

Solomon wins management award

by Michel Zinone

Sy Solomon, Director of Retail Services, was named Outstanding Manager of the Year for 1988 by the National Association of College Stores (N.A.C.S.), making this the first time a manager from a county college has won the award.

Solomon said that he was very surprised to win the award because it usually goes to a larger institution.

"It was an honor for both myself and the college; it's like making the All-Star team," said Solomon.

To be eligible for the award, one must be involved in N.A.C.S. activities and/or local, state, or regional association; have directed the rebuilding, remodeling, or expanding of the store; and have shown consistent sales and/or surplus increases.

The first step in being considered for the award is to be nominated to the selection committee. Mr. Solomon said he was nominated by the director of the University of Maryland's bookstore.

Slides of the bookstore are then shown to the selection committee, the committee votes, and makes their selection.

"I think he deserved it," stated Linda Solomon, Food Services Manager and Mr. Solomon's wife.

"He has been active in the Middle Atlantic and National College stores for the past twenty years," added Mrs. Solomon.

The store's inventory and new fixtures were paid for by profits from the Blue Colt Bookstore itself. Mrs.

Solomon felt this was important in the College's bookstore winning the award because the traditional winners of the award, schools like Princeton and Harvard, are known to have separate monies allocated to enhance just a certain part of the bookstore.

Besides running the bookstore, Solomon has provided money for scholarships, prizes, and for emergency loans for students.

Mrs. Solomon said that many of the Food Services needs are taken care of by the bookstore. Over the years, the bookstore has donated large amounts of money to the college and last year purchased all of the new furniture for the Corral Restaurant.

Debbie Grau, secretary of the C.C.P.B. and employee at the Blue Colt Bookstore, felt that Mr. Solomon deserved the award.

"He is a good manager, and you can talk to him about anything. He puts a lot of effort into everything he does, both on and off campus," she said.

Grau, who has been working at the bookstore for four years, said she enjoys her job at the store because everyone is like a family.

In his spare time, Solomon collects whisky advertising souvenirs. (He doesn't drink, though, his wife added.)

Over the past 15 years he has collected 2,500 different pieces, some dating back to the 1770's. He trades all over the world by mail. Many of the Solomon's vacations have been solely for the purpose of trading.



Sy Solomon

photo by Michel Zinone

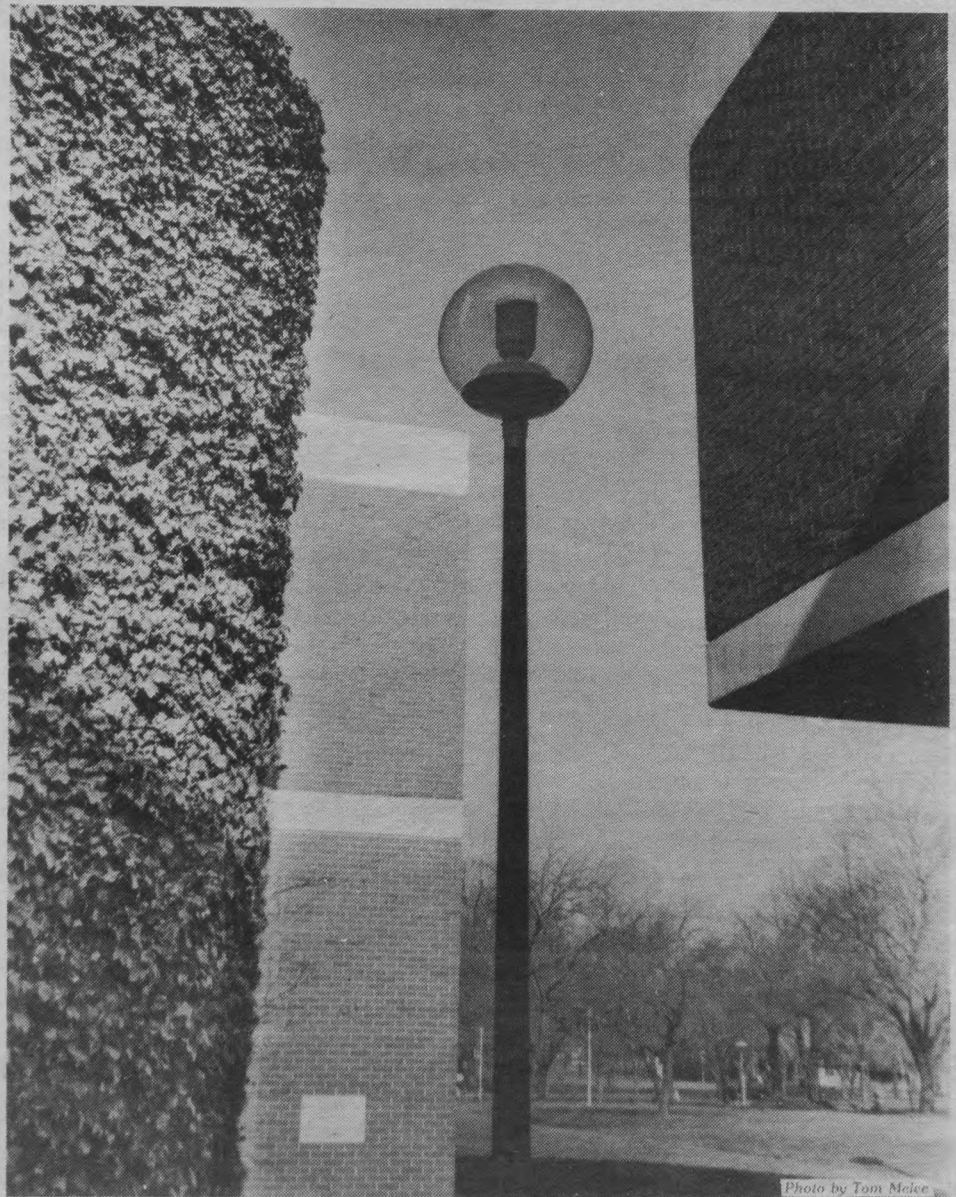


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Financial, personnel resolutions get BOT approval

by Michael Klufas

Several financial and personnel resolutions were approved at Tuesday's Board of Trustees meeting.

The Board authorized two payments to Sarbo, Inc. for replacement of Heating, Ventilating and Air-conditioning (HVAC) systems on six older campus buildings, including L'Hommedieu Hall, College Center and Performing Arts Center, Library, Main Hall, and Johnson Learning Center.

The Board also approved several partial payments for roof and fascia replacements and several contracts for medical and office supplies.

The Board did not consider resolutions about asbestos removal in L'Hommedieu Hall and a reduction of retainage for Building 229, located near the Woodbridge Avenue entrance of the campus. Both resolutions will be considered at the Board's May 31 meeting or a special meeting to be announced at a later date.

The Board also approved over \$29,500 in payments to the law firm of Wilentz, Goldman and Spitzer for legal services rendered from July 1, 1987 to Dec. 31, 1987. The firm's services were retained for the College's regular operations, discussion of capital projects, regulation questions, labor, union and personnel matters.

The firm of Jackson, Lewis, Schnitzler and Krupman was also retained by the Board to handle several personnel and union related legal matters between July 1, 1987 and Jan. 31 of this year. Just over \$2,200 was allocated to the law firm.

The Board also approved a contract for Project Connections V, a model program to provide special services to the learning disabled. The program is in its fifth year of operation under federal funding. The contract, worth \$100,314, covers a fourteen month period beginning July 1 of this year.

The Board filled an administrative position by appointing Ronald Rose as the Supervisor of Printing, Publications and Mail Services. Rose replaces Brian Peterson, who left the College in February.

Two new openings in management were created with the resignation of Deborah Piggins, Director of Special Projects, effective May 6, and the termination of Gladys Rentas, Director of the Perth Amboy Community Center, whose contract expires June 30 and will not be renewed by the Board.

Three tenure line positions were also filled by the Board. Brian deUriarte was appointed as an Instructor in the Business Administration and Management Department, while Desiree Bush and Rubil Morales both were appointed Counselors in the Admissions and Financial Aid Office.

The Board honored Sy Solomon, the College's Director of Retail Services. Solomon, who has been with the College since 1967, received an award as "An Outstanding Manager" from the National Association of College Stores, becoming the first retail service manager for a junior college to be so honored. Although not present at the public session of the meeting, Mr. Solomon received congratulations from the Board members during the agenda/dinner session.

In her report to the Board, College president Dr. Flora Mancuso-Edwards noted with pride her induction as an honorary member into Phi Theta Kappa, the honor society for two year colleges, at the society's April 8 induction ceremony.

"It was a wonderful event and served to underscore the sense of vision and the pursuit of excellence which characterizes our college," Dr. Edwards said about her induction.

EDITORIAL

Jackson proves a survivor

In the beginning, the Democratic Party begot Bruce Babbitt, Joseph Biden, Michael Dukakis, Richard Gephardt, Albert Gore, Gary Hart, Paul Simon and Jesse Jackson. Today, two candidates remain—Reverend Jesse Jackson and Governor Michael Dukakis.

On Tuesday, April 19, Jackson received 36 percent of the vote in the New York Presidential Primary, losing to Dukakis's 50 percent. The delegate count now stands at 841 for Jackson, compared with 1,062 for Dukakis.

Jackson's impressive showing in the Primary has proven him to be an undeniable force in the Democratic Party. However, in all likelihood, Dukakis will be the Democratic presidential candidate. This does not discount the possibility, though, that Jackson could be the vice-presidential candidate.

The Democratic party cannot ignore Jackson's strong showing throughout the primaries and his ability to survive where others have failed and dropped out of the race. His widespread appeal, from Georgia to Michigan, combined with Dukakis's broad base, can form a strong Democratic ticket.

Governor Dukakis, in the April 21 U.S.A. Today, said of Jackson, "He's obviously an important leader in our country. We respect each other."

For the Democrats to wage a successful bid with their 1988 ticket, the black vote must remain intact. A united Democratic front is the only hope for this party, which has lost the last four out of five presidential elections.

In addition, Jesse Jackson can prove that in America any person regardless of race, can achieve his goals if he works hard enough.



Jackson: A front-runner for vice president

The question is not what does Jesse want, a question that is so frequently asked. The question is what should Jesse get?

Opinion

by Greg Lucas

If the New York primary did anything other than show Mayor Koch's lack of concern for race-relations in New York City, it established a clear front-runner and likely winner in the Democratic race for a Presidential nominee.

This situation has now caused many people to talk about Jesse Jackson as being a possible candidate for Vice-President. Jesse, who has shown that he is a viable candidate who can generate support outside of the black community, should indeed be considered as running mate on the Democratic ticket.

Jackson has definitely expanded his rainbow coalition, including farmers, blue-collar workers, blacks, whites, hispanics, women, gays and many other groups that have traditionally been considered non-mainstream interests in political campaigns.

He has also spoken candidly on issues that affect ordinary people in some form everyday. Jackson constantly speaks on the drug problem that is destroying so many communities. He names the Central American countries that export drugs to the U.S. and exposes the fact there was a sizable cut in the budget of the U.S. Coastguard after significant amounts of drugs were intercepted coming into the U.S.

He also speaks of large corporations relocating to other countries where no organized

labor force exists and employees work for much less than American employees.

Despite the fact that Jackson has generated the most enthusiastic and diverse support of the three (soon to be two) Democrats running, political analysts say that Jackson will severely hurt the party if he is on the ticket. They theorize that two liberals on the same ticket (Dukakis and Jackson) could never win.

This, according to political analysts, presents a big problem for the Democratic Party because Jackson, with his large portion of the delegates, will have a lot of decision making power at the convention. Which brings me back to the real question: What should Jesse get? If the Democratic voters vote Jesse number two out of seven candidates who started the race, maybe a silver medal is what he deserves.

Man of the '80's

I'm 25 — and you are not

by John Nestor

Since my 18th birthday, almost seven years ago, I've been waiting less than patiently for the day I would no longer be of draftable age. I reach that age in five months.

There are, of course, shortcomings to that age, like the classic "Oh my God! Thirty's just around the corner!" syndrome, but on the whole, it's not such a bad age. I will no longer be eligible for the draft. The Persian Gulf is no longer a direct threat.

My hair-line has relinquished its struggle and is now in a rapid, disorganized retreat. Yet I just smile and think of all the money I will eventually save on shampoo, combs, and hair dryers. Besides, a full head of hair won't keep a person alive. But being 25 will—since you're not eligible for the draft.

In the past year, I have been proofed at a bar only once. Actually, I might have felt a little better if I had been asked for identification a bit more often, but it is kind of a hassle, not that it is a problem. I just have to think that I might be pulling out a military I.D., and I feel fine with only a driver's license.

A friend of mine, who is a year older than myself, smiled at me last year when he said, "Iran? Hell, we oughta hit the beaches there and take it over." He knew the bottom line—he wasn't going anywhere. Since he had taken business in college, he knew what a war was good for. I'm sure that the President has been briefed about the economic advantages as well.

Since I am now in the working force, I can see that this could help my situation over-all. However, in my field (publishing) there is a problem as well. Why print text books when there is a small market? No matter, really. They would probably turn to propaganda.

Car prices may or may not drop, depending on the availability of metal. More than likely they will drop because the war in Iran would not be a solitary effort. It would be a considerable advantage to the domestic consumer because demand would definitely drop off.

As a 25 year-old, the future looks particularly interesting, in a jaded and half-interested way. How many soldiers would it cost the U.S. to defeat Iran? Almost an abstraction, were it not for one or two friends of mine still within prime drafting age. But I suppose, we'll all pay a price.

It might turn out to be a bit of an embarrassment for the President, though, what with last summer's hearings and all. But now is what is important, and Congress is backing him all the way. If I recall correctly, there was some debate last year about whether or not the Navy should be in the Persian Gulf at all. But that's all water under the bridge now, isn't it? Maybe it is best forgotten.

Yes, if this all turns out the way it is taking shape, the sheer economics will make the next few years very pleasant for those of us over the age of 25. Those of the drafting age may have a bit of a problem, but that's not my problem!

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Hepburn to earn doctorate

by Allan Bush

The seventeen year pursuit of a linguistics doctorate will soon be achieved by Dean of Social Sciences and Humanities, Eric Hepburn who in August will begin a one year leave of absence to complete his studies and fulfill his residency requirement at Temple University.

Hepburn said he postponed his educational plans to spend time raising and supporting his family.

Hepburn, who has been at the College for 21 years, has been Dean for 12 years. He has also taught Spanish for 25 years. "My entire career has been here at Middlesex. I'm very happy here," Hepburn said.

Hepburn rediscovered the difficulties of being a student, because of the courses he has been taking at Temple for the last two years as a part-time student. "Seventeen years have gone by, so I basically had to start all over again," Hepburn explained.

As a teacher Hepburn has always stressed the importance of attending all classes and completing homework, but attending Temple allowed him to see college from student's point-of-view. "I found myself taking on a different mindset. I was doing basically the same kind of things the students were—not showing up for some classes or forgetting about my homework."

"I had to re-educate myself, not as a graduate student but as someone who has come to the end of his training," Hepburn said.

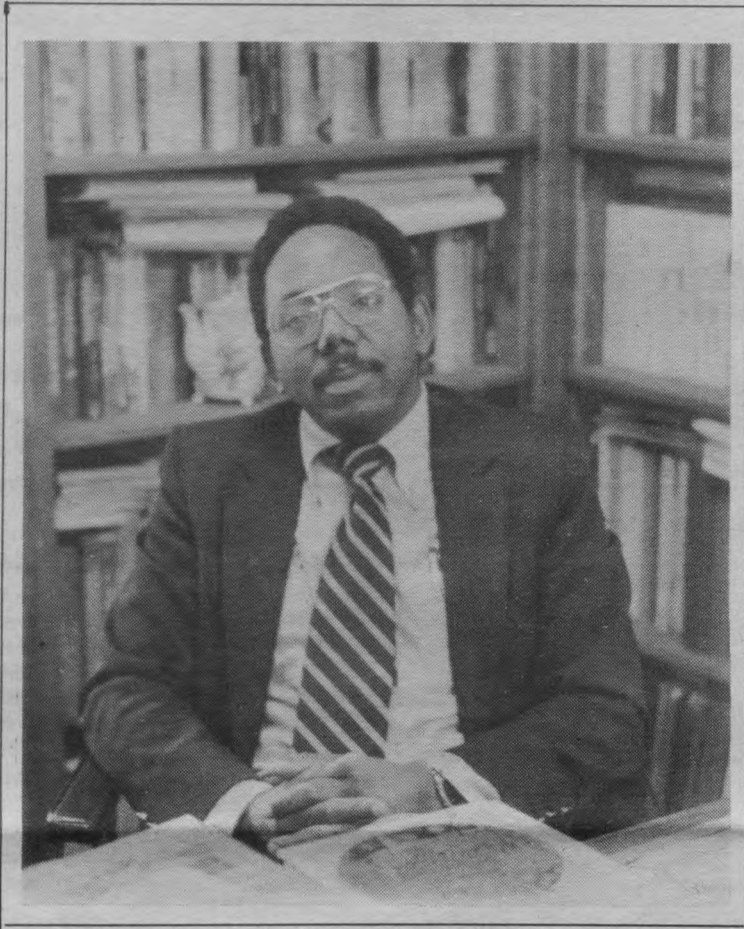
Although Hepburn has not yet discussed the subject of his dissertation with his advisor, he hopes to write about his specialty, Spanish linguistic syntax from a historical perspective.

Physical education chairman, Robert Zifchak, has been appointed acting dean for the academic year, the duration of Hepburn's one year leave of absence.

Although he has had offers

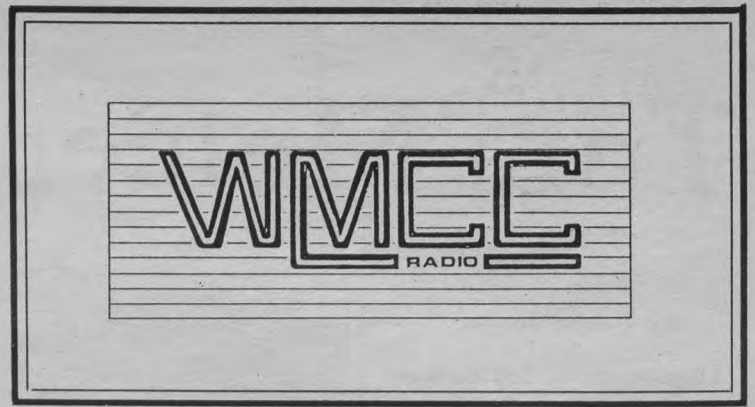
to become a vice-president or president at other colleges, Hepburn is content with what he has achieved at M.C.C. "I am getting my doctorate simply for personal reasons, although if I were to become a college president, I feel I should have a doctorate," he said.

"I could end my career here at Middlesex when I retire at 65 and still be totally happy," added Hepburn.



Dean Eric Hepburn

Photo by Kathy Friedrich



Radio station goes loco

over logo

by Johanna Larkin

"We don't get any respect," said Jim Sorensen, W.M.C.C. Program Director.

In an attempt to improve the image of the College's radio station Sorensen asked Frank Schultz, Associate Professor of Marketing Art and Design, if the art students could develop a logo for the organization.

"I realized in order to have the college community take the radio station seriously, we needed to improve the image. We hope that the College will take notice of our efforts to improve the station and upgrade the quality of the public address system," Sorensen said.

Sorensen added that the station needed a logo so that "we could correspond with record companies and other businesses in order to receive promotional records."

Schultz approached 30 of his students with M.C.C.'s dilemma and developed a class project in which each student had three weeks to design a logo. Students were responsible for researching,

presenting, discussing and critiquing each submitted logo.

According to Schultz, "The project gave students a feeling of reality and there is reward to be gained, not only campus wide but for the individual himself."

W.M.C.C.'s Executive Board Members closely examined each logo and selected Senior Marketing Art and Design student Eddie Chung's logo.

Chung, who has aspirations of one day working for a large corporation, perhaps as an art director for an advertisement agency in New York City, was awarded a cash prize for his winning logo.

"I like the idea of contests for projects," stated Chung. "It gives the student an incentive to do better."

It took Chung four hours to develop the logo. "It involved a lot of playing around with different ideas," he said.

Schultz praised Chung's work. "I think Ed followed within the guidelines. It is a good design because it is contemporary and will hold value for a good five years."

Dance goes to the tropics

by Christine Harwood

Over 200 students danced past midnight on Friday April 15, at the Tropical Dance sponsored by the Social Committee of the C.C.P.B.

Cafeterias A, B, and C were transformed into a tropical paradise with decorations of fishnets and paper cutouts of fruit, 3-D fish and a papier-mache shark hanging from the ceiling, colorful balloons.

Everyone also received a Hawaiian lei as they arrived. "Almost 75 percent of the people came in some sort of tropical dress," said Pat

Honey, Social Committee Technical Director.

The dance was organized by club officers president Karima Devji, vice president Michelle Lyons, secretary Kelly Quinn, and advisor Pat Daly, assistant director of Student Activities.

Pat Certo and Bennet Robins, lip syncing to "All Cried Out" by Lisa Lisa, were awarded \$25 in the lip sync contest.

"The dance was a relief for student's everyday tensions. Everyone enjoyed themselves," commented Devji.

The music was supplied by D.J.s from Unlimited Sounds, who played at last semester's Halloween Dance.

The refreshments of cookies, popcorn, potato chips, soda and punch was purchased by the Social Committee from the Winner's Circle and were distributed for free.

Honey stated, "From the committee point of view, I had a great time and I thought it went well."

The Social Committee plans to finish its busy semester with an end of the year party.

Secretaries win award

by Irene B. Wall

The Collegiate Secretaries International Club (C.S.I.) won the 1988 Professional Secretaries International Achievement Award at the annual C.S.I. student conference in Dallas, Texas, March 24-27.

Students from as far as the Bahamas, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico were able to watch C.S.I.'s president Daye Campus accept the certificate on behalf of the club.

According to Kim Clark, president for 1988/89, the cer-

tificate was won due to numerous fund raisers, workshops, co-op programs, and meetings. It is given to the club with the Most outstanding membership participation within a C.S.I. chapter, she added.

Ten of the College's C.S.I. members attended the conference along with about 600 other members. "It was enjoyable and educational," Clark said.

"Dallas is more elite and complex than New Jersey," she noted. Members were ex-

posed to a computer show of future office tech equipment at the Infomart from such companies as Xerox, IBM, and ATT, Clark said.

An open house and workshops for the future secretaries were among the activities designed to aide them when entering their profession.

The College's C.S.I. club still had time to visit downtown Dallas while staying at the 30 story Stouffer Hotel.

CORRECTIONS

In last week's story "P.T.K. Inducts over 100" (Quo Vadis, Apr. 15, page 5) several facts were misstated.

The society was scheduled to induct 124 members, of which only 56 showed up at the induction. The audience was asked to rise and hug each other (in the P.T.K. tradition) by Kara Werner, P.T.K.'s New England/Middle States Vice President, not by Phyllis Arthur, who also did not make the speech about the new members' sacrifice. That speech was made by college president Dr. Flora Mancuso Edwards.

Dr. Edwards was made an honorary member by Arthur, not, as the story said, by Werner. Also, eight, not seven, new officers were installed.

Quo Vadis regrets the errors.

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- 11 a.m.-2 p.m.—CCPB Game Booths Lawn area adjacent to Parking Lot 3
- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—The Outrageous Obstacle Course-Battle of Divisions Team Competition (outside College Center)-sign up in Office of Student Activities
- 12:45 - 3 p.m.—Obstacle Course-Individual Competition
- Hotdog or hamburger 50¢ with free soda while they last. Food service begins at 11 a.m.
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Tom Melee: A man on the move

by Paula Sachs

Outdoorsman, lab technician, photographer and film maker, musician and human food disposal are only some of the facets of Tom Melee, Quo Vadis Photo Editor of three years and Medical Laboratory Technology student graduating in May.

At 27, the oldest of three children, Tom describes himself as "definitely the outdoor person."

As definite proof, he spent the summer of 1986 as a volunteer Assistant Forest Ranger. Tom said he noticed posters hung in Main Hall by the Student Association for Conservation depicting beautiful scenes of mountains stating "You could be Here." After calling, he learned the Forest Ranger job "paid \$35.00 per week with free room and board in a National Park. They even pay your transportation there and back," Tom said.

"I got stationed in North Cascades National Park in Washington State. It was great!"

Tom explained that North Cascades National Park, located in the wilderness near the border of Washington State and British Columbia, did not see heavy tourist traffic like Yellowstone or Yosemite because it has no real roads.

"To get there," he said, "you have to hike in or take a four and a half hour boat trip."

As an Assistant Ranger, his job was to backpack for four days patrolling trails with walkie-talkies over a given route, report tree falls and rock slides, help visitors with problems and measure the traffic patterns in the park as a research project for the National Park Service.

Tom explained that by assessing the amount of trampling a campsite gets, "they can close an area so that it can have time to revegetate." This ensures the park will be as beautiful in the future as it is today.



Tom Melee, wandering man

He revealed that the animal life was one highlight of his summer at the park. "There were quite a few bears," Tom said.

"As soon as they saw you, they ran very fast in the opposite direction. Plenty of deer, plenty of rabbits. I saw rattlesnakes and coyotes. There was talk of cougars, but I never saw one," he said.

Tom said he would love to go back but explained that getting there is the hardest part of the project. "First you have to take a commercial flight to Denver, then another to Seattle. From Seattle you take a small plane to the base of the mountains and from there a four or five hour bus ride to the bottom of Lake Chelan.

"There you stay overnight and the next morning take the four and a half hour boat ride to get to the ranger station. That is about a day and a half of rigorous travel time."

Tom said that the greatest thing about life in the park is the general attitude of the people he met. "Everybody is out there doing what they want to be doing, going out of their way to help each other and any tourists. Everyone was friendly.

"If you need to get away from civilization that is THE place to go," Tom claimed. There is mountain climbing and hiking, as well as the usual camping, fishing and swimming. But, he added, "the fresh mountain streams, which were all over the place, were actually glacier flows so you couldn't swim for too long."

Tom advises anyone interested in spending the summer as a volunteer park ranger to list preferences of National or State Parks and Reserves although they can't be guaranteed one of these spots will be open. "Still, if your goal is to become a National Park Ranger, this volunteer experience is important for your resume," he said.

Tom spoke of some of his other regular endeavors. "Every year we go tubing, white water rafting; I recently jumped out of a plane twice, went canoeing, horseback riding, back-packing, scuba diving." When he graduates, he said he's going to the Cayman Islands, "to spend some time laying in the sun, exploring the Islands and doing some scuba diving."

Another yearly event attended by Tom and some of his friends who make movies is the "Smelly Sneaker Awards." The participants all get to show their movies and the winner gets an authentic smelly sneaker. Tom said, "the annual party is always fun."

One trait of Tom's offered by two of his Quo Vadis compatriots, Johanna Larkin, Feature Page Editor and Allan Bush, Art Editor is, "besides being lovable and the nicest guy you'd ever want to meet, Tom will eat anything."

Aside from his capacity for consuming vast and strange quantities of food, Tom says he occupied his time here with other projects such as a three year stint as Photo Editor of Quo Vadis, and as a disc-jockey for the W.M.C.C. Radio Station.

"I used to be Promotional Manager, but I gave that up because I was too busy." Almost as an afterthought, he said modestly, "Oh, and I'm Phi Beta Kappa and on the Dean's List."

R. A. Melos, Editor-in-Chief, described Tom as, "the best Photo Editor Quo Vadis has had, despite the outdated conditions of the developing room."

As Photo Editor, Tom not only takes and decides which photographs to use, but also develops them.

Matthew Tooley, Music Director and Charles Bohrman, General Manager of W.M.C.C. spoke of Tom's guitar playing in a locally popular bar band called *Scull Duggery*, which cut an album entitled "Headlock." The band still appears at places like the Court Tavern.

Tom, active in and out of school, expressed his feelings about students who complain that there is nothing to do between classes as a shame. "There's lots to do at school. You can work out in the gym, go swimming or study out on the lawn," he said.

"When the weather is warm, finding a nice quiet, shady tree, throwing your books down, eating a nice crisp apple," is Tom's description of one of his favorite pastimes.

Always ready with a charming story, Tom explained that Melee is "actually Irish," and recalled his account of an ancestor who began to write his family name, which is McLee, as Melee, and it stuck.

Jane Lasky, Faculty Advisor to Quo Vadis, said, "I can't imagine Q.V. without Tom. I always told him he'd get tenure before I did!" She hastened to add, "I'm really going to miss him."

Graduating this May, Tom said he will begin his career by assuming a position at Raritan Bay Medical Center in the laboratory.

Dorothy Goode, associate professor and chairperson of Med Lab Technology, said, "Tom is an excellent student who is highly motivated. I predict great things from him. He's a fine person and an awful lot of fun."

Good luck, Tom. You're going to be missed.

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*Best wishes,
Peg!*



More than 50 well wishers met in the Corral Restaurant Thursday afternoon to honor Peg Celeste (center), College Center reservationist, who retires today after ten years at the College.

Photo by Johanna Larkin

Accounting Club ends service

by Christine Harwood

On April 9, the Accounting Club completed a two month project sponsored by the I.R.S. filling out income tax returns for free for people in the community.

Project V.I.T.A. (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance), advertised in local newspapers and on posted notices on campus, was organized by student Triena Milden, Prof. Angelina Gincel, and Accounting professors Thomas Feehan and Michael Landers.

Every Saturday, since February 20, seven members of the Accounting Club met at the Edison Library to do the taxes.

"Anyone could have had their taxes done, but there were mostly low income and elderly people using the service," stated Milden.

Project V.I.T.A. was beneficial for accounting majors because it gave experience for the courses taken in that major, Milden said.

"Along with being a good experience, I loved helping the people. I was glad to save them a lot of work," Milden said.

Milden also felt that most of the people were very grateful for the services, especially when the students got the people more money back than they thought they would get.

In addition to Project V.I.T.A., the Accounting Club holds meetings every other Monday, has gone on a trip to Wall Street, listened to speakers, had fund raisers, and is planning an end of the year party.

Game room to receive tables

by Zed Fatka

It's getting difficult to sink the eight ball into the pockets of the game room's warped and wobbly pool tables these days, so the College Center plans to replace the 15 year-old tables, according to Terry McGlinicy, director of Student Activities and the College Center.

McGlinicy said he first became aware of the condition of the tables in February, when Walter Kemp, game room supervisor told him the tables were warped, the felt was faded, and the pockets were loose and ready to fall off.

"I don't know if we can replace them all at once; we'll have to do it slowly," McGlinicy said.

Replacing the three pool tables, which were purchased used twelve years ago, would cost approximately \$8,000, he said.

"We're looking for an alternative to purchasing," he said.

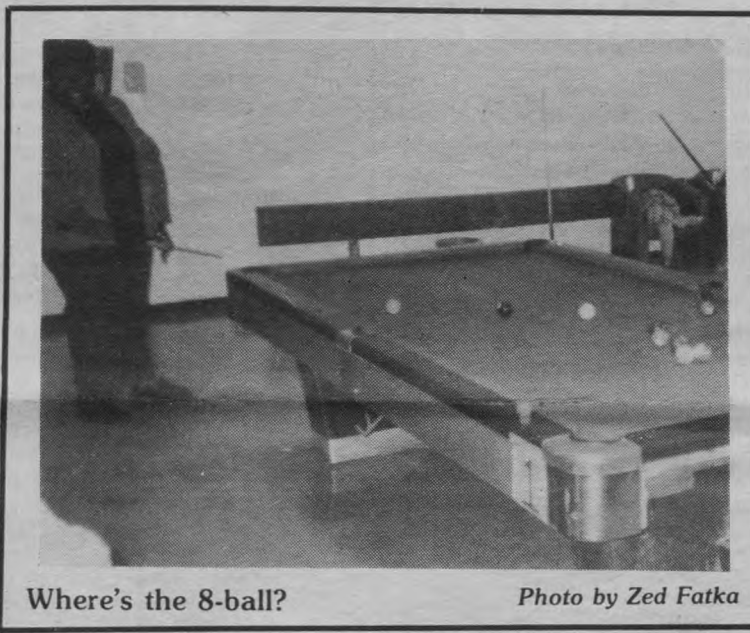
McGlinicy first considered replacing the tables with coin-operated tables, to be supplied by Colonial Vending, the company that supplies the game room with all its coin-operated games. However, Colonial did not have the 4½' by 9' tables he was looking for.

Coin-operated tables cost 50 cents per game whereas the students now pay \$1.90 per hour.

Steve Komar, a second-year Business student, said, "I don't think coin-operated tables are right. The tables are for the students' entertainment, not to break their banks."

In recent weeks more than 30 students opposed to the coin-operated tables signed a petition against the proposal.

"The game room is our own place; it's out only recreation. The prices should not rise; they should remain stable," according to Andre Marcial, vice president of A.C.C.E.S.S. (African Caribbean Cultural Educational Student Society).



Where's the 8-ball?

Photo by Zed Fatka

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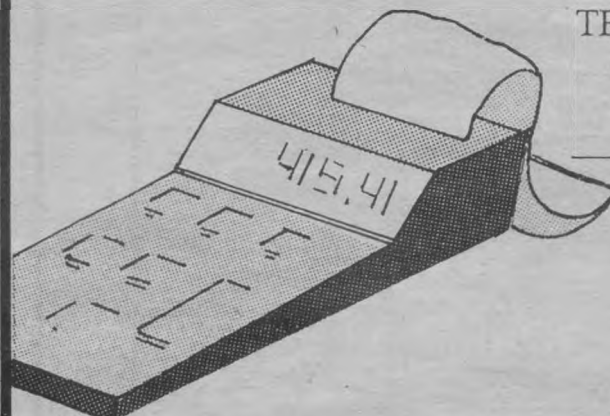
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Entertainment Leeway

Summer previews

by James Campion

Summer is the time when Hollywood unreels a barrage of big-budget adventures, mindless teenage comedies and special-effects extravaganzas, in hopes of attaining the almighty box-office dollar.

With schools closed and teenagers working longer hours, Hollywood is gambling that movie-goers will avoid the heat and humidity of summer inside an air-conditioned movie theatre.

Last year the motion picture industry had its most successful year, mainly scoring well on summer movies, and this year they're hoping for more of the same with a jam-packed season of horror films and action sequels.

Memorial Day weekend is the traditional sounding gun for Hollywood's attack on the vacationing public. Leading the pack this year will be *Willow*, the latest adventure from George Lucas' dream factory and *Rambo III*, Sylvester Stallone's newest patriotic hurrah.

Poltergeist III will be released in June and many industry insiders are worried that the sudden death of its star, Heather O'Rourke, will hurt its box-office appeal. O'Rourke was the center of the two previous films and made the phrases "they're here" and "they're back" identifiable with the movies.

Just when you thought it was safe to dream again, Freddy's back in yet another bloodfest promising to keep you awake. *Nightmare on Elm Street 4* will premiere in August with Robert Englund once again donning those manicured razor blades.

Who Framed Roger Rabbit?, starring Bob Hoskins, will debut in June with a mix of live action and animation. Advance word on the project is very good, and according to *Starlog* magazine, "The special effects are original and groundbreaking."

In the tradition of *Robocop*, and from the producer of *Aliens*, comes a science-fiction action yarn, entitled *Outer Heat*.

Comedies will also prevail this summer with *Arthur 2: On The Rocks*, the long awaited sequel starring Dudley Moore as the lovable millionaire drunk. Liza Minelli and Sir John Gielgud return, helping Moore recapture the success of the original film.

Hot To Trot has Bobcat Goldthwait talking to a horse, while Corey Haim and Corey Feldman get their *License To Drive*. Both comedies are due to arrive in May.

Salsa is Cannon Picture's attempt to ride *Dirty Dancing's* coat-tail to fame. The film hits theatres in June.

This summer will also offer feature films from Woody Allen and *Moonlighting* producer, Glen Gordon Caron.

The writer's strike and the Summer Olympics will have an effect on television viewing, which may send people searching for enjoyment and finding it in movie theatres across the country.

Three-time losers

by James Campion and R.A. Melos

D.O.A.

D.O.A. tells the story of a man living out the last few hours of his life trying to find his killer.

In its umpteenth incarnation, Dennis Quaid stars as a college English professor who has been poisoned. The film takes the audience from the black and white existence of his routine life into a colorful world of secrets, lies and murder.

With a talented cast including Jane Kazmerack, Daniel Stern and Charlotte Rampling, *D.O.A.* falls into a coma early into its semi-plausible script.

Meg Ryan, as an innocent student with a school girl crush on Quaid, becomes entangled with her professor in his search for a clue to the identity of his killer.

Charlotte Rampling is at her melodramatic best as the neo-Dynasty stylized characterization of a wealthy woman with a secret past which Quaid inadvertently uncovers.

All the plotlines are eventually tied together, no matter how loosely, and the audience is left with the feeling that *D.O.A.* should've been *Dead*

On Arrival at the theater.

Directed by music video director Annabel Jankel, the film suffers from artistically slow chase scenes and clichéd dialogue.

D.O.A. carries an R-rating for language and violence.

Johnny Be Good

Johnny Be Good is the story of an arrogant high school football star searching for a college with standards low enough to accept him and his friends. Advertised as a teen fantasy, the film draws teenage audiences into theaters but renders even the most dull witted jock comatose within the first half hour.

The talentless Anthony Michael Hall as Johnny, the scrawny quarterback; the brash Robert Downey Jr. as his benchwarming best friend; and the tasteless Paul Gleason as the mercenary coach, litter the screen with poor attempts at acting their way through a lifeless piece of celluloid trash.

Director Bud Smith fumbles with every clichéd teenage scenario within the first twenty minutes, creating a film that should be penalized for clipping the audience of \$5.00.

Johnny Be Good is bad. Very bad. Bad, bad, bad, bad!

The film carries a PG-13 rating.

Police Academy 5: Assignment Miami

The latest mug shot entry to come off the assembly line of *Police Academy* movies is no better or worse than the previous attempts at slapstick lunacy.

Anyone who has seen *Police Academy 1-4* knows that the film series offers the minimal amount of laughs, while maximizing on brain-dead humor.

Except for Steve Guttenberg, who wisely chose to pass the bullet on this one, the original cast is back, all headed to Miami for a police training convention which features a crime simulation that just happens to be real.

The Saturday morning cartoon script is chock full of sight gags and pratfalls that wear off five minutes into the film and become annoying by the middle of this unpleasantness. When a comedy annoys you, you know it's bad.

Robbing audiences at \$5.00 a pop, *Police Academy 5: Assignment Miami* is a PG-rated film, suitable for kids 5 and under, but unsuitable for anyone with half a brain.

Tickets for these reviews were provided by Amboys Multiplex Cinema, Sayreville.

CCPB holds final meeting

by Yvette Williams

The last meeting of the year for the C.C.P.B. (College Center Programing Board) was held yesterday in the College Center gallery.

The first topic was Spring Fling '88 to be held on May 2. The main attraction will be an obstacle course funded by Student Activities. Each academic division of the College must enter at least 10 participants. There will be two runs of the course. The winner of the first run, determined by time, will win a television set. The winner of the second run will win a compact disc player. Pat Daly of Student activities said, "women run this course as well as men." All participants will be provided with

submarine sandwiches at the end of the race.

The Spring Fling will also include hot dogs and hamburgers for 50 cents which in-

cludes a free soda. M.C.C. clubs will also have booths for a variety of activities and entertainment. For example, the Social Committee will have a basketball throw.

On April 30, Student Activities will hold a softball competition. Any club, division or independent group of M.C.C. students or faculty can

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Softball Tournament
 Saturday, April 30, 1988
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Enter not by submitting a team roster of ten players to the Office of Student Activities by Wednesday, April 27

Meeting of team captains will be held on Thursday, April 28 at 11:15 a.m. in the Office of Student Activities

Women on AIDS

by Albert Hollus

As of March 31, of the 3770 reported adult A.I.D.S. cases in N.J., 730 are women. Of those, 487 were infected by intravenous drug use, 184 through heterosexual sex, 33 from transfusions and 26 from unknown risk behaviors, according to the N.J. State Health Department.

Patricia Nisler, Principle Training Technician of the A.I.D.S. Prevention Service, N.J. Dept. of Health, discussed these statistics, their impact and how society might lower them in her lecture *Women and A.I.D.S.*, on April 15 in the Performing Arts Center, concluding A.I.D.S. Awareness Week.

In this state, 19 percent of all A.I.D.S. patients are women, compared with 8 percent nationwide. As of March 31, Middlesex County has a reported 191 A.I.D.S. cases, but the N.J. Dept. of Health suspects about 10,000 cases are not reported.

Of all the cases in N.J., Nisler said, 49 percent are drug related.

"N.J. has the highest rate of infected women, and Newark has 80 percent of them," Nisler reported.

Nisler described the two early stages of the disease.

Nisler explained that many people carry the virus but have no symptoms even though they may test H.I.V. positive. "Most people won't even know that they are H.I.V. positive. The continue to live normal lives," Nisler said.

The next stage she described was A.R.C. (Aids Related Complex), in which symptoms range from weight loss, sweating, fevers, chronic swollen glands, yeast infections and diarrhea.

Her suggestions to prevent A.I.D.S. were safe sex and no drugs. Nisler acknowledged the proper use of condoms with spermicides during any form of sex.

The next best way to avoid A.I.D.S. is through abstinence or "a highly honest monogamous relationship," she said.

For sexually active people, Nisler recommended masaging, hugging, using sex toys, fantasizing, masturbating and exhibitionism as alternatives.

She also indicated that if a person is sexually active, he or she should consider being tested for A.I.D.S.

For further information about A.I.D.S., call: A.I.D.S. Hotline, 1-800-624-2377.

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participate. All teams are advised to sign up at the Office Of Student Activities this Thursday in order to qualify for participation.

Among the news from the individual clubs, Chuck Bohrman announced that W.M.C.C. is planning to hold elections for the Executive Board of W.M.C.C. next year. Bohrman added that any club wishing to advertise on W.M.C.C. must fill out a request form or visit the radio station in the College Center. Andre Marcial of A.C.C.E.S.S. (African-

Caribbean Cultural Education Student Society) announced that they will be holding a fashion show this month, for more information see Student Activities. Edward Sullivan of the Backstage Players said that there will be a Backstage Player variety Show on May 6.

The meeting closed with the election of three new officers to the C.C.P.B.. Andre Marcial was elected President, Karima Devji was elected Vice President and Edward Sullivan was elected Secretary.

Andre Marcial stated that, "I will do everything possible to make people happy."

CALENDAR

Friday, April 22

Jewelry Sale (Hispanic-American Club)—CC Lobby, 9 a.m.

Registration continues (see Monday 4/18)—CC Bunker Lounge, 9 a.m.

Movie: *A View to Kill*—CC Lounge, 11:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.

ACCESS Fashion Show—Performing Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, April 25

Jewelry Sale (Psi Beta)—CC Lobby, 9 a.m.

WMCC Meeting—CC 310, 11:15 a.m.

Peer Mentor Meeting—CC 312, 11:15 a.m.

Movie: *A View to Kill*—CC Lounge, 11:15 a.m.

E.O.F. Luncheon—CC Bunker Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Deans Tea: Division of Social Sciences and Humanities—CC Cafe C, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26

Returning Student Registration Continues (pick up materials, find out when you can register at your dean's office)—CC Bunker Lounge, 9 a.m.

H.F.S.A. Meeting—CC 310, 12 noon

Community Education Self Evaluation Meeting—CC 313, 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27

Jewelry Sale (Fine Arts Committee)—CC Lobby, 9 a.m.

Registration continues (see Tuesday 4/26)—CC Bunker Lounge, 9 a.m.

H.R.I. Luncheon—CC Corral Restaurant, 11:15 a.m.

Staff Development Seminar—CC 319-21, 12 noon

Thursday, April 28

Registration continues (see Tuesday 4/26)—CC Bunker Lounge

Cosmetics Sale (Social Committee)—CC Lobby, 9 a.m.

Jewelry Sale (Psi Beta)—CC Lobby, 9 a.m.

Social Committee Meeting—CC 315, 11:15 a.m.

Newman Club Meeting—CC 309, 11:15 a.m.

P.T.K. Meeting—MH 102, 11:15 a.m.

Edison Hall Concert Series—EH Gallery, 11:15 a.m.

Friday, April 29

Registration continues (see Tuesday 4/26)—CC Bunker Lounge, 9 a.m.

Saturday, April 30

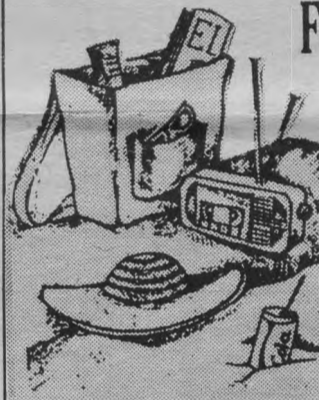
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