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The Herald Wants YOU...

Melissa Sorrells
News Contributor

The *Herald* would like to announce the Assistant Editor Training Program. Eighty percent of the current staff will be graduating in the spring, so the staff is looking for dedicated, self-motivated students who wish to help continue the grand tradition of the oldest weekly newspaper in New York State.

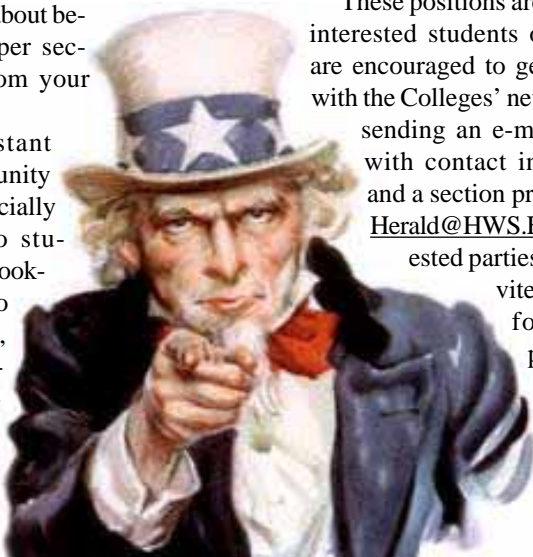
Assistant Editors will essentially be Editors-in-Training. They will communicate with their section editor often, and attend two short weekly meetings. Assistant Editors will most likely be offered a position on the Editorial Board of the *Herald* in the fall. No prior experience is required: you will learn all you need to know about being a newspaper section editor from your mentor.

This Assistant Editor opportunity should be especially interesting to students who are looking to go into journalism, book or magazine publishing, public relations, communications, or media. But

the words "*Herald* Editor" look great on any resume, and the current staff can attest to that.

The *Herald* is currently looking to take on Assistant Editors for all of our sections, including News, Arts and Entertainment, Opinion-Editorial, Sports, Layout, Advertising, and Copy. Each of these sections offer their own unique perks and challenges. The News, A&E, Op-Ed, and Sports Editors are responsible for generating article ideas and working with contributors. The Layout Editors are responsible for the look of the paper. Advertising staffers deal with the monetary side of the paper, dealing directly with those who advertise in our paper. Copy staff members are responsible for proof reading all articles for grammatical errors and style.

These positions are open, and interested students on campus are encouraged to get involved with the Colleges' newspaper by sending an e-mail inquiry with contact information and a section preference to Herald@HWS.EDU. Interested parties will be invited to an informational pizza party before Christmas break.



Support Staff Contract Debate *HWS Staff Members Try to Come to Terms*

Felipe Estefan
News Contributor

As a First year international student this situation has been both intriguing and complicated for me. I would like to point out that opinions and judgments expressed on this article are the ones I've been able to construct using the elements that are available for me as a student, and which are mainly the ones of just one of the parts of this story; the part that can talk and who additionally, is eager to do it.

The HWS support staff is composed of 58 women and one man. They work in different offices, in the College store, Admissions, Library, Business Office, Hubbs etc; and some have worked for the Colleges for more than 15 years. Currently, they are working for what they consider is less than a living wage, and since last June, without a contract. The Colleges, represented by lawyer Terry Conroy, and the bargaining committee of the Union, resumed negotiations in October regarding the content of their contract which would be in effect for the next three years. These negotiations were stopped, but resumed at the beginning of November, 2004. Union members didn't approve a previous version of the new contract which was presented earlier in the year. According to members of the Union, the earlier contract was rejected due to

disagreement over two issues: the duration of the contract (5 vs. 3 years) and the pay raise structure (long term workers would get smaller percentile increase than newer ones).

As of November 16, 2004, issues are just starting to be resolved. The support staff remains sure of what they want, and less than that seems unacceptable. They are requesting a raise of 5% for the first year and 4% for each one of the next two years, for every member of the support staff, regardless of how long they have been at HWS. They argue that giving preference to new workers over long term workers discharges loyalty. They argue moreover, that "a fair increase would be 7 or 8%," they know, however, they are not going to get it.

Their second request concerns health insurance. They requested an upgrade from the "Blue Choice Value" to the "Blue Choice Select." The differences are significant. Members of the Union explain that their current plan makes them pay for a lot of health related issues out of their own pockets. They want everyone to be covered by what is known as the "free single policy". That means that people who aren't married shouldn't have to pay anything for their health insurance.

The other part of the contract that the support staff wants to change concerns the benefits they get as employees of Hobart & William Smith. "We get less for our children's

education and our retirement," states one of the Union members. They are also concerned about the people whose paychecks decrease during the summer. The support staff works 30 hours a week during the summer. Since they are paid for hours, their paycheck is even less in those two months. On the other hand, administrative staff, they say, works less hours in the summer but gets paid as any other month because they have a certain monthly salary.

The Union must stay strong together if they want to get the best possible outcome of all this. The problem is that the Union, as one of the members says, seems to not be that strong. Some even question about the existence of the Union. The membership fee is \$25 a month. The problem is that members not always go to meetings and not all people vote about what should be done. The mood seems to be changing regarding this new contract though. They have a new representative, Bob Tompkins, who seems to have restored some faith of the Union members on the process. "People are hopeful but they don't think they will get a fair deal", says one of the members.

On Friday, November 5th, members of the Union with their representative stood in front of Scandling Center to explain to the community their requests. With signs that said "\$1 dollar more a day, we are worth it", they addressed the current tense

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HEALTH HINTS FROM HUBBS

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It is November: the skies are gray, the ground is mucky and the winds blow cold. Your desk is stacked with research materials, and your floor is piled with unwashed clothes. Your bank account is low, your gas tank empty, and your assignments are near deadline. Sleep has become your enemy, and eating is more of a race than a time for relaxation. You realize that your hands have begun to shake as you hold your tenth cup of coffee. Your friends have decided that you have developed a personality disorder, and you are beginning to agree with them. Something must be wrong with me, you mutter. My life sucks.

Fortunately for most of us, this scenario is not about a deep-seeded personality disorder but about common everyday stress. Stress is described as the physical, emotional, and mental reactions experienced as the result of changes and demands in life. Everyone responds to life's changes differently. Positive stress can be a motivator and give us the drive needed to discipline ourselves to stick with a schedule and keep up with class and athletic demands. Negative stress can occur when life's changes demand and overwhelm a person. Stress is often very high this time of year.

Stress can take its toll in many ways. Experts have long known that chronic tension leads to high blood pressure and an abnormal heartbeat. Chronic stress can lead to increased risks for heart disease or stroke. The body's immune response is decreased by stress, so there is an increased susceptibility to colds, viruses, and the flu. Persons with known herpes infections have in-

creased outbreaks while under stress.

In some people, stress goes straight to the gut. The resulting chemical reaction in the gut mucus and enzymes can contribute to indigestion and irritable bowel syndrome. The result of this is abdominal pain with reflux or irregular bowel movements.

Physical symptoms of stress include muscle tension, headache, chest pain, upset stomach, diarrhea or constipation, racing heartbeat, cold clammy hands, fatigue, profuse sweating, rashes, rapid breathing, shaking tics, jumpiness, poor or excessive appetite, weakness, tiredness, or dizziness.

Emotional symptoms of stress include anger, low self-esteem, depression, apathy, irritability, fear and phobic responses, difficulty concentrating, guilt, worry, agitation, anxiety, and panic. Behavioral responses to stress include alcohol or drug abuse, an increase in smoking, sleep disorders, overeating, memory loss, and confusion. Don't despair! There are some practical commonsense ways to cope with stress.

Work it off: Get into a physical activity that you enjoy. Even taking a walk can work wonders. Exercise will relax your body and help you deal with mental stress.

Talk it over: When things build up, it helps to discuss your feelings. Talk with someone you trust and respect. A friend, a professor, the chaplain, a counselor or health care provider can help you see a new side to a problem.

Listen to your body: When you are tense and your headaches or heart pounds, slow down. Your body is letting you know that you are pushing it too much. Pace yourself.

Take a break: A change of pace, no

matter how short, will give you a new outlook on your situation. Take a few minutes for yourself.

Get plenty of sleep: Sleeping enough will help improve your ability to deal with stressful situations.

Balance schoolwork (or work) and play (or socializing): You deserve a break. Constant work can mean constant stress. Balance your life with some recreation, then go back to work with an open mind.

Do something for others: Sometimes it helps to take your mind off yourself and your immediate situation. Doing something for someone else will make you and the other person feel better.

Learn to relax: Meditation, a hot shower, a nap, or even shopping can help you relax. Learning relaxation techniques for relaxing the body's muscles can be very helpful. Listen to soothing music or natural background tapes.

Avoid self-medication: Avoid using alcohol, cigarettes, tranquilizers, or marijuana to cope with your problems.

Eat a balanced diet: A diet filled with fruits, vegetables, and whole grains helps you weather stress better. Avoid junk food and caffeine.

If you are experiencing any of the symptoms of stress and are unable to bring your level of tension down or are worried about your inability to function as you would like, please contact a healthcare provider at Hubbs or visit the Counseling Center. Both can be reached at extension 3600.

Relax and enjoy Thanksgiving! Finals are around the corner.

Note from the Herald:

If you're feeling stressed, then the best way to get out of a rut is to try something new! One idea is to stop by a Herald meeting (7 p.m. on Tuesdays down in the basement of Scandling Center) or submit an editorial or article. Doing so can take a big load off your chest, or allow you to get that change of pace you may need! It may seem counterintuitive to add more on to your plate, but the Herald could be just what you were looking for. Stop by! We need your help!



Hadley Mongell, Editor-In-Chief

This past Friday opened my eyes to the fact that I really truly am a senior in college.

At the beginning of this year, being a "senior" was more of an empowering illusion rather than what really felt like the truth. I lived off-campus and had no problem registering for class. Not even job interviews or numerous meetings with Career Services about my "future" could make the idea sink in any further into my consciousness.

However while being a good daughter for my sentimental mother, my fantasy world of never-ending college life came crashing down with the bright light of a camera flash. I promised my mother I would get my senior portraits done. I agreed to take a few short moments out of my incredibly busy day to ensure that there would be proof that I actually went to HWS and would be part of its rich history. I admit I was a little anxious to have a good pose, but it was more than the encounter with the camera that caused me to reflect.

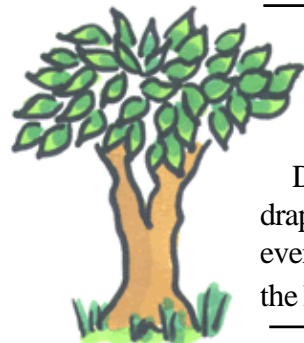
As I stood in line, Roddy Thaler (whom I went to nursery school and high school with) came to stand behind me because he too promised his mother a portrait. It finally hit me that almost twenty years ago, we were standing in yet another line waiting to get our FIRST school pictures

taken. I was standing next to him with my insanely curly hair, OshKosh Bgosh corduroy jumper, and velcro pink Nikes, while Roddy distinctively pleaded with the cameraman in an attempt to be permitted to wear his pinstripe conductor's hat in the picture. And now, we were together for our LAST school pictures, wearing blazers and discussing the present issue of *The Herald*.

The whole experience made me think about the fact that this year is full of "last" moments. This picture, this simple snapshot, will go into a yearbook and soon be one of the only visual memories my classmates and professors will have of me. Also, when I become famous one day (haha) that one picture will circulate and expose "that was Hadley Mongell in college."

Since the season of giving thanks is upon us, I believe this explains my sensitivity to this subject of being aware of who I am, where I came from, and the special people I have met along the way. Photographs are an amazingly beautiful invention because the smiles they capture today in one split second become the lasting glimpses we have in our future to remember our past.

I wish everyone a safe trip home, and a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday full of smiles and memorable photographs.



Campus Green's Tip-o-the-Week

Don't block heat registers or radiators with drapes, furniture, or appliances. This prevents even distribution of heat in rooms and causes the heating system to work to compensate.

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“Notable Quotables”

Elizabeth Staino
Campus Life Columnist

HWS sports have been dominating on the field. With all the sporting accomplishments, I decided to ask the fans their opinions on the Herons and Statesmen making the NCAA Tournaments.



The “Super Fans”

“It’s easy being a fan when the team is this damn good! We are glad that the teams made NCAAs so we never have to stop cheering.”



Katie Smith (far right)

“The teams are hard working, intense, and dedicated. They really deserve NCAAs. People need to come out and support the teams because NCAAs are a huge accomplishment.”



Vanessa Crans (right)

They have worked hard and deserve to be where they are today. Football and Field Hockey should be supported as much as possible by students as the games get more intense.



Anna Urbano

For fifteen years I have followed all sports here at HWS. I am very excited for our teams this year. Sports at our school are great, and they deserve to be in the NCAA championships.

EL HERALDO

LAO Adresses Homosexuality

Annerys Rodriguez
El Herald Editor

The gay community in Latin America countries is still a taboo and a lot of Latinos find them selves with the idea that homosexuality doesn’t exist. People don’t talk about it and when someone “comes out” it becomes a source of isolation from family and friends. Sometimes, society forces them to live a double life where they have a marriage with a heterosexual and a lot of times children. In the article “The Silent Treatment” writ-

ten by Lydia Martin and published by Latina magazine, silence appears to be the option for most homosexuals. Unlike the U.S, where there are television shows or even political programs where plenty discuss and support homosexuality, in Latin America there is a lack of education on the topic. “many still believe in a basic tenet of machista culture-that to be a real men or women, you must be straight-as well as in the conservative teachings of the Catholic Church, which assert that practicing homosexuality is a sin.” The effect that this has on gay people goes fur-

ther than “rejection, ridicule and rejection.” Homophobia in Latino communities has lead to numerous teen suicides which make up 33 percent.

In an effort to raise awareness, the Latin American Organization (LAO) in a joint meeting with Pride Alliance discussed homosexuality in Latin America. Through friends, family members or experiences abroad many have come to notice “the silent treatment,” given to gays in the Latino community. They witness the consequences of admitting their sexual preference in their society; thus are force to hide their identity.

“Chiste”

Un hombre muere y va al infierno. Allí descubre que hay un infierno para cada país.

Va primero al infierno alemán y pregunta: ¿Que te hacen acá? Y el ultimo en la fila le dice:

Aquí primero te ponen en la silla eléctrica por una hora, luego te acuestan en una cama llena de clavos por otra hora, y el resto del

día viene el diablo alemán y te da latigazos.

Al personaje no le gusto nada y se fue a ver en que consistían los otros infiernos. Tanto el infierno! estadounidense como el ruso y el resto de infiernos de distintas naciones hacían lo mismo; entonces, ve que en el

infierno dominicano hay una fila llena de gente esperando entrar.

Intrigado, pregunta al ultimo de la fila: ¿Que es lo que hacen acá? Y el individuo le dice:

Aquí te ponen en una silla eléctrica por una hora, luego en una cama llena de clavos por otra hora, y el resto del día viene el diablo dominicano y te da latigazos.

Pero es exactamente igual a los otros infiernos, ¿por que aquí hay tanta

gente queriendo entrar?

Porque nunca hay luz, la silla eléctrica no sirve, los clavos de la cama se los robaron todos y el diablo viene, firma y se va.

Parents’ Dinner Photo Album

Photographs by Amellie Coster
Captions by Dominique Biancosino



Councilman Hiram Monserrate with the 2004 LAO board (Fatima Duran, Lenin Guzman, Raphael Rodriguez, Dominique Biancosino, Leanne Roncolato, Myriam Torres, Annerys Rodriguez, Jordan Perez, and Gregory Tull)



William Smith junior Dilcia Gonzalez performed a song in Spanish.



Professor Edgar Paiwansky-Conde of the Spanish department reciting “Plenos Poderes” by Pablo Neruda.

OPINION-EDITORIAL POLITICAL FEATURE:



The Soapbox

Political Activism at Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

Note: the Herald does not have any official political affiliation, and those opinions expressed below are not necessarily those held by the staff. The Herald agrees to publish as many submissions from as many different viewpoints as possible.

“Quote of the Week:”

Before you criticize someone, walk a mile in their shoes. That way, you'll be a mile from them, and you'll have their shoes.
—Jack Handey

W. Stands for Wrong..and so is Chad Nelson

Kara Fraser
Section Contributor

I recently read an article in the *Herald* written by a student who no longer goes to H&WS and is apparently quite bitter that he cannot get into graduate school or get a job. In light of this article, I felt compelled to stand up for reason and for women and explain to this self-confessed “lefty” hater why women are not better off now than they were four years ago and why women in America are still too far behind men in terms of equal rights and equal pay.

America is a nation that prides itself on its history of democracy, freedom, and equality. Our very constitution was devised so that all peoples would be considered equal. But where does equality begin and where does it end? Does it end with immigrants? Did it begin when slavery ended? Or is equality still something many “minority” groups are searching for today? I believe that we all know the answer to this question. Black or white, male or female, Republican or Democrat, we all know that equality is not something that is available to all citizens of this nation, least of all minority groups and especially not women.

I would first of all like to begin by expressing my personal disdain for the use of the word “minority” to describe women in America, let alone the world. Women compose 54% of the U.S. population and nearly 55% of that of the world. That is roughly 159 million women to the 134 million men in America. Not only that, but we also compose roughly 48% of the work force. Therefore, I feel it is not only inaccurate but asinine to refer to women as a “minority group” when we are actually the majority.

Despite our greatness in number, we are still the most silent portion of America in far too many ways. We earn lower wages, have less representation in our government, and are the largest portion of society to be prayed upon.

Take Back the Night is an annual William Smith ritual which expresses the sadness many feel about the numerous sexual assaults the females of this campus have endured over the years especially this semester. I choose to reflect upon this ritual because Mr. Nelson reflects upon it himself when he writes, “Leave carnations on all of the people’s doors that won’t get into graduate school because they’re men,” (please excuse the semi-poor grammar, I am quoting directly). I feel this is a particularly heinous synergism made between the placing of flowers out of respect and sorrow for the women who have been assaulted on this campus and the placing of a flower on the doorstep of every man, like Mr. Nelson, who spent his college days drinking (as he so frankly points out in the first paragraph of his article) and not enough time doing his work. Because of his many shortcomings as a student here at HWS, he appears to have been unsuccessful in his quest to find employment and/or be accepted to graduate school. I infer this from his own article, due to the fact that he appears so very bitter about not getting into graduate school and chooses to place this blame for this upon women rather than on himself.

Now onto “W”. It has been said that “W stands for woman” but in actuality, if you ask any educated woman with an ounce of sense, they will agree that “W” really stands for “WRONG.” Under the Bush Administration, women have actually been

set back a great deal. We are now making merely 76 cents for every \$1.00 a man makes. Now I know that Mr. Nelson attempts to state that women in the working world, outside of the “H&WS bubble,” “find things like abortion appalling and the wage gap between genders misleading” and think such notions are “laughable,” but I am here to tell you that *he* is the one who has been misled.

I spent a year away from campus, working as a legal assistant in a well



respected law firm in Buffalo, NY. During that time, I learned *a lot* about the “real world,” and I can tell you that women in the work world, who are past their “college age,” are *most definitely* annoyed with the status quo. The women in my law firm, one that prided itself on being equalitarian and respectful to women, still gave the female attorneys smaller offices and lower salaries and all of the jobs the male attorneys did not want to do. Not to mention that, even in the 21st century, I myself experienced and witnessed many instances of sexual harassment. All of this in a well respected law firm, in a real city, in the “real world.” The

women were not happy about this, nor should they be. Women are not complacent, because we truly *do* make less money in every sector of the work world, private and public, professional and blue collar, from every end of the work force spectrum, women are underpaid.

Think things are getting better rather than worse? Think again! Women under the Clinton Administration were making on average 78 cents for every \$1.00 a man made: not enough, but more than we are making now. While 2 cents may only be 2 cents, in a nation where the number of single mothers is on the rise every year, this is incredibly detrimental to not only the society but to the economy as well. I would like to ask the men of this campus and this nation how they would like to raise a child *alone* on a job paying only \$32,000 per year (the national average for women in America)? Now I’d like to ask them how they would like standing by as the women in their office make \$48,000 (the average yearly salary for a man in America) for doing the exact same job, all the while being looked at as a sexual object, and attempting to shelter and food your child, or children, while the “deadbeat” mom doesn’t pay child support? Seem like the raw end of the deal? Well it is! But this is the end that women face every day of their lives here in America and around the world.

Onto abortion. Under the Bush Administration, there is much talk of overturning Roe v. Wade. Yet as a sensible WOMAN, I suggest that the government consider the social implications *before* doing something that will be particularly detrimental to society in the long run. Is abortion a sad reality of life? Yes. Will any woman tell you different,

whether she herself has had an abortion or not? Absolutely not! Every woman knows in their heart how terrible that decision is and how truly *difficult* that decision is to make. I have had friends and family who have had abortions because they had *no other choice*, and I myself feel for them, both as a woman AND as a Christian. I know how difficult that was for them, because I, unlike Mr. Nelson, President Bush, the majority of the Supreme Court, and the majority of the HWS College Republicans, am a WOMAN. I know what it is like to be a woman, I understand what it is to have the power and the ability to give life, and I will someday know what it is to be a mother. NO MAN will ever, ever, ever know what it is like to be a woman, but I DO, and I am not alone.

In America, nearly 43% of women have had an abortion by the age of 45. That is nearly half of all women from all portions of society, and 18% of those women are Evangelical Christians, the very base of the “pro-life” movement. I would thus like to bring to light the societal impact that will follow the overturn of Roe v. Wade. In 1970, two years before the legalization of abortion, there were 1.2 million abortions and 209,000 women died in the process. In 2003, there were 1.3 million abortions and less than 1% died in the process. That is a BIG difference, and if we are judging by the number of deaths alone, then 2003 had fewer deaths by 100,000+ women.

But I use the year 1970 for another reason. 1970 is also the year that now President George W. Bush allegedly got his then girlfriend pregnant, *out of wedlock*, and she had an abortion. This abortion was supposedly arranged by his father, then

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Join THE HERALD

See what your missing....



“R” is for Roderick

Come meet Roddy and the rest of the staff of the Herald

Every Tuesday

7p.m.

Basement of Scandling Center

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CIA Director and very vocal pro-choice advocate, George H.W. Bush. As Jesus Christ once said, “Let he whom is without sin cast the first stone.” Mr. Bush is clearly not without sin, and if Mr. Nelson were to get a girl pregnant, I am *certain* that he too would change his tune.

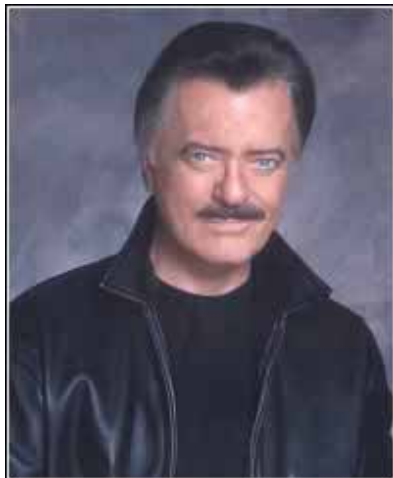
Not only is the number of deaths a question and not only is the safety of the women in America a question, but how are we to pay for the 1.3-1.4 million more lives in America each year? President Bush had cut healthcare and women compose the

LARGEST uninsured portion of the population. We also compose the largest portion of the population that is raising a child, or children, *alone* on one income. In 2003, 32% of American women were single mothers, and over 50% of them were living at or near the poverty line. When you add that up, along with the 98% of men who *never* pay child support, you have the recipe for disaster.

(Editor’s Note: the second half of Kara Fraser’s editorial will appear in the December 3 issue of the *Herald*.)

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situation in the bargaining table. For a lot of them, coming out in public was a brave thing to do. “I can’t afford to lose my job,” says a single mother who is part of the support staff. Another member says that the only result of their current labor conditions will be a reduced quality of work. “I’m not going to do much more than what is said in



Robert Goulet

my job description.” They feel people are satisfied with the quality of the work as it is right now, but they think is not worth keeping it up for what they are being offered. Another member adds: “It’s not that we don’t want to work. We just want equal conditions, fair pay.”

The Colleges have offered increases of 4% the first year, 4% the second and 5% the third year,

Smoking Is Beautiful

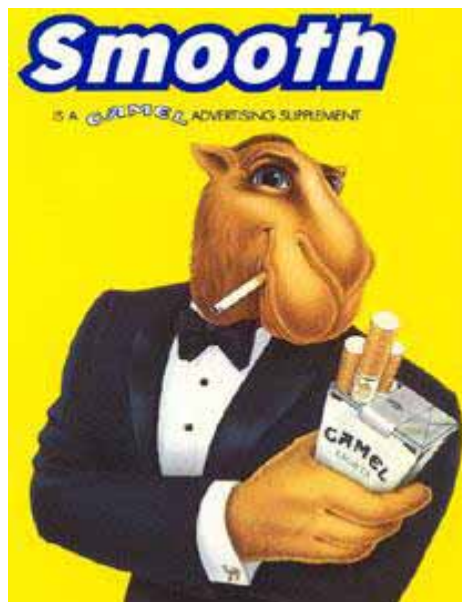
Meredith E. Eppers
Section Contributor

Click, click - a brilliant burst of a combination, of heat and light erupts from a tiny, metal lighter. The flame is brought to the end of the slender, delicate cigarette that hangs between the thin red lips. The cigarette is lit. The smoker takes a long, satisfying first puff, sits back in the chair, and enjoys the slow burn of the cigarette. The graceful rhythm as the smoker slowly brings the lit, lean cigarette to the anticipating lips, holds it there for a brief moment, and then, just as smoothly, removes the slender form. Smoking is a thing of beauty.

Once the cigarette is lit, it burns, giving off its distinctive aroma. Wherever they go, smokers carry this attractive fragrance in their hair, their breath. Virtually everything they own, including their car, house, and clothes, are bathed with the scent. A single whiff triggers memories of good times spent savoring a cigarette. It is key to the smoker’s love affair.

We as humans desire companionship in order to feel complete. The slender cigarette is a companion in itself, and it is a powerful object of desire. Smokers develop a long lasting, special relationship with their cigarettes. They take time out to pay attention to the smoke and to enjoy the burning of the cigarette. Ciga-

rettes can’t talk back; they disregard what you are wearing, what you look like, and whether you decide to take a shower before gracing them with your presence. Not only are they non-biased, they are also unselfish. They relieve stress and provide an extra boost of confidence in uncomfortable situations. Cigarettes never need an appointment; they are happy to meet with you whenever you are in need. The cigarette quickly gets to know smokers, and when it feels



it has been ignored for too long, they develop the power to pull on the smoker’s heart for love. They set the foundation for a long lasting, successful, and satisfying relationship.

For women especially, this bond between cigarette and smoker helps make the smoker feel more attractive. Smoking helps women stay slim; in-



stead of eating, a woman can smoke. If women smoke to be womanly, men smoke to be manlier. It’s manly to sit around with the guys at a bar or on a golf course enjoying a smoke. It gives men a sense of status and power. Smoking is daring, bold, and risky, but the effects are not seen until years later. In a sense, when people smoke they flirt with death; we all know the risks of smoking, but we love it anyway. In place of our drive for life, we are moved by a drive to be near death.

Why do we only hear about how bad smoking is? Are educators, parents, and people in positions to promote health and healthy decisions trained or forced to offer us only canned responses? Are they afraid that if the beauty of smoking were clearly presented, more people would pick up the habit? Instead of hiding and denying the beauty of smoking, it would be more logical to acknowledge the benefits, and only then hitting us with the negative. Shouldn’t we be allowed to see and analyze for ourselves?

Smoking, without doubt, can be a thing of beauty. The motions, the smells, the tastes, and the sensations of smoking a cigarette are sublime. Have a cup of coffee. Have a smoke. Think for yourself.

free Blue Choice Value as their health plan, and an increase from \$400 to \$1000 for tuition grant for their children to study in an accredited college different than HWS. The Union member will vote to approve or disapprove this new offer on Friday November 19, 2004.

During President Gearan’s administration, the employees of the Colleges have received salary increases that put them closer to the average earning of the area. The faculty members received an increase recently and have also expressed their concerns regarding this situation through letters and e-mails. Three years ago, negotiations with the Union ended successfully. Still, it seems that all the improvements done by the

Administration are still far from what the employees consider fair and acceptable.

As negotiations continue, uncertainty and tension are the two overriding concerns for these *philanthropists*, as Ehrenreich likes to call them. “The ‘working poor’, as they are approvingly termed, are in fact the major philanthropists of our society. They neglect their own child so that the children of others will be cared for; they live in substandard housing so that other home will be shiny and perfect; they endure privation so that inflation will be low and stock prices high.”

The sad truth appears to be that their labor situation is below the standards of this county, as stated

by The New York State Department of Labor on their website. What they earn is below the average of earning of people employed in the same type of jobs in this county. Still they have to pay for a place to live, a way to move from place to place, food, education, health, and additional expenses for their children. It is, according to them, impossible. As Barbara Ehrenreich says in her book *Nickel and Dimed*: “Something is wrong, very wrong, when a single person in good health, a person who in addition possesses a working car, can barely support herself by the sweat of her brow.” She is right and we should take her seriously.

Note from the Herald: to enact change, consider writing a letter of support to the president.



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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



Caroline Hettinger
News Editor

Koshare, Hobart and William Smith's annual student-run dance concert, was held in the Winn Seeley gymnasium November 12th and 13th. The Koshare Board, made up of officers Elizabeth Figura, Kyle Dempsey, Anna Comerford, Lisa Nelson, Jessica Zippin, and Megan Moffit, organized the two evening performances and a Saturday matinee.

The two-hour performance included 23 pieces and over 100 dancers with a short intermission after the first hour. Response to the concert was overwhelmingly positive from both the audience and the dancers.

Geneva Theater Guild Presents:
“Foibles”

Melissa Sorrells
Copy Editor

The Geneva Theater Guild will present *Foibles*, an award winning one-act play, on Saturday at the Cayuga Community College State Theater Festival. The performance will begin at 1:30 pm, and tickets will be available at the door.

The play centers around an elderly woman who is trying to deal with her imminent death. She receives help with her strange tasks from her daughter and robot servant. *Foibles* was written by Geneva's own Jay Hanagan has been performed and will be directed by Guild President

Larry Ann Evans. It was also feature an award-winning cast, including actress Eleanor Sterans. *Foibles* will be competing against five other one-act plays for the honor of representing New York State at the Eastern States Theatre Festival in Dover, Delaware, next April.

The State Theatre Festival is a three-day festival held at Cayuga Community College in Auburn beginning Friday, November 19th. This year, it will feature eight productions by community and academic theatre groups from across the State. For more information, visit the Guild's Web site at www.gtglive.org.

Koshare is a Hit!

Dance minor Tracy Genovese (WS '05), who participated in the maxi-

imum of three pieces, stated, “Koshare has been one of the most amazing experiences I’ve been through at HWS. It’s something I have always wanted to do in the past three years but haven’t because of how busy my schedule was. This year I just decided to do it. You meet new people you might never have met. It’s such a diverse group and warm environment. I’ve met some amazing personalities that I would not have met if I hadn’t gone through dance.”

The diverse types of dancing, ranging from modern to jazz to hip-hop pieces, exemplified the depth of creativity of the choreographers, some of whom choreographed more than one piece in completely different styles.

Joshua Warr (H '05) choreographed two incredible performances. The first, entitled “Coupe de Foudre,” was a fun, upbeat dance to Cole Porter’s “Let’s Do It.” His second piece stands in stark contrast; entitled “Democrat,” it was a reflective solo performed by the always-amazing Colleen Wahl to Laura Love’s “I’m Givin’ Way.” Warr participated in “Coupe de Foudre” and also danced in Meredith Boggia’s (WS '06) eerie “Diffusive Inclination.”

Boggia’s “Diffusive Inclination” featured nine dancers in what one audience member described as, “deranged ballet costumes,” delivering an affecting and commanding performance that shook the audience up after the stunning, jazzy “Lookin’ for Trouble?” performed by Caterina Caiazza (WS '05) and choreographed by Elizabeth Figura (WS '05).

Other highlights included “Hip-Hop Takeover,” an invigorating piece choreographed by Tina Lee (WS '06), of whom Ali Herter (WS '05) stated, “that girl can move.” Dereck Norville’s “Prayer for the Battered,” was an incredibly powerful and commanding performance, featuring

fourteen dancers moving to “Jesus Walks” by Kanye West.

“Green Sally!” choreographed by Kyle Dempsey (WS '06), “Recess” by Emily Lutin (WS '05) to Simon & Garfunkel, and “Bye Bye Blackbird” by Jessica Zippin (WS '07) all provided buoyant and beautifully executed moments to the performance.

“El Sabor de la Noche” and “Introducing HWS: Hip-NotiQs,” were very different pieces, one salsa and one hip-hop, but both huge crowd-pleasers. The energy and passion of the dancers throughout the performance was truly incredible to watch.

Paul McNeil (H '05) summed up his experiences as both audience member and dancer in Koshare by saying, “I’ve always loved watching it—it’s such a friendly concert with the audience. So I said, why not be on the other side of the lights?”

The *Herald* would like to congratulate all of the dancers, choreographers and, everyone else who made Koshare 2004 possible. The *Herald* would like to extend special congratulations and good luck to the seniors. We have loved watching you.

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The Herald Presents: Upcoming Events Calendar

Melissa Sorrells
Copy Editor

With Thanksgiving Break looming up ahead, we're all starting to go a little stir-crazy. Why don't you put down your books, get out of your room, and take advantage of some of the many activities going on for the next few days:

Friday, November 19

The Chamber Orchestra Kremlin will perform at The Smith Opera House at 8:15 pm. The audience will vote to decide which pieces are performed during this unique

concert. H&WS students attend free with ID.

The paintings of John Loftus, professor emeritus of art, will be on display in Houghton House from Friday through Monday. A special reception will be held on Friday from 7-9 pm.

The Hobart Hockey team will play Potsdam College at 7 pm in the Geneva Recreation Complex.

Saturday, November 20

The Hobart Hockey team will play Brockport College at 4 pm in the Geneva Recreation Complex.

The William Smith Basketball team will be playing Keuka Col-

lege at 6 pm in Bristol Gymnasium.

Singer Adam Richman will perform live in the Cellar Pub at 7:30 pm. His performance will be followed at 9 pm by and Open Mic Contest. There will be a cash prize. All H&WS students are welcome to attend.

The Hobart Basketball team will be playing Keuka College at 8 pm in Bristol gymnasium.

Sunday, November 21

The annual Wayne County Council for the Arts Holiday Sale will be from 1-4 pm at 108 W. Miller St. in Newark, New York. Unique art, jewelry, ceramics, glassware, and other products will be for sale.

The second Women's Self-Defense class for H&WS students, lead by third-degree black belt Bernadette van der Vliet, is being offered in the group activities room at the Field House from 2-4 pm. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers, but bring items you would normally carry around campus.

The Geneva Area Interfaith Council is sponsoring a Thanksgiving service at St. Francis DeSales Church on Exchange and State Streets downtown at 7 pm. Please bring a gift of non-perishable food.

Monday, November 22

The 12 Windows film series

presents "Divine Intervention" (a chronicle of love and pain) at 7 pm in the Sanford Room. The film was chosen and will be introduced by Bahar Davary, assistant professor of religious studies.

John Garvey, director of human resources for Ontario County Municipal Services, will speak about opportunities for students interested in government and public policy from noon until 1 pm in Trinity 206.

The Smith Opera House will screen the Cole Porter biopic "De-Lovely" for \$3 at 7 pm.

Stay Tuned for further information, and also check the Daily Update!



86% of student-athletes
NEVER engage in
unprotected sexual intercourse
as a result of drinking.

Source: Data based on a Spring 2003 Survey of a representative cross-section of HWS students with 320 respondents.





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SPORTS

Good Luck
in the Coming
Season!



Field Hockey Heads to the Final Four

Patricia J. Foster
Sports Contributor

On Saturday, the William Smith field hockey team captured a 5-2 win over Wittenberg University.

Junior Margaret Dolan tapped the ball into the cage off a rebound at the 2:24 mark. Three minutes later,

Wittenberg struck back with a score making it a tie game. 20 minutes later, Sarah Silverio, a senior, shot at the top of the circle. Sophie Dennis, a sophomore, redirected the ball into the back left post of the cage, giving the herons a one-goal lead. Five minutes before the first half ended,

sophomore Brooke Atwood scored the team's third goal. Going into the half, the Herons led 3-1 with 26 shots on goal to Wittenberg's two and eight penalty corners to zero.

At the outset of the second half senior Lily Gillett, assisted sophomore Elizabeth Saucier's blast from the top of the circle into the net. The Herons maintained a 4-1 lead until Wittenberg got their second goal of the game at the 50:35 mark. Five minutes later, recapturing the three-goal lead junior Tara Baker sent the ball into the cage. The Herons finished this half with seven shots on goal to Wittenberg's four and five penalty corners to three. This win sent William Smith on to the Elite Eight round the following day, where they faced Ursinus College.

During the Sunday game, the Herons defeated Ursinus College, 5-1, advancing them to the NCAA Division III Semifinal Round for the sixth time in the program's history.

Sophomore Sophie Dennis

opened the scoring at the 5:34 mark, tipping a blast off the stick of junior Lauren Fuller into the net. Junior Amy Kuzio doubled the Herons' advantage 28 minutes into the game, finishing a scramble. At halftime William Smith had seven shots on goal and two penalty corners while

Ursinus had five shots and four penalty corners, and the score was 2-0.

Three minutes after the break, Dennis added her second goal of the game, redirecting a shot from junior Maggie Dolan. Dennis made it a 4-0 William Smith lead in the

49th minute. She took possession on the right wing, 30 yards from the cage, outran the defense, and beat the goalie. Sophomore Sophie Dennis led the offensive explosion with her fourth career hat trick. Dolan scored the final Heron goal with a shot in the lower right corner of the cage with 18 minutes left in the game. Ursinus (20-2) finally scored on the William Smith defense with just 15.8 seconds remaining.

Junior goalie Sue Jordan recorded six saves for her 18th win of the year. William Smith (18-2) held a slim 16-15 advantage in shots, but the Heron defense was smothering, blocking, or forcing wide shots on most of the Bears' chances. Ursinus had a 17 game winning streak until facing the Herons.

The Herons will play Salisbury University at 2 p.m. on November 19th at Westfield State College in Westfield Massachusetts. William Smith has won three national championships (1992, 1997, 2000) under Scatton.



Sophomore Sophie Dennis scored three times on Sunday. Photo by K. Colton

Football Ends Successful Season

Kailey Voellinger
Sports Contributor

On Saturday November 6, the Hobart Statesmen took on the Union Dutchmen in the Liberty League Championship game. The winner of this match-up was to receive an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament.

Union began the game strongly and kept a lead until the 4th quarter. When the game was 27-24 Union, Hobart intercepted a pass on Union's 1-yard line. After three unsuccessful plays, punter Dan Suozzi faked the punt attempt and ran 14 yards for the first down. This play spurred the Statesmen to a 16 play, 87-yard drive that unfortunately did not end in a game-winning touchdown, but brought the game to a 27-27 tie and into overtime, through Eric Ampuja's 29-yard field goal.

Union won the opportunity to have the first play of overtime. Their

possession came down to inches, and they failed to score on 4th and goal. On Hobart's first possession of overtime, the game-winning goal was scored on a 14-yard pass from quarterback Shawn Mizero to Rick Piñero. Head Coach Mike Cragg felt that, "it was a great game between two great teams and we are very proud to be able to represent the Liberty League in the NCAA Playoffs."

The celebration of victory was intense and joyous as the Statesmen ran onto the field, and the fans emptied their seats to go congratulate the team and rejoice with each other. Cragg also said he, "would like to thank all the fans at the game-the crowd support was tremendous and really helped us."

The final game of the season was played on the Boz against the University of Rochester. Coach Cragg said that, "they beat us last year and our players are anxious to make amends for that." Hobart put on quite a show for their last game. In one of

the many highlights of the game, senior kicker Ampuja kicked his 19th career field goal, tying the Statesmen record held by Shawn Fazio since 1981. With 499-yards of total offense, Hobart's defense held Rochester to 259. Leading 17-7 at the break, Hobart scored 22 unanswered points in the third quarter. With 9 minutes remaining in the game, Hobart was up 41-7. Rochester scored twice, but it was too little, too late. Hobart defeated Rochester at 7-0 Liberty League and 8-1 overall.

On Sunday, the team learned that they will be playing Curry College (Milton, MA) on the Boz at noon in the first round of playoffs on November 20th. Curry is 9-1 and has qualified for the post season for the last four years. As far as the tournament goes, Cragg said that, "there will be no doubt about what our goal is: Thanksgiving dinner here in Geneva while we prepare for round 2 of the playoffs."

The Ultimate Adrenaline Rush

Laura Burnett-Kurie
Sports Contributor

I pace back and forth across my bedroom in the dark, glancing out the window to check the weather. On the night before a full day of backcountry snowboarding, time stands still. It warps my mind, tricking me into thinking the morning will never arrive. When it finally does, it's a frantic scramble out the door. I check the car roof for the evening snowfall: lots of powder. It turns my insides into a tornado, anxiously waiting for my body to release adrenaline so I can feel that ultimate high. I split to the mountain as if I am late for an important class, throw my transmission into park, and sprint to the lodge. With my boots untied, and my gear dangling from every pocket and sleeve, I dash to the lift hoping to get a front spot in line.

I prepare for the runs ahead of me, my mind urging me on. I hear the avalanche bombs echoing through the valley. I plan to head to the south bowl, unless there is "high avalanche risk" posted. Finally, the

lift begins to run after half an hour of suffering. I feel my adrenaline pumping and hear my heart thumping harder and harder as the lift carries me to the top of a perfectly blanketed mountain. I pause for a moment at the top, ruminating about how I dream of these runs. With these conditions you don't have to check your landings; just try to get the most air possible. With the crowds nowadays you are only guaranteed one surreal run a day, and you better make it total satisfaction.

My stomach tightens as I gaze down on the jagged wing of snow and rock. My friends and I step to the edge, straining to peer over the wind cornice to get a better view of the long, steep 60-foot chute. There is an unrideable roll halfway down. We map out the tight maneuvering needed to navigate through the sharp rocks around it. I make a mental note and pull away from the edge, sit down, and strap in. I take one final look at the aerial Polaroid of the chute, sketching out my final line.

As I drop in I reiterate that these are the moments in life that fuel my

desire. I almost doubt myself, but the adrenaline flowing through my blood throws my body over the cornice and down into the chute. I drop down with ease and begin carving out a downy flank. After fifteen seconds, I turn nonchalantly into the fall line, visualizing each turn inside my head, until I finally let loose and slip into my zone.

It is the perfect powder day: the sky clear and the air crisp. We get to the mountain early and get a front spot in line. No avalanches reported in the South Bowl, which we find untracked and untouched. Then the best part of all: riding a perfect run down into the basin where we meet up again. The joy covering my friend's faces makes the whole day a success. Yet, the second after I catch my breath, the feeling fades, and the adrenaline tornado rebounds. It fills my insides, giving me the ultimate rush, which is half the enjoyment of backcountry boarding. The other half is overcoming my jitters and fears by dropping down into that mysterious terrain.