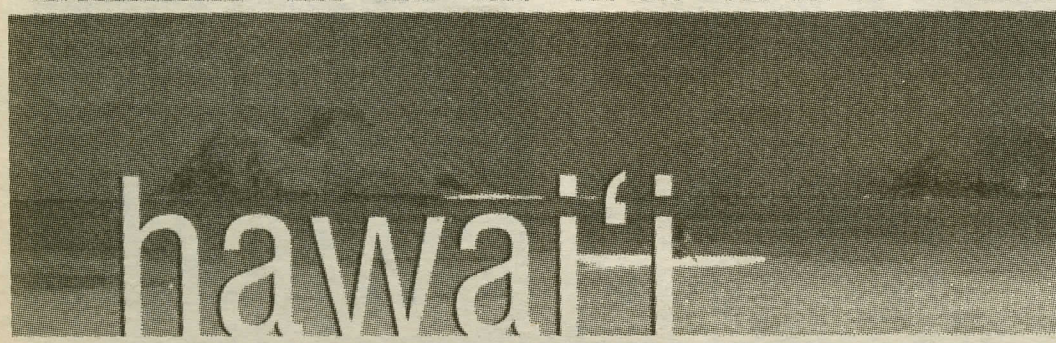
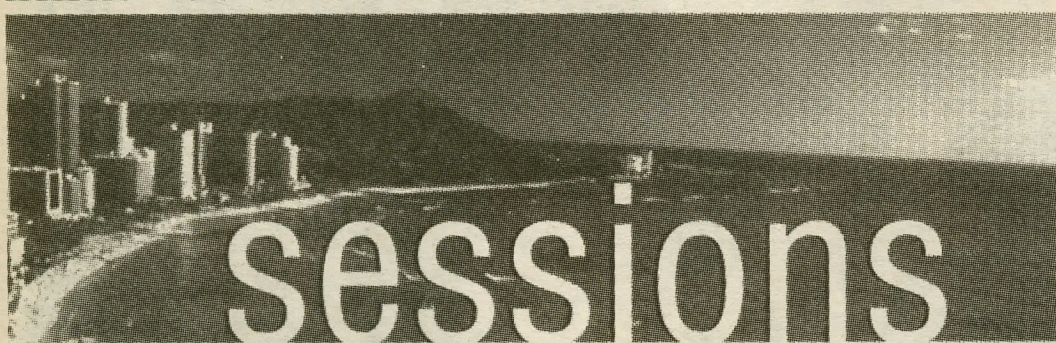
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Y2K QUESTIONS FINALLY ANSWERED

Ibi Aanu Akowe
FEATURES EDITOR

Last minute computer upgrades are in check, bottled water and canned food are stored, flashlights are in place, and everyone has their own personalized gasmask. "Y2K Ready" is not just an advertisement scam, right? Well, we still have next year, which some experts say is the real start of the new millennium. Don't trash those emergency tool kits just yet.

The so-called millennium bug has crawled back under the rock it came from. The excitement and anticipation of the year 2000 has dwindled into a nonchalant shrug, making way for the monotonous progression into an unknown future. It came and it went-no big deal.

"It was just an excuse to party harder and drink more," says 23-year-old Jason Maury who spent the night partying in a lower eastside apartment at the turn of the millennium. Many New Yorkers were not the least bit surprised by the quiet turn out of events.

The NYPD were sent out in droves following close orders by Mayor Giuliani to prevent potential "riots" that may be caused by trouble-makers. Reports say that the streets were pretty quiet in spite of the much-anticipated chaos. Some New Yorkers bombarded Times Square waiting for the famous ball to drop and light up the big 2-0-0-0. While others either spent a quiet evening at home, or partied in the club scene oblivious to all the potential pandemonium at the stroke of midnight.

"I stayed home with my family just in case I don't see them again...you never know what can happen in this crazy world," says Dionne Walter. Y2K seems to no longer be a slogan for impending doom. It now marks a change for the future-progression to an indefinite end or beginning.

Nevertheless, the new millennium is merely a new time-another chance. Whatever disaster that was supposed to happen or is about to come, there is still an opportunity to save grace. This gives us new prospect to look back into the past to see what will become of the future, within the 21st millennium.

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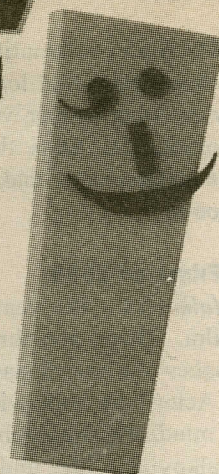
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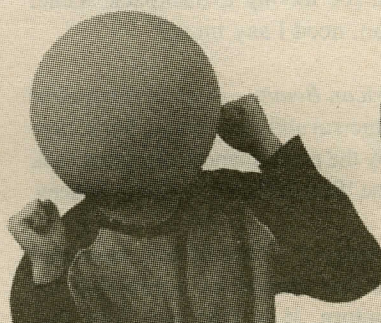
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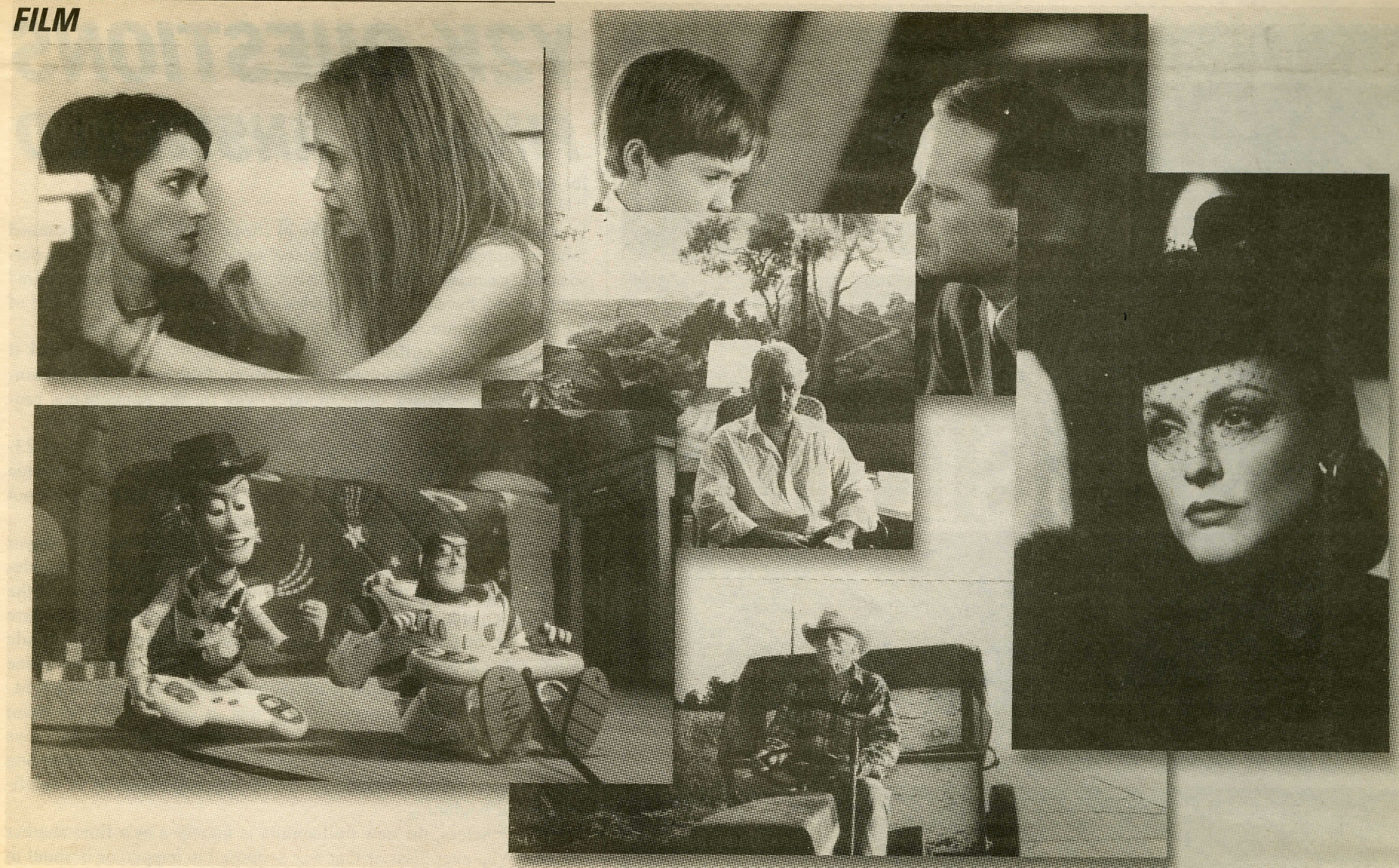
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COULD BE, SHOULD BE – WON'T BE

Envoy critics take the Academy back to school

Jennifer Mascia & Mohamed Fathelbab
ARTS EDITOR & STAFF WRITER

The Oscar race is underway and only one true thing can be said about this: the awards are bullshit. They rarely get it right. Who actually thinks that Roberto Benigni deserved last year's Best Actor prize over the other four nominees? Only the Academy does. So, we will tell you which films will most likely get nominated by the 5,000 or so members of that elitist society and those films that should.

The Five Flicks that Will Get Nominated:

1) *American Beauty* – After last year's shocking defeat of *Saving Private Ryan* to Miramax's *Shakespeare in Love*, Steven and the rest of the gang over at DreamWorks are itching for revenge. And this sleeper hit about a dysfunctional suburban family has hit the right cords with American critics, including the Golden Globe for Best Dramatic Picture, placing it as the film to beat come March.

2) *Being John Malkovich* Every year there is a dark horse and this film has the right amount of critical notice to make it the best possible candidate for the slot of 'least likely to win' the prize as compared to the other four nominees.

3) *The Hurricane* – A film about an innocent Black man convicted for a crime he didn't commit, being aided by white Canadians, so it means that not ALL white people are evil. And it is directed by dinosaur Norman Jewison. It'll make

many older Academy voters feel safe.

4) *The Insider* – A little guy takes on a big, bad corporation. The corporation happens to make its profits from tobacco. Tobacco is bad. It is another flick that'll make Academy voters feel like they have done their deeds to society.

5) *The Talented Mr. Ripley* – Beautiful White people in beautiful white locations, directed by an Oscar winner who specializes in commercial films that pose as 'art house masterpieces' makes this a definite shoe-in.

The Five Best Films of 1999:

1) *Being John Malkovich* – The year's most original film. There are three sequences that makes Malkovich stand out from the rest: Actor John Malkovich visiting his own mind, the Biography-like spoof of Malkovich's life, and a chimpanzee having a flashback scene. Come on, need I say more?

2) *American Beauty* – A great mixture of dark cynicism and ever-lasting hope, propelled by the performances of a great cast, led by the 'find of the 90's,' Kevin Spacey.

3) *Toy Story 2* – One of two animated features that should be nominated for Best Picture, it is that rare film that accomplishes what their ads proclaim: both children and adults will enjoy it. Adults will probably enjoy it more than their children.

4) *Election* – Matthew Broderick sheds off that Ferris Buller skin of his in what

many critics thought was a black comedy about a high school teacher's piety obsession with a student (Reese Witherspoon). It was actually more like a docu-drama.

5) *South Park: Bigger, Longer, and Uncut* – Because Kyle's mom's a big fat bitch, a stupid bitch.

The Five Ladies

Who Will Get Nominated:

Annette Bening, *American Beauty*
Janet McTeer, *Tumbleweeds*
Julianne Moore, *The End of the Affair*
Hilary Swank, *Boys Don't Cry*
Sigourney Weaver, *A Map of the World*

Three of the actresses who will get the nominations will do so not because of the countless critics awards being given out (which all seemed to have fallen into the hands of Swank), but because they are on the Hollywood A list. McTeer will get the nod because it looks good to nominate a theatre veteran, and Swank is quickly rising up the celebrity meter.

The Five Ladies

Who Should Get Nods:

1) Hilary Swank, *Boys Don't Cry*
2) Annette Bening, *American Beauty*
3) Reese Witherspoon, *Election*
4) Cecilia Roth, *All About My Mother*
5) Renee Russo, *The Thomas Crown Affair*

Russo gives an impressive performance in an otherwise pretty standard action flick. Witherspoon is annoyingly funny in *Election*. Roth and Bening are mature and magnificent, but the very best perfor-

mance of the year, male or female, is Swank's tragic turn as Brandon Teena. It is a star-making role that would have been stripped of its dignity if it were played by any other of those 'hot' Hollywood actresses. (Just imagine if Jennifer Love Hewitt or Tara Reid took that role.)

The Five Dudes

Who Will Get Nominated:

Jim Carrey, *Man on the Moon*
Russell Crowe, *The Insider*
Richard Farnsworth, *The Straight Story*
Kevin Spacey, *American Beauty*
Denzel Washington, *The Hurricane*

This is pretty much expected. Those who have won past critic's prizes, from the New York critics to the Golden Globes, will be honored in this category. Washington will beat them all, for the simple fact that Hollywood desperately wants to honor *The Hurricane*, but I doubt that it will win Best Picture.

The Five Dudes

Who Should Get Nods:

1) Jim Carrey, *Man on the Moon*
2) Denzel Washington, *The Hurricane*
3) Kevin Spacey, *American Beauty*
4) Bob Hoskins, *Felicia's Journey*
5) Nicolas Cage, *Bringing Out the Dead*

All of the actors on this list give the performances of their careers. Past Oscar winners Spacey and Washington are amazing in their dramatic roles but Carrey proves that *The Truman Show* wasn't a fluke. He is a true thespian. He was not playing Andy Kaufman. He WAS Andy Kaufman.

THE WRITTEN WORD

FAR AWAY, LONG AGO AND NEVER WAS COME CLOSE TO HOME

Brad Senning
STAFF WRITER

J.M. COETZEE
DISGRACE
Viking \$24

An examination of post-Apartheid South African culture, "Disgrace" focuses on the redistribution of wealth and ownership into black hands. It seems to borrow notes from D.W. Griffith's *Birth of a Nation*, the post-civil war south a pro-Ku Klux Klan film.

The "disgrace" of the title is the main character, David Lurie, a professor of Romantic Literature at a South African university, fired for sleeping with one of his students. He leaves town discredited, going to visit his daughter, Lucy, who owns a farm in a rural community. While he's there, Lucy is gang-raped by three African youths, one of whom has affiliations with her neighbor, Petrus, an African farmer who is suspiciously away on business during the crime. About the rape, she asks herself, "What if that is the price one has to pay for staying on?" and considers accepting Petrus's invitation to become his second wife, and in doing so give him her land.

It's a well-written story, even winning the coveted Booker Prize, ostensibly for its staccato narration, which is mesmerizing. But it's the sort of book you wish utilized Brecht's alienation effect, which preserves a distance between character and audience, because it's a racially loaded book, pushing and pulling

on your hatred of either the Africans in the story or the author who writes it.

LILY TUCK
SIAM, OR, THE WOMAN WHO SHOT A MAN
Overlook \$24

The ideal Vietnam War novel would be exactly as long to read as the war itself and have as many characters as the people that were involved. But until that happens, there are books that attempt to capture the gist of the war.

Lily Tuck concentrates on a country we don't hear about too often in the annals of Vietnam War history: Thailand. Married to an American officer, Claire, the main character, finds herself moving with her husband, James, to Thailand in the late 60s, when Thailand was getting swept up in America's role in the Vietnam War. Claire is an unusual officer's wife: she tries to learn the language, attempts to get to know the native people, and questions America's place in Thailand, noting that to the Americans, Thailand is a "giant air craft carrier." Frustrated with the delusions perpetuated in her insular milieu, she decides to conduct an investigation of the death of American businessman Jim Thompson, whose death occasions a look forward at the exit of America from Thailand after the war, when the Thai people chase after spectral American influences.

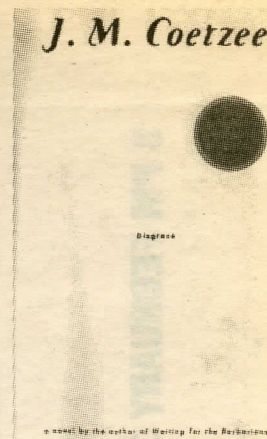
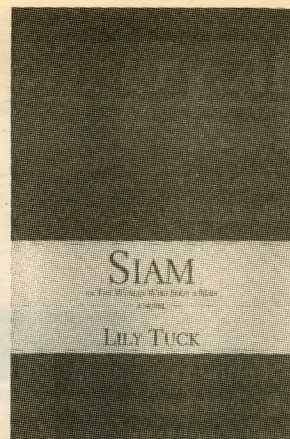
The book is wittily narrated, as if the author takes cues from the music in her mind. Its most appealing factor the character, Claire, who sheds an interesting

light on things one of those *Candide* types who learns about the surroundings at the same pace as the reader.

RICHARD ELLIS
IMAGINING ATLANTIS
Vintage \$13

The first mention of Atlantis comes by way of Plato, whose "Timaeus" mentions "an island larger than Libya and Asia combined that lay just beyond the straits of Gibraltar." It was an ideal nation that suffered a catastrophe and disappeared from the earth. Perhaps because, like Washington, Plato never lied, people since the age of archaeology have been attempting to find Atlantis. Where did this ill-fated island disappear to?

Richard Ellis catalogues a library's-worth of theory on the subject, quoting book and introductions when he doesn't tackle the book. Two of the most interesting details include a theory on Atlantis as an alien nation, and a summary of *The Maracot Deep*, an Atlantean novel by the same author of Sherlock Holmes novels, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. "Was there ever a real Atlantis?" Ellis wonders. And the book is in many ways a long-winded, "No." But it does so expansively, deserving to be called the ultimate reference on Atlantis, one that you don't have to be an Atlantean scholar to understand.



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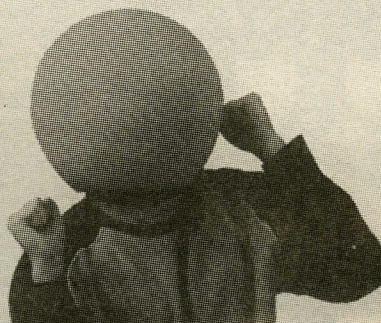
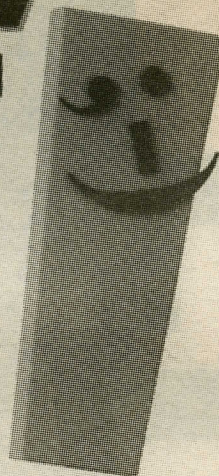
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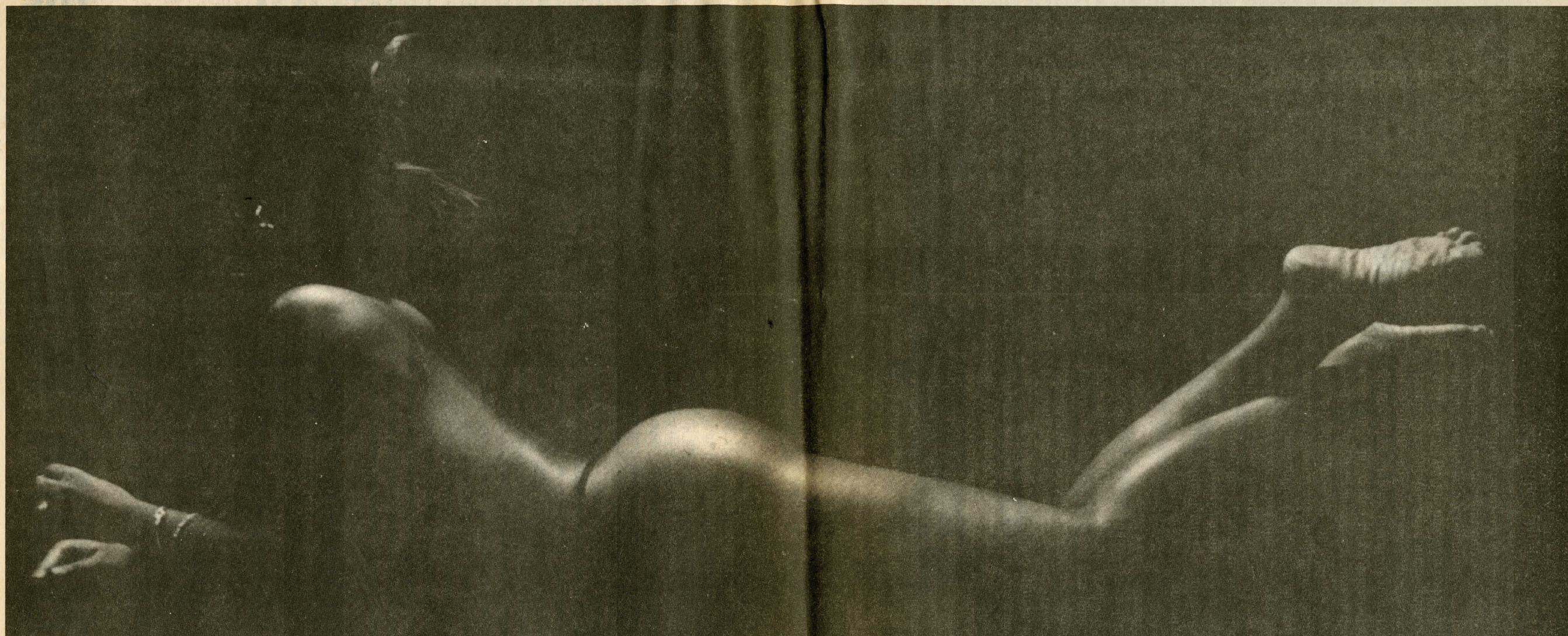
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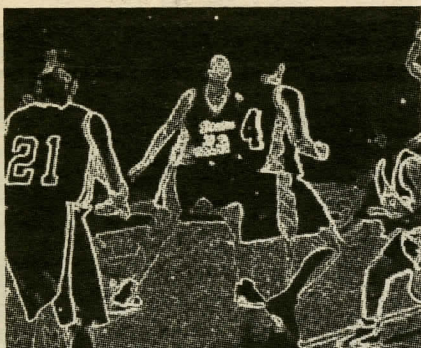
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INDIVIDUAL HONORS

GREG HARDIN MEN'S BASKETBALL

The senior center has been one of the few bright spots this season for the struggling men's program. The 6'6" Hardin leads the nation in scoring with 30.0 ppg and rebounding with 13.2 boards per contest. Hardin also ranks 10th in Division III with 2.6 blocks per game.

DIANA OLAYA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The sophomore point guard has maintained her high level of play this season despite being injured for the majority of the season. Olaya is 16th in the nation in assists, dishing out 5.5 per contest. Olaya also ranks in the top 10 in the CUNYAC in scoring (14.6 ppg).

MAUREEN MCBRIDE WOMEN'S SWIMMING

This freshman sensation has literally and figuratively made a big splash in her first season on the swim team. McBride has broken 3 school records in the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle and 50 butterfly events. It's almost scary to realize that McBride just might be scratching the surface of her talent.

MIKE OMELIO MEN'S WRESTLING

Hunter's senior co-captain has the best winning percentage on the wrestling team. Omelio has built a 10-5 record, with an impressive 7-2 record in dual meets.

CUNY STANDINGS (AS OF 1/25/00)

MEN'S B-BALL	CUNYAC W-L	OVERALL W-L
North Division		
John Jay	6-1	9-5
Baruch	4-2	10-5
City College	2-2	5-6
Lehman	1-2	4-7
Hunter	1-3	2-12
South Division		
Staten Island	5-1	10-6
York	4-1	6-7
Brooklyn	2-4	7-4
Medgar Evers	2-5	3-11
NYC Tech	1-7	3-11
WOMEN'S B-BALL	W-L	W-L
North Division		
Hunter	4-0	8-5
Lehman	3-2	8-5
City College	3-2	4-9
Baruch	0-4	0-5
John Jay	0-7	2-14
South Division		
Staten Island	1-0	1-3
York	1-1	1-1
Medgar Evers	0-0	0-2
NYC Technical	0-0	0-3
Brooklyn	0-1	0-4

THE SPORTS CORNER



Brian Fraga

SPORTS EDITOR

Wow! Another semester of Hunter College has arrived upon us. It seems like only yesterday that finals were winding down, we were bracing ourselves for Y2K and the winter teams were just beginning their seasons. While this school's hallways lay dormant for much of the past month, the world of sports, both here at Hunter and in the professional realm, went on strong...

It was really great to see two new teams in this year's Super Bowl, the St. Louis Rams and Tennessee Titans. Another Green Bay or Denver appearance and I would have been ready to hurl...

The New York Giants were something else this season. All pre-season, we heard all about a new dedication and a new "philosophy" on offense. The result? A 7-9 record. I guess there really is no substitute for talent...

Jets fans are now calling Bill Belichick a traitor for skipping out on the Jets to become New England's head coach. Have they forgotten that Parcells still had 3 years left on his New England contract when he left town to join the Jets? Oh yeah, that selective memory thing...

I'm surprised I haven't heard any

new soap opera twists from the Knicks lately. But hey, it's still early in the season...

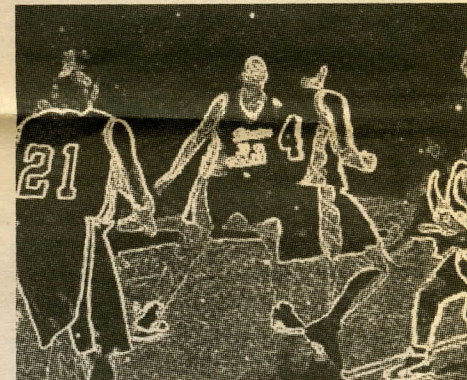
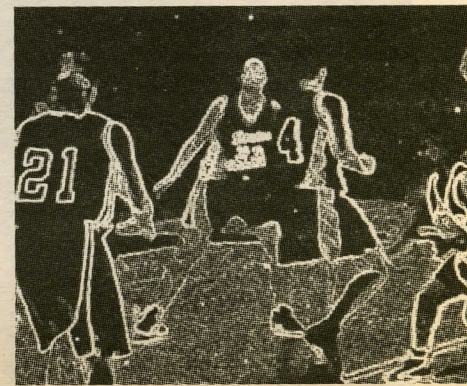
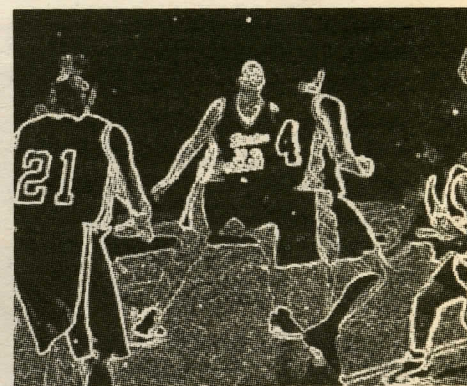
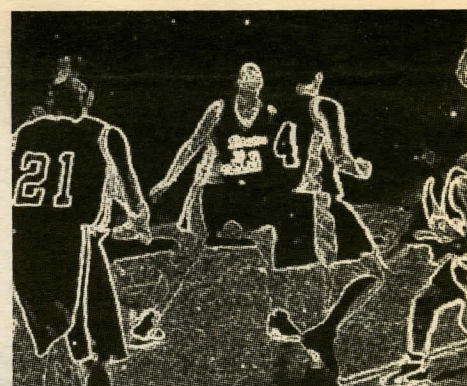
By the way, baseball is right around the corner. Spring training starts next month. Did anyone notice that Hideku Iribu got traded?

I know Mets fans noticed the trade that brought pitcher Mike Hampton to town. Now, with Hampton as the ace of the staff, the Mets will be deadly...

If George Steinbrenner approves, Derek Jeter will sign a contract worth 16 million dollars a year. 16 million dollars a year! Damn, remember when it was news when Bobby Bonilla signed for a then-record \$5.5 million with the Mets in 1992?

I know that this is a commuter school, but a little student support at some of the athletic events would be nice. It's pretty bad when there are more people on the sidelines at in the stands...

One note on the Los Angeles Lakers. I will acknowledge that Phil Jackson has had a positive influence on them. Six championship rings will do that. But Shaq and Kobe still have to do it in the playoffs. Until they do that, I will remain one of their biggest skeptics...



ATTENTION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The official organization which represents students, charters clubs, allocates funds, and provides social, cultural and political programs.

Available positions: Executive Officers and Senators.

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STUDENT

COLLEGE ASSOCIATION

This organization reviews and approves all student activity fee supported budgets. It also includes professors and administrators.

ELECTIONS

AUXILIARY ENTERPRISE BOARD

This organization reviews and approves all contracts for auxiliary enterprises on campus such as the bookstore and cafeteria. Additionally, this organization allocates funds for various campus activities based on available revenue from auxiliary enterprises.

ARE COMING

FACULTY-STUDENT DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

This committee hears testimony and renders decisions regarding allegations, which if proved, may subject a student to disciplinary action

WHAT IS STUDENT GOVERNMENT?

Every Hunter student pays a student activity fee alongside their tuition. These are the elected bodies that choose what priorities are given to those funds. In addition to accounting, the Undergraduate Student Government bears a special responsibility to defend the integrity of the City University and the communities of New York it has traditionally served. Elections will be held during the Spring 2000 semester for the 2000/2001 academic year. The administration has made campaign funds available. For more information, get the election packet from Student Services, or visit Student Government in room 121 Hunter North.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

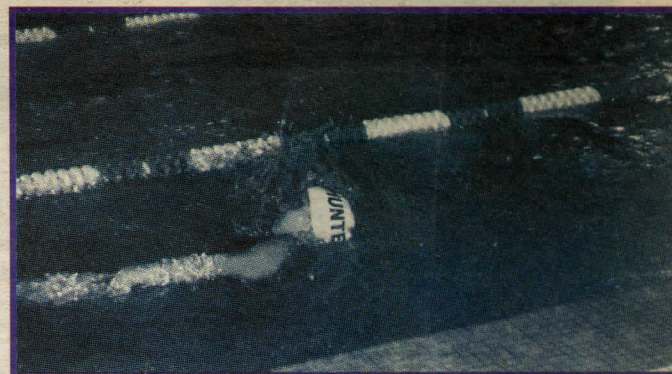
For those students who are considering running for any of the above positions, Student Services has scheduled four "Prospective Candidate Workshops" so that you may learn more about the rules governing the elections, eligibility, how to organize a campaign, etc. Please feel free to attend either workshop. All will be held in Room 1103 East.

Tuesday, February 15 2:30 to 3:30 pm
Friday, March 3 11:00 am to 12:00 noon
Monday, March 27 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Thursday, April 6 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Election packets are available in room 1119 East beginning February 7, 2000

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HUNTER ATHLETICS: UPCOMING EVENTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Feb 2 CCNY 5:30pm
Feb 5 @ Baruch 7:00pm
Feb 7 York (Nat'l GWS Day) 7:00pm
Feb 11 John Jay (Senior Day) 6:00pm
Feb 14 @ Medgar Evers 7:00pm
Feb 19 @ CUNYAC Championships
(Staten Island) TBA
Feb 22 @ CUNYAC Championships
Feb 25 @ CUNYAC Championships

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Feb 4 @ Mt. Saint Vincent 7:00pm
Feb 7 CCNY 5:00 p.m.
Feb 10 Baruch 5:00 p.m.
Feb 14 @ Medgar Evers 5:00pm.
Feb 20,23,25
@CUNYAC Championships
(Staten Island) TBA

WOMEN'S JV BASKETBALL

Feb 5 @Nassau CC 1:00pm
Feb 9 Purchase State 7:00pm

WRESTLING

Feb 5 @Lycomin TBA
vs. Muhlenberg
vs. York of Pa.
Feb 9 USMMA 7:00pm
Feb 19 @Metro Championships
(Montclair State) 10:00pm

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Feb 1 @Mount Saint Mary 7:00pm
Feb 4 @New Jersey Tech 6:30pm
Feb 18-20
Metro Championships (CNJ)
TBA

MEN'S FENCING

Feb 6 @ John Hopkins 10:00pm
Feb 17 Stevens Tech 7:00pm
Feb 27 Club Army
Club Cornell
@Stevens Tech 10:00pm

WOMEN'S FENCING

Feb 12 @Stevens Tech 10:00pm
Feb 18 Bard 5:00pm
Feb 20 @Stevens Tech 10:00pm
Feb 24 @Fairleigh Dickinson 5:30pm

MEN'S & WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Feb 5 @ CUNYAC Championships TBA
Feb 11 @ CTC Championships TBA
Feb 19 @ Princeton Invitational TBA
Feb 25 @ West Point Invitational TBA

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Feb 3 Brooklyn 7:00pm
Feb 5 vs. MIT & Roger Williams
(Queens) TBA
Feb 7 @ York 6:30pm
Feb 8 USMMA 7:00pm
Feb 10 @ CCNY 6:00pm
Feb 13 @ NJ Tournament 9:00pm
Feb 19 Dyoville 7:00pm
Feb 23 @ John Jay 7:00pm
Feb 27 @ Sacred Heart 1:00pm
Feb 28 @ Lehman 7:00pm
Oct 23 @ CUNYAC Championships TBA

SMOKING WINTER SPORTS HUNTER TURNS UP THE CITY B-BALL-WRESTLING-FENCING-SWIMMING



Brian Fraga SPORTS EDITOR

While the halls of Hunter College lay dormant for most of the past month, the student-athletes of the winter teams were still making the trek to the 68th Street campus for numerous practices, games and meets. Several of the teams, notably women's basketball, built on impressive records and began preparing themselves for their respective CUNYAC championship tournament. Others, such as the men's volleyball squad, began preparing themselves for the grind of a long season. Here is their story.

The women's basketball team continued their strong play this season as they built a 7-3 record during the month of January. The Hawk's latest game was against Staten Island on January 26. The Hawks overcame a 15-point deficit in the first half and stormed back to defeat the Dolphins 68-61. Jen Rogers led the charge with 119 total points, including five three-pointers.

The women's basketball team is currently atop the CUNYAC's northern division with a record of 8-1, with an overall record of 12-6. Sophomore point guard Diana Olaya has continued her strong level of play, averaging

14.1 points, 6.6 rebounds and 5.5 assists per outing. The team could use the services of center Tanika Hurtt though, who is currently injured and her status for the rest of the season uncertain.

Going into the winter season, head coach Bill Heally knew he would have his work cut out for him with a young, untested team, and the early results have shown that. The team's overall record as of the 29th was 3-14, 2-5 in the CUNYAC. The team has played well at times but the lack of experience has counted against the Hawks in such close defeats as the 76-71 loss to Gwynedd-Mercy on January 13.

One of the lone highlights for the Hawks has been the play of Senior center Greg Hardin. Hardin currently ranks first in the nation with 30.0 points and 13.1 rebounds per game. The wrestling team has built a solid 5-3-1 dual meet record this season. The team was able to tie against Johns Hopkins University in dramatic fashion as Mike Omelio was able to win his match in the last contest of the meet. The team also recently placed 17th out of a possible 24 at the New York State Championships and was scheduled to travel to Roger Williams

University in Rhode Island to compete in the Metropolitan-New England Duals on January 29.

The men's fencing team lost their last meet to Yale to drop their record to 1-3. Kevin Ronan has led the team with a 7-5 record in the foil and Michael Elsload has also contributed a 6-6 record in the saber. The Hawks will be competing at Johns Hopkins University on February 6.

The women's fencing team has also struggled this season with an 0-3 record after losing to CCNY on January 15. Lidia Pidosny has been solid for the Hawks with an a 7-2 record in the epee. The Hawks next compete at Stevens Tech University on February 12.

The women's swim team built a 3-2 record in January, bringing their record to 9-7 overall, 1-1 in the CUNYAC. The Hawks were to travel to Lehman this past weekend to compete in the CUNYAC championships. Leading the Hawks has been freshman sensation Maureen McBride, who has broken 3 school records in the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle and 50 butterfly events.

The next and last winter team to begin its season will be the men's volleyball team.