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# Peacemaking As Usual

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Peter's Shines at Brooklyn Drama Contest Senior Cid Martinez, Alumni, and Professor

By Alex Rivero News Editor, '09

A midst a leafy, old-New York ambience of landmark brownstones and cobble-paved streets, dating back to the mid-1800s, St. Francis College of Brooklyn Heights hosted its American Drama Conference from November 7th to the 9th. Sponsored by The Arthur Miller Journal, a society dedicated to expounding the legendary playwright's works, the conference heard over fifty speakers from across the nation and three other continents discuss their latest research on Miller, O'Neill, Williams, Albee, Glaspell, Wilder, Wilson, and Mamet, but also up-and-coming playwrights of today, like Suzan Lori Parks.

Representing Saint Peter's College were alumni Dwayne Paul, '08, Rabia Sattaur, '06, and Charlie Lassiter, '03, along with professor of English Lew Livesay and senior Ismael Cid Martinez, '09, each of whom presented a paper.

Mr. Paul, currently working towards a master's degree in

Peer into the soul of evil ... A coffin bearer prepares for the procession.

### A Diary on the Ignatian Family Teach-in and the SOA Watch protest.

By Martin Sirakov

Photo Editor, '10

Mass Thursday, November 20, 12pm

Standing up I wonder why I even agreed to this. Ritual has always made me uneasy. It feels like I am instantly transported to medieval times – all traces of civility, of progress, of comfort - vanished. Ritual makes people look and sound insane. I have no problem with God. It is all a matter of definition after all, but ritual, is a terribly different story. Speaking in unison, singing, chanting proclamations to a higher power... I feel awkward and out of place. The priest, whom I will eventually get to know as Fr. Mike Braden, a fellow photographer and humorist, calls us peacemakers. I wonder if that is what we are. We are just going to a protest. Exercising our right to assemble for a common cause, which happens to be peace. It is not like we will just appear somewhere where one faction is about to war with another and magically create peace. That is a

mysterious craft we are not very adept at, not at all. So, why the peacemakers moniker? I never imagined I will be called that, but what is life but a constant surprise, right?



everybody kiss and make up. Maybe God can do something about that, eventually. Personally, I am not a peacemaker. I am a peace lover. Ironically, so is everyone else. Nobody goes to war because they hate peace. There is no such thing as a bad peace and a good war. If people were not this easily manipulated, we would not have wars. But, then

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Branch, NJ)7pm

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I am sure everybody in the group understands that we have no superpower that can make again, we would need universal higher education and healthcare. Major no-nos apparently.

I ruminate on the nature of peace. At least the choir girl sings heavenly. That helps my ruminations. Peace is creation. War is destruction. We don't even have to get along. Let us just create. I don't see what anyone has to gain from killing anyone else, even if that poor sap is hellbent on destruction. Incarceration is a far better option. And since it is a war on terror, why not extraordinarily rendition all criminals, colonial style? They are the main perpetrators of terror in the world, anyway. Far more people suffer far more regularly at the hands of killers, rapists, paramilitary organizations See PROTEST on page 8

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PHOTO BY MARTIN SIRAKOV Ismael Cid Martinez reflects on his presentation at the America Drama Conference.

# EDITORIAL

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# Stop Trivializing Torture

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discourse rapidly is changing in the world, and the recent election of Barack Obama as our next president has now brought part of that change to our country on a massive scale. In particular, there is now a large public demand for greater government transparency in the U.S. and with good reason. Flatly, the only part of President Bush's years in office that will be remembered as being transparent will be his paperthin political rhetoric that, in the end, doomed both him in approval ratings and his party in the elections. Due to Mr. Bush's poorly argued domestic and foreign policies, as well as the unshakable vibe the nation felt that it was being deliberately lied to, public discourse is demanding answers. The extremes to which that demand has now gone regarding the use of torture by US intelligence agencies, however, paints a very unflattering picture of our understanding of politics as a nation.

The nature of political

The classic argument behind my concern is also the most obvious, the fact that those who call for a ban on torture seem to only be fighting on behalf of ending *American-led* torture. This, however, clearly points to the "anti-torture" crowd's real intentions in the debate, to shame the US as much as possible without having to discuss the human rights atrocities elsewhere in the world.

Yet, having a public discussion on torture, if nothing else, shows us the ridiculous degree to which our ability to say whatever we want has destroyed our common sense. Torture has always slipped between the cracks of legality and illegality in that, although clearly violating the overly optimistic international legal system, when applied rationally, torture is one of the most important tools in safeguarding our own government's sovereignty. We cannot claim to be aware of the movements in the political landscape without being crystal clear about this very important fact.

It stands to reason, therefore, that debating the use of torture by our intelligence agencies is not at all like arguing over what we think will happen on the next episode of *The Hills*. Rosie O'Donnell should clearly not have an opinion on torture. Nobody should; given the dynamics of our world order, it is an element of espionage and intelligence gathering as horrifying to the public as it is inevitable to the safeguarding of individual liberties. If we were to have an opinion on it, I believe it would have to be called a necessary evil. This is why the CIA is so secretive about some things, including torture – our entire lives are held at the whim of those people being able to adequately do their jobs.

The torture argument stands alone, therefore, as being the only debate where one side seeks to remove a tool that would severely weaken the capacity for a country to defend itself from enemies that are proving to be more and more fanatical on a daily basis. Aside from the boost of morale that these enemies would receive upon hearing of our "ban," one might even argue that many of our agencies' covert operations at the moment would have to be dropped. That would mean another suspect would go free with potentially valuable information which could have saved lives.

Furthermore, having the press openly discuss the interrogation methods employed by our intelligence agencies -- with the obvious intention of having the federal government order the agencies to use more humane treatment -- would be clearly detrimental to all of us. WAKE UP! The hatred that violent anti-American organizations have for the US and the widely-publicized extents to which they are willing to go in manifesting that hatred far outweigh any American attempt at living up to the insatiable standards of the antitorture elements, particularly one as retrospectively small as legally "banning" the use of torture.

I hope we can all agree that part of the CIA's job requirement is to protect American citizens. Thus, is it really that farfetched to understand that the responsibilities of the US in a rapidly changing world – mainly to defend itself from people intent on either physically or ideologically destroying it require its intelligence agencies to adapt to despicable enemy tactics? If so, then how are our intelligence officers to compete with an enemy as highly trained, well-funded, intricately organized, and diabolically ruthless as the Taliban?

Let us not be fooled into thinking that a "ban" on torture would even be possible in any nation trying to survive against large-scale enemy threats in this world. Technology is now too advanced, plots have been proven too destructive, and organizations are too well-organized to weaken or trivialize the work of any branch of our intelligence agencies.



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# POPE'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

#### POPE CONSECRATES 50 YEARS TO GOD

On Holy Saturday morning, April 2, 1899, the Patriarch of Antioch, Archbishop Francesco Cassetta, ordained in the Basilica of St. Mary Major, a young Roman, Eugenio Maria Giuseppe Giovanni Pacelli. Last week, the entire Catholic world and a good portion of the non-Catholic world joined with this humble priest in the celebration of his Golden Jubilee.

Ten years ago, on the evening of March 2, 1939, a gigantic multitude in the Piazza before St. Peter's in Rome saw the white "sfumato" curl above the Sistine Chapel and they shouted with joy as Cardinal-Deacon Dominomi entoned the words, "Habe-mus Papam! Eugenium Pacelli." With unusual celerity, the conclave, after only two ballots, had chosen Cardinal Pacelli. Despite Nazi opposition to him and their expressed hope that the new Pope be unlike the recently deceased Pius XI and be wholly taken up with the spiritual to the neglect of the political, they realized that they were defeated when Cardinal Pacelli was elected and especially when he made known his name, Pius, that of his predecessor.

#### A Priest-A Scholar

After his ordination, Father Pacelli was assigned to the Chiesa Nuova, his home parish, for a short period, after which time he was appointed to the Congregation of Extraordinary Affairs. He was chosen for this honor because, upon the completion of his theological studies, he came to the notice of the then reigning Pope, Leo XIII, who personally congratulated him for his remarkable success in studies. He had not attended the ordinary seminary, but had studied at the Pontifical University of the Roman Seminary by day, because of ill health. This rare privilege was the first of many honors to be conferred on Eugenio Pacelli. Under Pius X, Monsignore Pacelli was Pro-secretary to the Congregation and under Benedict XV he was named Under Secretary of State.



in Berlin. In 1929, after the success- Since that time, Pius has made many, Relief Drive Results

#### College Celebrates Pope's Anniversary

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Last Friday, April 1st, at nine o'clock, the students and faculty of St. Peter's College attended mass at St. Aedan's Church, and received communion in a body. The purpose of this inspiring function was to pay tribute to the Pope on the occasion of his fiftieth year in the sacred priesthood.

The mass was celebrated by Reverend Father Vincent J. Hart, S.J., President of the College, who also delivered the sermon. The points stressed by Father Hart were the three main intentions of the Holy Father: strong desire for world peace, strengthening the Faith in the working man, and for vigorous Catholic womanhood.

A most praiseworthy job of singing the mass was done by the College Glee Club. Their prominent presentation was the singing of "Long Live the Pope" at the gospel of the mass.

#### Guidance Lectures Conclude Sunday

Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores, of St. Peter's College have a wonderful opportunity, to plan efficiently, their future academic programs and careers.

The opportunity is a program of Career Conferences, the first of which took place last Sunday, April 3. These conferences are being held at the College, and are one hour and a half in duration.

#### World Famous Figure

During April, 1917, Benedict appointed him Apostolic Nuncio to the Kingdom of Bavaria and personally consecrated him Titular Archbishop of Sardi. As Nuncio to Bavaria, he often pleaded with the Kaiser to accept Benedict's peace terms, but to no avail. With the fall of the Empire in 1918, Archbishop Pacelli had his first encounter with communists when they attempted to sack his residence in Munich. During the next decade, he concluded concordats with Bavaria and Prussia and was the first Nuncio the troubles of this warring world. world.

ful conclusion of the Lateran Treaty many pleas for peace. He has strugby his superior, Cardinal Gaspari, the gled with Communism, both as Pope Papal Secretary of State, Eugenio Pacelli was recalled to Rome and given the red biretta of a Cardinal. In 1930, he was named Secretary of State, the successor to his friend, superior and again demonstrated the universality of teacher of thirty years. From that time on, Cardinal Pacelli became a world existing vacancies in the College of famous figure. He signed concordate Cardinals, naming his Cardinals from with Baden, Nazi Germany, Austria and Yugoslavia. He was Papal legate land, Australia, China, and the United to the International Eucharistic Congress in Budapest, October, 1934, and in 1936, he visited the United States. For a month, he toured this country from coast-to-coast by plane, meeting new friends, among them, President Roosevelt, and renewing old friendships, such as that with Francis Cardinal Spellman, then Auxiliary Bishop of Boston.

#### The New Pope

Following his election to the Chair of Peter, and his coronation ten days later, Pius XII entered even more upon a man of God in an almost Godless

and, in April, 1948, as Primate of Italy. He organized relief services for the destitute of war and sheltered its fugitives, Axis and Allied. The Pontiff the Church when he filled the thenthe four corners of the earth, Eng-States, and for his beloved Eastern Catholics, Gregory Peter XV Agagianian, Patriarch of the Armenians. The statement, "The Pope-how

many divisions has he?" has been attributed to Josef Stalin. Perhaps a reply to the Russian dictator might be an infinite number because, in addition to the three hundred million Catholics of the world, there are the hosts of Angels, and the Dove of Peace Who hovers over this man of peace, a humble man in a proud world.

#### Still Unsatisfactory

Tom Timlen of Junior D was elected delegate-at-large from the New York-New Jersey Region to the Chicago National Conference of the N. F. C .-C. S. to be held in the first week of May. He was chosen at a meeting of the regional council held at the College of St. Rose, Albany, on March 13.

At the same meeting the chairman of the Student Relief Organization stated that the regional goal set for the car raffle is \$40,000. The drawing is to be held at Fordham University on April 13.

Herbert Crowther, Student Relief delegate, has stated that the deadline for the returns on chance books will be Wednesday, April 13. He also noted that no appreciable change has taken place in the class returns. As was pointed out in the last issue, the results of the drive have not been at all in proportion to the Christian charity which has been so strongly urged by the Pope.

Each conference is a series of pane meetings at which representatives of the various vocational and employment fields are presented.

The panel guests outline the areas of their specialization with particular reference to' qualifications, openings, possibilities for advancement, etc. . . After each presentation a period follows in which the fact-seeking "men for tomorrow" will be allowed to ask as many questions as time will permit.

The program for last Sunday, April 3. in the Series of Career Conferences began at 3:30 p.m. and ended at 5:00 p. m. The subjects under discussion were: The Priesthood-Religious and Secular, presented by Fr. Edward Clark, S.J., member of the College, and Fr. John Cain, Curate at Our Lady of Victories Church, Jersey City, respectively; Medicine and Dentistry, discussed by Dr. Vincent P. Butler, M.D., F. A. C. C. S., of Jersey City, and Dr. Edward R. White, D.D.S.: Law and Politics, by Hon. Mark A.

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#### **McDermott Hall Has Striking Interior** Peter's Starts Graduate Med Program For Hudson Co. M.Ds **Modern Design Makes The Difference**

The Postgraduate Medical Program of the Hudson County Medical Society opened its Spring Session, Feb. 4th, at St. Peter's College. This program is under the auspices of Saint Peter's College, and has for its purpose the further clarification of modern technique in Surgery. The courses, although offered primarily for the accommodation of the Medical Society's members, are open to doctors holding residencies and internships in hospitals of the County.

Four Courses will be given, namely, Endocrinology, Cardiology, and Fluoro-

scopy of the Heart, Surgical Physiology

and Surgical Anatomy. The first course,

Endocrinology, for internists, will emph-

asize recent developments and advances

in this field. Elmer L. Severinghaus,

M.D., F.A.C.P. will lecture on various

branches of this field, including Thyroid

Disorders, Diabetes Mellitus and Hypo-

glycemia and others. The fee will be

forty dollars. There will be six sessions

at St. Peter's College on Monday eve-

nings from 8:30 P. M. to 10:30 P. M.

Cardiology and Fluoroscopy of the Heart is a course for internists particu-

larly interested in Heart Disease and

Diseases of the Great vessels. John B.

Schwedel, M.D., F.A.C.P., of Columbia

University is lecturing on the above

mentioned subjects on Friday afternoon

from four to six; he began February 3,

1950. The fee is one hundred dollars.

ful courses is entitled "Surgical Physi-

ology." This course, especially valuable

for surgeons, will present the newest

concepts of Metabolism in Surgical pa-

tients, shock syndrome, etc. The course

will be given by a group from the

NYU College of Medicine, on Satur-

day mornings, 10 A. M. to 12 noon. It

will consist of 15 sessions, at a cost of

\$100, and began on February 4, 1950.

Last but not least, a course in Surgi-

cal Anatomy involving lectures, demon-

strations and cadaver dissection, and

concerned with applied anatomy and

principles of surgery will be tendered.

Ernest Lampe, M.D., F.A.C.S., Associ-

ate Professor of Anatomy, Cornell U.

Medical School, will be the lecturer. The

sessions will begin on February 13,

1950, and are to be held every Monday

afternoon from 4 to 6 P. M. It will

consist of fifteen sessions to be held at

the Medical Center. There is a twenty

student limit, but the Doctor will ar-

range further sessions if necessary. The

fee is one hundred and twenty-five dol-

The third of these very fine and help-

They began February 6, 1950.

#### **Fund Drive Opens,** M. Rast DP Head

The NFCCS Overseas Service Program has recently made known its plan to begin the Fund Raising Drive on February 15, probably with a school assembly. The funds will be used for the support of the displaced students it hopes to have on campus next year. The committee on Displaced Students, under Max Rast, has been commended by the Program Heads for its successful procurement of clothing, jobs, books, etc., for the prospective students, but the problem of room and board has not yet been settled and the burden of the cause still rests with the student body of the College.

Bill Gerrity, chairman of the Fund Raising Campaign, outlined his methods for painless money raising. The annual raffle of the NFCCS will begin on the fifteenth of February and extend for about six weeks. The grand prize will be a new automobile with the seller of the winning chance going to Europe for the summer-all expenses paid. Bill says that the committee will also offer a valuable prize each week to the man on the campus selling most chances during that week. Arrangements are being made with the Junior Class to hold a separate and undoubtedly interesting lottery prize, a night at the Junior Prom that the above mentioned artists were with everything furnished but the telephone number . . . bid, tuxs, flowers, 'refreshments", and spending money.

The plans so far appear elaborate and promising. Jim Cox, campus chairman ton's Birthday, is also Mardi Gras, time of the O.S.P., stated that if Bill Gerrity honored last-evening-of-fun-before-Lent. can do as well or better this year as the Student Relief Drive of last year, we by Gene Williams and his orchestra, will have our D.P.'s on campus and our share in Student Relief is assured.



A view of the new library in McDermott Hall. The stairway in the center leads to the stacks.

### Prom Publicity Reaches Peak; Co-op System To Aid Bid Sale

Soft music plays upon the ears of those approaching the upper cafeteria. Knifing their way through the crowd, they notice a booth set up in the rear of the room. Upon further investigation, they discover that this booth is an information center for those desiring to learn the details of the Junior Prom. Seated in this booth are two amateur disk jockeys named Lyons and Noble, in charge of publicity. They spin records, introduce prominent students, tell humorous tales, and broadcast details of the forthcoming Junior Prom. Besides this pleasant means of publicity, the Juniors have

appointed Messrs. Meany and Ryan to the task of drawing posters. These posters, displayed in every nook and corner of the school buildings, indicate well chosen.

The Junior Prom is going to be held on Tuesday evening, February 21st. This date, besides being the eve of Washing-Music for the dance is to be supplied from 9 P. M. until 2 A. M. This organization, composed largely of former

members of Claude Thornhill's band, is fast becoming a big name band. It has been featured at the "Meadowbrook," and has recently played a record fourteen-week engagement at the "Clique," well known Philadelphia night club, as well as many college proms in this area. Not willing to be accused of neglecting any detail, the committee has promised a unique and expensive favor for the girl as a memento of the evening. The price of the bid this year will be only \$7.50, twenty-five percent less than last year's.

In order to make the Prom more enjoyable and at the same time less expensive, the committee has announced that it will relieve the students of minor details involved. Liquor previously ordered through the committee may be purchased at the hotel at reduced rates, or if one chooses to bring his own liquor, he may pay the usual corkage fee and obtain a "set up." Ginger ale soda, and all sorts of food as well as individual drinks may be had at reasonable prices. Tuxedos may be ordered through the committee for \$4.50 and flowers at prices ranging from \$1 to \$2.50. Tables of four and five couples may be reserved. The entire committee has worked very hard on every detail of the Prom, and all that is needed to make it an outstanding success is the support of the line in the NFCCS box at the Regisstudent body. Although the affair is trar's office to Jim Cox for further sponsored by the Junior Class, any stu- details. dent is welcome to attend.

McDermott Hall, tthe last word in modern functional design, will be formally introduced to the student body and faculty, when classes begin on the second and third floors, on or about February 20th. The "L" shaped structure is similar in many respects to a recently opened building at Canisius Prep and will contain every possible convenience to aid its users.

The exterior, which conforms to the simple red brick design of its sister buildings, contrasts sharply in the beauty and utility of its interior. Each of the 22 classrooms is finished to make lecturing and study easier. The walls of the rooms are tiled to a height of four feet in a light yellow and painted an eye-ease green the remainder of the distance to the ceiling except in the northern exposure rooms where lighter colors are utilized to reflect the weaker light. Ceilings remain a plaster white to allow maximum illumination from the room length fluorescent fixtures. Two sides of every room are provided with green blackboards that contrast pleasingly with the subdued shades of the rubber tile covering the floor. All doors leading to the rooms and at the exits are of white oak.

#### **First Floor Differs**

Hall floors, steps and landings for all stairways are covered with a durable, colorful mixture of highly polished marble chips and cement called terazzo. Stairway walls are covered with the same type tiling employed in the class rooms, giving a bright effect that is amplified by polished aluminum railings.

Conventional locker arrangements are dispensed with and the quiet grey lockers are sunken into the wall, allowing more corridor space.

The first floor differs completely from the upper two in both looks and purpose since it lacks their classrooms, lockers and air of utility. It will contain the administration offices, library and library offices and reception rooms, all of which are painted with light pastel colors to soften or diffuse light as the location demands.

The administration offices are located to the right of the front door extending around to occupy the whole of the east wing. To the left of the front door and Continued on page 3, column 4

lars, and will entail membership in the Pathological and Anatomical Society as a prerequisite.

This program should prove to residents of Hudson County, the marvelous strides being made by our Medical Society, not to mention the overall progress of Medicine in the entire nation. Administrative officers of the program are:

Very Reverend James Shanahan, S.J., President of the College.

Reverend Philip X. Walsh, S.J., Dean of the College.

Reverend Leo F. Fey, S.J., Treasurer of the College.

Vincent P. Butter, M.D., F.A.C.S., President of the Hudson County Medical Society.

George Ginsberg, M.D., F.A.C.P., Chairman of the Postgraduate Committee.



Prom Committee consults with co-chairmen Tony Scelsa and Mike Lopiano.

#### Wanted!!

. Two students alert enough to realize the educational advantages of companionship with foreign students and whose folks could afford to give a room to one of the NFCCS's Austrian D. P. students who will be on our campus next year. Army screening assures the boy's caliber and a room (no board) for one year would be a good trade for the language, cultural and broadening experience. If at all interested drop a

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2008

A Giant Leap for Mankind

The American Dream has come back to life

#### By Sophia Politis

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, millions of people around the world exhaled in relief and joy as Barack Obama was elected the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. We welcome a new president and the rest of the planet welcomes a new world leader. Nations across the globe were anticipating the day when our country would regain strong leadership and once again become the world's most powerful democracy and a beacon for freedom and liberty.

Many nations across the globe, especially European and Asian nations, are counting on Barack Obama to restore harmonious

problems like civilized people.

Over the past two weeks, there have been many people here in the SPC Campus that have been proclaiming that they are dissatisfied with the choice we have made for our next president. These people have been saying truly un-American things such as "I'm moving to Australia!" or "This country is fu@%ed" and "The only reason that Barack won is because he is black!!" It is natural for sore losers to behave this way, but, over time, hopefully these students realize that our country did make the right choice. They must also be reasonable: John McCain was an excellent

"It is hard to believe that a black man with roots in Kenya and the middle name Hussein would become the next president."

relationships with the U.S. Our global relationships have recently been bumpy because of tension over the war in Iraq and global warming. Two wars and Bush's two terms in office have left many people around the world disgruntled with America. This is why so many of us were mesmerized by the campaign for the past twenty months. A feeling of hope has swept all over the U.S. and the world, and after eight long years, we finally have someone who is going to make the world respect and admire our country for its values and democracy.

Barack Obama has many challenges to face in the process of fixing our country, such as the global economic crisis, the war in Iraq, and healthcare reforms. The people who did not vote for Obama did so because of foolish reasons. The majority of the people believe that he is a radical Muslim terrorist, which he is not. Many people do not like the fact that he is black and feel that he will make executive decisions with only the black community in mind. The anti Obama people especially do not like the fact that he wants restrictions on gun ownership. They fear that same sex couples will be allowed to have civil unions. For shame!! God forbid we allow two people to be happy. And, they hate the fact that he wants to sit down with our enemies and try to resolve our candidate for president and so was Obama, but Bush has hurt our country and his party so much that we were not about to elect another Republican president. Furthermore, we are not going to see another Republican president for a very long time.

It is hard to believe that a black man with roots in Kenya and the middle name Hussein would become the next president, but it has happened and we should be proud of Barack Obama. For the people who are not happy, what should we do? Split the country into two Americas: the red states and the blue states? Create walls that separate us when we should all be united?

We have elected Obama not because he is black but because he is the best candidate. We have changed as a country because we are no longer denying someone a job because of their race. Many people believe that he is an inspiration for everyone to go out into the world and accomplish your dreams just like he has. In a very short period of time, he broke down a lot of barriers and got us all to stand up and join him in the fight against the injustices and hypocrisy in this country. We need to encourage those who do not like him to see him for what he truly is: a groundbreaking American hero and our next president.

# OPINION Obama Makes History ... Now What?

#### By Davide De Pierro

Barack Hussein Obama, a self made, first generation African-American, the son of a Kenyan immigrant, the descendent of African Muslims and White slave owners, a man launched into stardom by the force of his soaring rhetoric, by the persuasiveness of his charisma, by the romantic promises of hope and change, has been elected as the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

The tears seen falling from the faces of prominent Black figures, such as Jesse Jackson and Oprah Winfrey, as Obama delivered his victory speech, confirmed that history had, indeed, been written, that the dream of an entire people had at last been realized. Essentially, that moment, that night in the autumn of 2008, will forever mark the end, the fruition of the Black Civil Rights Movement.

By the evidence of their vote, White Americans now

feel that they can justifiably claim that racism in America is dead, that we have arrived, that equality is no longer an abstraction. After all, it is the White vote that elected Obama. In a nation that is still over 70% White, a Black candidate would not be elected town dog-catcher without receiving a substantial and significant percentage of the White vote. Therefore, in a sense, the White electorate has proven that race is no longer an issue for them, that they can cast their ballot for a candidate regardless of the color of his skin. Is racism, then, at last dismissible as an explanation of black struggle? Does Obama's victory finally dispel the two great stigmas of American history - that blacks are inherently inferior and whites inherently racist?

Now that such an argument, that such a presumption of American de-racialization can be made, what does this "victory" really mean for the future of Black America once Obama has long passed from the scene? What will happen in just 4 to 8 years, when the ecstasy of the moment has passed and Blacks in America are still a permanent underclass? How will we reconcile our illusions of a post-racial society when Blacks, even under an Obama presidency, will still make up 55% of all federal prisoners, when Blacks will still have an illegitimacy rate at 70%, when the economic disparity between Blacks and Whites will persist? Will this autumn night prove to be nothing more than a flicker of light in a dark, unwavering history?

Black Americans, does not quite fulfill the original dream of the Civil Right Movement. Postelection coverage made а valid and perhaps unintentionally insightful point when they called Obama a "postracial figure". He exists, in a number of ways, outside of the paradigm of the Black-White American narrative. He has an excess of melanin in his skin, but he is not,



Quite simply, Obama is not a descendent of Black American slaves; he does not have a personal history embedded in the plantations of Georgia and Mississippi or on the streets of Harlem and Detroit. His forefathers were not lynched or hosed; the blood of his ancestors does not stain the fields of the South or the cruel pavements of American ghettos. As the son of a White mother and an African father, Obama quite literally embodies the integrationalism of a post-racial world, a world where the dividing lines between Blacks and Whites had already been blurred – a world that is ultimately far removed from the tragic and authentic Black American experience as interpreted by the Civil Rights Movement.

Some, both Black and White

that it makes tyranny impossible, it creates a government that is, by nature, incapable of abrupt and complete change. So what does that mean for us? If you are eagerly anticipating a dramatic transformation of American domestic and foreign policies, you will be disappointed; if you are afraid that Obama will turn the United States into some neocommunist, isolationist, peacemongering nation, you can relax. In other words: government will carry on with its business as usual.

Even Obama, in all his splendor and magnificence, cannot overcome the power of the American democratic process; it is bigger than him – we are bigger than him. If more Americans had the slightest understanding of their own government, of their own political power, perhaps less people would have paid attention to his inherently void promises of change. That is not to say that Obama was lying, but the truth is that even in his most sincere attempts to reconstruct American government, he would fail, because the Constitution, "we the people", have not entrusted him with the power to do so. Ultimately, if you voted for socalled "change", then you must have been absent the day they taught politics in your political science class. The beauty of America is that this "government of the people, by the people, for the people" can only be changed by you. The President is not an elected king, he cannot legislate as he sees fit, he cannot implement law upon a whim; he is a servant of the people. You are sovereign.

In many ways, what may, at first glance, appear to be a tremendous achievement for may scorn the discussion of this reality and, if they are even willing to address it, say that the true value of Obama is not his significance as a historic figure - that he is larger than race. For this reason, there are those that are more interested in Obama as an agent of change than as a symbol of racial healing. The question, then, for those that fit into that category, is simple: can a President really change a nation? Well, if you have no understanding of the Constitution or the fundamental structure of American government then your answer will probably be "yes." But in reality, the President cannot tie his shoes without Congressional permission.

The genius of the American system of checks and balances is

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# Opinion A Culture of Dependence

#### BY PAUL LAZARO

The three men sat at a long, gray table. Over this table were pitchers of water, coffee jugs, and two neatly placed microphones. To the untrained eye, one could mistake these men for every day citizens with jobs, families, and homes. To my previously notified but untrained eye, I knew these men were in fact homeless or former homeless men. Their stories varied greatly but these forgotten men shared one story of hope, the story of how Peter's Place in Hackensack, New Jersey refused to forget them.

As a fiscal conservative, my first reaction upon learning of the Homelessness Panel

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was that this would event another be leftist hack at my free market ideology. I was wrong, and I am glad that attendance was compulsory for Professor Sander's 11:00 AM Congress class. The Homelessness Panel relit my flame of compassion and reminded me that I too was

once a step away from life on the street.

When I was twelve years old, my father went out to buy pizza and never came home. I tell people as a joke that when I finally saw my father six months later I asked him "What kind of pizza place takes six months to find?" My actual response was a shrieking "F\*\*k you, I never want to see you again!" One can stipulate why I was so angry, I was left fatherless for an extended period of time and my family was left with no money to pay the rent. Bills piled up and that October the landlord helped my mother, sister, and I move all of our belongings off the premises of Post Village Apartment complex. Had it not been for the kindness of my immediate family, my family would be in the same position as the men and women of Peter's Place. This sad moment in my life had been forgotten until yesterday. Life at Peter's Place is similar to most shelters. Homeless file in every evening, receive a hot meal and a cot for the night. Peter's Place also serves as a transitional center for homeless who wish to get back on track. They help homeless file for new

Social Security cards and identifications, and every year they play tavern to over one thousand homeless.

Although I admire the work of Peter's Place, I cannot help but wonder if free market principles would better serve the homeless of Peter's Place by making them less dependent on others. The underlying problem is that Peter's Place asks for nothing in return. Although this selflessness seems admirable in nature I contend that it is one facet towards creating dependence. It sends the message to the homeless that it is okay to act irresponsibly, because there is always a safety net.

Now, I realize that my

ideology seems cold hearted, but, I will use example an everybody can relate to: the mooch friend. Everyone has a buddy, that no matter what, cannot seem to carry cash to restaurants that deal only in cash, or always seems to leave their wallets at home, (this is usually me). A good friend

would naturally pay for the meals his friend neglects to pay for and go on with his life, but is this good for the friend? Is this teaching your buddy responsibility or only prolonging his immaturity? I contend that good people should always ask for something in return, not for repayment, but on principle. It is only this way that we can better help those that need it the most

Overall the Homelessness Panel was not the leftist propaganda show I feared, but an awakening. I was forced to relive those sunless days of suffering the nonstop calls from creditors at dinner. Never again will I give the cold shoulder to a homeless person asking for spare change, but direct them to the closest shelter, in hopes that they will get their life back on track. I also feel that if Peter's Place demanded responsibility in return for a warm bed, it would help the homeless discover responsibility. Peter's Place may perhaps do this by making it compulsory for residents to partake in light community service work like raking leaves at a nearby nursing home or help repaint a local Hackensack Church.

A Chain e-mail ... Take its veracity with a grain of salt.

#### Dear Red States:

If you manage to steal this election too we have decided we are leaving. We intend to form our own country, and we are taking the other Blue States with us. In case you are not aware, that includes California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, and the entire Northeast. We believe this split will be beneficial to the nation, and especially to the people of the new country of New California.

To sum up briefly: You get Texas, Oklahoma, and all the slave states. We get stem cell research and the best beaches. We get the Statue of Liberty. You get Dollywood. We get Intel and Microsoft. You get WorldCom. We get Harvard. You get Ole' Miss. We get 85% of America's venture capital and entrepreneurs. You get Alabama. We get two-thirds of the tax revenue; you get to make the red states pay their fair share.

Since our aggregate divorce rate is 22% lower than the Christian Coalition's, we get a bunch of happy families. You get a bunch of single moms. Please be ware that Nuevo California will be pro-choice and anti-war, and we are going to want all our citizens back from Iraq at once. If you need people to fight, ask your evangelicals. They have kids they are apparently willing to send to their deaths for no purpose, and they do not care if you do not show pictures of their children's caskets coming home. We do wish you success in Iraq, and hope that the WMDs turn up, but we are not willing to spend our resources in Bush's Quagmire. With the Blue States in hand, we will have firm control of 80% of the country's fresh water, more than 90% of the pineapple and lettuce, 92% of the nation's fresh fruit, 95% of America's quality wines, 90% of all cheese, 90% of the high tech industry, 95% of the corn and soybeans (thanks Iowa!), most of the U.S. low-sulfur coal, all living redwoods, sequoias and condors, all the Ivy and Seven Sister schools plus Stanford, Cal Tech, and MIT. With the Red States, on the other hand, you will have to cope with 88% of all obese Americans (and their projected health care costs), 92% of all U.S. mosquitoes, nearly 100% of the tornadoes, 90% of the hurricanes, 99% of all Southern Baptists, virtually 100% of all televangelists, Rush Limbaugh, Jones University, Clemson, Bob and the University of Georgia. We get Hollywood and Yosemite, thank you. Additionally, 38% of those in the Red states believe Jonah was actually swallowed by a whale, 62% believe life is sacred unless we are discussing the war, the death penalty, or gun laws, 44% say that evolution is only a theory. 53% that Saddam was involved in 9/11, and 61% of you believe you are people with higher morals then we lefties.

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### Why the Fairness Doctrine Would Be an Insult to Our Intelligence

#### By ALEX RIVERO

It has been said over the past three weeks that Presidentelect Obama's victory on Election Day represented America's desire for the country to head in a new, less Bushian direction. The victory has been celebrated as a new chapter in the United States, a renaissance for many who had grown apathetic to political affairs, even an invitation to our youth to participate in social debates. In its most basic form, however, the victory acknowledges and reinforces the most grounded tenet of our democracy - the development of future events based on majority vote.

It is ironic, therefore, that after this historic election so many congressional democrats are publicly showing interest

political direction his regular newspaper has adopted can easily switch to another one; listeners and viewers can turn off their radios and television sets if they are so disgruntled with the way news stories are being presented. It is clear, therefore, that the logistics of the doctrine would be more relevantly applicable to a society where the news sources are either limited in number or strictly controlled by the government - two symptoms the United States, as mentioned above, does not suffer from.

Why, then, are Democrats so arduously pursuing this ridiculous doctrine?

The answer is that they do not trust their public - that is you and me -- with making important decisions in a rational manner on our own.

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in reinstating the Fairness Doctrine, a piece of legislation that, like the Confederate flag, belongs in a museum and away from the public. Originally brought into the public spotlight during a time where the national press was not as instantaneously up to date with ongoing events and much more limited in scope, the doctrine calls for public broadcasters, in the event that they choose to editorialize a piece, to give an equal amount of time to presenting contrasting points of view.

Why we are even having a discussion on further federal probing of the free press, itself the strongest check against federal corruption, is beyond my understanding. Particularly perplexing is the democrats' determination to do so after Obama's victory, an event that would never have occurred had it not been for the wave of previously tuned-out citizens reading newspapers, watching cable news, and listening to news radio. Especially considering the way most of us currently receive our news, it would make little sense to enact the Fairness Doctrine today. We live in an era and a country that provide us with a limitless amount of informative sources representative of every conceivable point of view. A reader dissatisfied with the

They have thus determined that the only way to push public discourse in the direction they see fit is to enforce rhetorical "fairness" rather than allow the free press to take its proper course. Clearly, there is also political stench to the whole thing -- one of the news sources that would take the biggest hit would be talkradio, a medium known to be a traditional stomping ground for conservatives and an utter failure for liberals.

Yet, for whatever reason, as American citizens we should be adamantly opposed to this nonsensical doctrine. It is not the government's job to control the way in which the news is covered; it is ours. We live in a country that encourages its citizenry to partake in its great discussion at all times -- from the street corner to the internet blogs, from the AM radio station to the editorial page. For the sake of our liberty, we must demand full control of our airwaves and printing presses, we must continue to individually write about and demonstrate against those aspects of our society with which we disagree, and ask only that our news sources continue to meet the demands of its readers, listeners and viewers. In short, we must bury the Fairness Doctrine.

Peace out,

#### Blue States

(Meant to be funny not necessarily true.)

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### Cooking with Tom

S o let us get into some breakfast. I personally like breakfast a lot, especially on the weekends when I do not have much to do aside from make some food. I think the best type of breakfast food is the omelet. Now I know everyone has their own version of the omelet but here is my version. It is very simple to make and, if made right, can taste very good. Bacon Cheese Omelet



# VARIETY Horoscopes

Lie low as much as you can for the day -- even if it feels as if you've got a million things to do! You need to recharge your energy more than you need to get going on anything right away.

Teamwork and cooperation are vital to your performance today, no matter what you're doing. It's easier than ever to get people to line up behind you, so don't worry too much about your backup.

You love to be busy, but on days like today, you wonder if that's so smart! It may feel as if every appointment or project splinters into a million little pieces, but you can put them back together again soon enough.

You love a good mystery, even if it does drive you a little crazy. Fortunately, it's the good kind of crazy and your investigations today should lead to some very interesting adventures!

You may be a little stressed out over holiday business or a bizarre work situation, but try to maintain an even keel. It's especially important that you stay calm with kids or other relatives.

You're not feeling especially productive today -- and it's not just you! Work could slow down to a snail's pace, but as long as you maintain the bare minimum, you should be fine when your energy comes back.

You may start to get somewhat upset when something important stalls out late today, but don't despair! Sometimes, you need to just watch and wait while everyone else gathers their energy.

You're making things happen today and it's kind of exciting for you and your coworkers -- or anyone else who happens to be watching! You may start to get a reputation as something of a miracle worker.

You need to kick back for a while today and soak up some history however you can. It's not the best time to get lots of stuff done, but you might be able to learn a few things and improve the future.

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 2 slices of bacon chopped up into small pieces
- A quarter cup of finely chopped onions
- Your choice of cheese
- First, fry the bacon and the onions on medium heat until the bacon turns brown, but make sure you do not burn it.

-Next, crack open the eggs onto the pan, stir it up a little to break the yokes and then mix it up with the bacon and onions.

-Now, turn the stove to low heat and let the eggs cook. Once the eggs are almost done, add all the cheese you want. Then, using a spatula, fold the omelet in half and let cook for some more time.

-By now the omelet should be done. Just take it off the stove and breakfast is served.

#### December 21

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If you don't have music playing today -- in the background, on headphones or however it works for you -- then you just don't feel complete. You need a soundtrack in order to get yourself going!

If things aren't working out quite as you had hoped, you should try your best to rethink things in a deep way. Your energy may not be quite right for getting stuff done, but you can shift your thinking with ease.

Your network of friends is getting even tighter right now -- and it's all thanks to you! Maybe you introduce a couple that's just right for each other or maybe you just spread the word about a party.

# News

PROTEST from page 1 specializing in kidnapping, mass murder, torture and, ironically, peacemaking.

That is why we are going. Protest against all these government-sponsored crimes that have gone unpunished and widely unnoticed for so long.

#### Social Justice House

Friday, November 21, 4am

Talking to Arpan about photography, fondling his new camera. I want to get one of those. Mo comes and then Noel. We have a short conversation on coffee and donuts. People should really stop smoking.

#### Airport

#### Friday, November 21, 5:20am

I hate security!! It is an exercise in backward thinking. Protecting us from yesterday's threat will not make me feel any safer or make my flying experience any better. Thank you, TSA, for making my flying days miserable. Security needs an overhaul, but done by an intelligent human being. "They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety." Ben Franklin was said that once. He consequently thought it was such a good idea that he wrote it down. And now we have the supreme pleasure of ignoring his genius.

It is simple math. If you have 150 people on a plane with a knife and fork, and out of those 11 have the inexorable intent on steering the plane into a building, then you get 139 people kicking their collective behind. Even if you have casualties, are we that scared from fighting about the lives of our families? Even if the plane blows up, that's still 150 casualties in comparison to 2,974 on 9/11. And that is not counting all the soldiers, and Afghani and Iraqi civilians that died because of the wars.

You do the math!

In comparison, when
Pan Am 103 hit Lockerbie
there were 270 casualties.
And one man in jail. No
uld grand war. No war on
terror. Fighting for peace is
like screwing for virginity.
21, I'm sure it happens in a lot
of people's dreams, but
never in reality.

#### Plane

#### Friday, November 21, 7am

Everybody is tired and angry. No compassion. Not like in the 1960's air travel commercials. No more friendly skies. No more snacks on the plane. Flying on to GA. See what happens.

To be continued...





#### Calling All Student Musicians By Thomas Farley '55

Serious efforts are currently underway to start a St. Peter's College Band, which would add another exciting student club activity to the St. Peter's campus following on the increasing success of the St. Peter's chorales and some of the Argus Eyes musicals. In an interview with (Dr. Eileen Poiani, Kevin Cummines or Ms. Jan Reimer) the Pauw Wow asked the following questions:

What type of band? Answer: The band would eventually be a concert band though initially it would be formed as a pep band used for rallies and sporting events.

How big would it be? Answer: It is largely dependent upon student interest and available musician skills. Initially it might be approximately 10 members although that number could be smaller or larger. A number of students have already expressed interest.

How would it be used? Answer: As mentioned above the band could perform at student activities such as dances and mixers, pep rallies and sporting events The band would also perform at open houses, alumni events, concerts in conjunction with the student chorales, and holiday concerts. In the future it might even be used in parades.

Has St. Peter's ever had a band in the past? Answer: The college had an excellent ROTC student band in the 50's and 60's, which was later inactivated when ROTC was discontinued as an on campus activity and we have had a few student pep bands since that time which were largely the initiative of a few students.

What type of music would they play? Answer: The music would likely include both contemporary and traditional music dependent upon the activity and the core group used for the activity. That might mean popular music from Billy Joel and Bruce Springsteen to Glenn Miller.

When would it start? Answer: A band director was recently hired and efforts are currently underway to include seeking assistance from alumni and friends of the College to help with funding the various costs and in covering the necessary logistics. If everything goes as planned it would start this school year possibly during this year's basketball season. How can I get involved with the band? Answer- If you have band experience or play a musical instrument and would like to be a part of a new SPC college band contact Dr. Poiani, Kevin Cummines or Jan Reimer You could also help if you know of someone with music experience who would be willing to volunteer some time to assist the new band director. The donation of used musical instruments in good working condition particularly brass and pianos, would be of great help. With everyone's help this will happen!

PHOTOS BY MARTIN SIRAKOV

Modern Christ (top), STOP Violence (middle), A moment of meditation... (bottom).

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#### By Peaches Dela Paz and

#### JACOB HAYDEN

NEWS STAFF, '10

Fr. Robert Kennedy described himself as young and idealistic when he first considered joining the Jesuits. He attended Xavier, a Jesuit high school, and joined the Society after he graduated. He cannot exactly explain why he wanted to become a Jesuit. However the idea of committing his life to the Church and service to humanity appealed to him. He saw the Jesuits as having a very practical spirituality that stressed education, learning, and service along with the devotion to God.

Fr. Kennedy could not pick out one specific memory that gives a summation of his experience as a Jesuit. He has, however, enjoyed their openness and the opportunity they offered for him to develop himself. Jesuit life also played right into how he always felt encouraged to move forward to always be active somehow. "Religious life is not a place to park," says Fr. Kennedy. He joined the Saint Peter's College Community in 1970 after he finished his doctorate in theology at the University of Ottawa. He has been the Chair of Theology and has taught courses in both theology and Japanese. In his free time, Fr. Kennedy is a licensed psychoanalyst in the tri-state area. He also gets the opportunity to travel frequently to countries like Mexico, England, and Ireland. This opportunity stems from his interest in Zen Buddhism.

PHOTO BY MARTIN SIRAKOV them while coaching baseball.

To this day he still has a special bond with the children he taught and coached in Japan. His years in Japan started his interest in Buddhism and Zen. Currently he is a roshi, a Zen Buddhist Master. Some may question how one individual can be both a Zen Master and a Jesuit priest. Fr. Kennedy has learned from the Jesuits not only to be tolerant to the truth of others, but to promote and practice it as well. When asked about this, Fr. Kennedy stated:

"Zen Buddhism and Catholicism are very different and there is no quick attempt at a synthesis, but there are many truths in Zen Buddhism and Catholics are encouraged to find truth everywhere. Zen practice is a wonderful way for people of many faiths to come together and to respect the faith of others, but to practice their own faith in a way that is awake and sensitive to the needs of others. There is a close connection between Zen practice and effort to promote peace and justice in the world." One of Fr. Kennedy's favorite parts of teaching at SPC is the opportunity to become a part of the growth and change of the students. He has witnessed this development and is always encouraged by their enthusiasm. His advice to students would be "Enjoy your precious life, do not squander it." If you would like the opportunity to become more familiar with Zen Buddhism, Fr. Kennedy offers Zen Meditation every weekday morning at 5:30 AM and on Saturdays at 9 in Gothic Towers room 309. Zen Meditation is open to everyone and breakfast is offered afterwards.

PLAYWRIGHT from page 1 religion at Yale Divinity School, discussed the way in which Lorraine Hansberry's A Raisin in the Sun dramatizes tension within human relationship created by repression inhabiting time's passage. In his paper, "History as Facilitator: Identity, Self-Esteem, and Worldview in Hansberry's A Raisin in the Sun," Mr. Paul notes that one of the most important illustrations is the way in which the past haunts the main characters of the play. Frustrating their efforts to create collective and personal histories.

Ms. Sattaur, a member of the SPC Board of Regents and a graduate student studying for a master's degree in international affairs from New York University, discussed her paper, "Arthur Miller's Resurrection Blues: Folly Become Globalization." In it, she addresses how social mechanisms, sustained by the impossible expectations to satisfy greed and the search for power, use fear in order to assure social inequality and anaesthetize humans to one of their most powerful innate needs-caring for one another.

Mr. Cid Martinez, a senior studying economics and political science, discussed the relationship between Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen's An Enemy of the People and Miller's scathing critique of modern democratic systems. In his adaptation of Ibsen's classic play, Cid Martinez notes that Miller sought to demonstrate how modern democracies, by the very way in which they are structured to operate, are a far cry from the universal truths they claim to embrace and preserve. Like John Dewey and John Stuart Mill, Miller envisioned the democratic ideal as extending far beyond

general suffrage, the sanctity of the political majority, and the validity of elected representatives. The play, in Mr. Cid Martinez's interpretation, illustrates that democracy-as former president Franklin D. Roosevelt once noted—represents a never-ending quest for better things. In short, he notes, genuine freedom is intellectual because it rests in the trained power of thought.

Mr. Lassiter, who has successfully completed his M.A. and doctoral coursework Fordham, is beginning at a dissertation that explores relationship between the intentionality and semantics. His paper had the title: "When Your Best Isn't Good Enough: Failure, Identity, and Integrity in O'Neill's Long Day's Journey into Night." The paper examines O'Neill's play as tragic because the characters are responsible for their downfalls.

Professor Livesay delivered a paper entitled "A Levinasian Reading of Miller's After the Fall: Face to Face with Remembered Figures." This paper analyzes how subjectivity can derive from otherness, a theme in the philosophy of Holocaust survivor and phenomenologist, Emmanuel Levinas. Professor Livesay also organized and chaired a panel on three-time Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Edward Albee.

The team appreciated the intellectual diversity of the conference and the dense discussions of literary themes. Six of Mr. Cid Martinez's friends accompanied him at 7 a.m. on Saturday to the conference for support. They participated in panel discussions, and were all invited by impressed organizers to the conference luncheon.

"Presenting at a conference was an important step in adding to my intellectual foundation which was laid at SPC," commented Mr. Paul. "I'm moving closer to my goal of being a great writer and great professor; opportunities such as this can only help me along the way."

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"It was a great experience to be among so many professional scholars who share a passion for words, ideas, and the beauty of literature," said Ms. Sattaur. "Many students are accustomed to writing papers stating a 'for' or 'against' argument. The beauty of this conference is the ability to immerse [ourselves] in the beauty of language and understand how important and powerful ideas [can be]."

"I feel extremely privileged and honored," Mr. Cid Martinez said "to have been provided an opportunity, as an undergraduate, to present a paper in a professional conference. Mostly, I am profoundly grateful of having worked beside people like Charlie, Rabia, Dwayne Professor Livesay-all and of [whom], by the height of their achievements, inspire and challenge me on a regular basis."

"After Charlie presented," said Professor Livesay, "one veteran leaned over and said to me, 'That guy is phenomenal. In fact, all your people delivered; they're all top-shelf.' Our students worked hard and represented professionally. I have been to conferences before with Charlie and Rabia. They have the process down. It's also good to see Dwayne and Ismael get this value-added education that takes learning to the next level. 'One Student at a Time' does not have to end at graduation. These students have evolved into colleagues; we are all friends; we are all connected; and that's great!"

### **WSPC Radio Schedule**

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Fr. Kennedy lived in Japan for eight years. One of his fondest memories of this time is the memory of his students and the connection he experienced with

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11 Am **Topics Of Thunder** Kthkshi

5 Pm The Thyme Warp



Flashback (Series



Rev. Victor Yanitelli announces surprise awarding of the Petrean Medal to T. Edward Gavin at the library dedication, September 24.

### **Archbishop Boland Dedicates** Library

St. Peter's College presented two honorary degrees, and two rarely awarded Petrean Medals, at the formal dedication of the newly constructed Theresa and Edward O'Toole Library, on Sunday, September 24th.

The honorary degrees of doctor of humane letters were of Regents. awarded to publishing executive Philip Scharper, who also gave the principal address, and Mrs. Edward Deghre O'Toole, a longtime benefactor of the College.

Rev. Edward F. Clark, S. J. the present chaplain of Fordham University, received the Petrean Medal in recognition of his leadership during the initial planning of the new building. T. Edward Gavin, chairman of the library fund drive, was similarly honored for his work in raising the capital needed to meet the challenge fund created by Mrs. O'Toole and her late husband, Edward.

Scharper, editor-in-chief of Ward Pulbishers heed and the other men of influence concerned about the social and civic problems of prejudice, poverty, better education, civil rights, and international peace." Currently working with the Vatican Secretariat for the promotion of Christian Unity, Mr. Scharper served as an advisor the Modern World." Mr. and Mrs. O'Toole sparka \$300,000 challenge gift, donated on the condition that St. Peter's Alumni and friends match the amount on a two-for-one basis over a three-year period. Mrs. O'Toole was also presented ory of her husband, a charter

member of St. Peters' Board

Planning for the new building began after Father Clark assumed the presidency of the College in 1960. In reciveing the Petrean Medal, he was cited for "his educator's perceptive informer president of St. Peter's sight that what this college community needed at this time more that all else was an excellent library; his seemingly endless store of energy; his restless dissatisfaction with anything less

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Kennedy Keys Michaelmas 6 Named to Bene Merente

Senator Edward Kennedy at Michaelmas Convocation ceremonies delivered a strong testament to the restlessness of youth. "Students have almost irresponsibly thrown security away," Kennedy said, "while their parents have cherished it. Your elders fear dissent, but you welcome it with an almost frightening thirst."

The freshman senator from Massachussetts emphasized the disparaging effects of the generation gap. On visits to other universities he has found that young people have difficult times with their talking parents about the social revolution and sensed at times a deep frustration with the snail's pace of the legislative process. He cautioned against the danger that the "goals we seek may lose credibility by merging with the current rift between the young and old," the electric response of the now philosophy versus the pallid "we-will-overcomesomeday" refrain.

However, he also praised students for already making valuable contributions to society through service in the Peace Corps, Papal Volunteers and local ghetto improvement plans. "Youth," he said, "have also moved into areas long negglected — political imagination and social rehabilitation.

Fr. Victor Yanitelli, president of St. Peter's College, along with the faculty and trustees resplendent in their colorful academic gowns, escorted Sen. Kennedy to the podium where Fr. Edmund Ryan, dean and executive vice-president, pronounced the qualifications for the honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

"St. Peter's strives to create the total man," Fr. Ryan said, "one dedicated to the fundamental virtues of courage, leader-



Senator Edward M. Kennedy receives congratulations from Fr. Yanitelli at Michaelmas Convocation Monday. Vice-Presdent Mertz looks on.

ship and service. Such are the ideals made real by Senator Kennedy."

The senator was floor manager for the Immigration Act of 1965 and sponsored a program to set up ghetto health centers. A plane crash in 1964 almost cast another gloomy shadow on the otherwise vivid Kennedy clan political careers. He was the first Senate member to propose a national teacher corps and currently hopes to sterilize organized crime with improved police training.

Kennedy immediately captured the sentiments of the student body by referring to the recent trend of feminizing colleges. He said St. Peter's seems to have ceived this commitment from its taken the bull by the horns in Jesuit forbears, who "saw that bringing the girls in. but actually "the girls may have taken the horns away from the bull." His staff must be on their toes for he even hinted at the absurd state of our female cheerleaders. The Senator hoped that student activism wouldn't come to a despairing end. "You may not be able to end the war in Vietnam or clean the air above your cities, but you can reach the biggest problems facing society by starting at the bottom -teaching the poor and renovating the slums."

### Mass Begins School Year

The Mass of the Holy Spirit commemorating the start of the 1967 school year at Saint Peter's College was celebrated by Rev. Edmund G. Ryan, S.J. at St. Aedan's Church at 9 a.m. on Tuesday September 26.

Fr. John M. Buckley delivered the homily. He spoke of the mutual commitment to Catholic education on the part of both faculty and students.

He said that St. Peter's had re-



third annual Student Leadership Confer York, was honored for his efforts at the Hotel Berkely-Carteret in Asbury Park last weekend. The in creating a "united front forty-five students who attended the conference attempted to among the religious leaders and evaluate and re-structure the student government at St. Peter's College.

**Renewed Student Government** 

**Asbury Conference Sparks** 

The conference was broken up into four groups, each of which was attended by a member of the administration who gave his assistance in matters of school policy.

Fr. Edmund Ryan, executive vice president of the college, to the Vatican Council on the chaired the curricular council. formulation of the "Pastoral At this particular meeting, the Constitution on the church in students involved in organizations affiliated with specific major fields evaluated faculty, ed the library fund drive with administration and courses. They also decided on extensive investigation into the aspects of qualitative and a quantitative marking systems.

The Student Senate, under the witchful eyes of Frs. Boland and with a scroll by the Board of McEvoy, wrote a constitution for Trustees in tribute to the mem- itself, discussed the relationship (Continued on Page 6)



New chairman of the recently formed Co-curricular Council, Henry Raimondo, explains policy during Asbury Park meeting.

In closing Kennedy said the only way to overcome urban unrest and international tension was to turn to your faith and accept social criticism. His last words were those of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuit order: "Teach us, O Lord, to do T. L. da Viadana, and the "Alma (Continued on Page 3)

the logic of the call of Christ led them to an open involvement in the whole education process."

The Mass was concelebrated by twelve members of the College Jesuit faculty. Mr. Stump, S. J. assisted the main celebrant.

Student Council President Paul Newell acted as lecter, and led the community participation. The Gospel and Epistle were read by B. Melvin Kiernan, chairamn of the ad hoc committee on spiritual life.

The Pershing Rifles again served as the honor guard and acted as ushers.

As in past years the St. Peter's College Men's Glee Club sang at the mass. Their selections included the "Our Father", by Albert Hay Malotte, "Ave Verum", by Mater."

Flashback Series

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#### Student Help Needed

# **Middle States Study Begins**



directs evaluation

#### **BV PAT PACE**

Dr. Eileen Poiani, director of the Middle States Evaluation for St. Peter's, said today that the committees for the evaluation have been formed and are ready to start working.

Dr. Poiani explained, however, that students may still be needed to work on the project. Interested students, she said, should meet with her in her office at 121 Glenwood Avenue, Room 1.

quantitative evaluation, but a qualitative one. The success relies on 'the cooperation of the people in all area of the college community," • Dr. • Poiani explained.

"The study is not only a

The goals of the study are: to examine the present posture of each area; to analyze the total College function and operation in light of our mission, goals, and objectives, and to make specific recommendations over the next five years.

The task forces will use the following procedure for completing the study: information and data collection; analysis of the data; consideration of the opportunities for choice in each area; discussion of priorities, and preparation of a five year plan for the immediate future, with subsequent continuous updating. Dr. Poiani said she will hold

frequent meetings of task force coordinators because "there will undoubtably be some overlap in the work of the task forces."

After the self-study process, the committee will formulate their decisions and suggestions in a written document. This document will then be given to the Middle States Evaluation's team of educators upon their arrival in the Spring of 1976.

The members of the team,

usually from seven to nine persons will be drawn from the Middle States area. They will stay at Saint Peter's for five days, Sunday through Thursday, looking into all aspects of the school.

Although the team will be gone in a short time, the college will still undergo a constant follow-up and reappraisal of its values. As Dr. Poiani points out, "The process does not end with the visit of the team. The benefit of the study is what we do in applying what we have learned about ourselves."

The Middle States Association is an organization designed to insure constant improvement in the educational process. Saint Peter's College has been a member of this voluntary organization since 1935.

The entire United States is divided into six sections: Northwestern, Western, North Central, Southern, Middle States, and New England.

The Middle States Association has been in operation since 1887. In addition to New Jersey, the area encompasses New York, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, and the Panama Canal Zone.

Under the plan, an institution is evaluated every ten years. Then a

decision is made as to whether a school will become accredited by a team of educators.

the Serving on steering committee are: Dr. Eileen L. Poiani, Director; Rev. John J. Canavan, S.J., Academic Vici President; Miss Barbara Chryst, Assistant Dean of Students; Dr. Marilyn A. Fingerhut, Assistant Professor - Department of Biology; Dr. Connor P. Hartnett, Associate Professor - Department of English; Miss Valerie L. Mayo, Director - E.O.F. Program; Prof. Charles- A. Meloy, Assistant Professor - Department of

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Six Sub- Committees **Study Academic Life** 

#### By JOE MARNELL.

Kathy McKenna, Academic Coordinator for the Student Senate, has announced the establishment of six sub-committees to deal with all aspects of academic life at St. Peter's

They will report to the Student Senate Curriculum Committee, co-chaired by Donna DiNardo and Jim O'Connell, who in turn will inform Ms. McKenna of their findings.

The six cub-committees are concerned with the following areas: programs and courses, tenure, core curriculum, student departmental representatives, admissions, and faculty evaluation.



proposals will be presented to the Middle States Evaluation Team by Chairman Ed Hogan who is also a member of the Middle States Academic Tas8 Force.

These sub-committees are overseen by Jim O'Connell, the following sub-committees are overseen by Donna DiNardo.

The function of the Sub-committee on Student Departmental Representatives is two-fold.

Its first role is to ensure that all academic departments have student representatives. The accounting and history departments are in the process of

#### Why Faculty **Fear Retirement** First of a Series **BV JUDY VALENTE**

If a faculty member at Saint Peter's College does not begin languages last month. Despite Dr. making provisions for his or her retirement early, the professor college, his widow is entitled to could face a pension as low as \$3,510 per year even after 20 years of service.

That figure is the calculation of Dr. Benjamin Michalik of the under the college's previous economics department, chairman of the Faculty Senate Pension Committee. The committee met recently to discuss ways to make the college's retirement plan more equitable in light of the rising cost of living.



grew following the death of Dr. John P. Hughes of modern Hughes' 34 years of service to the none of his retirement income. She received only the money which Dr. Hughes himself had contributed to his pension fund retirement plan. It amounted to a

The last time the plan was altered was in 1970. Pensions are now a quarter per cent higher than they were then. And faculty members are no longer required to contribute to their pension fund.

One of the main points discussed at the meeting concerned the pension plan provision which states no income can be paid to the survivors of faculty members who have died before the retirement age (55 or older).

Concern over this stipulation

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single sum of \$3,000.

Under the present plan, a faculty member who died before retirement receives none of his or retirement income. The her money does not go to survivors either.

Francis J. Mertz, executive vice president and member of the pension committee, pointed out that faculty members can arrange to have part of their retirement income go to their survivors by accepting a reduced pension while still alive.

Michalik explained, however, that employees who opt to put a portion of their pension aside for survivors would be decreasing the

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Sub-committee The on Programs and Courses is concerned with the initiation of new courses and the establishment of more major fields of study. Its function is primarily investigatory, and its proposals will be presented in the spring to the Middle States Evaluation Team.

The Sub-committee on Tenure serves two functions.

First, it is investigating the advantages and disadvantages of the tenure policy, in the hope of offering alternatives to it.

Secondly, it intends to guarantee that the tenure policy



#### Kathy McKenna Academic Coordinator

functions favorably in regard to the student body. The achievement of a voting voice for student departmental representatives on all questions of tenure is a prime objective.

The Sub-committee on Core Curriculum was formed to study the core curriculum and offer feasible alternatives to it. It intends to make full use of the research that was done following the Curriculum Symposium in January 1972. The Committee's

lecting representatives.

It also is the duty of this committee to ensure the fulfillment of the rights and responsibilities of the students representatives.

There will be a meeting of all student representatives on, December 3rd, at which an official means of communication will be established to keep the Student Senate informed of the work being done by the student representatives.

It is the hope of the sub-committee that a standing committee will be appointed by the Student Senate, to which the student representatives will make their reports.

The Sub-committee Continued on page two on

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# Peacocks Shot Down in Playo

by Terence Gallagher

Never let it be said that Bob Dukiet's Peacocks didn't give it their best shot. The team's dream of a cinderella finish went down in flames as the Peacocks lost to Fordham 62-55 in the semifinals of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference tournament at the Byrne Arena

The fact that the team made it to the semis in the first place is an accomplishment in itself considering all the injuries which plaqued the team this season. However, the Peacocks saved the best for last as they played great ball down the stretch

Coach Dukiet must have thought he was dreaming as he was able to start his five best players when it counted. A rejuvinated Larry Clark and a healthy Leonard Haves were able to do their Mr. Inside-Mr. Outside routine as the Peacocks took 3 of their last 4 regular season games

Haves finished the regular season with a 20.2 scoring average, third in the MAAC and 37th in the country. The senior guard was the only Peacock to be named to the All-MAAC team, and was the high man for the Peacocks in 12 games.



were eliminated by Fordham in the playoffs.

Clark, a 6-7 junior, set a Yanitelli Center record by blocking seven shots in a 79-73 to win against Hartford. "Larry Clark has been a plesant surprise," said Dukiet at the preplayoff MAAC press conference. 'We've been rebounding and playing beter defence since he's come

back. Larry has done a good job." Many observers thought that the team had a good chance to go all the way in the tourney. Holy Cross games played as well as points.

**CCC** back on track

head coach George Blaney said, "I have a feeling the winner of this game might win the tournament." Saint Peter's defeated the Crusaders 70-66 in the first round of the playoffs.

"We were able to get a few breaks at the end," said Dukiet after the victory. "I thought the kids showed a little excitement in the final minute, though ... and we made a few foul shots.

Ironically, the team's foul shooting was their downfall against Fordham. Several crucial misses, on the front end of one and ones, in the final five minutes prevented any comeback. "When we had a chance to make a run, we didn't make free throws." commented Dukiet

The Peacocks fell short in their bid for a title but as always they didn't go without a fight. Hopefully next years team will have as much spirit and a little more luck.

Hoop scoop - Peacocks' sixth place finish was their lowest since the MAAC started. Saint Peter's has lost to the eventual winner the last three years, Iona in '82, Fordham in '83, and Iona again in '84. Shelton Gibbs became the all-time leader in

#### Gov. Cuomo to address Bishop's Pastoral Letter at SPC



by Bill Valladares

Cuomo, the featured speaker for the spring semester, will discuss an article he wrote for America Magazine, which deals with the Pastoral Letter.

Prior to the governor's presentation, the Special Programs Committee hopes to bring to the college ad hoc committee staffers, who drew up the pastoral. They'll analyze the letter.

Special Programs, under the direction of Edward Reuter, the assistant dean of students, will continue the Prophets and Profit series in the fall. By then the bishops will have the second draft of the letter completed. Reuter has two programs on the drawing board, each featuring a prominent speaker with expern the letter but w tions differ from each other. The series will also include two panel presentations. Clergy of other faiths besides Catholic will sit on the first panel. People whose lives the issues in the Pastoral directly touch, either through their professions or personal experiences, will fill the second panel.

#### by Terence Gallagher

Lack of communication between the different clubs on campus has long been a thorn in the side of the student senate. However, if Patty Mezzina has anything to say about it, the communication breakdown is a thing of the past.

Mezzina, the new Student Senate Internal Vice-President, has wasted no time in rebuilding the Co-Curricular Council, which she describes as "A union of club presidents and student leaders.

Designed to orchestrate events, the council helps to avoid scheduling conflicts between different organizations. According to Student Senate President Pete definitive schedule of events on campus. The CCC will provide this



Internal Vice-President

Patty Mezzina

club presidents to list the biggest problems they have with their organizations. Motivation was the overwheiming response. Get-Scerbo, "We've always needed a ting people interested seems to be difficult. We'll sponsor a leadership workshop which will be a series of lectures by guest speakers designed to help the club presidents learn methods of

The workshop topics will include public speaking, time management, budgeting money, and training future student leaders. Often, previous club presidents don't leave others with much to go on," said Mezzina. "The work-

managing their organizations."

pare new presidents for the next vear Isabel Gauthier, president of the International Club, seemed to express the general feeling of other club presidents when she said, "So far it seems like the CCC is the only way to get clubs coordinated.'

shop will encourage them to pre-

Mezzina, who inherited the posion from junior

New York Governor Mario Cuomo will visit St. Peter's on April 16th to participate in Prophets and Profit, a lecture series dealing with the Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Catholic Social Teaching, and the United States Economy. The governor will speak at noon in the Rec Center.

The PAUW WOW invites you to enjoy the lively Irish Music of Trinity II for pre St. Paddy's Day celebration! Friday, March 8 12 noon McIntyre Lounge

The Special Programs Committee has opened the Prophets and Profit series to SPC students, nearby colleges, and select high school students the Admissions Office will invite.

A coalition of academic departments and student services including the Theology Department, Urban Studies and Public Policy, Afro-American Studies, Campus Ministry, The Peace and Justice Committee, and Special Programs Committee will sponsor the Prophets and Profit series.

During a recent CCC meeting, Mezzina, a sophomore, asked

serving as an intern in Washington), hopes all club presidents take advantage of what the CCC has to offer. "We're here to help student leaders accomplish what they want to accomplish.



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# Into the new millennium

### Capitol Campaign leads to multi-million dollar changes in SPC's 127th year

Kelly Rivetti PW Staff Writer

Some major renovation projects were kicked off starting in the summer of 1999, such as the \$8 million refurbishment of Gannon Hall, and the building of Millennium Hall.

Gannon Hall's technological advancement will really improve the science department at SPC. The installation of airconditioning, an animal laboratory, commercial windows, updated computer systems as well as other basic components of a lab will allow students to get a more advanced science learning. Science and nursing majors will benefit highly from this advancement. In case you were wondering, the Capital Campaign and grants from the State of New Jersey generated the money to cover such repair. In the meantime, there is a trailer set up to hold some science classes until the mess is cleaned up next fall.

The innovative design of Millennium Hall has caught the attention of most SPC students. Now more than 100 freshmen can enjoy the lounges on each floor and the computer accessible rooms. The housing is completed. SPC President Fr. James N. Loughran thinks, "It's worth it," to have built more housing.

In addition to these necessary projects, there were many other minor and not so minor repairs done on campus such as painting classrooms, increased parking spaces, computer lab upgrades, the addi-



The new Millennium Hall was named in commemoration of SPC's plans for the 21st century and beyond.

tion of the Peacock Café in the Yantelli Rec. Center and the conversion of the Registrar's office to make settling your bill somewhat easier. Furthermore, the O'Toole Library and Pope Hall are now handicapped accessible, a significant change that should have been made a long time ago.

You have probably noticed the difficulty in crossing The Boulevard, whether you are trying to get to class from the dorms, trying to get to your car in the armory after class or just trying to catch the shuttle to Journal Square. An overpass is planned, connecting St. Peter to McDermott Halls, which will be partly funded by the state and the rest of the money that was left over from the construction of Millennium Hall. An elevator will make access more easy between McDermott and Dineen Hall. The whole project has been seriously delayed, but is expected to be completed by the fall of 2000, according to Fr. Loughran. The design of

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Meeting Dorothy Day House - 5:15 PM

October 8

Football SPC vs. Iona Cochrane Stadium 7 PM

Reading Center

8:30 AM-12 PM

Registration

October 9

October 10

Roy Irving Theater Men's soccer SPC vs.Loyola,MD Jaroshak Field 1 PM

### New era of leadership begins Irwin and Greene named new Acdemic Dean, AVP

#### Steven Llanes PW Managing Editor

As SPC looks toward the dawn of a new millennium a strong focus on both Liberal Arts and Catholic education will be a guiding factor for the College's new Academic Dean and Interim Academic Vice President.

William J. Irwin, Ph.D. has been appointed Academic Dean, succeeding Peter Alexander, Ph.D., who has retired.

Dr. Irwin's extraordinary career in higher education spans more than thirty years, beginning as an instructor of history at the University of Dubuque, and expanding, as he became a faculty member at institutions such as Mercy College and Bowie State College.

In 1988 Dr. Irwin was named Chair of the Division of Arts and Sciences as well as Professor of History at Nazareth College. He was then named Dean of Arts and Sciences in 1990. After serving Aquinas College as a professor of history for three years, he was named Director of Graduate Studies at the College of Notre Dame in 1995. "A rigorous program, based on Liberal Arts, remains the best education that undergraduate students can obtain," says Dr. Irwin, who is a strong supporter of Catholic education. "Such a program develops their g



Dr. William J. Irwin

gram develops their general knowledge continued on page 3

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#### Movie Review

#### By Alexis Kallert

ARTS

#### Arts Editor, '09

Obviously a movie has to have an appealing story line in order to get people interested. But what is a movie without an amazing soundtrack to go along with it? Twilight has been the talk of many for the past several months, and now the time has finally come for the movie to be released. The film is an adaptation of the popular book of the same name. The story follows the love story of Bella and Edward. Seems simple enough, right? The twist, however, is that Edward is a vampire. The story is filled with love, action, and intrigue. It is easy while reading a book to imagine the setting and story in your own head. When a book is brought to life, however, many elements make up the way the story is portrayed on screen. One of these elements, of course, is the soundtrack.

The Twilight soundtrack is filled with a mix of electronica, alternative, and indie rock. Upon listening to the soundtrack, I felt that the songs chosen would fit the movie quite well. The soundtrack opens up with Muse's "Supermassive Black Hole," a progressive rock song with very dark qualities. Perfect song for a vampire movie I would say. Following that is the soundtrack's lead single, "Decode" by pop-rock band Paramore. The song, which was written specifically for the film, is very strong and emotional. As lead singer Hayley Williams describes, "The song is about the building tension, awkwardness, anger and confusion between Bella and Edward." It's definitely the perfect song to sum up the overall theme of the film.

Paramore also contributes a second original song to the soundtrack called "I Caught Myself." It is a very upbeat track with a sound similar to many of the band's other songs.

Alongside Paramore, Jane's Addiction lead singer Perry Farrell contributes an original song to the soundtrack as well. "Go All the Way (Into the Twilight)" is a spooky electronic-rock track which features haunting vocals from Farrell, as well as a female singer.

The soundtrack also features a song that will please many of the film's fans. Robert Pattinson, who plays Edward, contributes a song he wrote called "Never Think." It is an acoustic song which features softly sung vocals by Pattinson himself. Pattinson, however, is not the only one lending his hand to the soundtrack. Iron & Wine's "Flightless Bird, American Mouth," which is said to be featured in the prom scene, was chosen by Kristen Stewart, better known as Bella in the film.

The album ends with "Bella's Lullaby," a soft and beautiful instrumental composed by Carter Burwell. Fans of the book know "Bella's Lullaby" as the song Edward hums to Bella when she falls asleep. Fans will not be disappointed when they hear the song come to life; it is just as stunning as it is described in the book.

The soundtrack, which also features songs from Linkin Park, Collective Soul, and Mute Math, is a must have for fans of the Twilight books and the upcoming movie. If you are not a fan of this vampire love story, though, do not disregard the album right away. You might find some new music that you might actually like.



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### NJ Rock Band Showcase

#### By Stephanie Danis

#### ARTS STAFF, '11

Good time boys Theodore Grimm describe themselves as a band that eats White Castle for breakfast and enjoys "knitting" for fun. Their pumped up version of garage rock manifests itself in the 70's styling of their tour

riverbank. Their new songs, such as newly recorded "Coma Politik," are packed with sexy teen spirited one-liners like, "We like it dirty" that make all those crazy teens want to dance out their frustrations. Theodore Grimm's music is lyrically sappy enough to be for girls, but the instrumentation and the changeups are fit to suit the typical fist



van and in the fervor of the movements they elicit from their dedicated fans on the dance floor.

They vary their form from melodic repetitive riffs to unanticipated blasts of sporadic guitar screeching and screamo vocals. Their 2005 song "Father of the Modern Tornado" is a kinked up dance version of an ode to surf rock. In "Fall up Float Down," vocalist David instructs, "Teach yourself to romance because it's cold where your heart is." This neatly packed poetic love lyric compliments the syncopated drumming on the song; the two go together like the river and the thrashing punk guy.

The band emphasizes its connection with art beyond the music. As the drummer Brian, (stage name Chucky) says," I think our band is very artistic and the way we dress, the way we act, the way we live-our vehicle-all those things come together." That drive to express themselves is what has kept this band playing in Brooklyn bars and NJ rock venues for five years. The band formed in Nutley, NJ in 2003 and has since been taking 2008 by storm as a

four-piece electric rock group. For fans interested in getting some of their merchandise, Theodore Grimm members are silk-screening the Theodore Grimm logo on to t-shirts that fans are urged to send to an address advertised on their MySpace page. If you want to know more about the band and hear some of their tunes, check out their MySpace at www.myspace.com/theodoregrimm.

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Theodore Grimm relaxes after a show.



### SPC Athletics Finds Success in Bowling Team

#### By MAHMOUD AWADALLAH Sports Editor, '10

What has recently been Saint Peter's most successful athletics team? The answer is the bowling team. The bowling team here at SPC is currently ranked seventeenth in the country, but still has not gained the recognition it deserves. Tristan Howey, a junior, says, "I get tons of satisfaction knowing that we are better than other teams." Although the team has had a tough start to the season, it is only a matter of time before they gel together and continue their success.

Injuries have come fast and swiftly for the Peahens. Two key members, Amanda Borger and Vicky Alaimo have been hit with injuries. "It's been a real buzz killer with the injuries that we have suffered this season." The eight ladies that make up the team are arguably the best team Saint Peter's has. Currently ranked seventeenth, the team believes they can easily be ranked in the top five. Tristan says, "Placing in the top 5 would be the most amazing moment in my life." The one thing some of these ladies wish is to re-start the season all over again. "Starting the season again would be great, because of all our injuries," says Tristan. Tristan, who wants to be a therapist one day, has devoted most of her life to the sport and wants nothing more than to see the peahens win and be noticed. Kristin Thompson, a junior, says, "I want to see our ranking increase and for us to finally win a tournament." Saint Peter's has come in second in many tournaments including the ECAC's. In the ECAC's the peahens defeated cross-town rivals NJCU to place second. Amanda Borger says, "Bowlers can be very vicious." After the ECAC was over, Tristan

found a bunch of tomatos in her bowling bag. The person who pulled that stunt was never found, but these girls say that it is a part of the sport, because bowling is much more competitive than people think. In bowling, as many as fifteen teams can play at the same time.

Traveling is one of the perks that the bowling team receives. They have been to states such as Wisconsin, Connecticut, Delaware, and Louisiana. Most of the team says that Louisiana is their favorite place to travel. Walking down Bourbon Street was very memorable for the team. Kristin says, "School recognition is hard, because we are out of state a lot." The closest the team has played to the school has been in Teaneck, NJ at Farleigh Dickinson University.

Injuries have come too often this season for the team. "Every uninjured girl on the team should wrap themselves in bubble

# Student Spotlight

By MAHMOUD AWADALLAH Sports Editor, '10

Amanda Borger, a sophomore, has been bowling since the age of 4, and is now a part of the Saint Peter's bowling team. Amanda was introduced to the game at a young age by many members of her family. Her dad, two of her aunts, and her uncle are huge factors in Amanda growing up mostly in a bowling alley. "I spent most of my childhood in a bowling alley with my family learning the sport."

Amanda had many older cousins that bowled when she was young. "I started out bowling so I could fit in with my older cousins, but I am the only one who stuck with it." Amanda turned into a star at Brick Township High School. Brick High School was a part of one of the tougher conferences for bowling. Amanda's team enjoyed much success, winning the state championship. "There was a lot of talent in the conference, and that really helped my game get better". One of her best moments in high school was her freshman year when she was substituted into the state championship game, which Brick won. Amanda has enjoyed her first two years at Saint Peter's. She has already made many fond memories such as all the traveling does. The team has been to many states and travels as much as any other team in the school. "The team has become like a family to me, because they help me with my problems, and I know I can always turn to them for help". She enjoys meeting new people and getting to know them. Borger always puts the team before herself.

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she sees herself in. "My cousin's name Brett reminds me a lot of myself. He is an all around good athlete, a good student, and very outgoing." Amanda was really proud discussing her future self in Brett. Borger is a Communications major at Saint Peter's and hopes to go into broadcasting after college. She has many outside hobbies, which include WSPC radio station, working out, and school work. Amanda is a big part of WSPC and helps out many of the shows currently on the program. That entire aside, her biggest goal is for the bowling team to get some recognition. Amanda has two years left in college. During that time, she wants to help the Peahens win the NCAA championship and to gain attention throughout the country. Her grades come first, because she is a devoted student trying to become a future broadcaster. Amanda can always be found on campus either in the radio station or working out for bowling. She is just one of the eight members of the Saint Peter's bowling team.

wrap", says Tristan. In bowling, wear and tear is common for a bowler. Kristin, who wants to be a future third grade teacher, mentioned that her individual goals do not come before the whole teams'. She is a captain on the team, along with Margaret King. Margaret has been injured and could possibly miss the remainder of the season. Now Kristin has stepped up with the leadership role and will try and do everything she can for the team.

"We know that we are not a pacer team or underdogs and this season we want to prove that to everyone." says Amanda. The school's support has also grown, because of the student body. The team has had its shares of ups and downs, including having a flight delay going to Wisconsin and getting to the hotel late, but they never give up. It seems that the team's motto is to prove that they are not an underdog to the rest of the country and to the school itself.

Amanda has a younger cousin that

Sports PEACOCKS DISAPPOINT AGAINST Lehigh

Akeem Gooding tries to push past Lehigh Defender while coaches look on. Rvan Bacon takes it to the house! (Below)

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went on a small run and cut the deficit to only eight points. After that, the turning point in the game was when Lehigh went on a good run themselves by outscoring Saint Peter's 14 to 4 down the stretch. Saint Peter's had a horrible night shooting the ball. The peacocks shot under forty percent for the game as the Hawks shot close to sixty from the field. Jordan Costner gave the team something to be excited about as he grabbed eight rebounds. This was Saint Peter's first home game of the season. Saint Peter's, who beat Wagner early in the season last year, will be trying to do the same this season. Wagner has enjoyed some success in the past and will look to beat Saint Peter's to get momentum and continue on with their season. The Peacocks have a long season ahead of them, and look to gain confidence as it goes along. Important matchups in the conference will be against rivals Manhattan, Rider, Siena, and Wagner. Also, the men will play Rutgers. They defeated the Scarlet Knights last year 59-54. The biggest goal will be in March when the MAAC tournament is held. The winner of the tournament will win a trip to the NCAA tournament.







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The Saint Peter's men's basketball team was defeated on November 15 by the Lehigh Mountain Hawks. The final score of the game was 79-62 in favor of Lehigh. Saint Peter's was in the game for most of the first half and trailed by eight points going into half-time. The comeback never took place as Lehigh never gave up the lead in the second half and held on to win the game.

Wesley Jenkins was one of the few bright points for the Peacocks as he had a team high twentyfive points. The Peacocks had trouble containing both Zahir Carrington and Marquis Hall as they had twenty one and twenty points respectively. The Peacocks are trying to improve on last years struggles, in which they went 6 and 24. Last year was a bad year for the team, but they look to improve on their mistakes and get better as the season goes along.

The team did have a few bright points in the game as they had some runs to make the game competitive. During the second half, the Peacocks