

Excitement Erupts on Cardinal Avenue

By Paul Winnington '98
News Editor

The calm in the neighborhood surrounding St. Joseph's campus was shattered last week when a woman went into hysterics on Cardinal Avenue.

According to the report filed with Philadelphia Police, a "demented female...with little clothing" got on a SEPTA bus at 58th and Pine Streets. The woman rode the bus to 54th Street and City Avenue. When she got off, she began to holler at the bus driver, who called police. Police reported to the scene and took the woman into custody.

Students living in LaFarge, however, say that the police report does not accurately reflect what happened. Jason Stairs, whose room faces Cardinal Avenue, said that he and his friends heard a loud bang which they assumed was a gun shot. "At first I thought maybe it was a car backfiring," he said, "but then I heard a woman screaming and another shot." Stairs called 911 while his friends went to the window. They saw a black male wearing a blue sweater with white stripes running toward Cardinal Ave. carrying something under his sweater.

One of Stairs's friends said,

"I saw the man running away mumbling...when the police arrived they searched the area with flood lights and then one police officer hit a tree. I didn't see them catch anyone or take anyone into custody."

"I think it's pretty funny, but bad and sad that the police are so incompetent," Stairs said, when told that the police report made no mention of gun shots.

Another student, John Geary '99, also heard shots. He called Campus Security. A bike patrol security officer reported to the scene later. "I think it's a disgrace that the police department did not handle this case properly, however I don't feel in danger..." he said.

In an effort to get a first-hand view of the situation, Joe Sirbak '98, ventured outside when he heard the shots. "When I got down there, the police had already arrived," he said. "They were searching the Cardinal's property with flood lights, but by that time the only people around were curious neighbors." Sirbak said that he was alarmed that the incident took place so close to campus. "I don't feel that I am in danger," he explained, "but I worry about the security of the neighborhood surrounding our campus. I hope this kind of thing doesn't happen again."

Dining fee draws inquiry

By Matthew Viglione '98
Hawk Staff

As students in a private, Catholic university, the bill that is about to be sent out to returning students is not only numerically large, but it is quite complex. Take a look at it. There is a bottom line where the Treasurer's Office informs the student of the amount due. But, above that number is a breakdown into various miscellaneous fees. While most of these fees are small in absolute amount, one fee stands out above the rest, the Dining Service Fee.

Every resident student is required to pay four-hundred dollars per semester for the use of the Dining Services available in Campion. So, what does the "Dining Service Fee" actually pay for?

In taking an informal poll among students, the discovery was made that many of the students are unaware of where their money is going. In fact, reaction varied from those annoyed with the fee to those who are quite angry with the fee.

So, after returning from break, I arranged a meeting with Mr. Jack Humma, the administrator in charge of operations within the cafeteria. When I expressed to him the sentiment among the students of confusion and irritation, he was quite surprised. He then referred to a sheet that explained the fee and contained a

description of how the fee is spent.

First of all, the dining service fee does not pay the salaries of ARAMark workers. They are paid directly by ARAMark, and not by the University. The dining service fee is spent almost exclusively on the physical maintenance and improvement of the Cafeteria and the Food Court.

Also, this policy is by no means unique to St. Joseph's University. Mr. Humma explained that the common practice among other colleges and universities is to charge a flat rate for a certain number of meals per

week. This flat rate method includes a built amount for "dining services."

When St. Joe's switched from this flat rate system to our current declining balance system, the dining service fee was added to facilitate the maintenance of the cafeteria.

Though eight-hundred dollars per year may seem high, when comparing the total cost of the package at St. Joe's to other Philadelphia universities, our total cost is toward the low end of the list.

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Food Service Operation Costs

Kitchen Equip./Maintenance.....	\$25,000
Facility Improvement.....	37,000
Insurance.....	30,000
Postage/Printing.....	4,000
Trash Removal.....	35,000
Telephone.....	50,000
Electric, Fuel, Gas.....	80,000
Supplies, Miscellaneous Expenses.....	53,000
Debt Service.....	345,000
Capital Equip.....	20,000
Dishware, Trays.....	20,000
Water/Sewer Tax, Legal Fees.....	45,000
University Personnel.....	50,000
Pest Control.....	5,000
Total.....	\$800,000

Retreats for Spring already being planned

By Anne Crouch '98
Special to the Hawk

As the Fall semester grinds to a halt, students are already dreading the renewed stress and pressures that will appear with the start of next semester.

Campus ministry has the solution for those who anticipate that they will need a break for some rest and relaxation. These students can choose from the various retreats planned throughout the semester to meet every student's personal needs.

One such retreat is the Guided Ignatian Retreat. It is based upon the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, and focuses

on reflection on one's relationship with God, one's call to service, and the choices one makes. Materials for prayer and reflection are provided, and each participant meets with a spiritual director while on the retreat. Juniors and Seniors may especially benefit from the experience, but the retreat is open to all students. It will be held from January 9 - 11, in Wernersville, PA.

Another upcoming retreat, offered especially for Freshmen, is the Freshman-Get-Away. The Get-Away is an overnight program designed to build community and establish friendships. Sophomore, Junior,

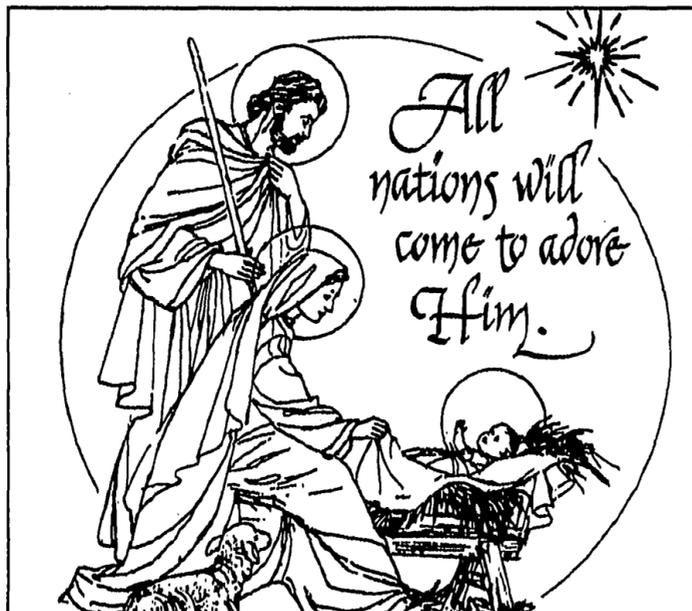
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Students pose for a picture at the Fall '95 Freshman Get-Away.

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SUB arranges Spring entertainment

By Hilarie Surrena '99
Hawk Staff

Next semester, the Student Union Board will hold a special concert in the Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse.

In essence, the concert performers will be chosen by the students themselves. The way they will do this is through the Music Interest Survey being taken by the Student Union Board. SUB members are encouraging students to complete the music surveys during lunch periods. If students cannot vote then, surveys are available at the front desk in Campion.

The results of the music survey will help the Board decide on a live band. The band will, hopefully, be one that is well

known and frequently heard on the radio. After the surveys are tallied, the Board will research the availability of certain bands to perform.

The budget for this event will depend upon the enrollment of students at St. Joseph's next semester, however organizers expect to have around \$65,000 available as funding for the event. Ticket price per student will be in the \$25 range.

Dylan Caldwell '96, President of the Student Union Board says, "All students are encouraged to come. The performance is a concert chosen by the students and the results of their surveys." Organizers warn students, "If you don't fill out a survey, don't complain about the entertainment!"

• NEWS •

Reindeer Bytes...



Positions in Germany
 Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as resident assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions in the Center for International Programs office, Barry Annex. The young men in these homes are between 10 and 20 years of age, studying English among other academic subjects. Some knowledge of German is required of the resident assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with the students. The assistant must be creative in conducting discussion groups, organizing sports and games, conversing about life in the U.S. and assisting the students individually with homework. Compensation includes meals and lodging for academic year, usually within a boarding home, an adequate monthly stipend for personal expenditures, several vacation periods, and round-trip airfare. Applications are now available in out Center, and must be completed by December 15. Five graduates of SJU are currently serving as resident assistants in the boarding homes, which are conducted by the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart in the southwestern region of the country.

Saving Money on Student Loans
 For more information on how to save money on your student loans call the Sallie Mae Corporation at 1-800-891-4595 for a free copy of the guide, Borrowing for College, or contact the financial aid office at your

college. Numerous payment plans and loans are available.

Student Leaders Sought for Summer '96 Program
 Throughout the fall and winter, The Fund for American Studies will be recruiting student leaders at colleges and universities to live, learn, and intern in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 1996. Undergraduates interested in living with peers from around the nation and the world, gaining relevant work experience in public policy, business, or political journalism, and studying at prestigious Georgetown University, are encouraged to apply. Numerous scholarships are available.

For brochures and applications, contact 1-800-741-6964 or via e-mail at 75677.2703@compuserve.com.

English Corner Tutoring
 The English Corner provides tutoring for papers in all courses. Students meet in the LaFarge Study Lounge on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 8 - 10 p.m. English majors are available to offer help. English tutoring is also offered at the Learning Resource Center, 302 Science Center, Mondays from 6-9pm.

Fall Tutoring
 The Learning Resource Center, 302 SC, provides walk-in tutoring Monday through Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Three math tutors staff the Center each night. Other courses covered include: accounting, statistics, english, and economics. Check the schedule for day and time.

All students are encouraged to participate. Limited private tutors are also available. Call 660-1775, or stop in SC 302 for more information.

Attention Writers
 If you write for the Hawk and have access to Word Perfect, please type your articles and save to disk for submission to the paper. Articles must be saved to a version of Word Perfect 5.1 or lower. Articles can then be copied directly to the Hawk disk. Disks will be placed in the basket on the office door to be picked up.

Composer Competition
 Students who wish to enter their compositions in the "1996 BMI Student Composer Awards Competition" should send their entries to the BMI foundation by Friday, February 9, 1996. Prizes range from \$500 - \$3,000. Contestants must be under the age of 26 as of December 31, 1995. Official rules and entry blanks are available from BMI Composer Awards, 320 West 57th Street, New York, NY 10019.

Chamber Music Society Presents Vermeer Quartet
 The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society presents the Vermeer Quartet on Friday, December 1, 1995 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Performance begins at 8 p.m., Box Office opens at 7 p.m. Tickets are available for \$17.50 (\$8.75 for students). For reservations or information, call (215) 569-8587.

Student Teaching
 Are you planning on student teaching in Fall, 1996? If so, applications are now available in B/L 261 (Education Department). Completed applications must be turned in by January, 1996. For more information call the education department.

March for Life
 SJU Students for Human Life are planning a trip to the March For Life in Washington, D.C. on Monday, January 22, 1995. The march commemorates the anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the Sumpreme Court's Decision to legalization of abortion in U.S. To register, or for information, call Matt at x2468.

President's Committee on Hiring Students with Disabilities
 A representative from the President's Committee will be on Campus during the week of January 22-26, 1996 to resuit students with disabilities for summer internship work experience programs. Because of time constraints only a limited number of interviews can be scheduled. If interested, call Jim Scott at (610) 660-1774 before the Christmas break.

Scholarships for the Blind
 "The American Foundation for the Blind is offering several scholarship opportunities for students who are legally blind, of good character, and have exhibited academic excellence." Students who are interested should contact Jim Scott, 212 Campion, 660-1774 for additional

information and application forms.

Christmas Concert
 The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will hold its annual Christmas Concert at the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul on December 17 at 2:30 p.m. There is admission cost but free will offerings may be made. For more information, call (215) 587-3696.

Poems, Poems, Poems, Poems
 The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$24,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. The deadline is December 31, 1995. Send one original poem to the National Library, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-1986, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

Students for Life
 SJU Student for Life prays the rosary each Friday at 4:00 p.m. in front of Lankenau Hospital. Any student who wishes to take part should meet in front of Sourin at 3:30. For more information, call Matt at x2468.

A special "Thank-you" to all the faculty and staff who showed their support at Tuesday's luncheon.

The Career Services Center presents:

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Happenings

Weekend Mass Schedule *December 9-10*

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Fr. J. Coll, S.J.
Sunday 11:00 A.M. Fr. J. Feeney, S.J.
 No 7:00 P.M.
 10:00 P.M. Fr. S. Pilarz, S.J.

The Third Sunday of Advent *December 17*

Sunday 11:00 A.M. Fr. C. Currie, S.J.
 (No other Mass this weekend)

Liturgy for the Solemnity of Christmas

Sunday, December 24 8:00 P.M.

Sunday Liturgies 11:00 A.M.
December 24, 31
January 7, 14

Ignatian Guided Exercises

Tuesday, January 9 — Friday, January 12
 Wernersville, PA
 Contact: Sr. Anne McCoy, S.S.J.
 Campus Ministry - x1030



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• NEWS •

New ATM satisfies student's financial needs



A student makes use of the new ATM.

By Lex Kaptik '97
Managing Editor

Swift action by the Vice President for Student Life and Academic Development, Administrative Services and the Student Government Association has led to a resolution in the campus banking situation.

"The University is happy that the deal with CoreStates Bank was made so quickly," commented Vice President for Administrative Services, John J. Humma, Jr. "However, the University is unhappy with the treatment by Berkeley Federal Banking." Concern stemmed from a letter received by the University last August from Berkeley Federal foretelling of the discontinuation of service by the automatic teller machine (ATM) located in the cafeteria.

The goal of the University is to have a full service machine which includes maintaining accounts and facilitating withdrawals.

Currently, withdrawals are the only operation of the machine.

The administration is encouraging students and faculty to use the machine as much as possible. A greater amount of transactions will increase the chance of CoreStates installing a full service ATM.

Tim Devine '97 said, "I believe students are happy to have CoreStates as their banking service. They are not charging a basic service fee, only other banks will charge a nominal fee." As SGA University Operations

chair, Devine believes that CoreStates is here only on a trial basis.

On the whole, students seem to be satisfied with the new service. "I have more confidence in CoreStates, and I feel that they are a more reputable banking firm," said Jim Janco '97. "The lack of deposit options does not bother me."

Alyx Campanella '99 noted, "I'm glad we still have a banking service on campus, however, I would like to see deposit service return soon."

Fees

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students on the meal plan, the University collects approximately one million dollars (\$800 multiplied by 1,040). Of that money collected, nearly every dollar, and in some years above and beyond that, is spent. Again, this fee supports the University side of the dining services equation, not ARAMark's portion.

Also, Mr. Humma provided with breakdown of the spending by category. While most of the categories remain constant without major increases or

decreases, one area of increasing dollar signs and concern is the replacement of missing or stolen serviceware. This is one cost which the students can control by keeping non-disposable serviceware in the cafeteria.

The dining service fee is a necessity of University policy to provide improvement for the residents who depend on the cafeteria for their meals.

Hopefully, this article and the graphic which explains the breakdown numerically will alleviate some of the confusion and animosity felt by the students in relation to the Dining Service Fee.

If you submitted pictures to the News section and have not gotten them back - Call Paul @ x2611.

The Hawk staff would like to
extend to its readers
wishes for

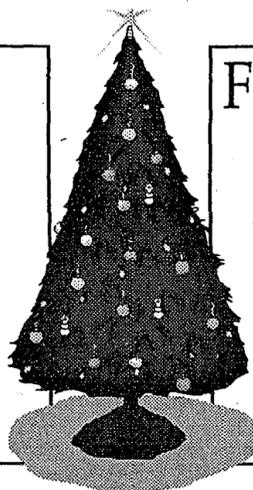
A Blessed Christmas

and a

Very Happy New Year!

NOTABLES

**Students for Human Life
attending March for Life in
Wash. D.C. Mon., Jan. 22nd
Sign-ups week before the
March Call Matt Lamoureux
x2468 for more info.**



**Fraternity Rush is coming...
Fraternity Information
Night Thurs. Jan 18th Go
Greek this Spring!
All Welcome!**



**Rush into the
New Year!
Sorority Information
Night Mon., Jan 29th
All Welcome!**



**Sigma Sigma
Sigma
congratulates
new initiates
Lisa Allen
Kelly Foy
Kerry Gibbons
Erin McKenna
Christine Westor
Steph Rydesky
*Welcome to the
sisterhood!***

**FREE pancake
study break
served by the
staff in Student
Life and
Academic
Development. On
Thursday Dec. 14,
11 p.m. in
The Champion
Dining Hall.**

NEWS

Spirit of Christmas Present at SJU

By Paul Winnington '98
News Editor

It was a holly-jolly week as end of semester stress yielded to the spirit of the Christmas holiday.

At the first yuletide event, SUB's Christmas Gala, students enjoyed turkey and all the trimmings while a D.J. played Christmas carols. "The Gala was fun," Jonathan Komafel '98 said. "The food was good and I had a great time with friends."

The annual "Christmas in the Tower" came on Thursday. In

his first year as director of the University Singers, Mr. Allan R. Scott directed the singers in Christmas Carols. Fr. Feeney was present to do dramatic readings. "We worked hard to do a good job," singer Nicole Richards said. "Christmas in the Tower has become an important tradition at St. Joe's."

The week of festivities comes to a close at Sunday's ten o'clock mass, at which the chapel tree will be lit. After mass, there will be treats and Christmas Carolling in Campion.

Student athletes share Evening of Recollection

By Rudolph
Special to the Hawk

On November 30th, approximately 45 student athletes participated in an Evening of Reflection coordinated by the Center for Ministry, Faith and Service. Michelle Kafer (softball), Sue Yagielski (cross country/track), Mike Collins (baseball) and Matt Malek (baseball) helped to organize the event around the theme of "Sports as the Potential for Human Growth." The evening began with pizza and a presentation by

Tom Maroon who facilitated discussion and input on what it means to be a student athlete at St. Joseph's. Following this, Matt Malek and Sue Yagielski offered personal experiences about how athletics has impacted their lives. Matt spoke about the character-building aspects of overcoming adversity, personal setbacks and injury. Sue reflected on the value of friendship and the encouragement of teammates in helping each other to achieve one's potential as well as sharing the high and low points both in and outside of sport.

After these student presentations, all were given the opportunity to share (in smaller groups) examples of similar experiences in their own lives, or to consider how sports have helped them to become better people.

Students were encouraged to reflect upon, and share with each other, some of the deeper issues and values of life as related to sports. They were invited, finally, to consider in what way God might be present to each of them through these experiences.

The Hawk Suggestion Box

Each week The Hawk will pose a suggestion about the happenings on campus. Please accept the challenge and let your voice be heard.

SUGGESTION:

What topics would you like to see more of in The Hawk?
e.g. sports, editorials, features

- All members of the University community are welcome to reply. Responses may be delivered to The Hawk office by Tuesday at 4:00 or placed in the box located at the Campion front desk. Please include your name. The Hawk reserves the right to publish your comments.

Retreats

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and Senior leaders share the experiences that they had as freshmen. Freshmen seem to benefit from the experience which allows them to leave their books behind and meet new people. The overnight can be attended either Friday, January 26 to Saturday, January 27, or Saturday, January 27 to Sunday, January 28. It will be held in Princeton, NJ — and will be over before the Super Bowl on Sunday!

The third retreat that will be

offered next semester is popular and widely known here at St. Joe's. SEARCH is an experience in knowing yourself and relating to others. Past Searchers act as leaders for this weekend of sharing and fun. SEARCH will be held February 23 - 25 in Princeton, NJ.

Each of these retreats offers time, reflection, relaxation, and can be a great way to get the second semester off to a good start. For more information, or to register for a retreat, stop by the Center for Ministry, Faith, and Service (next to the Chapel), or call Sr. Anne McCoy at x1030.

HAWK News staff meeting for all writers on Wednesday, January 24, 1996 at 4:30 p.m. New members welcome. Call Paul @ 2611 with questions.

FRANCIS A. DREXEL LIBRARY FINAL EXAM HOURS -- FALL SEMESTER 1995

Saturday, December 9	10:00 am--9:00 pm
Sunday, December 10	Noon--2:00 am
Monday, December 11	8:30 am--2:00 am
Tuesday, December 12	8:30 am--2:00 am
Wednesday, December 13	8:30 am--2:00 am
Thursday, December 14	8:30 am--2:00 am
Friday, December 15	8:30 am--Midnight
Saturday, December 16	10:00 am--2:00 pm

The Hawk would like to take the opportunity to thank Lynda Gass for her hard work and dedication. She truly deserves special recognition for her service.

• EDITORIALS •

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All letters and opinions must be signed and must include the class and only the phone number of the author for verification purposes. The identity of the author will be withheld upon request, if a strong reason is given.

Headlines are written by the Op-Ed Editors and reflect the content of the letter, not the opinions of the Hawk.

Letters and opinions can be submitted to the Hawk office at 314 Campion or delivered through campus mail by Monday 5:00 p.m. prior to publication. Late letters will be considered individually. Please contact the Op-Ed Editors if a letter must be submitted later than the deadline.

Suggestions for better Use of Labs

Several weeks ago, the editorial in *The Hawk* focused on the fact that there were broken computer and e-mail terminals throughout the Barbelin computer lab, terminal room and Drexel Library. After this editorial, another appeared which commended those students who took their own time to set up new terminals or fix the broken ones and who took part in repairing the broken computers in the lab. It is a safe bet to say that many members of the University community benefitted from the actions of those students.

Today, unfortunately, another computer problem is plaguing the students of this university: that is, lack of availability. In this time of year when papers are due and professors try to stuff that last bit of work into our already busy schedules, access to computers is one of the last things we students need to worry about. But, has anyone ventured near the Barbelin computer lab lately? Nearly all those computers which are working, as some have fallen into disrepair again, are being used at all times of the day. The question then is, how can this be alleviated?

It is safe to say that St. Joe's is a small private school and, although recent freshman classes have been among the largest in the university's history, it will remain so. However, regardless of the number of students, having a limited amount of computers is a burden on any student who needs such access. *The Hawk* is willing to make a suggestion which can help solve this mass

overcrowding. There already exist in Bellarmine and Villiger computer labs which are "reserved" for classes. However, as we all know, classes do not meet all day, every day; therefore, students should be able to access those computers whenever a class is not being held in one of those labs. In addition, those labs should operate on the same hours as the Barbelin computer lab so that the overcrowding problem can be resolved.

As was already stated, St. Joe's is not a huge school. There is not enough space for the classrooms and offices that are presently needed, so the addition of another full size computer lab seems unlikely. Therefore, we must work with what we have. That includes two computer labs which sit idle for far too long during the day.

As the University works on developing its Students First initiative, increased availability of computers should be one of its main objectives. We are living in an age where everyone needs to be exposed to a computer and learn how to use one efficiently. St. Joe's can help prepare students by granting them better access to computers which have already been paid for.

Computers are expensive. St. Joe's is a small school which cannot afford a massive investment into such hardware. Therefore, we must work with what we have and start with making every computer lab on this campus available to every student equally.

ARAmark Administration Cause for grief

To the Editor:

This letter is concerning the respect, or lack thereof, given to students by the supervisors and managers of ARA. I have left the cafeteria outraged on more than one occasion. In every case, my bitterness was directed at whomever was on duty as acting supervisor of the cafeteria services. There have been a number of times that I have arrived at the cafeteria a few minutes after 7, and asked to quickly grab a pizza or a soda. Now I can respect the fact that my requests were all denied, but the arrogant and condescending way that I was treated by the supervisor was uncalled for. To make matters worse, I recently went to the cafeteria at 8:30, hoping to make up for my

missed dinner, and I was greeted by about twenty students, sitting on the commuter side, staring at the iron wall separating us from our food. I waited until ten of nine before I once again left Campion in frustration. If we students are expected to follow the published hours of operation, then certainly ARA should as well.

Any business major will tell you the customer is always right. In order to gain our patronage, businesses serve us with respect and kindness. The problem here is that ARA already has our \$2200. Whether we eat there once a week or six times a day, we are REQUIRED to pay them \$400 a semester. It has also come to my attention that students are now required to

bus their own trays. I am very concerned about where the \$800 is going. What exactly is included in "university overhead and operation expenses," which is the answer given on the flier entitled "Most Frequently Asked Questions About the Dining Service"? I am not in any way complaining about the quality of food nor the service provided by the food servers and cashiers. It is the management that is causing the grief.

In his letter to each student, Mike Iovannoni, director of Dining Services, says, "We are here to serve you." I think Mr. Iovannoni needs to be reminded of what customer service is all about.

Greg Gothie '98

A Learning Experience when Least Expected!

By Sherl Tharn
 Hawk Proofreader

Have you ever felt that life is boring? Do you feel that you cannot make a difference in the lives of those around you? What about those around the world? If you have ever felt this way, as I think we all have at one time, did you stop to think about what you were doing? How were you attempting to make things different? Were you even trying? But I'm getting ahead of myself. Let me start at the beginning. It was approximately ten o'clock in the evening when my roommate, Marie barged into the room with, "You'll never believe who I just saw at Dunkin' Donuts!" The smile on her face was enormous, so of course I guessed the guy she's infatuated with. "No, you're never gonna believe it!" Okay, just tell me, Marie. "Louis FARRAKHAN!!!" At the City Ave. Dunkin' Donuts in Philly? But Marie really believed she had just seen this highly controversial organizer of the Million Man March, down the street, so I

believed her.

Then, my other roommate, Maryanne walked in the room in her bathrobe and soaking wet hair. As Marie recounted her story to Maryanne, I could see Maryanne's eyes lighting up. "I just wrote an essay on him! I'm going down there to get his autograph on my paper!" At ten thirty? As if he would still be there. But Maryanne was determined, so Marie grabbed her shoes and I put some sweatpants over my shorts. Maryanne, still in her bathrobe, exclaimed, "Just let me put a pair of underwear on!" No, Maryanne, put some clothes on. After destroying her desk in search of this article on this infamous man, we were off to Dunkin' Donuts.

We sprinted from St. Mary's, on the Merion side of campus, to the main parking lot of St. Joseph's to Maryanne's car. "Seat belts, girls." Thanks, Maryanne. I still wonder if it was good idea to let Maryanne drive she was so excited. The ride consisted of Marie and me telling Maryanne that they were not still going to be there and

"Just go through that red light! I don't see any cops." But as we pulled into the driveway of Dunkin' Donuts we saw them sipping their coffee and enjoying conversation.

We practically fell into Dunkin' Donuts and staggered up to the counter. "What now?" we asked ourselves. "Let's buy a donut," said Maryanne. Okay, fine. The cashier, who probably thought we were drunk or something, looked a little scared of us. And as I leaned over the counter to ask him about the three men sitting in the booth on our right, he took a step back. "Hey, mister, is that Louis Farrakhan over there?" The cashier answered us by asking what kind of donuts we wanted. The confused man didn't speak English.

Both Marie and I offered to go over and ask the man if he in fact was Louis Farrakhan, but Maryanne informed us that she was not going to "wimp out" and with that she marched right up to their booth. From about ten feet away we could hear Maryanne

ask, "Excuse me, are you Louis Farrakhan?" But I must say, their laughter was clearer. Embarrassed for Maryanne we ran over to accompany her.

Marie explained how she had recently seen them there and run around her dorm telling everyone that Louis Farrakhan was eating donuts down the street. They got a kick out of this and said that they thought they recognized her. Looking like fools just standing there, we told them about Maryanne's essay and one of the gentlemen asked to read it. As he read it we talked with the man we had believed to be Mr. Farrakhan. He told us that they were disciples of Mr. Farrakhan and belonged to the Nation of Islam. The man reading the essay chimed in with they were not antiSemites and did not hate anybody. Mr. Farrakhan lookalike

then said that as Caucasians he wanted to inform us that he was not racist and his mother had taught him to love everybody.

I asked the man to sign Maryanne's paper anyway

because this was something that we would never forget. The embarrassment, the hilarity of the situation, and the fact that these men talked to us as equals was so empowering. We were not pressing our race, religion, or beliefs on the other, we were sharing them. In a world where there is so much to fear, it is nice to know that three college girls can walk right up to a table of three men of the opposite race and not be judged, or shot.

Marie and I told this story to a number of people, the majority who looked at us like we were nuts. And maybe we were, I know my mother is going to have a fit when she reads this. But to me that's not what really matters, I'm in college to become more knowledgeable and to broaden my horizons. This experience at the Dunkin' Donuts on City Ave has changed my outlook and probably my life. And I owe it all to my roommates and Brother Gregory 9x and his two friends.

• OP - ED •

In Defense of Registration System

To the Editor:

I read with interest your recent editorial regarding the day student registration process that was just held for the Spring 1996 semester. By way of response, I'd like to point out some difficulties with the material presented therein.

Initially, the editorial states that appointments for individual students are "randomly selected." This is not true. Student appointments are rotated throughout a student's academic career here at St. Joseph's, and a record is maintained to ensure fairness and equity in the assignment of student registration appointments. Upon reviewing an individual student's registration appointment history, you will discover that there is an equitable distribution as to where students select their courses for upcoming semesters within their class. Sometimes, a student is assigned to register on the first day of his or her class; other times, on the last day; and still other times in the middle of his or her class' registration. This is the policy we've maintained since

this registration system was introduced four years ago. If students believe they have been mistreated or otherwise believe that this policy is not our practice for some reason, by all means they should be at liberty to come to the Registrar's Office and ask for a review of their appointment history. We welcome the opportunity to demonstrate our procedures to students on an individual basis. If something is wrong with our system of scheduling appointments, it should be corrected. If this student's belief is erroneous, that is equally noteworthy since it leaves the impression that fairness is maintained, service is being properly rendered, and the specter of misinformation can be dismantled.

The editorial indicates that scheduling appointments when students do not have class would be preferable and we also concur in that conclusion. However, it would be impossible to maintain a level of fairness in the assignment of registration appointments if such a system were adopted, and the level of

fairness is considered paramount here. In addition, students are discouraged to cut or disturb class in order to register. In most circumstances, students achieve no discernable benefit by skipping class to register. That is a decision that students make on their own.

Further note is made regarding a "long, slow-moving line" that students must tolerate. During the actual process, the maximum appointment time lasted 25 minutes and handled nearly 75 students; an average of three students per minute, in a worst-case scenario. Well, this is a matter of perspective, but it is worthwhile to point out that under the prior registration system, students had to wait 3 weeks for a response to registration requests, and then the majority received an incomplete schedule and had to devise a schedule from courses left over. The suggestion is also made to return to that type of system. If those recent graduates who were intricately involved in with the development of the current system were consulted, no doubt

a different opinion would be forthcoming. Indeed, there was student input with the development of our current registration system, and as we move toward the implementation of a telephone and self-service registration system, student input will still be sought out. Further, if the opinion of students at neighboring schools is sought out, I believe that you will see our system comparing favorably to what is in place at other comparable institutions. Also, analogies to the SJU housing selection process are inappropriate, due to the fact that housing selections are for one room only and not for multiple courses. Also, selecting a room does not involve making sure there are no time conflicts during the week for an upcoming semester as is done when selecting a course schedule.

In the final analysis, no registration system is perfect. But, it is clear that what we have now is far more advanced than what was here before and it is a prelude as to what will soon be available on this campus.

Hopefully, what we will have in the future will eliminate many of the potential problems with our current system. In any event, it is our commitment to student service that calls for us to consult with students, and to urge them to communicate with us in the event of problems or difficulties. It is our fervent wish for the student cited in the editorial to seek us out and clarify any misunderstandings. The student may be surprised to find all that goes on in the background to produce a roster of classes and register students for a given semester. I know I was when I started in the registrar's profession. So, I urge that student or any others believing similarly to come forward. It does not inconvenience us to answer your questions. It is part of our reason for being here...to service students within the academic framework of the institution.

Gerard J. Donahue
University Registrar

The True Meaning of Christmas

By Richard Trench '97
Hawk Staff

It's that time of year again. The stores are crowded, people are shopping and Santa Claus is out in full force spreading the joy of Christmas. In all the shopping and buying people seem to have forgotten the true meaning of Christmas.

In Bethlehem, on December 25th, Christians believe that the Son of the Most High was born. He came into a world to take upon his shoulder the sins of man. He was born in poverty so that we would be rich. We must remember it is because of his birth that we are celebrating this season of Christmas.

Christmas is supposed to be a time of giving and sharing. It is a time to rejoice and give glory to God our Father. I'm not saying that we should not buy gifts for our loved ones, but we should remember the real reason for Christmas. It is a time that we should remember our Savior's birth. If Jesus had not been born, there would be no Christmas at all.

Christmas is also a time of miracles. Mary, a virgin, gave birth to God's only son. When she was asked during the Annunciation in response to the Angel's statement that she was going to conceive and bear a child, her response was "how could this be since I do not know man?" The Angel responded, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the most High will overshadow you hence the Holy offspring to be born shall be

called the Son of God. The Angel went on to say that "your kinswoman Elizabeth, has conceived a son in her old age. She who was known to be sterile is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible with God."

In all times, when you are with God, nothing is impossible. But especially during this time when the greatest miracle occurred with the birth of Jesus Christ, miracles are more likely to occur. During the time of Christ's birth, I could only think of one moment that made me feel the spirit of Christmas. It was when the shepherds were in the field keeping watch over their sheep and suddenly from the sky came a multitude of the Heavenly hosts praising God and saying "Glory to God in the Highest! Glory and peace to men of all good will."

So when we feel as though we need a miracle (especially in these times of exams) this is the season for miracles. Just consider the fact that Jesus was conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit and born like us in all ways except with sin. He wasn't born in a hospital, but a common stable. His birth is a miraculous event and should be treated as such. We must remember that if it wasn't for him, there would be no Christmas. All our thanks should go to God our Father who so loved the world that he sent his only son to die for us. Through that, whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Appreciation Shown for Hoagie Drive

To the Editor:

On Monday evening, December 4, the Project Mexico team gathered together in the cafeteria for the team's annual hoagie sale fundraiser. All nineteen team members worked together to make and deliver 388 hoagies and also to make this hoagie sale the largest in the history of Project Mexico.

Project Mexico's team members are required each year to raise money for their housing and supplies while they stay in

Mexico. This year \$10,000 is the goal for all the team members, and the hoagie sale, which raised

"Thank you all Project Mexico team members. Without your dedication ...we would never have gotten as far as we did."

\$1,100, was a large step in the right direction.

A sincere thank you needs to go out to ARA, especially Mike, Steve, Nancy, Ellen and James, for the use of the kitchen, slicers, and the generous donation of ALL supplies! Thanks to all faculty, staff and students who helped us to move one step closer to our goal by buying hoagies. Last but not least, thank you all Project Mexico team members. Without your dedication and hard work, we never would have gotten as far as we did.

Julie Houghton '97

Commentary: Sean Pearson '98 "P.C." Will Solve No Problems

This is an issue which has been touched on in *The Hawk*, and in other publications, although none recently. The reason that it comes up as a topic of discussion is because every time it does, it creates new ideas and hopefully furthers the discussion. I am talking about sensitivity in the media and in society. Political correctness is trendy. But how much has this movement towards "pc" been spurred by the desire to treat everyone fairly, as opposed to a desire to speak in a trendy manner? And has this movement been effective in bringing people together, or has it just succeeded in alienated more people by making society hypersensitive?

PC has now become a media buzz-word. It has also become a joke. PC now only succeeds in calling attention to those who use it. The is a program on The Comedy Channel called *Politically Incorrect*. This half-hour show prides itself on talking about issues which supposedly have been deemed unfit for public discussion. At one time it was said that Politics and Religion

were the only taboo topics in "polite society." Now these two topics are safe to talk about, yet race, sex and culture are off-limits. I realize the America is thought to be a melting pot, but that does not mean that people can not show their individuality. Personality used to be a good thing. Political correctness has taken all of the character out of society in an attempt to make society one big carbon copy, where no one can be too proud of anything because there could be someone, somewhere who is offended by that thought.

I realize that there needs to be a certain level of mutual respect for all people with in society. This thought is in the Constitution and was a major factor in the contents of the Declaration of Independence. However, there is no way to force society into common feelings about everything. As long as the actions of society reflect mutual respect, the words are meaningless. This works in reverse as well. Changing the words which are uttered by any one individual will not go far

towards changing a person's feelings about an issue. Freud said that human words are ineffective against human passions. Simply changing how we refer to individuals or groups will not change our opinion of them.

I disagree that society will be any better off if people become over-sensitive to any and all perceived insults. Everything is relative, and if society wants to set low tolerance standards for personal interaction, so be it. Let people get angry every time anybody disagrees with another person. I doubt that society will become any more closely meshed by tactics that only increase the justifications for people to disagree. There are enough major problems in the world that need attention before the nicknames of professional sports franchises, just to take an example of the misplaced furor of this PC trend. I am Irish and I do not find a bellicose fighting leprechaun insulting. I would much rather spend my time trying to balance the budget, or such.

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Merry Christmas from Features Paper, Finals, Santa???

By Tina Grillo '96
Hawk Staff

"It's The Most Wonderful Time of The Year..." I'm sure that most of us are not in the Christmas frame of mind just yet: the endless papers, projects, and exams are our top priority. Whether we like it or not, the Christmas season is here. So I thought I use my weekly column as a vehicle for evoking Christmas nostalgia or just plain procrastination. I asked a few other students what they liked best about the holiday season.

When I think about Christmas, the image of my sister and me sitting at the top of the hallway steps on Christmas day comes immediately to mind. We were waiting for my father to get the video camera set-up and give us the signal to come down and see what Santa brought us. Of course, Frank Sinatra's rendition of "Jingle Bells" was always playing in the background. Other students immediately associated Christmas with: Santa Claus, Christmas trees, Christmas lights, The Nativity Scene, and gifts. Kristen Estep's initial thoughts of Christmas entailed feet pajamas with a trap door. Jeff Daly associates Christmas with retail and how people are stupid. Rick Cannon envisioned the snow-covered streets of downtown

Buffalo with the retail stores' windows decorated for the holidays.

Of course, our family traditions are a significant aspect of Christmas. On Christmas Eve, my Italian half of the family celebrates Christmas with "The Oldest Italian Fish Dinner, complete with seven different fish. Then all my seventeen cousins exchange gifts with their Pollyanna. Later on, my immediate family and some of our other relatives attend Midnight Mass. Afterwards, my immediate family exchange gifts. On Christmas Day, we have a traditional English Meal and exchange gifts with my mother's side of the family. Liz Jivatode's family ventures into New York City every Christmas to see the decorations on 5th Avenue. The Jivatode's have a traditional prime rib Christmas Eve Meal and ham on Christmas Day. Rick Cannon's family tradition include a Pollyanna between his five brothers and sisters. Also, the Cannon kids' stockings are arranged in order from youngest to oldest and they have to descend down the stairs on Christmas Day in order. Dan Adamczyk's father, who is of Polish descent, plays the accordion in front of the fireplace every Christmas. Dan McLaughlin's family watches *It's a Wonderful Life* every

Christmas. Brent Ryam's family tradition is religious. They say prayers around their Advent wreath every night, starting three weeks before Christmas.

The holiday season would not be complete without Christmas music. My favorite holiday tunes include Frank Sinatra's "Jingle Bells", U2's "Baby Please Come Home", and anything by the Chipmunks. Other students favorite Christmas tune include "White Christmas", "Santa Baby", Bruce Springsteen's "Santa Claus is Coming to Town", "Frosty the Snowman", and anything by Bing Crosby. Jeff Daly likes the entire *Jingle Cats Soundtrack*, while Kristen Estep prefers Elvis Presley's "Blue Christmas". Shannon Kelleher likes to boogie to The Beach Boys "Little St. Nick", and Brent Ryam gets into the holiday cheer by playing Dolly Parton's "With Bells On". By far the most unique response was given by Dan McLaughlin, "Mambo Santa Mambo" by The Enchanters.

In addition to tunes, images and family traditions, Christmas would not be complete without gifts. Hands-down, my favorite gift of all time was definitely *Barbie Townhouse* with the moving elevator. Phil Denne preferred his *Atari 400*. Kristen Estep was torn between the *Barbie Camper* and Eric

Lindors' Autobiography. Shannon Kelleher annoyed her neighbors with the *Donnie and Marie Microphone*. And last but not least, Sharon Kiss took six hours to make a minuscule brownie in her favorite gift, *The Easy Bake Oven*.

Many of us remember certain Christmases more vividly than others. Rick Cannon remembers a mix-up in gifts between his brother and him. Rick got his brother's 10 Speed bike, while his brother got his golf clubs! Liz Jivatode remembers ice skating outside Rockefeller Center in 7th grade. Kristen Estep remembers our freshman year when a certain someone knocked over a huge Christmas tree in the Merlin Suite while the fire drill was going off. Tim's Faust's favorite Christmas memory also pertains to freshman year. He recalls stealing Karen Mancini's Christmas tree and putting it in the Sourin Elevator. Dan McLaughlin remembers one year when he had a 103 fever. Sharon Kiss and I remember the most disappointing Christmases of our lives - when we discovered there was no Santa Claus!

In the true spirit of the holidays, many of us have given back to our community or have done a generous deed for someone else. Many of the ones I interviewed have spent time with relatives over the holidays when

they were sick. Most of us have done *Toys for Tots*, or have donated money, gifts, food, and clothing for those who are less fortunate. Others have invited people outside of their family, who do not have a family to celebrate the holidays with, to join us in a meal or a celebration.

Lastly, how our attitudes have changed about Christmas reveal how much we have matured (hopefully!) and changed since we were young tots. Almost everyone said that giving gifts is more fun than receiving them. Phil Denne is grateful he has the day off from work. Also, many of us appreciate the family aspect of Christmas. Since many members of our families are extremely busy and have relocated to other parts of the country, Christmas is a great time to find out what everyone has been up to. Unfortunately, many of us remember the difficult Christmases, such as the first Christmas without a loved one.

So, it is very important that we appreciate and enjoy the quality time we have with our family this holiday season. I'd like to thank all those who contribute to this article and I'd like to wish everyone at Saint Joe's a Merry Christmas!

An Avicolti Christmas

By John Avicolti '99
Asst Features Editor

It has to be one of the best holidays. I am not talking about Arbor Day or Veterans' Day. I am referring to Christmas. Not only does Christmas constitute an entire month of vacation, but along with it, we get tons of presents.

The best part about Christmas is the famous Christmas dinner. Most Italian families carry on the tradition of having seven types of fish for dinner. And my family does not miss a beat. I can always look forward to flounder, whiting, scallops, shrimp, calamari, fresh sardines, bacala salad, and a bunch of other stuff that makes me have a MAALOX moment. Seriously though, I love the fish. Family traditions are the greatest.

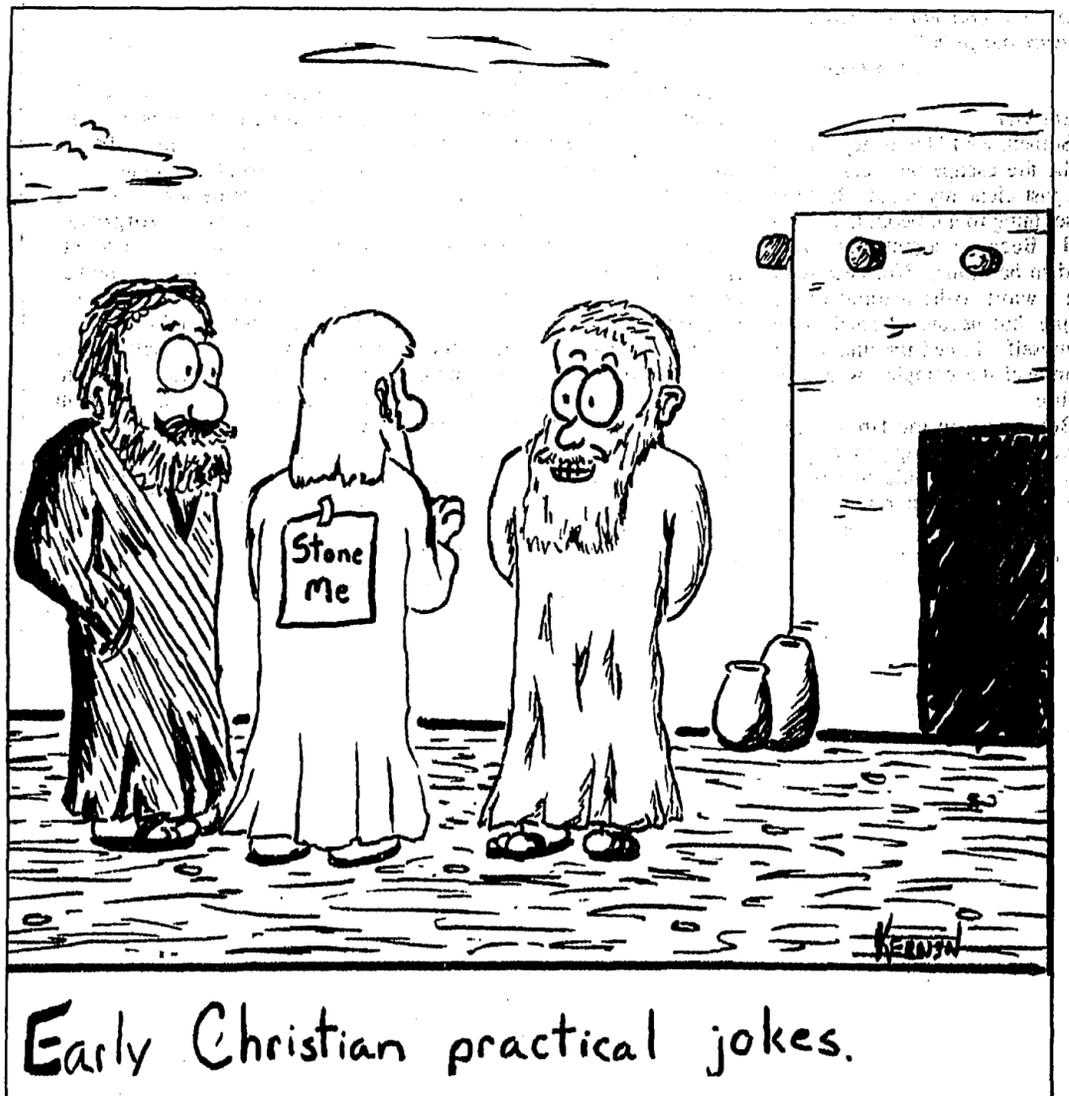
The television programming over the holiday is always first class. Dr. Seuss' "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" has been one of my all-time favorites. "You're a mean one, Mr. Grinch...I wouldn't touch you with a ten and a half foot pole." I always felt sorry for the poor people of Whoville. Other Christmas classics include "Pac-Man's Christmas Story," the claymation "Rudolph Special," and "Merry Christmas, Charlie Brown." I just couldn't understand why Peppermint Patty, Marcy, Lucy, and the

rest of the gang didn't like Chuck's tree. However, Linus showed everyone the true meaning of Christmas.

And no Christmas would be complete without a viewing of *A Christmas Story*. Who could forget little Ralphie patiently awaiting his pump-action, wood grain stock and compass, Red Rider Bee-Bee Gun? And the infamous "leg" lamp that stood gleaming in the window on Cleveland Street? Do you remember the triple dog dare? How about the bully, Scott Vargas, whose eyes looked like cats' eyes? After watching that movie, I was extremely careful about where I put my tongue. Don't forget: "You'll shoot your eye out! You'll shoot your eye out!"

Naturally, gifts make every kid's Christmas. I remember some of my most memorable presents over the years: Coleco Vision, the C-3PO Star Wars figure holder, Optimus Prime and Megatron of "Transformers" fame, a Michael Jackson jacket, and the WHAM! Christmas Album with "Last Christmas I Gave You My Heart."

Hopefully everyone will get what they want from Saint Nick. I know it's a pretty tall order, but I am hoping Santa can come through with a personally autographed, 15*20 glossy of George Michael. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Early Christian practical jokes.

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The SENIOR AGENDA

By Tom Herz '96
Features Guest Writer

Welcome to the very first addition of Features' new column, "The Senior Agenda". The unique aspect of this column that makes it different from any other column is that it will be written by a different senior every week. The goal is to provide the seniors with a forum to share their thoughts on what it is like to be a senior at Saint Joe's University or just how it has affected their individual lives. If any senior, who is not a member of The Hawk, is interested in writing an addition of "The Senior Agenda" please call me at x1079.

Some of the seniors that I hope will contribute to this column are the ones who have made significant contributions to the Saint Joe's community. One such senior is Tom Herz. Tom has been strongly involved with The Faith-Justice Institute and its Service Learning Programs. Tom has been very active in community service and has also participated in many Greek activities. I am very privileged to be associated with Tom and am honored to have him write the first addition of "The Senior Agenda".

Thank you,
Chuck Pak
Features Editor

The world of a Senior is, at the same time, clear and confused. By our fourth year in

college we've decided we know all there is to know about life and how to live it. Classes no longer present a challenge;

"The world of a senior is, at the same time, clear and confused"

rather, they're a nuisance dealt with out of necessity. Bars are no longer elusive hangouts explored under assumed names. And, as a class, we've gathered enough research papers to eliminate the worry of term papers from our lives forever. In short, we've been there, done that and gotten the t-shirt.

At the same time, however, life is confused. We are forced to face questions similar to those asked of us four years ago in

"Reality stares at us with intense eyes"

high school, "So, what are you going to do with your life?" Unfortunately, there is no time or opportunity to delay; we must make hard decisions — fast.

Fortunately, our time at St. Joe's has given us many options (and many excuses), graduate school — if I had to write

another paper, I might die, a job, nope too soon; maybe volunteer for a year, ummm, isn't that like a job with no pay? So, what are we going to do? Reality stares at us with intense eyes, and I doubt very much its going to blink any time soon.

In addition, the decision of what we're going to do with our lives is made even harder by our soon to be alma mater, which warmly embraces us more than it ever has. Where else is our situation more clear? We know where all the good parking spots are, and who the easiest professors are. Basically, as Seniors, we've learned an excuse to get out of any situation. For example, I recently had the courage to sit in a professor's office and calmly explain to her that I failed her test because I had more pressing obligations. Five minutes later I left her office with a retest. Right or wrong, who else could do that, but a Senior!

My point is this, at any given moment, we can either be in complete control, or (more likely) completely lost. The important thing to realize is that the next few months are the best in our lives. Sure, our future is uncertain, but it is anything but bleak. It's as if we are standing on the edge of a cliff. Below us are perilous stalagmites of mediocrity; above us, in the clouds, floats excellence. St. Joseph's has given us wings to soar. Now we must decide to use them.

...From the Women's Center On Domestic Violence

By Theresa Wilson '98
Special to the Hawk

The Women's Center along with the sorority Sigma Sigma Sigma sponsored a speaker on domestic violence on November 29 in Sourin Lounge. The speaker was a survivor of an abusive relationship and now helps run a shelter for abused women in Bucks County. There is usually one shelter per county.

The shelters are open to victims of verbal and mental abuse as well as physical abuse. She stated that the belief that many people hold that they have to be hit before seeking help is false. Another service that the shelter provides is to help drug abusers get into substance abuse programs. The shelter offers a place for women to stay; however, they can only provide housing for thirty days (a state law). After that the women must leave. Unfortunately, according to the speaker, many of the

women come back several times before they finally decide to leave their husbands. The shelter has a hotline number which is 1-800-220-8116; this number is staffed 24 hours a day. This hotline can also provide information for people who are involve in abusive homosexual or lesbian relationships as well as men who are abused by their wives, girlfriends, etc.

The speaker also commented on how some social factors have been affecting the number of women in the shelters. She said that during the OJ trial the shelters around this area (Philadelphia, Allentown, etc.) were all full; however, after the verdict she said that all the women left the Bucks County shelter. She also stated that she would like to see more legislation passed for the rights of the abused; for example, to make more domestic violence evidence permissible in court.

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Senior Portfolio

By Chuck Pak '96
Features Editor

"God is a concept by which we measure our pain."

John Lennon

perspective

Sometimes I like to step out on to the fire escape on a cold night and just clear my mind. It's the closest thing to a timeout that I can find. Because sometimes I just need to be alone. Not because I don't want to be around other people, but because I need to be by myself. I need the time alone to unravel the complex weave of my life.

Being out on the fire escape makes me see things in ways I have never been able to before. The cold winter air reminds me that I am still alive, something I often forget because of the exhausting and monotonous routine of college life. For me, the fire escape is a place to put things into perspective.

It's here when I often think about the past three years of my life. I think about the people I have met. I think about my

failures and accomplishments. I think about all my mistakes and how everything always ended up just fine.

When I think about the past three years of my life I think about the people who are no longer a part of it. I think about how different life would be with them. I think about the individuals who have made a positive impact. I think about talking to "The Big Dog" until four in the morning and how that conversation put everything into perspective.

Throughout the semester I would often step out on to the fire escape I ask myself, "Who am I?", because I don't know. I often look in the eyes of my friends and see that they too want to know who I am. I'm scared that all they see in me is a cold emotionless person who doesn't trust them enough to let them know. But what can I do when I don't even know myself?

Then I think about how I originally thought how bad last week was and the depressed mood I was in. No matter what I did I couldn't shake it. But now

that I think about it, last week wasn't that bad. It was me. I lost all perspective and doubt overcame me.

This has been a difficult semester for me. It has been a continuous battle, and last week I became a casualty of war. And like in all wars, the soldiers choose to forget the fighting.

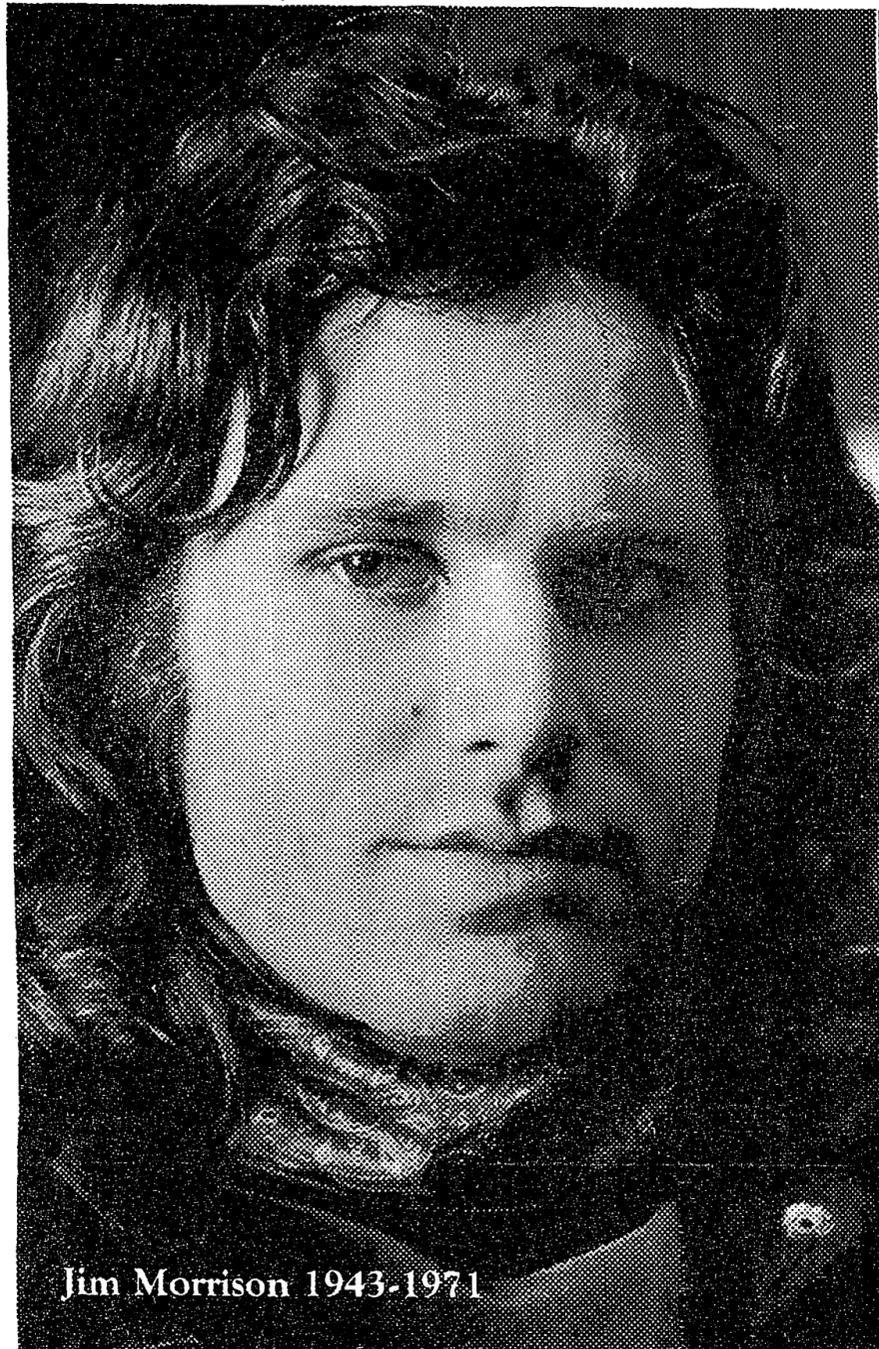
Now, the semester is over. I have already forgotten everything. There's only one left to go. It's time for us to go home.

On my fire escape, I slowly mend my wounds and regain my composure. I have finally gotten over last week's nonsense. I'm not thinking about finals. Not up here. I'm thinking about Christmas. I'm thinking about my neighbors inviting me and my roommates to dinner. I'm thinking that I'm glad to have gotten a chance to know them. I'm thinking that I'm glad to have gotten the chance to know all my friends here at school. And then eventually, I again ask myself, "Who am I?"

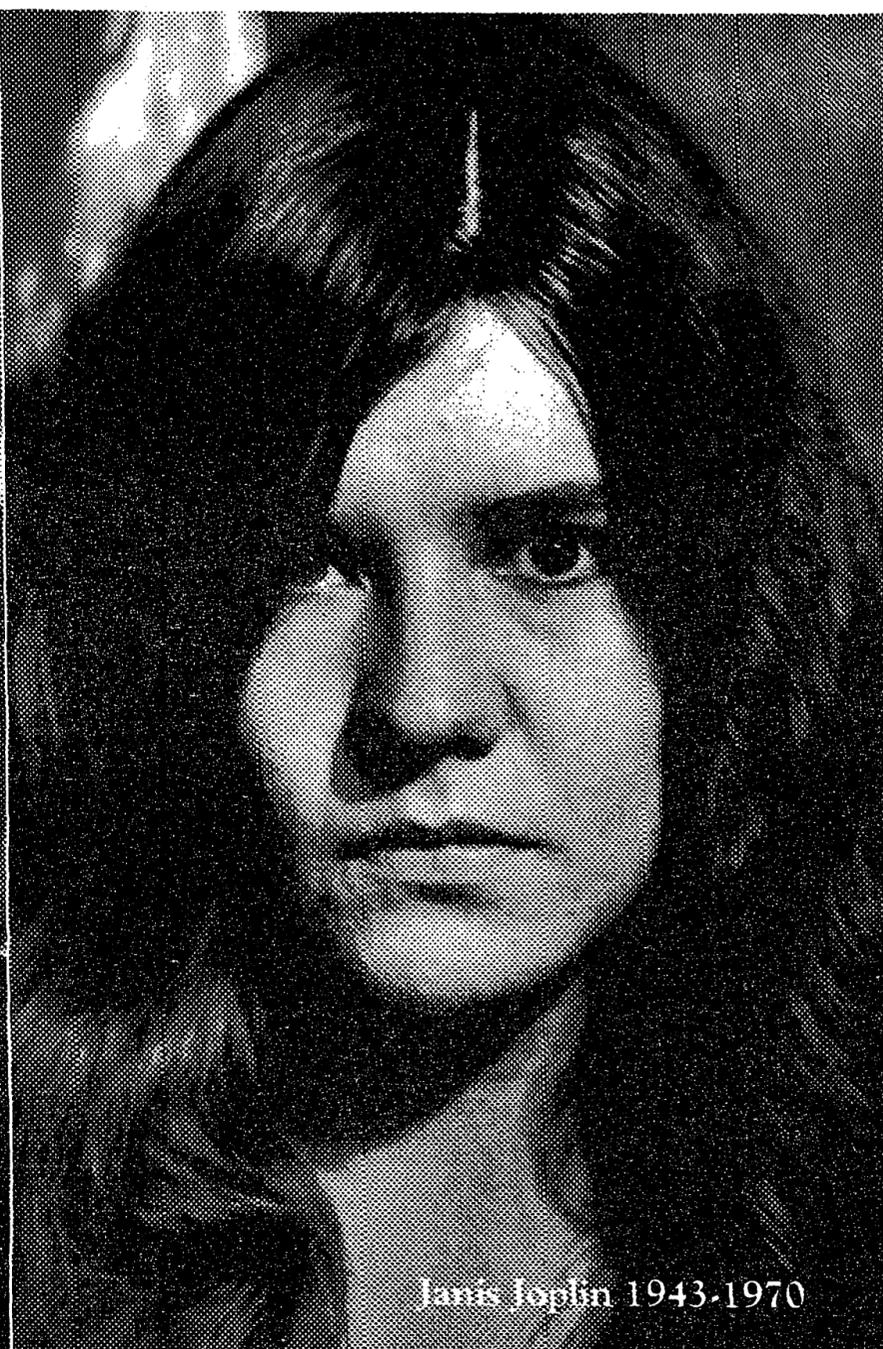
I'm Chuck Pak and I'm going to be just fine.

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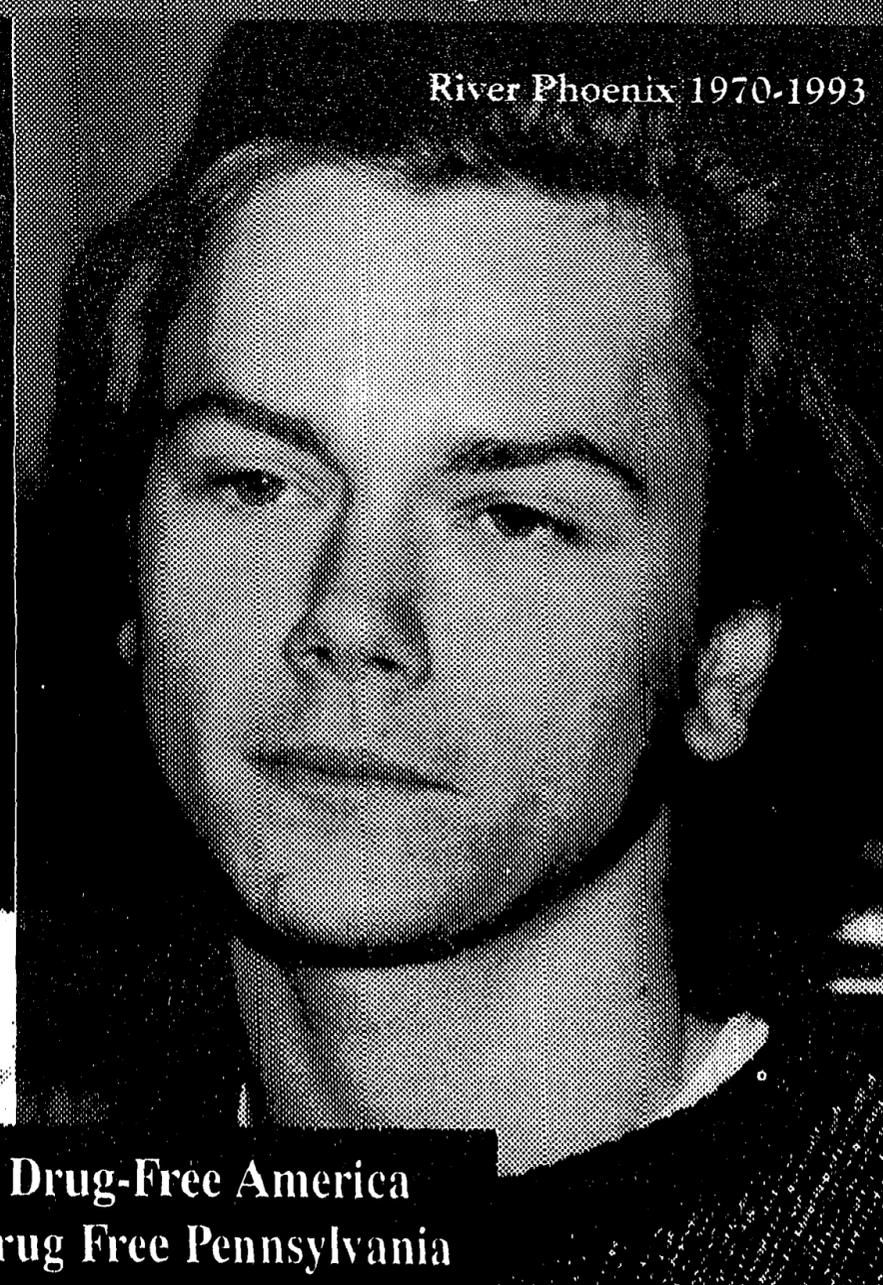


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The Best Way to an "A"

By Sheryl Sawin, Ph.D.
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Around this time of year, students frequently ask me, "what is the best way to study for finals?" The answers, of course, is that there is no ONE best way to study for your exams. You must tailor your study strategies to meet the demands of each exam. If, however, I HAD to give two pieces of advice about studying for finals they would be as follows:

TRAIN YOUR BRAIN!

Those of you who have attended my workshops know that this strategy works. You must practice thinking about the material before a particular exam **IN THE SAME WAY THAT YOU WILL BE ASKED TO THINK ABOUT IT DURING THE EXAM.** So if you will be taking essay exams, you must practice organizing the material to answer potential questions. If you will be taking multiple choice tests, you must practice recalling important terms, concepts, facts and then practice understanding

how they relate to one another. If you will be problem solving, you must work through sample problems. **Avoid the temptation to simply "look over" your notes or re-read your text. Remember, you are not being tested on how well you review (re-read) material but on how well you understand and apply what you have been taught.**

ANTICIPATE!

Before you can begin to train your brain, you must be able to select the material on which you plan to practice. One of the BEST ways to learn information is to crawl into your professor's head (scary thought, I know) and attempt to see the material from her/his perspective. Ask yourself, for example, "If I were professor Zurbach, what information would I put on this exam? How would I challenge my students to show me what they know?" Make up your own sample questions as you review the material. You can then transfer this information in an organized fashion onto sheets of paper, and study from those.

Okay, one more piece of advice...

While students *do* seem concerned with how to study for their finals, they *don't* seem to be concerned with the other factors that can contribute to a successful exam taking experience. **DON'T underestimate the power of a good night's sleep** (or several nights of good sleep, for that matter), **a well balanced diet** (that means MUCH MORE than living on caffeine and sugar), **some form of exercise and scheduled breaks.** Keep in mind that *nothing* done to excess—not even studying—leads to success. If you are rested and energetic, you will be able to think clearly and allow all those good study strategies you've learned about in my column to pay off. Try not to buy into final exam panic to the point of sabotaging your good efforts. A bit of "final exam flutters" is good because it can help to focus your energy and your attention; too much stress, like too much coffee or too little sleep, can work against you. So take care to take care, and good luck on exams!

Sheryl

How to Get a "D+"

By Andrew Patrick '98
Asst. Features Editor

Do you want to know what the most irritating thing about December is? No, it's not the fact that Old Man Weather can't seem to make up his mind. And no, it has nothing to do with the fact that the squirrels on campus are now the size of small dogs and have already begun storing freshmen for the winter. In reality, the most irritating thing about December at St. Joe's can be summed up in two words: **TERM PAPER.**

Yes, the professors here at our academic oasis on City Line are all starved for reading matter. They are requiring more and more literature from students—a ten-pager here, a fifteen-pager there, several 12- and 13-pagers sprinkled on top for flavor. And that's just the Theology Department.

Therefore, in order to assist my fellow students in bearing with this literary burden, I have outlined some guidelines for the successful writing of term papers. Now if you actually read these and then, not realizing their futility, actually use them, let the grade you get serve as a warning for taking advice from a lowly Assistant Editor:

-Remember: "term paper" doesn't actually mean "term paper." It really means "weekend-spent-in-the-library-without-sleep paper."

-The best papers aren't the result of research, organization, and profound thought. The best papers are pulled from the most convenient orifice, preferably while under the influence of some kind of chemical.

-When in doubt, put it in a footnote. If this results in an

entire page of footnotes, don't worry. Who you plagiarize is far more important than what you say.

-Manilla envelopes are the perfect way to hand in your paper. Throw a few sheets of paper with "Hm... what will I write for my term paper?" written on them, and some lead ball bearings for weight, and you've got a semester's worth of research.

-If your professor insists on you turning in a rough draft with your paper: take your good copy, slice a few paragraphs, mess up the grammar, misspell every fifth word, and hand it in with "Rough Draft" scribbled on the top in large letters.

-If it comes down to term paper vs. beer, beer wins.

-It is permissible to laugh at, put down, and otherwise degrade anyone who starts his or her paper more than a week before it's due.

-When asking for an extension, appeal to the professor's sense of honor: unmarked twenties and fifties will achieve the best result.

-Calvin's Law of Paper-Writing: no teacher can resist a clear professional plastic binder.

-Bibliographies need not cite solely the books you actually used; if you so much as *thought* about a particular book, article, or volume, stick in at the end. Throw the Bible in if possible.

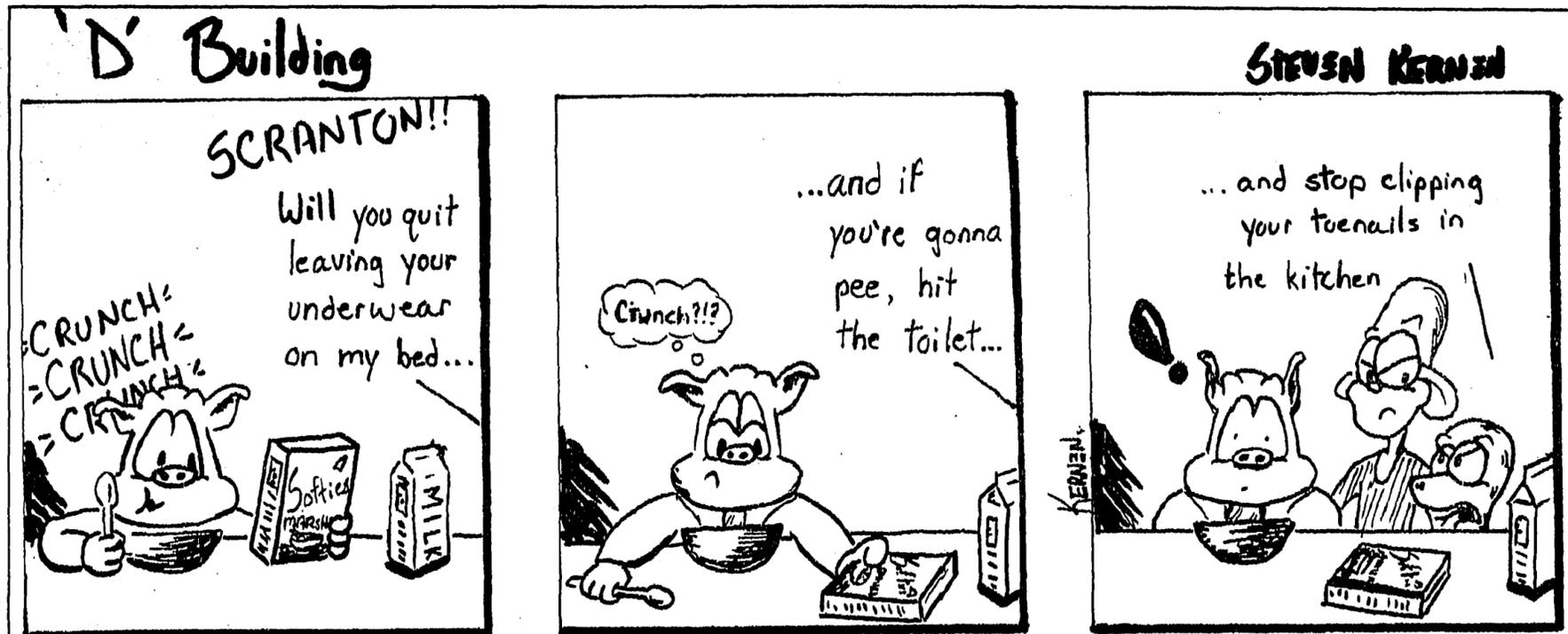
-When you quote people, don't worry about being accurate; who's the professor going to believe? You or someone who's been dead for 300 years?

Academics is an ancient tradition here at St. Joseph's. But with a little procrastination and a lot of frivolity, that can be quietly set aside.

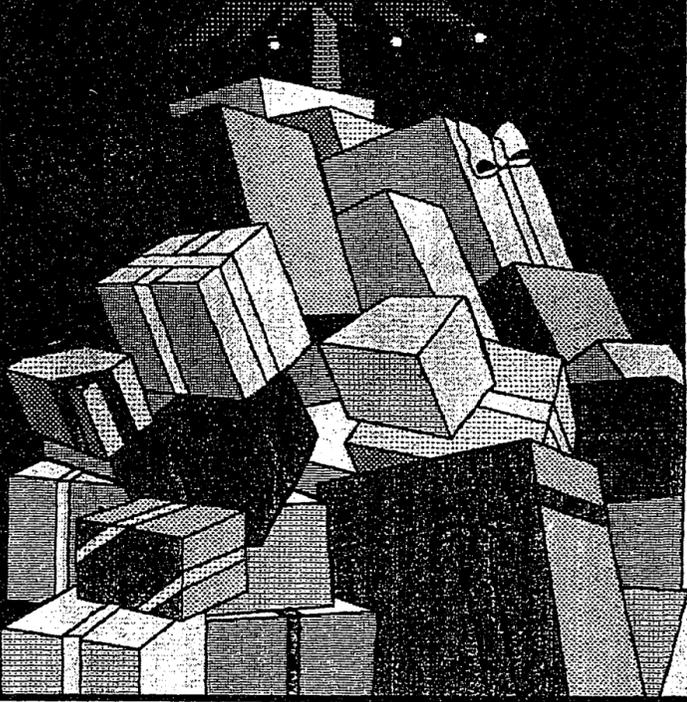
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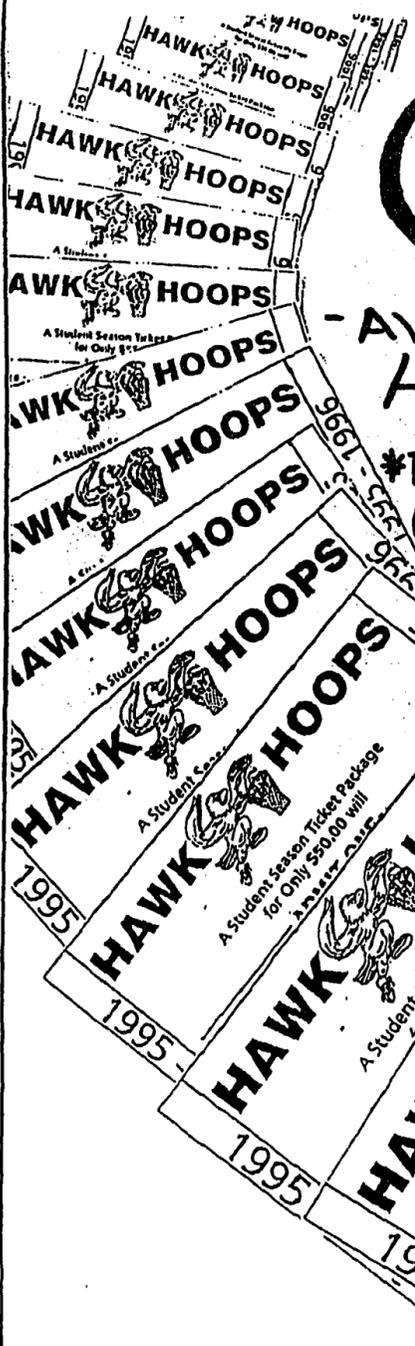
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ENTERTAINMENT

Ace Ventura Bad Joke

By Brian Sweeney '98
Hawk Staff

It was my dubious privilege to view the much-anticipated sequel to that atrocity of two years back, *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*, with a critic's eye. It is difficult to apply critical language to a film like *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, which is more deserving of the services of a lighted match. I would like to say: "This is by far the worst comedy I have ever seen." How do you demonstrate sheer rottenness? For this film is complete trash. The humor is tired, the gags forced, and its star unbearably obnoxious. Jim Carrey seems to spend most of the film wrecking cars for no discernible reason, but a car wreck is an appropriate metaphor for this film. It is hypnotically awful; as much as you'd like to, you can't turn away.

Ace Ventura (played again by that scourge of the current cinema, Jim Carrey), has adopted monastic life in response to the death of a raccoon he was trying to rescue. He is called forth from his self-imposed asceticism to recover the missing White Bat, whose disappearance will spell certain doom for a peaceful African tribe. Of course, behind the disappearance is a filthy rich English gentleman, played by Simon Callow, who wants to get his hands on some valuable bat droppings. In between plot developments, we have the same old antics, the same cocky grin, and the same tired jokes. Everything seems even less inspired this time around: one looks at Carrey's mouthful of asparagus and wonders whether the producers found this funny.

More than one critic has pointed out the film's offensive view of native Africans as uncivilized brutes. In a presumably enlightened age, this is extremely unsettling. Even more blatant than its white-supremacist attitude is its Carrey-supremacist tone; never has a comic actor projected such an unearned egotism on screen. And it is Carrey's egoism that makes this film most unbearable; there is a certain sympathy one extends to bad actors that one cannot extend to conceited actors, good or bad.

Of course, Carrey's egotism masks a fragile sense of self-esteem. Perhaps Carrey understands that his audience is inevitably laughing at him, never with him. He is not a comic but a clown, and unreservedly unsympathetic. Chaplin was a clown and so was Keaton; but they were also endearing personalities. Not so with Carrey. He was barely palatable in the one-hour doses offered us on *In Living Color*; over the course of two hours, he is excruciatingly unfunny.

Carrey surrounds himself in this film with a host of unbelievably bad performances. Simon Callow, the eminent British actor, gives what is easily his worst performance as the film's villain, and the rest of the cast spend the film alternately huffing in exasperation at Carrey's zaniness, or looking at him in a state of blank confusion. The idea is that next to these performances (or lack thereof), Carrey's will look like Oscar material. But somehow it doesn't work.

There are, admittedly, a few good gags. The opening sequence, a spoof of the ill-fated Sylvester Stallone film, *Cliffhanger*, is clever, though its target seems a little stale. (It is telling that the first film's targets are fresher than those of its sequel.) A later sequence has a mechanical hippopotamus apparently giving birth to Carrey, and the awed expressions on the faces of the on-lookers are precious. But I am grasping at straws; even the film's best moments are embarrassingly bad, and its worst moments (including Carrey's consistently unmotivated car wrecks) are astonishingly awful.

"Mr. Ventura, I think the joke has just about run its course," says one of the characters, and it has. The world in general has wearied of Jim Carrey's self-aggrandizing brand of obnoxious comedy. A decade from now, the name Jim Carrey will conjure up his delightfully over-the-top performance as the Riddler in *Batman Forever*, and otherwise, he will be forgotten. I, for one, won't grieve.

The American President

By Shana Maier '98
Entertainment Editor

The American President is by far one of the best movies of the year. It is the story of Andrew Sheppard, played by Michael Douglas, and his quest to be both President of the United States and a regular guy and widower in search of a little love. During the campaign for re-election, he is faced with issues on both crime and environmental protection laws. Although the crime bill is first on his list, his agenda soon changes when he meets Sidney Ellen Wade, played by Annette Bening.

Sidney Wade, of the Global Environmental Organization, fights to get the President to pass a bill reducing the amount of fossil fuels burnt by twenty percent. Impressed with her passion and determination, the President makes a deal with her. If she can get twenty-eight

congressional votes to support this bill, he would get the other ten votes to guarantee the passing of the bill. And the crunch begins.

A romance begins also. Andrew Sheppard, very taken aback by Wade, decides to invite her to a dinner party with the prime minister of France. Talk about a stressful first date! The two hit it off immediately, but Wade's efforts are hindered by her intimidation of the position of her new boyfriend. But before she knows it, she is on a first name basis with A.J., the Chief of Staff, played by Martin Sheen, and is spending her Friday nights eating meatloaf with the President and his daughter, Lucy. Sheppard is also faced with heat from the press, the public and pressure from his press secretary, Lewis Rothchild, played by Michael J. Fox. He soon realizes that his personal life is under the scrutiny of the American people. And of

course his opponent tries to win the race by broadcasting every bit of dirt he can find on Sidney Wade.

As the race for congressional votes continues, the President must choose between his bill on crime and her bill on environmental issues. He must also decide between the importance of his campaign and the woman he loves. Can he have the Presidency and Sidney Wade, or must he lose one in order to win?

The American President is politically stimulating, romantic and also a bit humorous. Michael J. Fox provides just the right amount of laughs and both Bening and Sheen give remarkable performances. And I would not be surprised if Michael Douglas gets nominated for an Oscar for his role as the President of the United States. For that matter, maybe he should run in '96!

Spanish Club

By Jennifer Ainge '99
Special to the Hawk

On Tuesday, November 28th, the Spanish Club had an opportunity to enjoy authentic Spanish food. Along with Spanish speaking students from ELS, they went to the restaurant Las Tapas on Girard Avenue in Philadelphia. Many students not only were able to try Spanish food for the first time, but also had the opportunity to practice their Spanish.

The dinner began with el pan (bread) and continued with a series of Spanish appetizers including chorizos (sausages), berenja (eggplant), and tortillas espanolas (omelets). The main dish was paella which consists of flavored rice with oysters, mussels, shrimp, sausage and chicken. For dessert flan (caramel custard) was served.

Throughout the dinner, students from St. Joseph's spent time talking to the ELS students. The conversation was a mixture of Spanish and English. Although some students found speaking Spanish to the ELS students difficult, everyone was able to make new friends and practice their Spanish.

Last Coffee House

By Shana Maier '98
Entertainment Editor

Thursday night brought yet another Coffee House. But this time it was brought not to the Hawk Rock Cafe, but to the back area of the Crimson Cafe. This area was partitioned by a decorated black cloth and allowed many more students to enjoy the Coffee House. The hard work spent providing this room certainly paid off, and students even enjoyed a variety of desserts as well as coffee and cappuccino.

Rob Tinkler, Tim Devine, and George McClellan began the evening at 9 p.m. with Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit" and two other originals. They were followed by senior Madeline Vespa who provided the audience with details on the Day Without Art on Friday, December 1st. Art work usually

displayed on campus was covered with black cloths to symbolize all of the art lost due to the death of artists with AIDS.

Rich Vogel also hit the stage two times with his variety of poems. This was his last Coffee House of the year. Melissa Cattani also impressively performed 10,000 Maniacs' "Because the Night" with George McClellan and Tim Devine. And of course, it would not be a Coffee House without Placid Admiral who performed "Pretty Girl" and a few other originals.

Veterans Val Liberate and Dave Mannion gave another superb performance with R.E.M.'s "One I Love", The Cure's "Just Like Heaven", the Beatles' "Saw her Standing There", The Rolling Stones' "Under My Thumb", and lastly Bob Marley's "No Woman, No Cry".

White Man's Burden Necessity

By Linda Morris '98
Special to the Hawk

I must admit that I was slightly hesitant about going to see *White Man's Burden*. However, by the time the credits appeared on the screen, I was very pleased that I did. Everyone, regardless of race, needs to see this movie.

White Man's Burden, written and directed by Desmond Nakano, opened in theaters on Friday, December 1. It describes the world as it would be with the stereotypical race roles reversed.

The plot of the movie revolves around the odd, yet eventually moving, relationship that develops between Louis Pinnock (John Travolta) and Thaddeus Thomas (Harry Belafonte).

Travolta plays a poor, white candy factory worker whose superior asks him to deliver a

package to the wealthy owner of the factory, played by Belafonte.

Conflict arises when Pinnock accidentally sees Thomas' wife in the nude. Due to some miscommunication, Pinnock is fired from his job at the factory. Consequently, he and his family are evicted from their home.

In order to get what he feels is fair compensation, Pinnock holds Thomas at gunpoint as he waits in his car to enter the locked gates surrounding his mansion. Through a subsequent series of events, each man gets somewhat of a better understanding of the other man, and thus, his race.

Both Travolta and Belafonte give spectacular and very convincing portrayals of the opposite race, adopting both the speech and gesticulations of the other race.

One of the most memorable scenes of the movie occurs when Pinnock's young son, Donny (Andrew Lawrence), flips through the TV channels, revealing commercials and television shows starring all African Americans. While this made me, as a white person, a little uncomfortable, I only had to endure it for the duration of the movie. Unfortunately for African Americans, the lack of images of their race in the popular media is a sad reality.

Nakano presents his audience with a realistic and insightful portrayal of the race problem in America.

All in all, *White Man's Burden* is an excellent film. Without a doubt, this is one of the year's most important movies.

Black Student Union Talent Show

By Sarah S. Williams '99
Special to the Hawk

On Friday, December 1, the Black Student Union put on its sixth annual talent show. There were many dazzling performers showing off their talents.

Corella Berry opened the show with a song of prayer, entitled "Amazing Grace Shall Always Be my Praise." Her beautiful voice lifted everyone's spirits and prepared the audience for what was yet to come.

Two performers played the piano. A junior, Sal Graci, performed "I'm Still Standing" by Elton John, while last year's winner, sophomore Curtis Greene, performed several selections of classical music. Both were excellent.

A few dance groups performed, showing the audience different varieties, such as native and modern dances.

Clifton Spadey, a sophomore, wonderfully sang "It's so Hard to Say Goodbye," bringing tears to the eyes of many listeners.

A few rappers also showed their skills.

A mini-fashion show was put on by the entertainers and host, showcasing cultural clothing.

Although everyone did their best, there could be only one winner. This year's first prize went to a drill team sponsored by sophomore Monet Williams.

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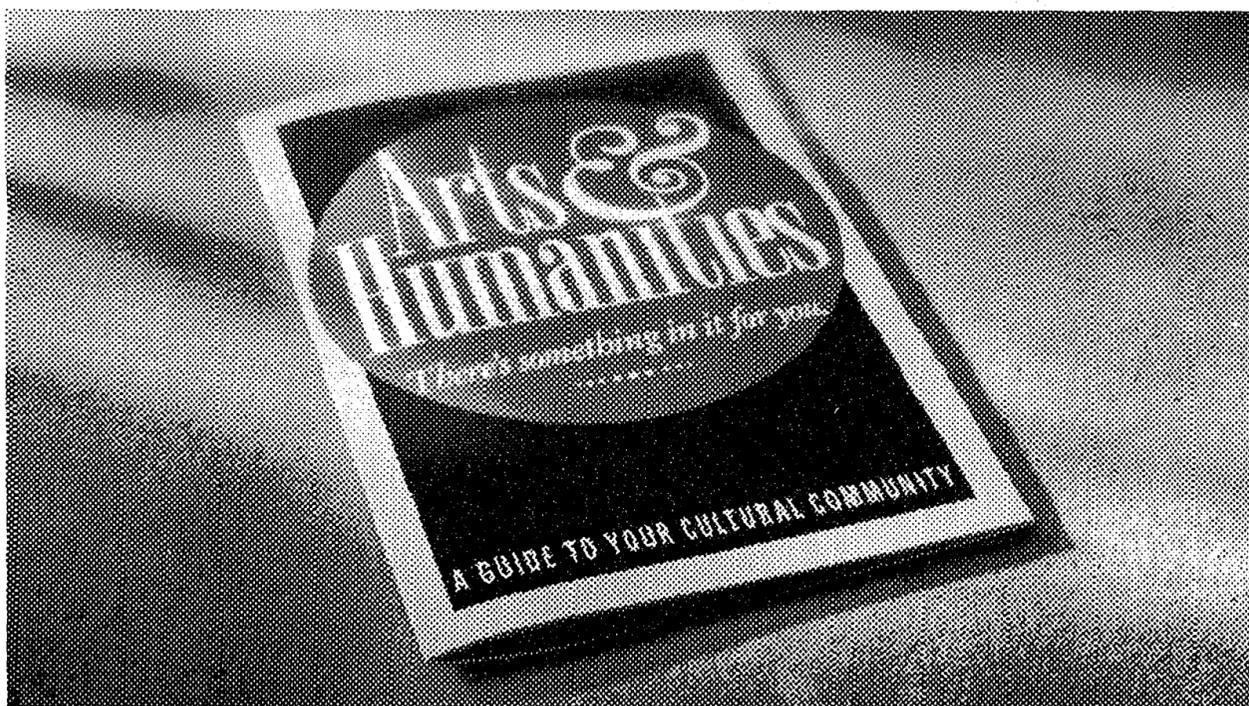
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• SPORTS •

Hawks pummel hapless Bison

Jones makes triumphant return

By Joseph Navitsky '98
Hawk Sportswriter

Although the final score did not reflect any major surprises, the starting lineup in the Hawks 74-54 thrashing of the Bucknell Bison certainly said something that mere numbers could not explain.

Bernard Jones returned to the cheers of the Fieldhouse crowd for the first time in over two years following three knee operations and months of grueling therapy. Jones provided the inspiration in the St Joe's victory as the Hawks used a 17-0 run in the first half to pull away from the Bison.

Jones described the emotion he felt as he stepped onto the court, saying "I cannot even describe

the experience. I was a little nervous. I actually felt that I was going to faint running up the court for the first time."

Notifying Jones only minutes before tip off that he would start, Coach Martelli said that he had been considering the idea for quite awhile. "I wanted him to be part of the team. Moments like that are worth it. We can't have a finer representative of what we stand for. And I wanted him to always remember this night and I think that he will. Emotion carried us tonight."

Reggie Townsend scored 20 points while grabbing 10 rebounds to pace the Hawks, who are now 2-0. Martelli's bench also played an important supporting role in the win. Will

Johnson had 12 points in only 19 minutes of play while Terrel Myers pitched in with 9.

The win also provided Martelli with his first victory in the Fieldhouse. Townsend said that "the team was pumped up to get Coach his first win at home. It was really emotional and we challenged ourselves to end the losing streak that went back to last year. With our new coach, we want to prove to everyone that we are for real."

The Hawks now receive a two week break and will be back in action against the Princeton Tigers on December 18. Atlantic 10 play does not begin until January 9.



Bernard Jones returned after two years of rehabilitation.

Four Hawks named PSS all-stars

By Phil Denne '96
Sports Editor

Philadelphia Textile's Pat Morris. Peev became the first freshman to lead SJU in scoring. He also set the Hawk freshman record with 19 points.

Other PSS award winners included Player of the Year - Cesidio Colasante (La Salle), Coach of the Year - Lew Meehl (Drexel), and Academic Player of the Year - Doug Nevins (Villanova).



The reason it could be the swan song for the PSS is that with expansion of the Atlantic 10 and Big East, as well as restrictions by the Ivy League, it is becoming increasingly difficult for the seven teams to play a full round-robin schedule. Already both Penn and Villanova have been forced to play limited PSS schedules. Commented Soccer Seven Executive Director, Ken Krsolovic, "We have a meeting set up to discuss the current status of the league. We are going to see what the next step is."

In what could turn out to be the swan song for the Philadelphia Soccer Seven, the league announced its 1995 award winners. Four Hawks were honored, three as PSS all-stars and freshman Alex Peev as Freshman of the Year.

The three Hawks who garnered all-star recognition were juniors John Gallagher and Brian Schmidt, as well as, senior Sean Vliet. Gallagher finished second on the team in scoring, leading the team with 8 goals. Schmidt was a solid two-way player for SJU. Defensively he often marked the opponents top player. Finally, Vliet capped his career with his third all-star nomination. An iron-man in goal, he finished third with a 1.74 goals against average and second in saves.

Peev was named co-freshman of the year, along with

Philadelphia Soccer Seven	1995 Philadelphia Soccer Seven All-Star Team			
	NAME	SCHOOL	CLASS	POSITION
	Cesidio Colasante*	La Salle	So.	Forward
	Phil Karn*	Drexel	So.	Forward
	Patrick Morris	Philadelphia Textile	Fr.	Forward
	Erik Cline	La Salle	Jr.	Midfielder
	John Gallagher	St. Joseph's	Jr.	Midfielder
	Steve Markinkiewicz*	Pennsylvania	Sr.	Midfielder
	Zoran Markovski	Drexel	Sr.	Midfielder
	Brian Schmidt	St. Joseph's	Jr.	Midfielder
	R.J. Fitch	Philadelphia Textile	Sr.	Back
	Pat McCallion	La Salle	Sr.	Back
	Doug Nevins*	Villanova	Sr.	Back
	Brendan Sullivan*	Pennsylvania	Sr.	Back
	Sean Vliet#	St. Joseph's	Sr.	Goalkeeper

*also a 1994 All-Star #also a 1993 All-Star



John Gallagher



Brian Schmidt



Sean Vliet

A Look Ahead: SJU batters Big 5 rival Penn Sullivan pours in 24

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Power Massachusetts, who probably enter the Fieldhouse ranked in the top 5 nationally. Led by national player of the year candidate Marcus Camby the Minutemen will surely be a power in the post-season. If the Hawks hope to upset UMASS they will need a repeat performance of the game they played two years ago at the Fieldhouse against the Minutemen, in which the Hawks played tenacious defense while minimizing turnovers.

BOTTOM LINE- Anything is possible in College Basketball!

The Hawks end the Christmas break with a game at the Palestra versus the Arizona Wildcats. The Wildcats have already started the season on a high-note as they beat the Georgetown Hoyas to win the preseason NIT. Coach Lute Olson brings a WildCat team which will rely on strong team defense and balanced scoring. This will be another tough test for the Hawks as it will conclude a three game stretch versus top 20 opponents.

BOTTOM LINE- Does Lute Olson's hair move???

By Phil Denne '96
Sports Editor

It always feels good to be home. After dropping two of their first three games to nationally ranked opponents and traveling half-way across the country in the process, the Hawks found the friendly confines of the Fieldhouse to their liking. The women erupted routing crosstown rival Penn by 38 points, 86-48.

The win was SJU's 15th straight in Big 5 play and the 21st straight against the Quakers. The Hawks were sparked by the hot-hand of Kristen Sullivan. The senior, co-captain led a 22-4 run to start the second half, and the Hawks never looked back. Sullivan was unconscious early in the second

stanza knocking down four triples. The Hawks also got a boost from freshman Jennifer Greenwell. She keyed the SJU defense registering three steals during the run.

The difference in the game remained twenty for several minutes, before the Hawks closed out the game with a decisive 27-7 run. The Hawks led by as many as 41 at one point. Amy Facer and Greenwell helped spearhead the final run.

The Quakers managed to hang around for much of the first half. The Hawks led by nine at one point but Penn's Deana Lewis hit a pair of mid-range jumpers and a couple of free throws to close the Hawk lead to just 3 at the half.

When Maureen Costello sat

down just six minutes into the game with her second personal foul, Lauren Straub stepped up for SJU inside. The sophomore finished with a career high 13 points and six rebounds. Nine of those points came in the first half when she shot a stellar 4 for 4.

Sullivan paced the women with 24 points. Her seven three point field goals were one off the SJU record which she set last season against Temple. Sullivan also continued her strong board work grabbing six rebounds. Straub and Megan Compain each contributed 13 points, while Greenwell added ten. Nikki Jones posted another strong all-around performance. She finished with points, 7 boards, 5 assists and 2 steals.

The Basketball Home of the Hawks 530 AM WSJR
Sat. Women vs. Villanova 3 p.m.

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Column as I See 'em: Take the Points

By Rick Cannon '96
Hawk Columnist

Column as I see 'em.... Decisions, decisions, decisions. To go, or not to go—that is the question. Over the weekend, I witnessed two critical fourth-down situations, and I watched two coaches make the wrong choice. First, I watched Navy face a fourth and one from the Army one on Saturday. Clinging to a 13-7 lead, conventional wisdom would have called for the Middies to kick a field goal and take a 9-point lead—meaning that Army would have to score twice in the final nine minutes to win. This would also mean that Army would be forced into many passing situations, and their passing game really hadn't been working well all day. Instead, Navy elected to go for the touchdown and were stopped. Army then marched the length of the field and ate up all but one minute of the game clock, consummating the 99-yard drive with a touchdown and a 14-13 victory. A word of advice: when you have a chance to put points on the board, TAKE THEM! There's no need to lose when you should win.... With the Heisman voting just about done, it's considered to be a two-horse race between Ohio State's Eddie George and Nebraska's Tommie Frazier. Look for Frazier to get the hardware. While George has had a season to remember, Frazier has the Cornhuskers in place to win their second consecutive national championship. The person I feel for is Iowa State's Troy Davis. The Cyclones' sophomore running back has become just the fifth back to break the 2,000 yard barrier in a single season. What's amazing is, Davis has accomplished this in spite of I-State's 3-8 record, defenses that key in on him by sending 7 and 8 men to the line, he carries the ball at least 30 times a game and hasn't missed a game or a rep in practice. Davis is the best player in the land this year. It's a shame that the best player won't win the award designated for the best... Finally, a word on the Sixers latest trade. Anytime you can get rid of Shawn Bradley, it's a good day. However, I'm not sure that bringing in Derrick Coleman was the best idea. Coleman is loaded with talent, but he also brings in a bad attitude. The Sixers are trying to build a contender, and they appear to be doing it right by creating a nucleus of good youngsters and mixing in some veterans. Coleman could taint what's being done here and hurt team morale with his immature antics. I think I would have checked into other deals. A player who's less talented but works harder and has a better attitude may have been a better acquisition.

Indoor Track

Sprinters shine at Lafayettee

By Kevin Quinn '62
Special to the Hawk

Traveling to Easton for the season indoor opener was an anxious group of Hawk sprinters and quartermilers. Working hard for months without any competitive opportunities, the Lafayette Invitation was a chance to show their stuff, and show their stuff they did. Melvin Raymond and Christian Kant each ran away with their sections of the 600, with Melvin taking first with a faster time (1:14.7 - 1:15.5). Both sophomores demonstrated poise and confidence in capturing their races. Junior Dan Smith ran a powerful 440, leading well into the final straightaway before being edged at the finish. Dan never faltered in the drive to the tape, holding form throughout. A pleasant surprise was frosh Joe Thorpe. In his first ever time over a full flight of college high hurdles (42" as compared to high school's 39"), he qualified for the finals, and in the finals he used a driving finish to capture second overall. Kant, Thorpe, Smith and Raymond returned to the track for the grand finale of track meets - the mile relay. In an exciting finish, the Hawks turned back the Leopards of Lafayette with a fast



Photo by Kevin Quinn '62

An impressive indoor debut for freshman Joe Thorpe.

3:26.3.

With many of the middle distance and distance runners not competing due to a lengthy cross country season, some of the younger runners had the opportunity to gain valuable experience, and they took full advantage. Pat Nocito was the top finisher as he captured second place in the mile with a 4:30

clocking, while frosh Marc Sabo, running his first ever indoor race, before sprinting away to win the second section of the mile (4:43). Kevin Dougherty, another freshman, ran a very tough 880 and took 4th place honors while just missing his indoor personal best. Frosh John Buttil and Todd Nettleton finished hard in the

1000 to take fourth and fifth places. In the field, Steve Biggs took second in the high jump with a 6'4" clearance.

The Hawks next venture is to Jadwin Gym on the campus of Princeton University for a development meet tomorrow.

Sophomores shine in indoor opener

By Kevin Quinn '62
Special to the Hawk

The 1995 debut of the Women's Track team was a



Photo by K. Quinn '62

Nicole Koslosky scored a big win in the 880.

coming out party for the Class of '98. Of the four Hawk victories at the Lafayette Invitation, three came from the sophomore class. Although fine performances were

not unexpected, the way these sophs dominated their races was quite impressive. In the 440 (which proved to be a 420 due to misplaced starting lines), Bonnie Rymanski rocketed to the front immediately and simply ran away from the field. With the misplaced starting line, Bonnie's time of 56.4 has no meaning but it would have been close to her school record from last year. Although not placing in the final standings, both Jen Murray (59.9) and Melissa Gilbert (60.0) ran fine races as both won their sectional race. Duplicating Bonnie's early front running tactic was Jen Rafferty in the two mile. Leading after ten yards, Jen simply ran away as she lapped the entire field (several athletes twice) and clocked 11:26 for her tour of the track.

Nicole Koslosky's control of the 880 wasn't as obvious as she bided her time through the first 440 before moving comfortably to the front and outdistancing the field very convincingly. The evenness of her split times (71.1, 71.9 - 2:23.0) indicates just how much she had in reserve. The

other Hawk winner was Ali Foreman who followed a tactic similar to Nicole's, emerging from the pack midway and opening an insurmountable gap while clocking 5:22.9. Running strongly over the last 3 laps was frosh Megan Busse who captured third in 5:24.3.

The Hawks finished second in both relays as they fell victim to caution and indecision. Temple outlasted the team of Gilbert, Murray, Koslosky and Rymanski in the mile relay, while Maisha Palmer, Molli Davis, Liz Reeser and Ali Foreman fell victim to another Temple quartet. In the field, Sue Walsh saw a 2' improvement over her first meet performance at Lafayette last year. Overall, this was a fine opening meet and confirmed what had already been anticipated - this may well be the best Women's team in recent memory. Several top rated members of the cross country team and two standout quartermilers did not compete, and still the Hawks were very visible and competitive. The next meet will be a development meet tomorrow at Princeton.

Up and Coming

Men's Basketball:

12/18 at Princeton 7:30 p.m.
12/21 Cal. Santa-Barbara 7:05 p.m.
12/28 at Meadowlands Torney 8:30 p.m.
12/29 at Meadowlands Tourney 6:30/8:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Sat.: at Villanova 3:00 p.m.
12/19 at Delaware 7:00 p.m.
12/29 PNC Hawk Classic 6:05 p.m.
12/30 PNC Hawk Classic 2:00/4:00 p.m.

Indoor Track

Sat.: at Princeton

Ice Hockey

Sat.: at Wagner 9:45 p.m.
Sun. ANL 7:45 p.m.

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Dave's World: Camby and UMass tough again Flex muscles down Kentucky

By David McAndrew '99
Hawk Sportswriter

The East

UMass: Marcus Camby was named the player of the week leading UMass to wins over top ranked Kentucky and Maryland. UMass is off to another great start at 2-0 and is ranked fourth in the nation.

Fordham: Off to a terrible start with losses to Columbia and St. Francis(NY) at home. Despite the effort of the freshman Ray Carroll who scored 21 points in the St. Francis(NY) game.

Rhode Island: The Rams are off to an unbelievable start of 3-0. Although all the teams they have played so far were all cupcakes. The Rams will have their first real test against Providence later this week.

St. Bonaventure: The Bonnies are off to a horrendous start of 0-2. Losing to the likes of Eastern Michigan and Canisius. Despite the three point shooting of Kenny McFarland, who is 7-15 (.467) behind the arc.

St. Joseph's: Earned first win under new head Coach Phil

Martelli. The Hawks were lead by a second half charge by Dmitri Domani (14 points) and Reggie Townsend (17 points).

Temple: The Owls tough early schedule have them at 1-2. Losing to the nationally ranked



Georgetown and then losing to Wisconsin in overtime. Eventhough Johnny Miller netted 27 points in the loss to Wisconsin.

The West

G.W.: The Colonials off to a good start at 2-1, with their only loss coming to Florida. Kwame Evans lead the Colonials their first two victories averaging 23.3 ppg.

Dayton: The Flyers are 2-1 in the early going. With wins over Louisiana State and Costal

Carolina. Ryan Perryman had career-highs of 22 points and 19 rebounds to lead the Flyers over Coastal Carolina.

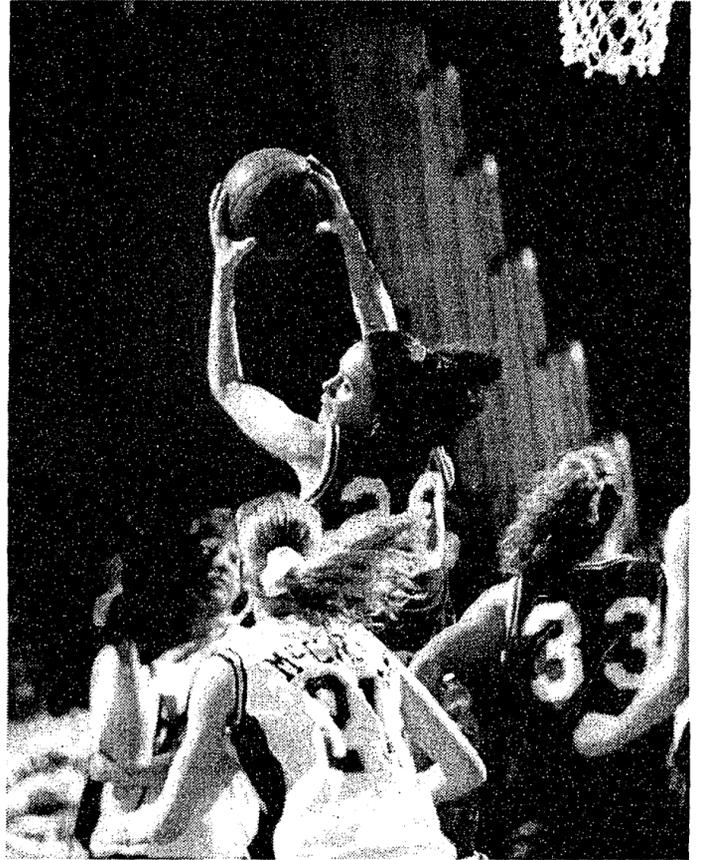
Duquesne: The Dukes are 1-1 and looking for improvement when they play West Virginia this week. The Dukes only loss is to a powerful Pittsburgh team.

La Salle: The worst start in long time for the Explorers have them searching for answers at 0-5. With losses to the likes of Auburn, Illinois State, Western Kentucky, Miami (OH), and Holy Cross. The Explorers look for their first win against Mount St. Mary's this week.

Virginia Tech: The Hokies are out of the blocks with an 2-0 start. With wins over two cupcakes Coastal Carolina and William and Mary. The Hokies will get their first real test when they play Virginia later this month.

Xavier: Xavier has begun the season with a good start of 2-1. They have victories over St. Francis (PA) and Long Island. Their schedule gets tough toward the end of this month. When they play Kansas State and Notre Dame.

Women top UNI For first win



Kris Sullivan demonstrated her rebounding prowess against N. Iowa.

Iowa

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Hawk nipped a very resilient Northern Iowa squad. The clutch play of Megan Compain down the stretch led the Hawks. Compain netted 7 of her 11 points in the game's final 1:22. With SJU trailing 60-62, Compain slashed to the hoop and knocked the ball home, picking up a foul along the way. She made the charity toss for a 63-62 Hawk lead. A Scoop shot by UNI's Kelley Westoff, however, put the Panthers back up at 1:02. Then it was Compain with a driving layup. Northern Iowa failed to score on their next possession and were unable to foul the Hawks Kristen Sullivan until just :05 seconds were left. Sullivan split a pair. Compain got the

rebound of the miss and was quickly fouled. She knocked down both ends of the one and one and sealed the game for SJU. Giving the Hawks their first win of the season, 68-64.

The Hawks and Panthers played evenly for much of the first half, but SJU powered to a 12 point halftime lead with the help of 13-4 run just past the midway point of the first half. Kristen Sullivan was red hot in the first half, finally able to get open for some shots. She tallied 17 of her 18 points before intermission. She also, grabbed five rebounds, enroute to a career high nine. Amy Facer added nine points and six boards. The Hawks got an unexpected boost from the play of Jennifer Greenwell and Lauren Straub. Each tallied six first half points.

Domani leads Hawks

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attempted 2 first half three point shots as they increasingly relied upon Townsend's post-up play.

Meanwhile, Delaware remained close solely on the performance turned in by forward Greg Smith, who ended the night with 23 points and 6 rebounds. Excluding his 10-15 shooting exhibition, the rest of the Blue Hens shot a pitiful 20% from the field and only made 3 of 17 three point attempts.

In the second half, the wheels

began to come apart for the Hens. Martelli's squad picked up their defensive pressure, often doubling Smith down low. The Delaware guards were left with open shots from the outside but were unable to connect from long range. As a whole, the backcourt starters, Rob Gardner and Bruce McCullough, made only 3 shots in 57 minutes of play.

SJU kept the small Delaware team off the boards as well, winning the rebounding war by a margin of 34-31. In the last five

minutes, the Blue Hens only grabbed three rebounds and managed only five points as the desperation of the situation increased. The experienced Hawks then calmly made their foul shots to guarantee the victory.

"We had an honest effort by everyone. I feel confident that the team is well organized and the communication on the court between the players was good," concluded Coach Martelli.

A Look Ahead; The Christmas Preview Stiff competition ahead for Hawks

By Mark DeFabio '97
Hawk Staff

While most of us will be resting and relaxing during our upcoming month off for the Holidays, Phil Martelli and his St. Joe's Hawks will be doing battle with the nation's elite. During this stretch the Hawks will need to be on top of their games as the hope of a post-season bid may lie during this 9 game span.

The Holiday break begins on December 18th as the Hawk will head to New Jersey to take on Ivy League foe Princeton. Legendary coach Pete Carril brings a Tiger team to the floor that will continue the slow down, backdoor cutting tactics that have made Princeton famous for its upsets during post season play. Look for the Hawks to try and push the tempo while playing tough man-to-man defense.

BOTTOM LINE- These Tigers are more like Pussy Cats!!

On December 21 the Hawks will host the University of California at Santa Barbara Gauchos who fly in from the left coast. The Gauchos will try and bounce back from a season in which they went a disappointing

13-14. The Gauchos will be facing an uphill battle as they will have to replace two frontcourt starters. The focus of the offense will be guard Lelan McDougal who averaged 11 ppg. a season ago.

BOTTOM LINE- Win or Lose, they get to go back to Santa Barbara!!

After all the gifts are unwrapped and all of the Christmas dinners are completed the Hawks head to Jersey to the Meadowlands, where they will play in the Meadowlands Christmas Tournament. In the opening round of the tournament the Hawks will face South West Conference opponent Texas Christian. TCU is led by coach Billy Tubbs of Oklahoma fame. Tubbs has brought the race-horse style play that made his Sooners clubs a national powerhouse in past years. Tubbs will have trouble improving on last years 16-10 record as the Horned Frogs will be without Kurt Thomas who now plays for the Miami Heat. Thomas lead the nation in scoring and rebounding a year ago and without him the Horned Frogs look like a 500 team at best. If the Hawks can find a way to get

by TCU they would meet the winner of Seton Hall and New Hampshire.

BOTTOM LINE- It may take a few years for Tubbs to open the wallet and buy some talent!!

After the new year the Hawk's hit the road for a 3-game road trip, which begins on January 2 at Old Dominion. The Monarchs enter the season under second year coach Jeff Capel who will look to improve off a season in which the monarchs captured the Colonial Conference Championship and defeated Villanova in the first round of the NCAA tournament. Coach Capel will look to junior sensation Odell Hodge to return to his form of two years ago when Hodge was named Colonial Conference player of the year. Hodge missed all of last season with a torn ACL. Hodge along with a consistent starting will again look to be a national contender.

BOTTOM LINE- Don't be surprised if these Monarch's rule!!!

On January 4th the Hawks road trip will roll on as the Hawks will go to Baltimore to take on fellow Jesuit Institution Loyola. The Greyhounds finished with a

9-18 record a year ago and they lose their best player B.J. Pentalton, so it doesn't look good for the Greyhounds and second year coach Brian Ellerbe.

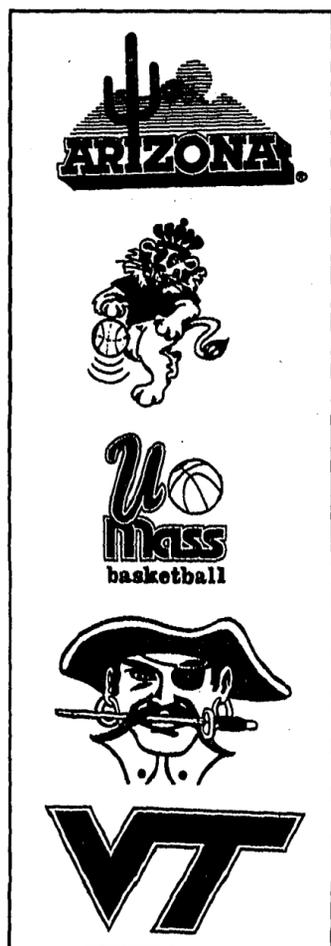
BOTTOM LINE- If these Greyhounds were at a dog track they would surely be slaughtered!!!

Coach Martelli and his road warriors finish their tour of the east coast with their first in-conference game as the Hawks travel back to Virginia to take on National power Virgia Tech. A season ago the Hokies captured the post-season NIT. A repeat of last season would be a disappointment this season as the Hokies return all 5 starters of last season. The focus of the offense will be the duo of Ace Custis and Shawn Smith who each averaged 16 ppg. a season ago. Coach Bill Foster expects great things from this squad, so don't be surprised if they somehow win the A-10 and make it deep into the NCAA tournament.

BOTTOM LINE- These Hokies don't Pokie!!

Home Sweet Home, well not really. The Hawks return home on January 9 to take on National

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Domani sparks Hawks past Delaware Martelli notches first win

By Joseph Navitsky '98
Hawk Sportswriter

St. Joseph's basketball entered a new era last Saturday evening when the Hawks opened their season against the Delaware Blue Hens. Phil Martelli, in his first official NCAA game behind the bench, made sure that the era began successfully, as he watched his Hawks claw their way to a 64-56 victory over the host Blue Hens (2-1).

The scrappy contest featured a total of 37 turnovers and never saw any team lead by more than 4 points until 46.7 seconds remained on the clock. St. Joe's iced the game in the last minute of play by shooting 7-8 from the free throw line. When the buzzer finally sounded, SJU had won its fifth straight opener, and Martelli had won his first game.

Martelli, who was accompanied to Newark, Delaware, by a large entourage of family and friends, was quick to point out how pleased he was with the final result. "When the game had to be won, we did the things to win it. It was a hard earned win, and we had to do things down the stretch, whether it was playing, good, solid

defense or getting rebounds or make our free throws. And we did all this in the last three minutes," commented Martelli.

The play of junior forward Dmitri Domani was critical in finishing off the stubborn Blue Hens. Domani, who was held scoreless in the first half, came into the second stanza revitalized, hitting 5-6 from the field to score 14 points for the game. His points came right when the Hawks needed them the most, in the stretch run that saw his team pull away. He also pulled down a game high 8 rebounds. Domani tapped in an offensive rebound, one of only four that the Hawks had all game, at the 5:31 mark that put the Hawks up for good.

Martelli made the observation: "We cannot be a two-pronged team; we need Dmitri to score. Looking at the first half statistics, I saw that he only had attempted one shot, and we need him to touch the ball more often."

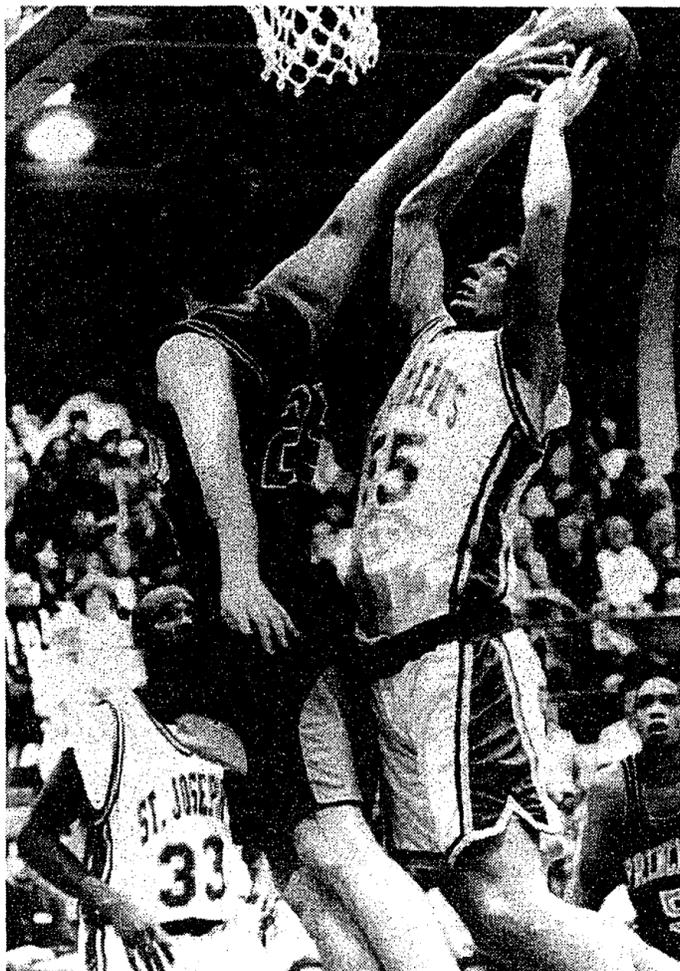
The other two "prongs" of the Hawk attack, seniors Reggie Townsend and Mark Bass were both staples on the offensive end, scoring 17 points and 12 points, respectively. Townsend was unstoppable in the first half, shooting 5-5 from the field and

eventually scored 17 points to lead the team. Terrel Myers pitched in with 12 points and proved invaluable after point guard Rashid Bey fouled out of the game with 3:12 remaining.

Delaware, though it kept the game close throughout, never seemed poised to make any kind of substantial run that would bury the Hawks. That possibility was greatly lessened when three Blue Hens fouled out. Among them was this year's leading scorer for Delaware, Peca Arsic, who was held to 8 points on 2-9 shooting. The Hawks, who led the Atlantic 10 in free throw percentage last season, shot 73% from the charity stripe in the game, taking full advantage of Delaware's 15 second half fouls.

The first half was characterized by sloppy play on both sides, which can most probably be attributed to sheer game-day jitters. The Hawks took only 18 shots in the period, connecting on 12 for a remarkable 67% field goal percentage. However, despite their successful shooting, the Hawks at times appeared hesitant and indecisive as perimeter shots were hard to come by. The team only

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Dmitri Domani sparked the hawks with 14 second half points.

Women split pair at Dial Classic

By Phil Denne '96
Sports Editor

Too big, too strong. That seems to be a common theme as the Hawks open the season with some of the nation's best teams. In much the same scenario as their season opening loss to #4 Tennessee, the

Hawks were worn down by a bigger, stronger, more physical Iowa squad, ranked #16 in last week's AP poll. The Hawks ran out of gas down the stretch dropping a tough 66-49 decision. On a positive note the Hawks rebounded from Saturday's loss to score their first win of the year over

Northern Iowa on Sunday, 68-64. In almost a replay of the UT game, SJU hung with the Hawkeyes until midway through the second half. It was then that the Hawkeyes went on a decisive 18-2 run to put the game out of reach. A three pointer by J.J. Illes at the 10:33 mark had closed the

gap to just six at 38-32. Then Iowa began to look inside, taking advantage of the Hawks' lack of frontcourt depth. Over the next 5:28, the Hawkeyes would put on a clinic using an array of moves inside the paint to pull away.

The Hawks controlled the tempo and led for much of the first half. Offensively, the hot hand of Megan Compain, along with the shooting of Amy Facer paced SJU out of the gate. The duo netted 16 of the Hawks 18 first half points. The women led for all but the final 2:53 of the first half, when a three-pointer by Iowa's Karen Clayton gave the Hawkeyes a 20-18 lead.

This was the heart of an 11-0 Iowa run to close the half. They went into the locker room with 24-18 lead.

Again one of the keys to the game was the inability of SJU to free up Kristen Sullivan. Sullivan was held scoreless. Megan Compain finished with 14 points, while Maureen Costello chipped in 12 points and 7 boards. Amy Facer netted 9 points, only two, however, came in the second half. Nikki Jones flexed her muscles on the boards. She hauled down 9, adding 7 points.

In Sunday's second game the
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Davidson named All-American

By Phil Denne '96
Sports Editor



Hayley Davidson

What a season! No, better yet, what a career! For Hawk senior midfielder Hayley Davidson, the 1995 season has added a significant amount of hardware to her already crowded trophy case. She capped off a stellar career last week when she was named third team all-American by the Collegiate Field Hockey Coaches Association.

It has been a storybook season for Davidson, as honors and

awards have piled up. First-team all-Mid-Atlantic Region, Atlantic 10 all-Tournament Team, Atlantic 10 Tournament Most Valuable Player, team MVP, and now, third-team all-American. Ironically, Davidson was snubbed from the Atlantic 10 Conference regular season all-Conference squad.

She ranked fourth on the team in scoring, netting 9 goals and 2 assists. She started every game this season and has started all but one during her stellar career. Davidson seemed to come up with all of the big goals for the Hawks, especially down the stretch tallying game-winning goals against Temple, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island, of which the latter two sealed the A-10 regular season and Tournament crowns.

Davidson's career ranks her as one of SJU's all-time greats. She burst onto the scene as a freshman leading the squad in scoring with 7 goals. Her efforts gained her Atlantic 10 Freshman of the Year accolades.

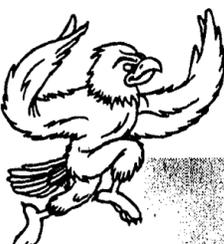
As a sophomore, she again paced the squad in goals with five. She was named all-Conference honorable mention. Her junior year, she ranked second on the squad in goals (7) and points (18). She was named first-team all-A-10 and second team all-Mid-Atlantic Region.

She ranks among SJU's all-time leaders in both goals and points. She currently stands fourth in goals with 28, and fifth in points with 35.

1995 CFHCA Field Hockey All-America Teams THIRD TEAM

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Heather Chase
Hayley Davidson
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Terry Pacheco
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The Hawk Athlete of the Week



Dmitri Domani

- Led SJU to a 65-56 win over Delaware.
- Scored 14 points, all after halftime.
- Pulled down 8 rebounds.