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Punk band New Found Glory to play at Fall Rock Show

Concert will be held in Dewick Dining Hall

> by Danny Lutz Daily Editorial Board

Upon signing a contract with the punk band New Found Glory, the Tufts Concert Board locked down a main act for its annual Fall Rock Show.

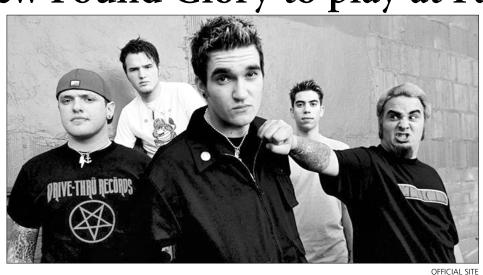
The show will take place the night of Wednesday, Oct. 27 in the Dewick-MacPhie Dining Hall.

"New Found Glory has [come to] colleges before, but this particular concert is a return to college shows after about a one-year hiatus," Concert Board Co-Chair Adam Drobnis said. "They have never played Tufts before and we were lucky enough to get them."

Concert Board deliberated over several bands throughout the summer and fall until they were wooed by New Found Glory's punk aesthetic.

'Due to the overwhelming success of Less than Jake at Spring Fling last year, and the fact that we haven't had a punk band for the Rock show recently, we decided to pursue a punk act," Drobnis said.

"This is an amazing opportunity to pro-



Punk band New Found Glory will headline Tufts' fall rock show this year.

vide a large venue, large-scale band in a very small, intimate setting," he said.

Tickets for the Rock Show will go on sale for \$10 Wednesday morning at the ticket booth in the Campus Center. Tickets will be only available to Tufts undergraduates, and officials will only issue one ticket per student ID.

Four hundred tickets are available for the

concert, 50 of which are now in Tufts radio WMFO's possession. The radio station will give away tickets to students through radio shows.

Funding for the Rock Show comes from the Concert Board's budget, which in turn derives from the Student Activities Fee.

The Concert Board's budget is set before the school year starts and the Board did not ask the Tufts Community Union (TCU) Allocations Board for additional buffer funding, according to TCU Senate Historian Andrew Caplan.

Students have mixed opinions on Concert Board's decision to bring New Found Glory to Tufts.

'Hell, I'm excited," said sophomore Sam Cohen, who plans on attending the concert. "They're from my hometown [Coral Springs, FL]," Cohen said. "They used to be nobody but now they're huge."

Not all students are equally pleased.

"[I'm] not a fan," sophomore Jeremy Jo said. "I probably won't go see them. I have heard them before on the radio, but I never willingly listened to them or bought any of their ČĎs."

According to Drobnis, New Found Glory is available to play at Tufts because the band will be in the area for another performance. The band plans to play Thursday, Oct. 28 with Green Day at the Worcester Centrum.

"We heard about the outside chance of getting New Found Glory and proposed it to Concert Board," Drobnis said. "Like all concerts they were picked through a vote in a Concert Board meeting.'

Last year's Fall Rock Show brought Ozomatli, an Afro-Latin band from Los Angeles, to Dewick.

Farenheit's burning questions



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Panelists (L-R) Roberta Oster-Sachs, Mark Jurkowitz, Lisa Jones and Gerald Gill engaged students in heated discussion about Michael Moore's film "Fahrenheit 9/11" on Thursday.

Students and panelists alike questioned the appropriateness of referring to the movie as a "documentary film," and participants used phrases such as "selective information" and "partisan yet effective" to refer to Moore's controversial movie.

The seminar was hosted by the Experimental College and the Communications and Media Studies program.

Sororities raise money, walk for cancer cure

by Jillian Harrison Daily Editorial Board

Members of Tufts' Pan-Hellenic Council raised over \$2,000 by participating in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk in Boston yesterday.

"Sisters were eager to partici-pate and spoke of their mothers, aunts, grandmothers, and friends who have been affected by various forms of cancer," Pan-Hellenic President Ilenna Elman said. "Because so many Pan-Hellenic members have been personally touched by this awful illness, walking to help eradicate cancer was even more meaningful.'

The event, which took place at the Charles River Esplanade, was sponsored by the American Cancer Society (ACS).

Over fifty Tufts students from the Pan-Hellenic Council solicited donations beforehand and then walked for 5.7 miles by the Charles River.

The Pan-Hellenic Council is made up of students who are members of the three sororities on campus — Alpha Phi, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Chi Omega.

The Council chose the cause because it is a women's health issue, according to Elman.

"As a large women's organization, women's health issues concern us," Elman said. "We wanted to create awareness to empower other college women, as well as show that we care."

Many of the sisters in the Pan-Hellenic Society have been per-sonally touched by the disease, she said.

Though the Council's original goal was to raise only \$1,000, participants raised more than twice that amount — \$2,265.50.

The day of the walk, donations from all participants totaled \$569,800, according to the ACS Web site.

ACS' Making Strides walk in Boston is the largest one-day breast cancer walk in the nation, the group's Web site said. The ACS sponsors a number of

Making Strides walks in other cities each year.

All of the money raised at the walk, after expenses, goes to breast cancer research, detection, and patient and family services.

Elman said the day was a success. "While it was a beautiful day to walk around the Charles River, it was a relatively short distance for us compared to the distances that those battling with breast cancer have to go," she said.

Elman related one story from the day, in which a fellow passenger on the T asked one Tufts participant what the group's shirts were for.

"After the girl explained to the woman what we were doing, the woman told her how thankful she was and how much it meant to her personally because she was a breast cancer survivor. We knew the day was a success," Elman said.

Another goal of the event was to bring members of the three different sororities together to work toward a common cause.

To this end, the Pan-Hellenic Society also plans biweekly letter days for members to show their pride in their sorority. They are also planning Sorority Awareness week and a self-defense speaker for later in the semester.

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Tuftsreviews.com attempts to be Tufts' main feedback forum Student leaves Web site legacy to TCU Senate

By Danielle Warner Contributing Writer

Tufts students have another tool to help them choose courses during class registration week aside from friends' recommendations and the ability to schedule a three-day weekend.

A new on-campus computer database offers students course details and allows them to rate ones they have already taken.

The Web site was created in April 2004 by graduating senior

Jay Meattle. "I wanted to create a webbased application for the Tufts student community, which would collect and appropriately display course and professor

review data," Meattle said.

Meattle said that he left control of the Web site to the TCU Senate when he graduated in May.

TCU Treasurer Jeff Katzin said that the Senate owns the web space, and that there was discussion about expanding the Web site to include dorms. restaurants and in general be a "resource for Tufts students."

Katzin said that he envisions an expanded Web site in the future.

Meattle also said he would like to see the site expand. "I would love to see the Web site grow," Meattle said. "Dorm reviews would be an awesome extension, and so would restaurant/take-out/campus eating



ALLISON HALPERN/TUETS DAILY

Tuftsreviews.com is helping students choose classes by posting their peers' evaluations of undergraduate courses.

place reviews."

However, it is unclear at this time who in the TCU Senate is in charge of the project. Education Committee Chair Evan Lichenstein, who was elected to the Senate this semester, was not aware yet of

the site's long-term status.

Tuftsreviews.com is attempting to be the University's first wide-ranging source for class and professor reviews. In the past, the Tufts Community

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EDUCATION BRIEFS

LOUISIANA PROFESSOR SUS-PENDED FOR THREATENING STUDENTS

A physics professor was suspended from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette for threatening to kill students during class.

Students in Louis M. Houston's introductory physics class reported him to school officials after he began acting erratically during a Wednesday morning session. Houston reportedly yelled, cursed, jumped around the room, made references to Sept. 11, claimed to be God, and threatened to kill students if they got up from their seats.

Campus police officers removed Houston from the physics building, which was evacuated as a precautionary measure. Houston was brought to a hospital for evaluation.

The building was reopened the next day. University officials could not comment on Houston's employment or medical evaluation. Houston is a tenured professor.

CATHOLIC U. ALLOWS NAACP ON CAMPUS, AVOIDS LAWSUIT

Officials at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. overturned a decision banning a chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) from campus.

The university originally rejected the group because its support of abortion is discordant with the anti-abortion stance of the Roman Catholic Church and because there were already two black student groups on campus.

Students seeking to form an NAACP chapter threatened to sue the University, arguing that it would be the only civil rights group on campus. Officials recanted, but students in the group were asked to pledge not to campaign on issues contradictory to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

HARVARD OFFERS FREE CHANCE AT PH.D.S FOR MEXICAN STUDENTS

Harvard University has worked with a Mexican university to provide 25 Mexican students the opportunity to pursue Ph.Ds there free of charge.

The offer results from a partnership between Harvard and Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnologia, Mexico's national council of science and technology.

Harvard's President Lawrence H. Summers, called it a step towards globalizing both financial aid and access to Harvard.

A five-year degree program at Harvard costs \$204,000 for the humanities and social sciences and \$230,000 for the sciences.

Harvard will not limit the amount of students who can pursue this opportunity but estimates that about 20 to 25 students will take advantage of it each year.

Harvard officials are in the process of

Crime Prevention Month works to improve safety

Police initiatives stepped up a notch for October

BY JAN A. BLACKBURN Contributing Writer

The Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) works hard all year to keep Tufts safe, but officers are intensifying their efforts to make October Crime Prevention Month.

This month, campus police will educate students about crimes committed on campus — from robberies to rapes and increase awareness of protective measures.

Biweekly displays in the campus center will highlight various TUPD initiatives, including Bicycle Registration and Auto-Etching Day.

These programs help fulfill one of TUPD's crime prevention goals — preventing auto and bike theft — since both prove to be effective theft deterrents, according to TUPD officer Linda MacKay, who organizes Crime Prevention Month.

Theft of other personal belongings such as expensive electronics like laptop computers is another crime TUPD is hoping to minimize, especially given the personal content such devices may contain.

"It's something very irreplaceable, your pictures, movies, documents, but especially the music," said sophomore Adrian Garcia, whose laptop was stolen last year while he was a floor below his own room in Hodgdon.

TUPD has promoted laptop security devices, much like bike locks, which attach laptops to desks or other immovable devices with a strong cable to prevent theft. The security devices were offered to freshmen on the Connection 2008 Web site.

Laptop thefts have decreased significantly this year, down to one from 12 last semester. In this year's sole incidence of theft, multiple laptops were stolen in an



TUPD is sponsoring Crime Prevention Month in order to raise student awareness and prevent theft.

off-campus house, but "the only laptop not taken was one with the security device we have been promoting," MacKay said.

"I think the programs we are running are effective to the point where the student's safety is at very little risk," said MacKay.

McKay said that theft is preventable but stressed the importance of common sense when it comes to safety. "If you leave your room open for 10 minutes, what's to stop anyone from coming in and taking your valuables? Nothing," she said.

TUPD recommends that students keep their doors locked, even if they only leave their rooms for a moment.

Another of TUPD's focuses is to protect students from sexual assault through its Rape Aggression Defense Class, which helps women defend themselves if attacked by an aggressor. TUPD has also distributed flyers, posters, and security alerts around campus and posted advertisements in The Observer and The Tufts Daily announcing activities as well as anti-theft and personal safety security tips.

While these efforts take place all year, they are stressed and given wider visibility in October.

Students can get involved in crime prevention through the Bias Intervention Program, sponsored by the Dean of Students office, whereby members report and develop appropriate responses to bias incidents across campus. The "Have Trunk, Will Travel" program

The "Have Trunk, Will Travel" program also helps to cultivate relationships between police and students as a part of Resident Assistant team meetings with police officers. Students who attend are offered the chance of \$50 Barnes and Noble Gift Certificate through a TUPDsponsored raffle.

Tuftsreviews.com new Tufts-specific course-rating site

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continued from page 1 Union Senate and The Primary Source have published course review information, but students have often found that they either did not cover enough classes or that they lacked detail.

Meattle began conceptualizing a Web site that might fill the absence of such a system.

Hopefully this application will help underclassmen to spend their time at Tufts more productively in the future.

> Jay Meattle Creator of Tuftsreviews.com

"There was no sense in reinventing the wheel," Meattle said. "I visited these Web sites and their discussion boards to study what students want and the features they were asking for."

"Each submission may include student's impressions of the class, topics covered, analysis of professors' teaching style, difficulty of the course load, and any particularly noteworthy elements that students should be aware of in registering for such class," Meattle said.

Tuftsreviews.com publishes students' evaluations anonymously to maintain participation and encourage honest reviews.

Initial student response to the new Web site has been positive.

"It was definitely helpful because it showed not only what the professor's teaching style was like, but also the workload. It made it easier for me to pick out a more manageable course 500 to 1,000 per day when it's either shopping or class-picking time," Meattle said.

The Web site had already received over 100 student submissions in its first week of operation, he said.

Though no other student publication has published course reviews yet this semester, Meattle said that Tuftsreviews.com is in no way a comprehensive guide.

"It should not be the only resource a student should use in selecting classes. In fact, we encourage students to seek the advice of counselors, professors, friends, past students and other resources when selecting classes," Meattle said.

De Ruyter agrees. "I don't think students should use it as an absolute measure of a class, but the guidance is useful," De Ruyter said.

Though other course review Web sites exist, such as Ratemyprofessor.com, students say most do not publish as thorough reviews as Tuftsreviews.com. "I never knew about Tuftsreviews.com before, I just used Ratemyprofessors.com. The reviews are much better on Tuftsreviews.com," sophomore Kristen Earle said. - Jonathan Graham contributed to this article.

developing similar relationships with other countries.

—compiled from the Chronicle of Higher Education and the Harvard Crimson by Jillian Harrison "There was a need often voiced by the Tufts student community, myself included, and it needed to be tackled in a comprehensive manner," Meattle said.

Meattle researched other universities' databases for inspiration, including those of Columbia University, the University of California at Irvine, and New York University. load," freshman Floor De Ruyter said.

"Hopefully this application will help underclassmen to spend their time at Tufts more productively in the future," Meattle said.

Students have already made use of Tuftsreviews.com — the Web site had over 6,000 visitors in September.

"The site gets about 100 visitors a day during the 'low' season, and it jumps to

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MY WOMAN FROM TOKYO



And to think that I saw it on Takeshita Street

t struck me as I carefully (and disapprovingly) examined the 40th Goth French Maid "dress" I had seen on the wacky and dizzying Takeshita Street in Tokyo.

I was no longer on the Burberry-clad, Lacoste-laden, conservative streets of Boston - I was in a completely new universe, fashion-wise.

The clothes here, like most everything else Tokyo excels at, are in their own category of Extreme, separate from anything else in the world. You could sashay down a subway platform in a magenta trash bag artfully draped over your body, with tin foil wrapped around your boots, and no one would bat an eye.

In my opinion, New Yorkers are no longer the most jaded people on earth — Tokyoites are.

Although I will openly admit to having a severe obsession with all things fashion-related, I consider myself a classicist when it comes to what I wear on a daily basis. Hand me a polo shirt, jeans, sandals, and I'm set for life.

After one week of such dress in Tokyo, however, I began to feel like a Madison Avenue mom, and for the first time in my life, my friends told me that I needed a good old shot in the armoire.

This brings us back to Takeshita Street — the one place I was confident I could find something absolutely mind-blowing.

Takeshita Street is a narrow, supremely crowded and dense lane that is jam-packed with clothing store after clothing store. There are no big names here, not even quirky labels like Dolce and Gabbana or Betsey Johnson. It's all one-of-a-kind, Takeshita Street unique.

I wasn't necessarily looking for new clothes — I just had the urge to find a concentration of young people who could provide me hours of amusement with their wardrobes.

As the neon-striped tights and iridescent, silver bag dresses began to walk by, I gave myself a pat on the back and situated myself next to one of the stores, preparing myself for what could possibly be the best/worst urban runway show of my life.

Like American teenagers of the '90s, young Japanese men and women are smitten with the Goth look. All one needs to do to be a

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ONWARD AND UPWARDS

Alum journalist wields a powerful political pen

N.Y. Times Magazine reporter 'lets the story speak for itself'

BY PATRICE TADDONIO Daily Editorial Board

Matt Bai (LA '90), now a political journalist for The New York Times Magazine, has seen his share of controversy. While a student at Tufts, his stories for the Observer frequently touched off campus debates, and in 1994, his first magazine article sparked what he considered "the biggest firestorm of [his] career" — until now.

People who don't like politicians and politics should not cover politics any more than people who don't love movies should review movies. 77

> Matt Bai LA '90

In the wake of his Oct. 10 cover story on Democratic presidential hopeful John Kerry for The New York Times Magazine, Bai is in the midst of what he calls, with a mixture of ruefulness and bemusement, "the mother of all controversies.

In the profile, which focused on the Massachusetts senator's world view and foreign policy outlook, Kerry told Bai that "we

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have to get back to the place we were, where terrorists are not the focus of our lives, but they're a nuisance."

Almost immediately, the Bush campaign seized upon the quote as an indication that Kerry does not take terrorism seriously. President George W. Bush said the quote shows that Kerry "just doesn't get it"; Vice President Dick Cheney said the quote reflects "an unaccept-able mindset" that "says a lot about a lack of character."

But what does Bai have to say on the subject? Nothing that isn't already included in the profile that roiled the waters in the first place. "I've

found a great comfort level in letting my writing speak for itself," said the Trumbull, Conn., native.

"When things go haywire, I don't promote myself — I let the story speak for itself,' added Bai, who turned down an offer to appear on "The O'Reilly Factor" the day before speaking with The Tufts Daily. "I never go on TV unless it's a good, credible show — I'm sort of old-fashioned that way. I used to do TV, but I never left the studio feeling better than when I came in."

The television-or-not-television decision, Bai says, is one see BAI, page 4

COURTESY MATT BAI

Though he covers politicians, whose motives are frequently viewed with skepticism by the public, Bai is no jaded cynic: "I think being in the public service arena is an incredibly difficult and noble thing," he said

Campaign 2004: 'A historically ugly moment,' Bai says

Bai's former employer, Newsweek, termed the 2004 presidential campaign "The Slime Campaign" on a recent cover, and Bai agrees that this race has been especially bitter.

"This will be remembered as a particularly ugly campaign and time in politics," Bai said. "Not because either campaign is behaving with markedly less integrity than in other campaigns, but because of the intensity of the emotion, the disagreement, the fire of partisans on both sides, the total lack of faith in institutions like the media or the ballot box ... all of those things are indicative of a very debased political moment, and covering it is often very difficult and unpleasant."

"In a campaign year, the

intensity's always heightened," Bai said, adding that this year, a combination of factors is heightening things even more so than usual. Those factors, he said, include "a contested election that has never really been resolved to a lot of people's satisfaction and a traumatic national event [Sept. 11] that has people feeling dramatically insecure about the future of the country."

Also contributing to the campaign's nasty atmosphere is "a president who, no matter what you think of him, by any standard has not been the uniter he promised—you can't argue that the country's more unified." Bai said. "Plus. we have this mindless, reckless atmosphere of cable TV and the Internet that place a premium

on the degree to which one can be outrageous or insulting or uncivil.'

The combination of those things makes for a historically ugly moment," Bai said. "I'm truly sorry that people who want to work in journalism or politics are growing up in such a shallow dialogue and ugly environment.

"Part of our job, as journalists and politicians, is to provide incentive for people to want to do this better," he said. "I can't imagine I would want to cover politics if I were 21 right now. We can't send the signal that politics is about extreme positions and the destruction of one's political enemies...you can't govern like that." -Patrice Taddonio

Does fair trade equal fair play? Students can support a cause while enjoying their morning dose of caffeine

> by Jen Cantelmi Senior Staff Writer

As midterms progress, tired students appreciate coffee more than ever. If they want to, those Tufts coffee lovers can promote social and environmental sustainability while getting their morning buzz, thanks to the increasing availability of fair trade coffee at campus eateries.

Fair trade is a type of partnership that works toward a more equitable system of international trade. The theory behind the fair trade certified label guarantees that producers receive a price determined to be fair for their labor. By becoming fair trade certified, small farmers can try to avoid being underpaid by middlemen, who will then sell their product at a higher price to large corporations. Certified fair trade coffee is available at the Oxfam Café. Brown and Brew, and the new Tower Café. "Fair trade is important because paying people living wages is always important," senior and Oxfam Café manager Louise Weed said. "It's really easy for people to get screwed over in the agriculture business, especially when dealing with the U.S., so it's important for us to take action against it." "Buying fair trade is an extremely direct, easy way to fight the oppression of people living in developing countries," Weed added. "It's a great way to

start stamping out hunger and poverty worldwide."

ECO, a student environmentalist group at Tufts, is now launching a campaign to replace the conventional coffee sold in the campus center with fair trade coffee. Green Mountain Coffee has sent free samples to Tufts in hopes of encouraging the University to switch to fair trade. ECO will be supplying informational pamphlets at Hotung to increase awareness about fair trade issues.

"Many people think that fair trade goes against the tenets of free trade," senior and ECO coordinator Erin Allweiss said. "But in fact, it creates a niche in the market. People will buy fair trade because they know that it wasn't produced at the expense of the environment or communities." "To understand fair trade, we need to look at the history of exploitation by foreign markets," said Tufts graduate Teague Channing (LA '01), now an organic farmer. "In the absence of fair trade, buyers can essentially steal goods of high quality and then sell them for five times the price. "Fair trade enables smalltime indigenous farmers to continue their tradition and do what they love and know how to do," Channing added. "I became involved in the fair trade movement a couple of years ago when I heard a speaker at



successful fashion retailer in Tokyo at the moment is find a French Maid Halloween costume, rip it up in a few select places, glue on some metal spikes, and add a racing stripe of red velour down the sides. Pair this with bright, flower-print tights and rhinestone-studded Wicked Witch of the West boots, and declare yourself a fashion icon. Or, more realistically, declare yourself "normal."

Not to be misleading — by no means does Tokyo resemble a mass of chic Marilyn Mason wannabes - but it's a safe conclusion that young Japanese people eagerly embrace this trend.

My friend Haruko, an enthusiastic proponent of everything Goth and punk, told me that, not

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Alex Weisman ('2005) grabs some coffee. Brown & Brew serves certified fair trade coffee, which guarantees that producers receive a price determined to be "fair" for their labor.

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Bai is grateful to Tufts for encouraging him to challenge preconceptions of the world

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all journalists who become successful must make. "All journalists have to ask themselves, 'How glib do I want to be? How self-promoting do I want to be?'" Bai said. "I prefer for people to recognize my writing and my name, but not my face."

Starting with his days at Tufts, Bai has set about achieving just that sort of recognition. "The Observer at the time was a really good paper," he said. "My career and my closest friendships were born in that office when I was 18 or 19."

Another formative experience for Bai while at Tufts was EPIIC. "You can see a lot of what I learned in EPIIC with [Director of the Institute for Global Leadership] Sherman Teichman in what I write now," Bai said. "That grounding in how we got to where we are today, and where we're headed, has served me very well."

"You can see shades of what I learned there in [the piece on Kerry]," added Bai, who has also conferred with Tufts Professor of history Marty Sherwin to gain background for his articles. "You have to understand the Cold War to understand the debate on terrorism — I've been really grateful for Sherman's class."

Also while at Tufts, Bai developed his desire to constantly challenge the status quo. "I was never great with authority — I think that's a common thread running through Tufts students," he said. "The nature of the constant campus debate taught you to challenge your preconceptions, which is a big goal of mine as a journalist."

Upon graduation, Bai worked at what's now called the U.S. Fund for UNICEF in NYC. After three years as a speechwriter there (he wrote speeches for including Audrey people Hepburn, whom he calls "a wonderful lady"), Bai attended University's Columbia Journalism School, where he graduated at the top of his class in 1994 and won a Pulitzer Traveling Fellowship.

After interning at Newsweek, Bai worked at The Boston Globe as a general assignment reporter for two years. Then, after spending a year as a Fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and working for Rolling Stone "for about five minutes," he went back to Newsweek, where he spent five years as a political correspondent.

All journalists have to ask themselves, 'How glib do I want to be? How self-promoting do I want to be? How famous do I want to be?' I prefer for people to recognize my writing and my name, but not my face.

> Matt Bai LA '90

"I had always been interested in politics, but I wasn't sure I wanted to write about it," Bai said. "Newsweek was where I got into that."

Now, Bai is in his third year writing for The New York Times Magazine — and he's thrilled to be doing so. "There's a lot I love about my job," he said. "I love politicians and the business of politics — people who don't like politicians and politics should not cover politics any more than people who don't love movies should review movies."

"I think being in the public service arena is an incredibly difficult and noble thing, and I like to be around people who entered it," Bai said. "A lot of people are cynical about it; I'm not. I love talking to politicians big and small."

Thanks to his accumulated experience and his current position, many of the politicians Bai interacts with now are on the "big" end of the spectrum. Luckily for him, then, Bai has "never really had a problem [treating larger-than-life politicians like people rather than icons]."

"I look at politicians as people, fallible people, but I don't assume their motives are bad," Bai said. "A couple of moments have been genuinely intimidating, though, like interviewing Bill Clinton in the Oval Office. It's designed to be nerve-wracking, and it is."

"Confrontations with major politicians I respect can be a little harrowing, but when the moment comes, I can handle it," Bai said.

Bai is grateful to have the chance to explore what "major politicians [he respects]" have to say in a thorough and serious way. "The New York Times Magazine has a disproportionate impact," Bai said. "I get to work with the smartest editors — editors who want to do thoughtful, substantive pieces, which is rare."

"If I couldn't cover politics for a really substantive outlet, I'd write about something else," added Bai, who says he "[loves] finding out, telling, and hearing people's stories."

Bai, who spends about a week out of each month traveling, also loves his autonomy. "The thing I like is that my days are never the same," he said. "I have a lot of independence, and I never quite know what's around the corner. I have to look at the calendar to see what I'm doing, where I'll be, each day. I work largely at my own pace."

That pace, Bai said, rarely slows. But when it does, he relishes the chance to sit back and enjoy it.

"On a good day, I stay in sweats till 1 p.m., eat a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, read a few chapters in a book — like college, but no video games," he laughed. "But those days are few and far between."

Bai will return to his alma mater later this month to discuss "Adventures in Political Journalism." The event is sponsored by the Communications and Media Studies Program.

Tokyo fashion is technicolor

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surprisingly, this is a fashion trend that originated from America.

Or perhaps she meant to say Canada, as the most commonly cited fashion icon for the Japanese girls I spoke with is currently Avril Lavigne.

And what about the typical young Japanese man? While the Goth and punk look has an equally devout following among the men here, it's the hip-hop look that tends to dominate. I haven't seen so many oversized American NBA jerseys since middle school.

One of my American friends recently purchased a T-shirt with this gem on it: "Don't assume what you assume because when you assume you don't assume and assume is bad."

Bandanas worn underneath trucker hats, large Ghetto Gold necklaces, velour name brand zip-up jackets — it's pure homage to American hip-hop artists and rappers in the form of delicate imitation.

"I just love Nelly so much, you know?" said my friend Satoshi, whose neon-orange Phat Farm T-shirt and giant gold-and-pink peace sign necklace (we can't all be perfect) temporarily blinded me. "All my friends, we wanna be American rapper. I want to be like Nelly, Eminem and R. Kelly," Satoshi said. "I like these clothes because they're so cool. Don't wanna be like regular Japanese man in the business suits."

Satoshi's concern about being thrust into the realm of drab day-to-day business suit attire is a valid one. By the time Japanese men and women are in their 30s, it's goodbye funky, hello boring.

Though there's a similar sen-

timent in America that career men and women shouldn't be strutting about town in crazy outfits like teenagers, it's much more of a shocking transition here as such a majority of the young people dress with unparalleled flair and unrivalled creativity.

A friend and I recently spent an entire afternoon in another part of Tokyo, counting the number of Louis Vuitton signature handbags and totes spotted on the shoulders of Japanese women in their late 20s and older.

I think the final result was that out of every 10 women who walked past us, four would have a Louis bag. Stylish? Certainly. Exciting? Not in the slightest.

Not to be left out, however, is my personal (and every Englishspeaking person's) favorite fashion item: the attempted English shirt.

As previously noted, the Japanese absolutely adore anything that appears to be "Western." Therefore, by simply adding some English words to a blank T-shirt, it may quickly become the hottest item on the sales rack.

The process in which these English words are chosen remains a complete enigma to me. Nothing ever makes sense. Ever.

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Another friend of mine has a rainbow colored shirt adorned with smiling faces and a cheery message of "I hate my life and it's so sorrowful to be living!"

I've asked some Japanese friends if Japanese people actually know that these shirts are incorrect on so many levels, and the resounding reply has been "No."

Nevertheless, there comes a point where it's best to just sit back and enjoy the Technicolor show without analyzing and drawing conclusions from what you see.

Because, as we know, assume is bad.

Campus organizations work to promote fair trade coffee

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Tufts who was part of a cooperative in Nicaragua," Allweiss said. "She told how several farmers had abandoned their coffee fields to grow cocaine because it was so much more lucrative. She identified cooperatives as a way of enabling "Most farmers won't seek certification because the process is so long and difficult. But Starbucks prides itself on longterm relationships with farmers, so it is in our best interest to compensate them appropriately."

Certified fair trade coffee, however, is slightly more expensive than its conventional counterpart because of its rarity and the difficulty of the certification process. According to Kollmuss, the most environmentally friendly coffee will be fair trade, organic, and shade grown. Coffee grown in the shade is necessarily integrated into an ecosystem that already exists, whereas coffee grown in the sun often requires the destruction of ecosystems for the sake of procuring open



BY AIDAN LEVY

Brown Daily Herald

farmers to keep growing conee.

In order to become fair trade certified, small farmers must abide by certain standards that require the fair treatment of workers and the gradual implementation of more environmentally sustainable growth methods.

Certified organizations are encouraged to adopt organic growing methods, and prohibited from using pesticides cited in either the Pesticide Action Network's "dirty dozen" or in the Food and Agriculture Organization/U.N. Environment Programme's "Prior Informed Consent Procedure" list. Yearly inspections ensure that certification requirements are met.

Starbucks, which offers compensation to farmers willing to grow in an environmentally sustainable way, has entered an agreement with Transfair USA, which conducts the inspections, to purchase certified fair trade coffee. However, only 1 percent of Starbucks coffee is currently certified fair trade.

"All of our coffees are fair trade in the sense that we compensate farmers appropriately," said Dustin Reeser, manager of the Starbucks in Davis Square. "I think it is true that many small farmers don't have the means to go through the process of certification," said Anja Kollmuss, project coordinator at the Tufts Institute of the Environment. "It could also be hard for Starbucks to get certified fair trade coffee in the right quantities and of the desired quality."

Certified producers must also implement integrated crop management to balance environmental protection with business results. This requires close monitoring, a projection plan, and minimized use of synthetic pesticides and fertilizers.

"Starbucks is in many ways a wonderful company because they treat their employees well," Kollmuss said. "But they are still a multi-national organization that looks to make the largest possible profit."

"Environmental groups pressured them for years to make more conscious choices and they needed to be pushed really hard," Kollmuss said. space.

Forty percent of Starbucks coffee is shade-grown. "Shade grown beans are actually preferred to beans grown in the sun," Reeser said. "When the sun does not directly hit the tree, the fruit grows bigger, making the beans bigger. The slower erosion made possible by the shade-grown environment also makes for a healthier tree."

"Less pesticides are used in growing shade-grown coffee because the shadegrown environment has high rates of biodiversity," Reeser said. "So the shadegrown bean is cleaner."

People search out fair trade coffee, according to Weed. "Some people will only buy their coffee at Oxfam because it is guaranteed to be fair trade," Weed said. "Other people's interest is sparked and will become interested in using fair trade with their organizations."

"Of course, some people just want coffee and are apathetic about the source of it," Weed said.

Later this month ECO is enviting a Latin-American coffee producer to speak at Tufts. (U-WIRE) PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Two West Warwick males, ages 16 and 17, were arrested this week for an Oct. 2 Meeting Street assault against three Brown University first-years, according to a Department of Public Safety alert.

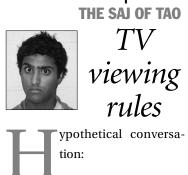
One of the suspects faces multiple assault charges for allegedly attacking two of the students, according to the DPS crime alert. He is scheduled to appear for arraignment in Family Court on Oct. 19 and is being detained at the Rhode Island Training School.

The other suspect has been charged with assault upon a third Brown student. He will be petitioned into Family Court, according to the crime alert.

According to the Providence Police Department, the perpetrators of the Oct. 2 assaults, described by the victims as between 8 and 10 black males between the ages of 18-20 and wearing white T-shirts, were searching for a Brown party after leaving another party in Olneyville. The assailants encountered the students at about 2:20 a.m. next to Pembroke Hall, according to a campus-wide e-mail sent by DPS on Oct. 2.



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Me (to Friend 1): Say Friend 1, did you happen to catch the baseball match yesterday evening?

Friend 1: Indeed I wish I had. However my roommate, Friend 2, was engaging the television.

Me: Engaging the television? But verily, it is the playoffs. Friend 1: Aye, and I told him this.

Me: But what possibly would take precedence over our mighty Red Sox and their quest for a championship?

Friend 1: "Sex and the City" reruns on TBS.

Me: Wait, what? I just threw up in my mouth.

Of course the above hypothetical conversation is an extreme situation that I hope nobody ever finds themselves in.

However, what is not extreme is the issue of TV sharing. It can be a tenuous one for many around this campus. To borrow a page from Brian Wolly's playbook, below I will outline several basic ground rules for television watching.

First, let me illuminate two long-standing assumptions on the rights to television watching.

The first, of course, is the "first come first served" assumption. This is the assumption that Friends 1 and 2 were operating under in the above example. Friend 2 was the first to get to the television and thus had the right to watch something lame like "Sex and the City." This of course leaves Friend 1 in double the pain. He is forced to not only miss an important playoff game, but he is also subjected to "Sex and the City," the single most overrated show ever in the history of ever. Plus, these are the reruns on TBS which are cut down and edited so there's no nudity.

Of course, you all see the danger in adhering to the "first come first served" assumption. No baseball, and for what? A watered down, hour long, fashion magazine advertisement.

The second prevalent assumption is the democratic assumption. When the number of conflicted audience members is higher than two, this is a popular way to resolve any disputes. Let's say that Friend 2 is watching the "Sex and the City" reruns, laughing at the lame jokes, and taking notes on Samantha's strappy sandals. BCBG Meanwhile, Friend 1 is attempting to rip his left arm off and beat himself over the head with it. But Friend 3 shows up. "Hi Friend 1 and 2," Friend 3 says, "What's the score of the game?" All of a sudden the balance of power shifts. Friend 1 drops his notepad and Friend 2 pops his left arm back into its shoulder socket. The reason? Democracy. The

Team America' offensively takes on the world

'South Park' creators return to the big screen with their offensively funny new film

> BY DAVID CAVELL Daily Editorial Board

"Team America: World Police" is the funniest movie of the year.

It's not quite clear why, but there's

Team America

Starring **Puppets** Directed by **Trey Parker** and **Matt Stone**

something painfully hilarious about wooden marionettes fighting terrorists, performing sexual acts on each other, and cursing liberally.

On second thought, maybe it is clear why it's so funny.

We first meet Team America as they annihilate terrorists in Paris, demolishing the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre in the process. We're then introduced to Gary Johnston, the handsome star of "Lease: The Musical," as he closes out another show with a rousing rendition of "Everyone Has AIDS."

Eventually Gary is recruited for the Team, and they spend the next hour trying to stop the evil (and lonely) North Korean dictator Kim Jong II and his terrorist allies from using weapons of mass destruction.

During their battles to prevent the attacks, for which their rally cry is "Let's go police the world!" Team America comes under scrutiny for their wholesale destruction of cities and landmarks alike in the name of freedom.



Michael Moore: documentary filmmaker, puppet.

Leading the campaign against Team America is the Film Actors Guild, led by Alec Baldwin. With other outspoken antiwar actors such as Sean Penn, Tim Robbins, and Helen Hunt, the Guild unwittingly backs Kim Jong Il's calls for a peace summit. Michael Moore, sporting mustard stains and half-eaten hot dogs, is also called in to rally against the World Police.

After disaster befalls the Team, it is left up to newest member Gary to rescue them from Jong II's torture cells and spare the world from the North Korean's dastardly plot.

Directed, written, and largely voiced by

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"South Park" creators Matt Stone and Trey Parker, "Team America" is a breath of fresh air in the stagnant political rancor dividing the country.

The duo, always eager to ridicule those who take themselves too seriously, actually have a point to make with their wooden actors; they seem equally distressed by the arrogant self-righteous attitude of the film's heroes as they are with the Hollywood actors who take it upon themselves to join the political fracas.

Pointed political commentary isn't new territory for the pair. "South Park," since

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Hometown Heroes: Leo and Pharmacists hit the Common. **MUSIC REVIEW**

'Growing Pains' shows us all that smile again The Seavers return in second TV movie

BY SETH KEIM Daily Editorial Board

And then the unthinkable happened. In a stunning surprise cameo, Leonard DiCaprio reprised his role as teenage delinquent Luke Brower to remind the Seavers that all they need is family.

Okay, so that didn't happen. But you can imagine how two to seven years old), the creators ask for a suspension of disbelief. In fact, they even make reference to the déjà vu, as Seaver daughter Carol (Tracey Gold) asks "You're selling the house? Like in '92?" to which Jason replies "No, not like in '92. This time for real."

That's just one of several self-referential winks and inside jokes that appear in the movie. As a matter of fact, it's a premise carried throughout. as Jason chastises Cameron's Mike, "Didn't you learn anything after 166 episodes?" Meanwhile, Maggie tells Carol, "It seems like we had a problem every week. In fact, every Tuesday night from 8:30 to 9.' The movie, the second feature-length Seaver reunion (see 2000's "The Growing Pains Movie"), really rewards the diehard "Growing Pains" fan (which, admittedly, might iust be me). When the family gathers up their old belongings for a garage sale, there are a couple sly allusions to past episodes, namely Mike's sneakers on which he once wrote the answers to a Civil War test, and Carol's old, impossibly large glasses. Unfortunately, see PAINS, page 6

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Ted Leo and the Pharmacists: A remedy for the Mondays

BY KATE DRIZOS Senior Staff Writer

With their Oct. 19 release, Ted Leo and the Pharmacists provide a cure for indie rock

Shake the Sheets

Ted Leo & the Pharmacists Lookout Records



fans that have been anxious for something dependable and loud.

"Shake the Sheets," the band's fifth album, is a perfect antidote for the recent deluge of lo-fi indie releases.

The CD's charm — its frenetic tempos, folk/punk combinations, and energetic, earnest vocals — are hardly new for the band. Ted Leo et al. have made their mark (albeit a small one) by rocking out on tight, dynamic tracks since they began.

The only drawback to this is that the band doesn't tend to stray from this formula. Ever. Any of the eleven tracks of their most recent CD could slide inconspicuously into any of their previous releases and no one would be the wiser.

While their tracks do vary slightly in quality, overall the band seems once again to be unable (or unwilling) to explore new styles or new tempos. Luckily, they have perfected what they do, and the band's

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exciting that would have been: Kirk Cameron and Leo, two heartthrobs from successive generations back together again. Still, "Growing Pains: Return of the Seavers" does give us Kirk (and none of his born-again Christian preaching) and the rest of the gang.

The story is simple: patriarch Jason (Alan Thicke) and matriarch Maggie (Joanna Kerns) decide to sell the house, now that the nest is finally empty. After the sale, they plan to either hit the road in a deluxe RV, as is Jason's plan, or shack up in a villa in Tuscany, if Maggie has her way.

But what's that you say? Didn't they sell the house in the series finale, back in 1992? Well, avid television viewer, you're correct.

Like other flaws in the show, however, (youngest child Chrissy leaped five years in 1990, suddenly going from

Pharmacists return, no change

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stylistic stubbornness doesn't prevent them from making solid albums.

"Shake the Sheets" begins with the catchy "Me and Mia," proving immediately that Ted Leo and the band are ready to pick up where they left off. The track is perfectly constructed with a lively beat, refreshingly bright lyrics, and a beltable tune. The opening song gets the listener in the mood for the band's patented tireless style, but it also sets the bar a bit too high for the songs that follow.

Ted Leo and his trusty Pharmacists dispense their own form of Adderall in their ending of "Little Dawn."

All of the songs on "Shake the Sheets" are skillfully executed and musically sharp. Leo's adroit guitar playing, coupled with his band's instrumental cohesion, makes for an impressive final product.

Due to the musicians' aversion to variation, however, all of the songs begin to blend together, and none are ever quite as striking as the initial track.

The band combats this a bit on the fifth song of the album. Despite the songs' energy, listening to the CD has become a passive activity by this point. Ted Leo and his trusty Pharmacists dispense their own form of Adderall in their ending of "Little Dawn." They repeat the line "It's alright" for two minutes straight, for a total of 149 reassurances. While repetition seems counterintuitive, it snaps its incredulous audience back from passive listening and serves to restart the record.

After a little more of the same, the album ends on a good note, keeping the listener enthusiastic about what they've just heard. The final two tracks, "Bleeding Powers" and "Walking to Do" showcase Leo and the Pharmacists at their finest. The spirited electric guitar of the former leads to incurable toe tapping. The track seems poised to burst out as a deliciously catchy pop song, but Leo's vocals serve as restraint.

The pent-up energy is released on the final track, which employs "Tubthumping"esque group vocals in the upbeat chorus "There's a whole lotta walking to do." The song works flawlessly as the closing credits to a lively record and leaves the listener with ambitious energy.

Together the songs' quick tempos are repetitive, but this uniformity doesn't stop the listener from admiring the band's enthusiasm, stylistic creativity, and instrumental skill. Each of the songs on "Shake the Sheets" would make a superb second track on a mix CD. When the first track arrives with energy, Ted Leo and the Pharmacists can always be counted on to take it up a notch. "Shake the Sheets" doesn't shake up the band's catalogue, but it does shake up the music scene just a little.

Inexplicably, 'Growing Pains' legacy continues

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there was no appearance from the hideous ashtray youngest son Ben (Jeremy Miller) made for his father.

It's somewhat weird to see the characters now, nearly 20 years removed from the series' inception. Chrissy (Ashley Johnson) who we saw as a child, is now grown up. Mike has a daughter that is almost old enough to drive, and he also has a brood of adopted multi-racial children.

Maggie and Jason are a little grayer, a little more worn and a little more wrinkled. It's also comforting that, however, at the same time, they've changed so little.

Now admittedly, the story is weak. In fact, the house they profess to have lived in for thirty years isn't even the same one from the show. Similar to the plot in its "Wonderful World of Disney" predecessor, the whole family is brought back together by a set of suspiciously convenient circumstances, in this case either to ensure they sell the house, or to sabotage said sale.

Mike, who has just received a one-year job offer in Japan, sends his wife Kate (real life

Why has the show lasted? Perhaps it's the socially relevant storylines. No, that's not it.

spouse Chelsea Noble) to a spa, and encourages Jason and Maggie to stay and help look after his kids. A very pregnant



The Seavers return, again.

banking career. Ben, a newlyanointed realtor, plays the opposing force, as the sale of the house is his key to becoming real estate agent of the year.

So, obviously, "hilarity" ensues. Mike and Carol, joining forces for evil, clog the pipes and disable the garbage disposal. In addition, Mike, in between answering his cell phone which has a "Growing Pains" theme ring tone, even hires a third-rate Ukrainian crew he knows will botch renovations.

Then of course, as per the norm, the show gets melodramatic, and they return to the constantly espoused theme of "Growing Pains": nothing is more important than family.

Mike and Carol try to guilt their parents to stay, but ultimately, it's a power outage caused by Chrissy's guitar amp that traps Maggie and Jason in a bedroom closet and helps them realize that it's still not time to cut the umbilical cord. And then of course, Carol goes

the series managed to last seven seasons and spawn two television movies, an existence spanning over 19 years.

And who knows, maybe they'll make a new movie every four years. After all, it's obvious the cast won't be acting in much else (to see Kirk Cameron's other current venture, check out www.thewayofthemaster.com and for Tracey Gold's recent DUI, www.thesmokinggun.com).

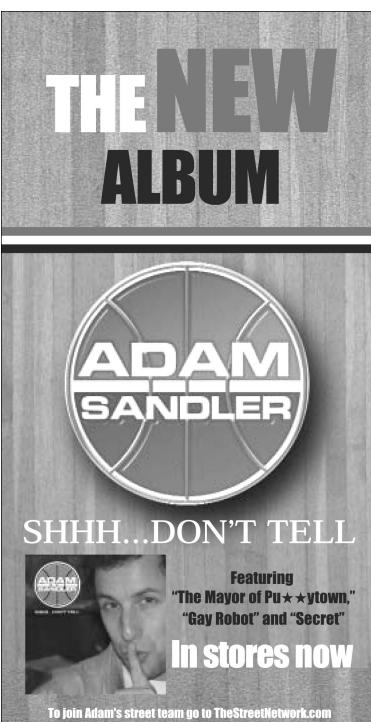
What is it then? Why has the show lasted? Perhaps it's the socially relevant storylines. No, that's not it.

My only guess is that for some reason we found and still find the characters endearing. With them, we were "sharing the laughter and love."

Cameron, at 34 years old, still has a childlike charm, and there remains an unmistakable chemistry between the actors.

So, it's not Shakespeare; it's cheesy and thin. As the show ends with a new version of the theme song sung by Chrissy, you can't help but think how lame it is. It is lame. But you can guarantee that I'll be there for the 25th anniversary







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Saj addresses democratic deficit in television viewing

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continued from page 5 votes are cast and counted, and all of a sudden by a 2 to 1 margin Friend's 1 and 3 are enjoying watching the Red Sox violently thrash whomever they might be playing.

However, there is a definite danger in the democratic method. This danger is what I like to call the Laura Frye Dilemma. My friend Laura Frye grew up as the middle child between two red-meat eating, t e s t o s t e r o n e - d r i v e n, Neanderthal brothers. Consequently, any time the Frye family attempted to make a democratic decision regarding television, Laura's opinion would be tragically silenced.

Monster Truck Rallies instead of "My Little Pony," which is why Laura is a lesbian today.

Just kidding, she's not a lesbian. But she very well could have been.

Generally the above assumptions are fair ways to regulate the equity of television watching. However, they do not address possible issues of television injustice, as was the case with my poor non-lesbian friend Laura.

To reconcile occasions of injustice I have devised what I call the Index of Importance. The IOI is a comprehensive scale to rate the importance of television programs.

For example postseason sporting events, awards shows, "Monday Night Football," season premieres/finales, and "American Idol" would be the top tier. These programs take definite precedence over any other program, and over each other in the above order.

The second tier would be comprised of regular-season sporting events, new episodes of popular primetime television shows, "Nightline," and any and all incarnations of "Law and Order."

This leaves reruns, movies, and "The O'Reilly Factor" to round out the bottom of the pyramid.

Of course, the IOI is flexible and responsive. Let's say that on Nov. 4 I want to watch the season premiere of "The OC," but it happens to conflict with what my roommate Dan was already watching: the Country Music Awards. According to the IOI, the Country Music Awards would take precedence over "The OC," however the CMAs are really, really lame and "The OC" is one of the best shows on television.

Therefore, in that situation, Dan would amiably capitulate, and I would get to find out if Seth ever makes it to Tahiti or if Ryan ever returns to Newport Beach.

As an appendix to the IOI: under no circumstances whatsoever should television priority be given to a party watching a movie or television show of which they own the DVD.

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For example, my roommate Scott, generally a nice kid but terribly, terribly lazy, is watching the movie "Entrapment" on the USA network.

Now, "Entrapment" is a quality film, but it is a film that Scott owns on DVD. As Scott is watching the movie, I come into the room and say "Hey man, 'Full House' is on the Family Channel right now. Switch it over." And he says, "Yeah but hold up. Let me just get to the part where Catherine Zeta Jones slides under the laser beam." Scott is in the wrong.

The correct course of action is for Scott to get off his lazy ass, put "Entrapment" in his computer, chapter jump until he gets to the part where CZJ slides under the laser beam, and allow me to watch a good solid half hour episode of "Full House."

If you follow the ground rules I have outlined, you will have an utterly enjoyable television watching experience.

To recap: democracy is useless, sports always take precedent, I have now made Catherine Zeta Jones references in two consecutive columns, and Ben Hoffman totally ripped me off with his "Entrapment' as Plan B" joke. You thought I wouldn't notice Ben? I'm left handed too Ben. Maybe I could write a column about that.

Lisa of "Team America" storms into action.

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Puppet sex, fun abounds in 'Team America'

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its first season on Comedy Central in 1997, has never shied away from controversial issues. From SARS, to the Monica Lewinsky scandal, to "The Passion of the Christ," "South Park" has managed to ridicule just about everything.

Noticeably absent from the film, however, are Senator John Kerry and President George W. Bush. Perhaps Stone and Parker felt that that was territory too well covered, or maybe even too easy to ridicule.

Indeed, in their attempts to mock and avoid the flood of computer animation, Stone and Parker create some of the most impressive art in movie making.

Following their long controversial tradition of pushing ratings to the limit, the film was on the verge of acquiring an NC-17 rating, usually reserved for late night Showtime movies and "Showgirls."

At issue was the sex scene between Team America puppets Gary and Lisa, originally reported to be almost five minutes long, which required nine different edits to be approved as merely 'R' rated.

Even in the 'cleaner' version, the two puppets, both lacking genitals, mange to perform coitus in just about every possible position.

Hilariously, the puppets' strings and open joints are clearly visible throughout. Clearly poking fun at the Motion Picture Association, the film reports to be rated R for "graphic, crude and sexual humor, violent images and strong language, all involving puppets."

Beyond their political commentary, the creators have been known to effectively incorporate hilarious songs in their shows and films. The song "Blame Canada," from 1999's feature film/musical "South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut," was even nominated for an Oscar. "Team America" is no different.

From the movie's theme song, "America! Fuck Yeah!," to Kim Jong II's ballad "I'm So Lonely," Stone and Parker have once again proven their musical

es talent.

Part of the duo's genius is in their methods. The distinctive construction paper design of "South Park" is at the same time low budget and strikingly effective. Likewise, their use of puppets in the computer era, although not as cheap, is certainly as inventive.

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The marionettes in "Team America" are truly striking; the streets and people of cities from Paris to Cairo strikingly reproduced.

Yet, far be it from the two creators to revel in their work.

Since their early "South Park" days through "Team America," much joking and audiencewinking has been made of the poor animation. One is reminded of the self-deprecating humor of the late great Rodney Dangerfield, always bemoaning his lack of respect.

Although clearly not for everyone, least of all the easily offended, "Team America" is a very good film. Most importantly the movie fulfilled its main and most important purpose; everyone in the theater laughed, many out loud.

History show takes new look at old events

BY JEAN PRESCOTT Knight Ridder Newspapers wounded but lived to serve time for murder, to write a book and to die in Los Angeles in 1937. The town's story is told with a captivating mix of



History is nothing more than the way one person remembers it.

"It's written by the winners," says Bill Kurtis. "It may not have happened the way we believe it did," but now, with modern forensic techniques, we can go back and take a closer look.

That's what "Investigating History," beginning Monday night on the History Channel, does. It's an original series produced by Kurtis' company, Kurtis Productions, and as fans of his "Cold Case Files" (A&E) and "The New Explorers" (PBS in the '90s) already know, he brings with him from a network news career the desire to craft TV that tempts you to watch.

The story of "The Dalton Gang Raid," the first of the season, is just such a temptation, and it speaks to contemporary concerns more directly than one might imagine.

On a sunny day in October 1892, the townspeople of Coffeyville, Kan., set "homeland security" into motion to prevent a double bank robbery. Historians, re-enactors and advisors to Kurtis and company, confirm that ordinary people took up arms to kill four of five members of the Dalton Gang as they attempted to rob two banks and escape.

"They rose to the occasion," says Kurtis, "and history loves people who do their duty well."

The fifth gang member, Emmett Dalton, was

photo images of the actual event's aftermath, computer graphics, footage of re-enactors and, of course, the requisite "talking heads."

"I am hoping this will bring a new style to telling history," Kurtis says. "You know they say that we're losing the narrative of America's story, but this brings it alive ... with people who look like us and dress almost like us."

It is a user-friendliness Kurtis and his associates brought to science with "The New Explorers," which showed field-researchers as adventurers, Indiana Jones types.

"The style (of these shows) is closer to using entertainment techniques ... we use a slow shutter speed to get that (multiple-image) effect. And we have to be very careful about being accurate. Some of our greatest historians today are these re-enactors, and often we have two or three of them standing beside the camera.

"They know history because they have to to defend it to each other, and every group seems to be better than the one before. They live their lives the way our ancestors did."

On the production front, Kurtis says, "We come up with the ideas and then take them to the History Channel. Researchers, producers, associate producers. We're out there ... searching for professors who know these stories, just digging out the history."

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The media must change its ways

Jon Stewart's passionate appearance on CNN's "Crossfire" last Friday was a departure from his "Daily Show" persona. He attacked hosts Tucker Carlson and Paul Begala for not asking hard-hitting questions to politicians and for being "part of [politicians' and corporations'] strategies."

While some may think Stewart's position as college-campus idol has made him too big for his britches, he brings up valid points that the media must address. The media, particularly cable news channels, too often feed into the political parties' soundbites and agendas.

Journalists have an important role in society. They are to be skeptical, not accept things on face-value and to probe for the truth. The press undertakes a public service in reporting facts to the public from an objective standpoint. Television media, where the majority of people get their information, regularly does not fulfill its obligation to the public.

Stewart is using his place as a public

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figure to draw attention to this issue, which is commendable. Those he is directing his criticism at should pay attention, because he is speaking for a large number of people who have grown weary of a media that does not support intelligent debate.

It must be noted that not all journalists fall under Stewart's disapproval. It is mostly directed at the elite rank of journalists who have strong, marketable personalities. The Bill O'Reillys, Tucker Carlsons and Chris Matthews of the broadcasting world. Stewart accuses them of conducting "theater" not debate, but the problem is more serious than that.

These media Brahmins have a level of exposure that allows them to dictate the country's discourse. They have the power to change the tone of the media if they change the styles of their shows. But, they must overcome their egos first.

This is not to let all other journalists off the hook. While it is likely unintentional, a number of journalists become apathetic in a media world dominated by a few conglomerates controlling what is covered and what's not. When reporters begin to feel that their work does not make an impact, they stop trying to dig for the truth, which makes their reporting less effective. It's a vicious cycle that all levels of journalism are guilty of.

The upper crust of journalism must lead the way and begin to ask the questions that get to the meat of the story. They can't tiptoe around the issue, but not yell in people's faces either. They must be respectable enough to demand that the hard questions to be answered in a straightforward approach. It's akin to balancing on a tight rope, but it must be done.

Only in this manner will journalism be able to correctly serve the American public. Until then, the screaming pundits of programs like "Crossfire" will continue to feed into the cycle of manipulating America. Jon Stewart refuses to be their "monkey." The rest of the country shouldn't have to be their monkey either.



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JONATHAN GRAHAM | VOICE OF THE DAILY

S tudents, apparently, are better informed and more involved in national politics than they have been for 30 years.

I say "apparently," because according to the Pew Research Center, 21 percent of "young people" get their news from Saturday Night Live and Jon Stewart's "Daily Show."

Not that this is necessarily a bad thing. Jon Stewart has pushed journalism to ask the right questions, the focus of today's editorial above. Students are hungry for

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Commitment to knowledge

news that thinks critically about the issues, and shows like Stewart's and Bill Mahr's are flourishing because of that appetite.

Arthur Sulzberger, Jr., publisher of The New York Times, said several years ago that the goal of his newspaper was to provide knowledge, rather than just information. Today's media is apt at spewing information without knowledge, a constant criticism by consumers. But students' heightened interest in national and world events gives me hope.

If our demographic pressures for change in the industry and proves that we are long-term news consumers, then change is going to have to be made. Just as the political discourse is being shaped by students' newfound political activism, so too might media outlets take note of our demands. But to actually achieve this, we must stick with it for the long haul.

After Nov. 2 and the usual post-election news hangover, there is a danger that young people will lose their recentlygained awareness and slip back into apathy and ignorance. And so, this is my plea to you to continue following the stories of the world and fighting to not just get information from the media, but knowledge as well.

Sulzberger once said that news media must be motivated because it has "a special charter in society, and damn us if we forget that." And it is our job to remind them of that charter every single day. And damn us if we forget that.



NOAH TRUGMAN |

LIFE IS ELSWHERE

Trucking to Morocco with John Mann

ruck drivers in Europe are legally permitted to carry one additional passenger in the front seat of their lorry. However, it is against most company policies to pick up hitchhikers. With that in mind, the following is a true story in which the names have been changed to protect the guilty.

Last March, seeking a memorable and exciting way to test the boundaries of my freedom, I decided to hitchhike with two other students from England to Morocco.

Starting from Oxford with our "MOROC-CO via PORTSMOUTH" sign, we caught our first ride after only 20 minutes with a friendly but incredulous compact on its way to a football match in South Hampton.

Our next ride did not come as easily. With rain soaking through our jeans, we stood on the side of the road for 45 minutes watching the passing drivers shake their heads, shrug their shoulders, or (so helpfully) laugh and wave goodbye. No ride, mate.

With Morocco still 1600 miles away, our prospects looked grim.

Our first rule of holiday hitchhiking: if you can't get a ride, get lunch. Only at the pub did we learn that the on-ramp we thought would take us to Portsmouth didn't actually go to Portsmouth. Ahh. Right. Okay. So we cursed the blasted island over fish and chips and lamented our ill-luck (or stupidity) with an afternoon pint.

We crossed the English Channel with a French station wagon heading to Bretagne and woke up in St. Malo. An hour later in Rennes, two trucks with the John Mann International blue and yellow stripe down the side pulled onto the shoulder of the road and offered us a ride. With no time for questions, in we went and off we were, the girls in one truck and me in another.

Miraculously, the John Mann caravan was heading to Morocco.

From what I have observed, English truck drivers are generally friendly, middle-aged men with pot bellies and varying degrees of baldness who eat a ton or just smoke and drink coffee all day. The first guy I drove with was no exception. A veteran driver with more than 25 years experience sagging over his belt, he liked to smoke, eat M&Ms, and drive with his elbows so he could concentrate on text messaging.

In six hours, we almost ran two cars off the road. I was relieved to change drivers in Bordeaux.

The next three days of my life were spent driving with Tom, a no bull kind of guy

Dangers of Somerville

BY ANNE STEVENSON

Last weekend, I did something unusual; I took my two-year-old son Reece to the park. From the time he gets up in the morning until when he goes to bed, all he wants to do is play outside. Sometimes I have even gone into his room in the middle of the night to change a diaper, and in a sleepy stupor he will say "side" and point to the door.

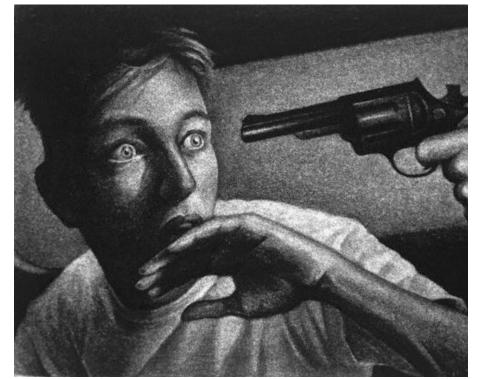
I like this particular park because it has wood shavings on the ground instead of cement and soft landing spots so Reece won't hurt himself coming down the slide. There is a gate around the play area so he cannot escape, and I can do my homework without worrying about him running into traffic.

Reece had a great time at the park. We watched some young boys play basketball, and we watched girls on the sidelines admiring them while the boys pretended not to notice. It kind of reminded me of my junior high school days when we used to go to the park and watch the punk skateboarders, who we thought were the coolest guys ever. Some of the guys playing basketball even came over and let Reece play with the ball, and he thought that was the best.

I say this trip to the park was unusual because no trip to the park has ever been this safe or run this smoothly. Last year, at this time, we couldn't go to the park at all because it was overrun by gangs and drug dealers. The playground was dirty and the equipment was out of date.

I moved into my neighborhood about a year and a half ago, and was really excited to have found a great apartment at such a great price. The landlords were nice people and they really liked Reece. There was even a park up the street for Reece to play in. It

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was an ethnically diverse neighborhood, and I really looked forward to meeting the neighbors and raising my son there.

At the beginning of summer before sophomore year, I moved in. My son was less than six months old at the time. Immediately, I noticed that cars would circle the block at all hours, honking and playing music at top volume, especially on Fridays. Groups of shady people were hanging out all over the place.

Just after I moved in, one of my neighbors was shot and killed; he had been a member of one of the five gangs that operated within yards of my house. Just before that incident, there had been a gang rape of two girls ages 14 and 19 in the park. One was now wheelchair bound.

The first time I realized that something was really wrong with the neighborhood was at 2 a.m. on July 5 of that year. I awoke to find a race riot going on CORBIS

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outside my apartment, just feet from my bedroom window. Someone in the neighborhood had lit off a series of fire crackers, which to me sounded like gunfire. I called the police and they told everyone to go home. That was it.

Many times that summer, the same scenario played out again and again, with that same neighbor fighting with the gang across the street. I also started to learn about my other neighbors who were more drug-dealing gang members. The scariest people used to hang out on their porch, and they even had children living with them. There was also another drug dealing operation going on around the corner by a different group.

The park up the street was where all the gang members used to hang out. It was also the same park that the two young girls had been raped in. In the year following the time I moved into

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off the HILL EDITORIAL | DARTMOUTH COLLEGE Politics dumbed down for college students

BY CALEB POWERS The Dartmouth

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. -Congratulations, Dartmouth College students, you got in to college. That probably means that you also graduated sixth grade, along with the vast majority of adults in the United States. Kudos. Sure, community have been increasingly critical of politicians for their overly simplistic explanations of the issues and for their ceaseless character attacks.

These same academics have called upon the American electorate to hold candidates more responsible for the manner in which they run for office. The solution is, they argue, unambiguous in a democracy: Ask the tough questions. If a politician is a liar, don't vote for him. If candidates won't hold themselves to a higher standard, do it for them. Why, then, have the people of this country failed in this regard? The answer seems to be that they just don't care. Since college campuses are one of the hot spots for political activism, many of us don't see the obnoxious amount of sociopolitical ignorance that exists in this country. The "NASCAR Dad" has become the target voter of candidates across the political spectrum. He is the Platonic form of the America-loving, pickup-driving, war-supporting, mullet-sporting, "kick ass" attitude guy invented by pollsters. There are almost eighty million NASCAR fans in this country. Seriously. This sport makes less sense to me than cricket – and I'm from Kansas. They watch a bunch of cars turn left for four

hours every week.

How can we expect these people to have time to decide what they think about single-payer healthcare systems? Politicians are not lowering standards because they hate discussing public policy, but rather, to communicate with the electorate in a way conducive to winning elections.

Indeed, the crux of the problem is not how the politicians run campaigns, but instead is the ignorance of the people following them, and the media acting as bulletin boards instead of arbitrators of the truth.

slightly balding, who didn't drink, didn't smoke, and didn't give a toss.

Tom was a man who knew what he liked: blueberry and chocolate chip muffins, Serrano ham, two for three specials, and freebies.

He let me drive his truck around the parking lot in Guarroman before Bailen along the NIV heading to southern Spain. Once he called me a young Descartes. Instead of listening to music, he read those trashy romance novels from the grocery store while he drove. Yes, while he drove. I kept my eyes on the road, just in case.

Tom liked to talk too. He told me about his wife and two children, his stint with the British army, and quoted his favorite romantic comedies verbatim. He talked about the history of the routes, the truck mechanics, the driving laws and the road conditions until my ears bled.

But we also talked about politics and

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Noah Trugman is a senior majoring in philosphy. He can be reached via e-mail at noah.trugman@tufts.edu this is no news to you or me, but apparently George W. Bush and John Kerry didn't get the memo.

In a recent Princeton Review study of the vocabulary used in this year's presidential debates, Bush and Kerry were found to have spoken at a sixth and seventh grade level, respectively.

For perspective, the organization analyzed several other presidential debates. For example, in Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy's 1960 debate, famous for being the first televised presidential debate, each candidate spoke at a tenth grade level. The Lincoln vs. Douglas debates were at 11th and 12th grade levels. Surprised? I was too — who knew that the Princeton Review did more than rank party schools?

John Doe might attribute the results of the study to the "dumbing down" of American politics, and John would be right. Many members of the academic The closest we get to real political discourse is during the presidential debates. Yet two minutes is not enough time to give a satisfactory answer to any real policy question. However, even if more time was given and real debates were held, many Americans would decide to just hear about who won the next day on CNN or Fox. Why?

The discussion would be over most of our heads because we don't have time to crunch numbers or delineate every consequence of some policies. The framers understood this problem two hundred fifty years ago, leaving most policy dis-

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Gang warfare, drugs, rape near home of Tufts student SOMERVILLE

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that apartment, I was surrounded by many crimes. My car had the windows smashed in twice, once by gunfire. Someone tried to break into my apartment while I was home, but luckily was scared away by the shock of me yelling at him to get out.

A 17-year-old kid was killed by a gang while he tried to protect his friend from getting hurt. They beat him to death on the street by the park with a hockey stick. He was a football star in high school, had just graduated, and was looking forward to going to college this fall on a scholarship. Another time, two rival gangs had a brawl involving more than 20 men and weapons just feet from my house.

In the wintertime, the neighbors who were dealing drugs across the street burned down their apartment. When they fled the fire, they must have left some drugs behind, because a couple weeks later they were raided by the police. This resulted in the second largest drug bust in Somerville history.

They found cocaine, crack, crystal meth, heroin, and marijuana, as well as a nice cache of semi-automatic weapons. Police also discovered that apartments in that building were being illegally rented out and hence violating city zoning and tax laws, as well as fire codes.

Just after I moved in, one of my neighbors was shot and killed.

Remember, this is not Watts in L.A., this is Somerville. One mile up the road from Tufts University. Clearly, this is not a place in which one would choose to live unless she needed to. Well, I needed to. It was the only place I could afford and still be able to attend Tufts. Really, I don't want to move, because I still love my apartment. It is my home.

American politics are only getting dumber

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cussion out of the realm of public debate. Today, because we all vote for the president and senators, it might be the case that more knowledge and participation is required of us.

Unfortunately, we'd rather get the bullet-points from twentyfour-hour cable news networks than dissect the issues for ourselves

Although ignorance accounts for most of the dumbing-down of politics, it is not the sole reason.

The problem is that what the

electorate is looking for in a president is not an astute

Unfortunately, we'd rather get the bulletpoints from twenty-fourhour cable news networks

policymaker, but rather a guy vou could "drink a beer with," a 'guy like me.'

These ridiculous demands

placed on politicians force candidates to flip burgers at diners for the cameras and to not seem too smart, lest the electorate classify them elitist intellectuals.

Politicians are not perfect people. A lot of politicians are not good people. Many abuse power and are corrupted by money from special interests. Yet, the way that campaigns are run cannot be blamed on them.

It is the voters who continue to look for the wrong things and be persuaded by the wrong arguments. A candidate will run a campaign to get elected, not to change the system.

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Talking philosophy with truck drivers

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history, theology and philosophy. It turned out that Tom was the political philosopher of the truck drivers. By the time we pulled into Castets that first night, we had already debated the ethics of gay marriage and the right of the U.S. to go to war against Iraq.

Tom drove nine or 10 hours a day, about 6,000 miles per week, every week of the year. He has driven to places like Saudi Arabia and Moscow carrying whatever needed to be transported.

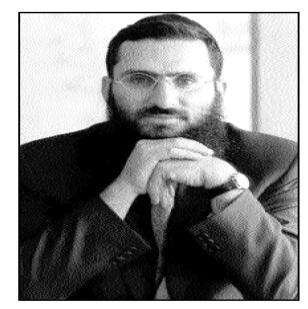
For the past two years, he has delivered raw materials to Morocco and finished clothing back to England. He lives in the tiny cab of his truck with his clothes, bedding, food, T.V., and DVD player. He drives almost everyday back and forth, back and forth, back and forth.

Truck driving does not seem like an easy life. Tom doesn't get enough exercise, doesn't see his family, and drives back and forth all day everyday. But Tom likes being a truck driver and couldn't imagine doing anything else. It's not the solitude or the scenery or the power of driving a big truck that he likes. He is happy because he is in charge of himself. He is in control but doesn't have the final responsibility. He feels free.

English truck drivers are generally friendly, middle-aged men with pot bellies and varying degrees of baldness.

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Shmuley Boteach is a Rabbi nationally syndicated talk show host, the international best-selling author of 14 books, and an acclaimed syndicated columnist. He has hosted some of the world's leading thinkers and statesmen, including Mikhail Gorbachev, Shimon Peres, Elie Wiesel and Stephen Hawking.

Challenging Rabbi Boteach will be Dr. Michael Brown (Ph.D., Near Eastern Languages and Literature, New York University), Jewish believer in Jesus



Tom and I had a very different perception and understanding of freedom. Although I thought the trucking lifestyle was confining, he and his fellow truckers saw it as liberating.

One of the other drivers had a serious girlfriend once who finally asked The Question: trucking or me? He chose trucking, the free life.

Freedom is a fundamental human value. But freedom means different things to different people. Two weeks ago, I wrote about Francis Bok, an escaped slave from Sudan, who has a profound appreciation of the value of freedom. Tom's is a third perspective.

But I think the freedom that Tom enjoys is qualitatively different from the freedom Francis earned in his escape from slavery. Tom has assumed freedom at a default level. It is not the liberation — personal, professional, intellectual that I hope to attain through education and hard work of a different sort.

My road trip with Tom was like a two and a half day tutorial in the lessons of life, a liberating adventure into the depths of freedom. I will never forget looking down on all the cars from up high, from that unusual vantage point of freedom, as we drove through the Spanish hills and olive groves and beautiful desert vistas spotted with colorful homes tucked into the mountains.

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Bush, Kerry at odds over ambitous NCLB law

BY **R.A.** DYER Knight Ridder Newspapers

FORT WORTH, Texas — It has been described as one of the federal government's most important education initiatives ever. Through it, President Bush has aimed to improve teacher quality, enhance academic progress and increase the number of high school graduates.

But does No Child Left Behind — a law that brings Texas-style education initiatives to the national stage — actually work?

In the run-up to this year's presidential election, heated debate over Iraq and the economy has all but drowned out discussion of education.

And yet, according to some estimates, more than 3,000 students drop out of school every day. Of students who do graduate, nearly one-third read at a -"below basic" level — meaning they can barely comprehend their textbooks according to the nonpartisan Alliance for Excellent Education.

How would No Child Left Behind affect those abysmal numbers? If he's elected president, what would Democrat John Kerry do to modify the program? What would Bush do?

Besides being one of the farthest-reaching education initiatives ever undertaken by the federal government, NCLB is also one of the most controversial.

Bush, who describes the law as "the most important federal education reform in history," cites rising test scores as proof that it works. "America's schools are getting better, and nothing will hold us back," Bush said during his party's nominating speech at the Republican National Convention in New York.

Kerry says the administration has failed to properly fund NCLB. "Millions of children have been left behind — left with overcrowded classrooms, left without textbooks and left without high-quality tests that measure what they are learning," Kerry said during a recent gathering of the American Federation of Teachers.

In a nutshell, No Child Left Behind requires states to set and meet standards for what children should learn. It was adopted by Congress with bipartisan support — including a yes vote from Kerry, a senator from Massachusetts and signed into law two years ago.

NCLB sets forth a number of policy goals upon which almost everyone agrees: Through it, the federal government seeks to improve early reading instruction, upgrade the quality of teachers in low-income schools and encourage student progress.

Like the Texas accountability system, the law mandates regular testing. Schools must get students to meet minimum math and reading scores. The law increases those minimums through 2014, when No Child Left Behind requires all students to test at a "proficient" level.

According to an analysis by Education Week, districts have reported varied progress. For instance, 18 of California's 1,056 districts were recently listed as needing improvement under the act. One-third of Rhode Island's 36 districts were also listed as needing improvement, the magazine reported.

Schools that consistently fail to make progress can face sanctions, and children in low-performing schools can obtain transfers to better ones.

Bush built support for the law by pointing to successes in the Texas test-based accountability system, which he championed while governor. But the Texas system has taken hits in recent months.

For instance, the Houston school district, which was touted as part of "the Texas miracle" when Bush ran for president four years ago, has been cited for dramatically underreporting dropouts and campus crime. Education Secretary Rod Paige formerly served as superintendent of the district.

Several nonpartisan publicinterest groups also have found serious flaws in No Child Left Behind. Perhaps the biggest is that the federal government has creat-

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Preparing for flu season



MADALYN RUGGIERO/KRT

Roman Oleszczuk, 81, sits in a lawn chair working a puzzle while waiting for a flu shot on Friday, in Allentown, Pennsylvania, at a center that had a supply of only 100 shots.

Media firm accused of dodging FCC

Campaign different with Bush as president

BY KENNETH R. BAZINET Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHOENIX — One of the most striking differences between the current presidential race and campaign 2000 is President Bush's behavior on the grueling cross-country stumps.

Four years ago, Bush was a candidate, not the president. He frequently lounged with the press on his campaign plane Great Expectations, handed out nicknames, compared jogging times with reporters, mugged at them during solemn events and detailed his delight in peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

One example of his impish — some called it "frat boy" behavior was when he finally left the press section one day, only to return minutes later. When everyone stood up again, he grinned and said he just wanted to see them do that again.

But now he is the president, and a war president at that. He is busier with weightier matters. The questions are tougher, and appearance matters more.

His presence in the press section of Air Force One is so rare that when he stopped by last week, it was only the seventh time since he became president. The reporters were clearly startled.

"He probably feels the race is getting closer and needs to get some exposure," said Kenneth T. Walsh, author of the book "Air Force One: A History of the Presidents and Their Planes."

As president, access to Bush is strictly controlled, even

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Report on Episcopal church relations 'a bellwether moment'

by Paul Asay

as Methodists, Presbyterians and Catholics, many of whom also are debating where homosexual relationships fit in God's plan. Some see the Episcopal Church's struggles as a harbinger. The Windsor Report will be released by the Anglican Communion, a body that oversees Anglican and Episcopal provinces worldwide. It's unlikely the report will talk much about homosexuality, the issue that lies at the heart of the discord. or whether — churches with deep theological rifts can work with one another. The report has no legal authority and could be discussed and debated for months, if not years, before the Anglican Communion acts.

NEW YORK — Poised to preempt programming on its 62 television stations to run a negative documentary about Sen. John Kerry, Sinclair Broadcasting Group has come under fire from critics calling it partisan and questioning whether it is failing federal broadcast requirements to reflect local interests.

BY LEON LAZAROFF

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Members of Congress and independent media groups have questioned the company's willingness to respect "localism," a section of federal law that requires local broadcasters to reflect local values.

"Sinclair has turned localism on its head," said Mark Cooper, research director of the Consumer Federation of America, a union of 300 consumer groups nationwide. "Instead of using its right to preempt national programming to preserve a local voice, it wants to impose its political will on 62 local stations."

Sinclair's practices as a televi-

ingly uses "distance-casting" whereby local news, sports and weather is uniformly broadcast to its many stations from Sinclair's headquarters in suburban Baltimore.

sion operator have also been from CBS and 19 from the WB, a

criticized for removing local network partly owned by

control. The company increas- Tribune Co., owner of the

Television viewers regularly receive on-camera reports from "News Central," presentations that appear to be coming from local stations. Sinclair spokesman Mark Hyman delivers conservative commentary that must be carried on local news reports.

"Their whole business model is about cutting operating costs," said Andrew Jay Schwartzman, president and CEO of the Media Access Project, a legal watchdog group. "They fake the localism by presenting the hometown station feel but without any of the presence and journalism that local communities deserve."

Sinclair's stations include 20 Fox affiliates, eight from ABC, six from UPN, four from NBC, three Chicago Tribune. Sinclair has a "shared services" arrangement with two additional stations.

According to the Center for Public Integrity, Sinclair currently owns or operates two stations, called "duopolies," in more markets — 20 — than any other media company in the country. The company, which reported 2003 revenues of \$738 million, also owns or operates more television stations — 62 — than any media company.

Sinclair did not respond to repeated requests to comment for this article. However, a telephone recording at the company's headquarters says, "The program has not been videotaped and the exact format of this unscripted event has not been finalized. Characterizations regarding the content are premature and are being promoted by groups pushing a political agenda."

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The Episcopal Church is divided over sex and Scripture, and Episcopalians anxiously await Monday's release of a key report on church relations.

Some hope the report will heal the denomination's relationships with sister churches worldwide.

Others want it to punish the church for slipping away from Scripture and falling into heresy.

Still others worry the report could snap the church in two.

No matter what they expect, Episcopalians agree on one thing: The report will change the church forever.

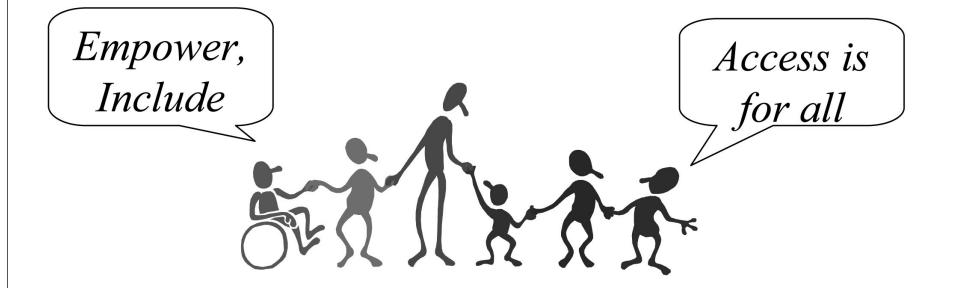
"It will be a bellwether moment in the Anglican community," said the Rev. Brooks Keith, rector of The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration in Vail, Colo.

It could be key for other mainline denominations, such

With the church stretched to the snapping point, Episcopalians think it will mark

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National education funding up 49 percent under Bush

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Behind. Perhaps the biggest is that the federal government has created unfunded mandates by not giving states enough money to comply with the law.

Although the Bush administration has presided over a 49 percent increase in federal support for elementary and secondary education since 2001, that's far short of the money authorized under the legislation, say nonpartisan education groups.

"The fact that this has not been fulfilled at the same time that the combination of earlier state tax cuts and a national recession created fiscal cutbacks in almost all states has made a very difficult situation seem impossible to many educators," reports the Civil Rights Project at Harvard University.

Kerry says he'd increase NCLB funding through a National Education Trust Fund that would deliver an extra \$200 billion over 10 years. But how he would find that money raises other questions: Kerry says it would come from rolling back tax cuts for the wealthy. But independent observers have said that's not enough if Kerry also fulfills campaign promises to shrink the deficit and expand health-care funding.

Other concerns about NCLB include:

—Nationally, only about 68 percent of ninth-graders graduate on time while only about half of black and Hispanic students earn diplomas alongside their white counterparts, according to Harvard's Civil Rights Project. Despite those numbers, the U.S. Education Department has issued `No Child' regulations that all but eliminate graduation-rate accountability for minority subgroups, the Civil Rights Project reports.

—A survey of teachers found that many believe NCLB sanctions would cause instructors to transfer from schools not making adequate progress. "These results suggest that there is a very serious problem in getting teachers to make a long-term commitment to teach in poorly performing schools," the Civil Rights Project notes.

—Some states have lowered pre-existing standards to comply with the new rules. In Texas, for instance, members of the State Board for Educator Certification weakened teacher-licensing standards.

Bush, for his part, has promised to fund programs for at-risk high schoolers and to put more emphasis on the teaching of math and science. "We are transforming our schools by raising standards and focusing on results," Bush said on Sept. 2, when he accepted the Republican nomination.

But Kerry says he would reform the law when it comes up for review in 2007. For instance, the accountability standards need to change to include such factors as teacher and student attendance and parental satisfaction, he said.

BUSH'S EDUCATION PRO-POSAL

— Pledges to fund programs for at-risk high schoolers and place more emphasis on teaching math and science.

— Proposes strengthening Head Start, a federally funded program for economically disadvantaged preschoolers.

— Calls for an additional \$200 million annually to help high schoolers who fall behind in reading.

— Pledges an additional \$28 million in the 2005 budget to help bring Advanced Placement courses to low-income students.

— Calls for an additional \$250 million each year to extend state testing for reading and math in grades three through 11.

KERRY'S EDUCATION PRO-POSAL

— Proposes a National Education Trust Fund at a cost of about \$200 billion over the next decade.

— Wants ways to measure student performance other than standardized tests. Such alternatives would include reviewing teacher and student attendance and reviewing parental satisfaction.

Democrats push FCC to investigate Sinclair

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Listeners are given a phone number for Sen. Kerry's campaign office in Washington, D.C., and asked to urge him to appear on the show. Kerry's campaign on Friday asked that each station carrying the "Stolen Honor: Wounds That Never Heal" documentary provide a similar amount of time to Kerry supporters.

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and 84 other House Democrats on Thursday joined 19 senators in calling for the FCC to investigate Sinclair's apparent intentions to air on its stations "Stolen Honor" just days before the Nov. 2 election.

Prompted by Sinclair's plans to run the documentary, Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., this week pledged to attach limits to media mergers to one of a handful of spending bills that must be approved before legislators adjourn at the end of the year.

FCC Chairman Michael Powell made clear that the commission would not attempt to stop Sinclair from airing the program. While emphasizing that he was unsure whether the program would trigger "equal time" rules, Powell emphasized their importance when discussing controversial issues.

"We do have equal-time rules and I do think that in a political season it is beneficial for both sides of an issue to be heard," Powell said at a public appearance Friday in New York City.

Launched in 1971 with a single UHF station in Baltimore, Sinclair grew rapidly during the 1990s as it purchased stations mostly in medium-size cities such as Milwaukee, Dayton and Nashville.

Using a business arrangement known as a Local Marketing Agreement, or LMA, Sinclair became the operator of stations in markets where it already owned a television broadcaster.

Sinclair currently operates six LMAs through a company called Cunningham Broadcasting, previously known as Glencairn Ltd. Cunningham is controlled by trusts in the name of Carolyn Smith, the mother of Sinclair president and CEO David Smith, as well as two Sinclair vice presidents, Duncan and Frederick Smith, and Robert Smith, a director on Sinclair's board.

The FCC established LMAs in the early-1990s to assist failing stations or to help start-ups share costs for such expenses as maintenance and advertising with older, established broadcasters.

However, Schwartzman says Sinclair used these business arrangements for the sole intention of eventually acquiring the stations themselves. "Sinclair has operated these LMAs as little more than a fig leaf for all but owning them outright," he said. "They've been pressed on this but unfortunately this FCC has let them off the hook."

Sinclair's use of LMAs goes back to 1991 when it purchased WPGH-TV in Pittsburgh and then sold a Pittsburgh station it already owned, WCWB-TV, to a station employee, an African-American named Edwin Edwards. Edwards, a public affairs officer, became the president of Glencairn, owning it under a minority tax-incentive program.

Between 1994 and 1997, Sinclair acquired second television stations in San Antonio, Greenville, S.C, Asheville, N.C. and elsewhere, placing them under Glencairn.

When the FCC liberalized its "duopoly rules" in 1999, permitting companies such as Sinclair to own two stations in markets with eight or more independent television owners, Sinclair applied to the FCC to purchase all of Glencairn's stations.

However, Rainbow/PUSH, angered by what it called Sinclair's improper use of minority businesses, filed a complaint charging that the company had "misrepresented facts and concealed the true extent of their business relationships" to own television stations that otherwise would not have been permitted under federal rules.

Pulitzer Broadcasting and Post-Newsweek Stations, a joint-venture between the Washington Post Co. and the magazine by the same name, filed similar complaints with the FCC alleging that Glencairn was a Sinclair shell operation.

In November 2001, the FCC fined both Sinclair and Glencairn \$40,000 for violations to the 1934 Communications Act. However, FCC Chairman Powell joined with two other Republican appointees to approve Sinclair's request to purchase all but six stations. Shortly afterward, Glencairn's name was changed to Cunningham Broadcasting.

In his dissent, Commissioner Michael Copps, a Democrat, called Sinclair's practices "disquieting." He added that the company's maneuvering "raises questions of whether these stations were merely owned by Glencairn but controlled by Sinclair until such times as Sinclair could own them under our revised multiple ownership rules"

Rainbow/PUSH filed a follow-up petition in 2003, still pending before the FCC, that calls on the commission to hold a hearing to determine whether Sinclair's present and past conduct of its LMAs makes it qualified to hold licenses to use the public airwaves.

At present, rules governing duopolies are in flux.



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Bush, as president, avoids press

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tary, estimated that Clinton met with reporters on Air Force One dozens of times.

With Bush, the closest reporters usually get to the president is when he makes an offthe-record stop at small-town shops. Even then, if a reporter shouts a question he doesn't like, his handlers quickly escort the media away. He still orders up the peanut butter and jelly sandwiches on Air Force One and has made a treadmill one of the newest additions aboard the jet, but the only way to know that is through aides or others who have spent time with the president.

And there's little incentive during a close election for Bush to return to his chatty self of four years ago.

"When Air Force One lands in a town, it's probably worth at least 15,000 votes, operatives have long believed," said Walsh, who has flown hundreds of legs aboard Air Force One since 1986 as chief White House correspondent for U.S. News & World Report. "It just captures people's attention, even hard-bitten reporters."

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Episcopalian Church tries to heal wounds

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a pivotal point in church history.

ry. "This is really the first time I've thought that, boy, this could be the end of it," said Susan Garsoe, a parishioner at Colorado Springs' Chapel of Our Savior. "At the same time, we are one. We are commanded to love one another, and that includes the people who are hardest to love."

The Episcopal Diocese of Colorado is considered one of the nation's most diverse. Overall, the 35,000-member, 121-parish diocese apparently is growing, adding six parishes in 2004.

But some parishes in the diocese have lost members since August 2003, when the church approved the ordination of an openly gay man, the Rev. Gene Robinson, to lead its New Hampshire diocese.

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Colorado Springs says its attendance is down significantly — from 160 regular attendees to about 70. Other local parishes say attendance is holding steady, and a few declined to give estimates.

When the Episcopal Church accepted Robinson, conservative parishes withheld money from it and some dioceses. Parishioners talked openly of a schism.

The Rev. Donald Armstrong, rector of the diocese's largest parish, the 2,300-member Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, is one of the denomination's most prominent conservative voices. He has called "liberals" the real separatists, moving the church from its Anglican roots and biblical beliefs.

Armstrong declined to comment for this story.

Other pastors and parishioners say the church is on the right track and has a better knowledge of homosexuality than biblical authors did.

"The church has changed," said Martin Broin, a parishioner at The Church of St. Michael the Archangel in Colorado Springs. "(Conservative Episcopalians say) we're trying to change the whole belief system, and to an extent, they're right."

The Episcopal Church has been one of mainline Christianity's most gay-friendly denominations. It's been at the forefront of homosexual issues and recently legitimized homosexual relationships by ordaining gay clergy and allowing dioceses to bless same-sex unions.

That diversity, however, has run smack into Episcopal doctrine, outlined in The Book of Common Prayer.

The book, which many consider the manual of Episcopal belief, says marriage is "a solemn and public covenant between a man and a woman in the presence of God."

"If you look at the prayer book today and you look at the canons today, it's very clear," said Ken Shrum, a parishioner at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Fort Collins. "But when I look at my gay and lesbian and bisexual and transgendered brothers and sisters in Christ, who are happily living in relationships that have gone on for years or decades ... you can see the fruits of God in that relationship."

Some Episcopalians think it's time to update the book.

Robinson's ordination, they say, is a welcome step.

"From what I know of Gene Robinson, he's very loving, very kind and (has) great leadership skills," said Karri Kurt, a parishioner from Evergreen's Church of the Transfiguration.

"I was doing handstands, I was so happy," Broin said of his reaction to Robinson's acceptance by the church. He sees Robinson's ordination as God's will.

"As far as I'm concerned, this (debate) was settled a long time ago," he said. "Some people just need to catch up."

Some gays and lesbians say they don't feel totally welcome in the church despite its official tolerance and acceptance of homosexuals.

Frank Volz and Brian Lund, a Colorado Springs gay couple, left the church when some local Episcopalians suggested they hide their relationship. They had been active in their previous parish in New Mexico.

"I don't see a reason to go back in hiding to make people more comfortable," Volz said. They now attend Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church, a predominantly gay and lesbian congregation.

Fear keeps many Episcopalians from accepting homosexual relationships fully, some say.

"It's really hard to fathom the amount of fear that actually goes along with this," said Shelley Brown, a lesbian parishioner from Denver's St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. "One of my guesses is it's the fear of the strange, and a lot of people don't know that they know someone who's gay."

Conservative Episcopalians say they're not afraid. They're faithful to the word of God.

They interpret several passages in the Bible as condemning homosexuality.

Gay believers like Volz and Lund say modern translations are misleading and that the original authors didn't mean to condemn homosexuality.

Other Episcopalians say the Bible was not intended to be read literally.

"Most of us recognize that without the Bible, we wouldn't be Christians," Broin said. "We don't interpret it in the same way."

Little lawyer takes on big rap stars in suits

BY ADAM NICHOLS Knight Ridder Newspapers

NEW YORK — Gangsta rap's bad boys are fighting a new foe — a diminutive blond lawyer who calls herself the "anticelebrity."

Their songs include "Cop Killer" and "Bad Boy For Life," but Manhattan attorney Suzanne Kimberly Bracker is building her own reputation: making rapper fathers pay child support.

Her hit list includes Puff Daddy, Ice T and Funkmaster Flex.

Right now, she's embroiled in a bitter custody battle with Roca-Fella Records' czar Damon Dash. Other famous fathers that have done battle with her in Manhattan Family Court include former Knicks star Latrell Sprewell and boxer Zab Judah.

Bracker specializes in teaming up with ex-girlfriends to hunt down the rich, famous and often in-denial fathers of their children and making them accountable.

"There are plenty of celebrity lawyers," she says. "I'm an anticelebrity lawyer and I'm the only one.

"If somebody is pregnant by a celebrity or has a child by a celebrity, the chances are they're going to be calling me."

Bracker, 43, a family law expert who broke into the legal field as an aide to famed divorce lawyer Raoul Felder, took on Sean (P. Diddy) Combs in 2001 after being contacted by his former lover and mother of his 3year-old son, Kim Porter.

The undisclosed child support settlement, believed to be in the millions, prompted calls from other women in the same situation — many of them struggling to make ends meet despite their child's father being a multimillionaire.

"These celebrities go to inner-city areas, they go to the Bronx, Brooklyn, Harlem, because there, they're the big cheese," Bracker said.

"They are going to meet the prettiest women in the neighborhood, they are going to have sex with them, and then they're going to say, `I don't know her, and that's not my kid.'

"Some of these women are living on nothing, and they're bringing up the children of multimillionaires."

But because it's so often a battle of rich against poor, lawyers are reluctant to take the cases, she says.

Her clients agree.

"Other lawyers refused to take my case when they heard who it was against," said Linda Williams, Dash's ex-girlfriend. "But Suzanne isn't intimidated by anybody. She likes to represent the underdog, she doesn't hesitate in fighting high-profile people. She's superb."

Bracker says, "It's difficult to sue somebody who has a lot of money because they can buy everything; the best experts, evidence, witnesses.

"A lot of lawyers won't take on the cases because of this, or because they know the celebrity or their business associates. But that sort of case is my niche. I'll take anything on, as long as it interests me."

The opposition can afford the best. And Bracker regularly faces off against the cream of the city's matrimonial bar: Stanford Lotwin for P. Diddy, Robert Stephan Cohen for Funkmaster and Helene Brezinsky for Dash.

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Tufts University Health Service has learned that it will not receive any of the 2,500 flu vaccine doses it pre-ordered in April of last year. As a result, we are canceling all of our flu clinics this fall.

Traditionally, Health Service has offered yearly flu vaccine to students and to faculty and staff at Tufts. Our students are primarily healthy young adults, who do not fall into any high risk groups, although certainly we have our share of students with chronic medical conditions. Older faculty and staff are more likely to have chronic health problems that put them at higher risk from influenzae. We are of course very upset at not receiving ANY vaccine, to give to our students with the most severe health problems. At this time, we are trying to locate a small amount of vaccine from community health departments that we would allocate for our sickest students. Given the intense shortage in MA, it is unlikely that we will find much, if any vaccine. We anticipate this situation will evolve over the next few weeks, and we will keep the community up to date.

Recommendations for Faculty and Staff: Please contact your own primary care clinician or your local public health department to find other sources of flu vaccine for yourself. Undergraduate and graduate students who have health care providers in other areas could also contact those offices. All members of the Tufts community should be mindful of the most effective technique for disease prevention – frequent handwashing (small containers of hand sanitizer carried with you are very useful). Other hygiene measures include: covering your cough with a tissue or coughing into your sleeve—not your hand, disposing of used tissues, sanitize hands after coughing, sneezing and blowing your nose, use sanitizing wipes frequently on shared telephones, consider not shaking hands if you are sick.

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International

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Insurgents keep contract wreckers busy clearing Iraq's road routes

BY GRETEL C. KOVACH Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The call comes around 9 p.m., just after dinner. A military police unit was blasted by a roadside bomb on patrol in Baghdad. American soldiers are standing on a blockaded street in the dark, waiting for a wrecker to retrieve their battered Humvee.

Mark Compton, a redheaded, wisecracking 37-year-old from rural Kentucky, is riding foreman tonight in a small convoy the disabled vehicle.

He grabs his bulletproof vest, helmet and two radios and climbs three steps into the passenger seat of a 50-ton truck. With an armed military escort in the lead, they roll off the base, headlights dark and windows down, listening for gunfire.

Each day in Iraq, insurgents immobilize military vehicles and civilian supply trucks with bombs left on roadsides or driven in cars by suicide attackers.

of trucks dispatched to snatch They lob rocks, pipes and grenades from highway overpasses and fire rockets at passing convoys.

Sometimes unpaved roads and sand are enough to kill an engine in Iraq. They're just joking though,"

Compton says of the insurgents, delivering his signature line. "They don't mean anything by it."

KBR, formerly Kellogg, Brown & Root, the Houston-based

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Sam Stahlhut looks where shrapnel went through his Humvee after it was hit by an explosive in Baghdad, Iraq, on Sept. 20. The vehicle was towed by a private contractor for repairs or salvage.

Obama Senate campaign closely watched in Kenya

BY LAURIE GOERING Knight Ridder Newspapers

KOGELO, Kenya - The local beer is called Senator, but there is a new way of ordering one in the open-air bars of Kenya's lush western hill country.

'Give me an Obama," drinkers say, slapping down their shillings.

Barack Obama may be the Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate in Illinois, but in Kenya - particularly the quiet villages near Lake Victoria where his father grew up — he is fast becoming a local hero.

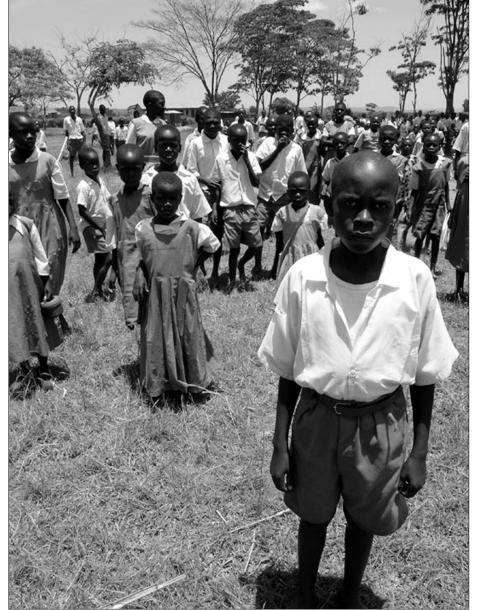
Farmers who once called their oxen Kenyatta or Moi after Kenyan presidents are now naming them Obama. A new television ad for Kenya's national phone service features a local man bragging to a friend he has just called "my first cousin Obama" in Chicago.

Administrators at Kogelo's modest primary school, down a dirt path from the Obama family cornfield, say they are considering a new name for the school: Barack Obama Elementary.

"He's vying for the presidency in America and he's going to win," said Gilbert Olali, 11, a student who follows Obama's campaign via transistor radio. "I'm very proud."

Gilbert may not have the details quite right, but there is no question about the local enthusiasm for Obama's run for national office - even if the nation is not Kenva.

The 43-year-old, heavily favored to win election over Republican Alan Keyes next month, is hardly a native son of eastern Africa. His father grew up in Kogelo but left to study in Hawaii, where he met Obama's American mother. The marriage did not last, and Barack Obama Sr. returned to Kenya and became a government economist. The younger Obama visited Kenya for the first time years after his father's



Two-helicopter crash kills two U.S. soldiers in Baghdad

BY COLIN MCMAHON Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two U.S. soldiers were killed and two wounded Saturday night as a pair of Army helicopters crashed in southwest Baghdad, the military said, bringing to at least six the number of American troops killed in Iraq since midday Friday.

The American losses came as the Iraqi people and U.S. officials braced for attacks to coincide with the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. Explosions rocked five Christian churches Saturday morning in Baghdad, and a mortar round landed in the garden of a Baghdad hospital, killing an Iraqi worker and wounding three others. There were no casualties in the church explosions.

Meanwhile, U.S. warplanes and heavy armor resumed their punishing bombing campaign of the insurgent-held city of Fallujah, Reuters reported. A witness said tanks were shelling suspected guerrilla positions from a highway outside the city.

Fallujah Hospital officials told The Associated Press that U.S. artillery shells fell on a house in Halabsa village, 10 miles southwest of the city, killing a 3-year-old girl and injuring four family members.

Military officials said coalition forces destroyed an illegal insurgent checkpoint Saturday night in the Jolan neighborhood of Fallujah. The military said insurgents "were heavily armed and were using the blockade to disrupt traffic, intimidate and harass local citizens." They called it a key to militant movement in and out of the city.

Fallujah community leaders, who had broken off peace talks with the interim Iragi government last week, offered Saturday to resume negotiations if U.S. forces stopped their assault and released their leading negotiator. The military confirmed Marines had arrested Sheik Khaled al-Jumeili on Friday, but officials declined to say why he was detained or where he was being held. The United States says the strikes are aimed at disrupting guerrilla bands planning car bombings and other attacks and have damaged the leadership of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi's group. U.S. and Iraqi officials believe al-Zarqawi's group is taking refuge in Fallujah. Fallujah leaders deny that, even in the face of Iraqi government threats of a Marine-led assault on the city. The stepped-up bombing of Fallujah does not mean a land assault on the city is imminent, U.S. officials said. But residents said the latest round of air attacks and artillery shelling was more intense than ever, and it was accompanied by land maneuvers, as Marines tightened checkpoints in hopes of containing or capturing guerrillas.

death in a car crash in 1982.

Gilbert Olali, 11, front, stands with classmates at his school in Kogelo, Kenya. Olali has been following news of Barack Obama's campaign for the U.S. Senate in Illinois by radio. see OBAMA, page 19

No flu vaccine shortage expected in United Kingdom

by Mike McGraw AND DAVID GOLDSTEIN Knight Ridder Newspapers

LIVERPOOL, England — At a public clinic, almost in the shadow of the Chiron plant near the Mersey River, a poster says to "make an appointment today for your free flu jab."

Flu vaccine may be delayed in some locations, but the shortages America is seeing are not expected here, thanks in part to early action by British health officials.

Late this summer, at the first sign of new problems at the Chiron Corp.'s longtroubled plant, the British began searching for other suppliers of flu vaccine.

'When Chiron informed us of the potential problems at the end of August,

we made contingency agreements," said Alison Langley, a spokesperson for the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), the British equivalent of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Armed with essentially the same information, however, U.S. officials relied on Chiron's early assurances that only a small portion of the flu vaccine from its Liverpool plant here was contaminated.

It was not until Oct. 5, when the British pulled Chiron's license, that they knew half the U.S. flu vaccine supply had just disappeared, producing the lines and shortages the country is now enduring.

No matter what, the United States would have had a tougher time solving the problem than England.

For one thing, the American shortfall is

more than 45 million doses, but the British relied on the Chiron plant for only about 20 percent of their total flu vaccine needs, or about 1.2 to 2 million doses.

Compared with Americans, fewer people seek flu shots in England, where vaccinations are promoted primarily for young children, those over 65, persons with HIV or other compromising conditions, and health-care workers.

'Most healthy people here don't get a flu shot," said Hugh Lamont, with the government's Health Protection Agency.

The British could also fall back on a half-dozen other suppliers that had been pre-approved by British authorities. The United States had only one other major supplier, Aventis Pasteur.

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IRAQ



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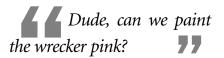
continued from page 17 Halliburton subsidiary contracted to feed and house U.S. troops in Iraq,

also runs this war zone wrecking service. It has retrieved more than 1,000 vehicles, with the Baghdad team picking up as many as 11 a night.

For the first time, KBR allowed a reporter to accompany the recovery truckers on a recent night mission. Some details have been omitted for security purposes.

Armed with good humor under fire, the wreckers keep traffic flowing on Iraq's main supply routes, recover salvageable equipment and prevent insurgents from planting bombs in vehicles left too long on the roadside.

Each time they drive off the military base, the insurgents know they are coming.



John Bullington Soldier and former advertising manager

Compton mans the radio, while his driver, a Gulf War veteran who left a disintegrating marriage to take this job, keeps a calm foot on the pedal. The soldiers in the lead scan the overpasses with searchlights.

Two nights before, as the Baghdad team headed back toward base after retrieving a Humvee, a second roadside bomb exploded 50 yards in front of them. It was close enough to raise the hair on Compton's arm and sting his skin.

A week before that, insurgents blew up one of their wreckers while the crew was loading a disabled fuel tanker.

'Some days we think God hates us and the Devil's on his side," Compton said.

They loop around an off-ramp frequently laced with bombs and brace themselves for shattering glass. They ride without seatbelts, ready to bail out of the cab during an attack.

The ramp is safe tonight, but a car tries to cut into the convoy as the big trucks lumber down the road. Compton leans his arm out the window and presses his fingers together in the local sign for "patience."

The car keeps coming. Compton orders the convoy to "Get over, don't let him in on the left!"

He leans out the window, twisting to view the vehicle inching closer. Headlights glint on his glasses. Compton jerks his arm up and down, warning him to back off. Finally, the driver does.

KBR, which runs more than 700 trucks a day in Iraq and Kuwait, has hauled more than 273 million gallons of fuel and almost 50 million pounds of mail.

The unit is under investigation on

War truckers do the dirty work wreck.

> Compton hops out of the truck and directs the driver of a 40-foot Landoll flatbed up to the Humvee, whose extra-armored steel doors are pocked with ball bearings and shrapnel. The tires are shredded, and the thick side windows shattered.

> The Humvee's driver, Spc. Sam Stahlhut, 20, of Fort Wayne, Ind., limps around the wreck, amazed everyone on the 21st Military Police Company patrol walked away from the attack.

> "That ball of fire came right at my face. I guess the extra armor really works," he said. "This is my fourth IED (improvised explosive device)."

> The Iraqi police wave and drive off. Within minutes the Humvee is loaded and the KBR recovery convoy heads out again into the Baghdad night, taking a different route home.

> 'Time is life here. If you get out there hours later, you've got the whole neighborhood waiting for you," Compton said.

> Back at the camp, the recovery truckers crack jokes all night while they wait for another call. It keeps them sane, or as close as they can get, they say.

> "Dude, can we paint the wrecker pink?" asks John Bullington, 28, of New Orleans, a former advertising manager.

> They are a colorful group, many of them tattooed chain smokers, with call signs such as 007, Smoke, Big Daddy Rabbit and Mohawk (with corresponding hairstyle). They drive trucks with names like Bulldog and American Bad Ass.

> The father to the bunch, "Papi" Adan Munoz, 57, of San Antonio, wears cowboy boots and a silver medallion belt. He imported Texas mesquite chips for the barbecue grill they fashioned from a truck rim.

> Even Compton, who does not smoke, curse or drink anything harder than Wild Red Tiger energy drink, has battery acid holes burned into his T-shirt, dark creases of dust in his forehead and greasy black knuckles.

> We're one big happy dysfunctional family," Bullington said.

> When the war began, he tried to re-enlist in the Army, but a back injury kept him out.

> "This was the only way I could get over here," he said. "It's pride too. Not everyone will do this job.'

> Mike Baskin, 42, a former Navy sailor from Texas, said he was interested in seeing ancient Mesopotamia. "And I've got half a dozen or so buddies over here," he said.

> Some tell their wives they are working in Kuwait so they will not worry. But above all, these combat truckers came to Iraq hoping to make good money for their families back home.

> "We're all here for the money. I'm not on some kind of glory mission," said Compton, who talks to his two children in Garfield, Ky., several times a day.

KBR will not disclose their salaries. but the truckers complain only the first \$80,000 is tax-free if they last a full year overseas. Compton has slept little and lost 18 pounds since he arrived. But he is shopping for several hundred acres to build a cabin and open a camp for underprivileged youth with his wife, a Christian private school teacher. As dawn illuminates the ghostly hulks of the wrecks they have retrieved in the last few weeks, it is a reminder of the long road ahead before Compton makes it home alive. There is a broken-down Chevrolet that had Texas plates. Several bullets had pierced the door, and dried blood was on the seat where the driver died. A truck modified with a windshield grate and a rod to drape a ballistic blanket shield around the cab did not survive a roadside bomb, but its driver did. "I plan on going home. I got things I've gotta do," said Compton, walking back to his trailer through the gravel.

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accusations of overbilling the U.S. Army for meals and gasoline in Iraq. KBR's no-bid contract to rehabilitate the Iraqi oil industry has been another focal point of criticism.

But KBR representatives in Iraq said no one anticipated the level of violence.

"We've had to modify our equipment and the way we do business,' said Megan Mason, a Baghdad-based spokeswoman for the company.

"These people got the fever," Compton said. "It's gotten much worse.'

His first mission was to pick up the vehicles from Thomas Hamill's ambushed convoy. Four KBR truckers died in the April attack, two remain missing and Hamill was taken captive but escaped.

The recovery truck crews have suffered nothing more than bumps and bruises. But KBR and its subcontractors have had 46 deaths to date.

At last, they spot the green glow sticks on the road where U.S. soldiers and Iraqi police are securing the

Reason for crashes still undetermined BAGHDAD

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The cause of the Baghdad helicopter crashes, which occurred at 8:30 p.m. local time, had yet to be determined. The four other deaths came Friday as a result of car bombs, the military said.

Two soldiers, a Marine and a civilian Iraqi translator were killed Friday night around Qaim near the Syrian border, the military said. The other soldier died after a car bomber attacked his convoy near Mosul in the north.

The deaths brought to at least 1,088 the number of U.S. troops killed since the United States invaded Iraq in March 2003. The U.S. military has lost at least 27 helicopters in Iraq since May 2003, many of them to hostile fire, according to figures compiled by the Brookings Institution and reported by AP.

The first of the Baghdad church bombings occurred about 4 a.m. local time and the last an hour and a half later. The blasts blew out windows, caused other exterior damage and intensified fears among Iraqi Christians.

'This is a terrorist act against us," said Hekmet Metie Batie, 63, a custodian at St. Thomas Church in the Mansour neighborhood. "They want a civil war between the Christians and the Muslims."

"I blame the terrorists from outside," said the Rev. Zaya Yousef of St. George's Church in the Doura neighborhood. "We have lived together as brothers for a thousand years. They want to shake up the situation in Iraq by committing terrorist acts.'

No group claimed responsibility for the attacks. They were condemned by the Association of Muslim Scholars, a Sunni clerical group believed to have influence with guerrillas.

The attacks came on the first day of Ramadan for Iraq's majority Shiite Muslim community; Sunnis celebrated the start of the holy month of fasting and self-deprivation Friday.

Obamas' lives not the same since Barack became famous

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Obama's extended family in tiny rural Kogelo, however, never forgot the child they knew only from photos. He looked like them, with his protruding ears and lanky build, and they put his picture on the living room wall next to other family photos.

"His mother sent a photo when she was pregnant, and we had one of him playing basketball in school," said his 83-year-old stepgrandmother, Sarah Hussein Önyango Obama, the family matriarch. "I was always longing to see him. But for a long time I did not.'

The Obamas live nearly atop the equator, a few hours' drive from the Ugandan border and down a narrow dirt track that ends in a sloping plot of exuberantly green tropical farmland. Goats graze on weeds along the driveway, and neighbors push bicycles laden with trussed goats and green bananas to market. Mango and avocado trees flank the family home, a small brick structure with a faded green tin roof. Smoke from a cooking fire curls from a shed out back.

Barack's stepuncle, Said Hussein Obama, steps out of a plot of corn he is weeding to greet visitors. He waves away apologies for the interruption, saying talking to journalists has been his primary occupation since his nephew announced his Senate run.

"I'm the public-relations officer on the Barry issue," he jokes, calling the candidate by a family nickname. He changes his shirt, chases a couple of chickens out of the living room and invites his callers to take a seat.

Life has not been the same for the Obama clan since their American relative got famous. Said Obama, 38, a modest unemployed bottling plant mechanic, now avoids using his last name in introductions because "immediately as I identify myself as Obama, the topic changes," he said. He finds himself invited to posh parties he once never would have attended simply because acquaintances want to drop a famous name. "It's a kind of celebrity sta-

tus," he says, smiling. Barack's stepuncle and his family got a first look at their skinny American cousin in 1988, when Obama came to Kogelo to visit his father's grave and meet the Kenyan side of his family. When he said hello, "we heard the voice of Barack. It was exactly how his father spoke," Said Obama remembers.

On that trip, and a subsequent one in 1992 with his then-fiancee Michelle Robinson, Obama quickly fit in as a member of the family, his relatives remember. He carried baskets of vegetables to market for his stepgrandmother, while Robinson helped the women fetch water from a nearby stream. He devoured helpings of stewed collard greens, tried out a few words of Luo, the local language, and surprised the neighbors by rising early to go jogging along the red-earth footpaths of the village.

He [Obama] gives us inspiration to work hard in everything we do. He has shown 77 you can excel.

> **Hussein Michael Obwayo** Out-of-work printer

"What struck me most is he was very humble. That he came back to see where he was from is very moving," his stepgrandmother said, sipping tea under an avocado tree. She said she also was pleased that, following African tradition, he asked for the family's approval to marry Robinson.

Obama, who gathered material for a book about his roots during his visits, also spent time sitting in a corner of the front yard near the raised concrete graves of the father he barely knew and the grandfather he never met. Both, relatives say, were men much like him.

Before settling down to work as a cook for missionaries in Nairobi, Obama's grandfather, Hussein Onyango Obama, was a traveler. Recruited to fight for colonial power Britain in World War I, he visited Europe and India and afterward lived for a time in Zanzibar, where he converted from Christianity to Islam, family members said.

The Obamas remain Muslim today, in a region of Kenya dominated by Christians. "Allah is great," read the hand-painted words in English on the back of the family's bright blue front door.

Obama's father also made a name for himself, first as a top student at Harvard University and later as one of Kenya's leading economists. A black-and-white portrait of him, in heavy black glasses, his chin set atop clasped hands, dominates the family's living room wall.

When Obama Jr.'s African family looks at him — a child of a white mother, an African father and an Asian stepfather, raised in Kansas and Indonesia, a top law student at Harvard, a father of two, a state senator, from a family that includes Muslims and Christians — they see a man ready to bridge the world's divides and follow in the footsteps of his forefathers.

Obama's family - and most other Kogelo residents - tracks the progress of his Senate campaign by radio. An uncle with a car also drives to the nearby town of Siaya, Kenya each day to fetch the Kenyan papers, which are following the race closely.

In Kenya, where a once-promising government anti-corruption drive has stalled, and joblessness and poverty seem intractable, nearly everyone is hoping for good news about a somewhat-native son.

"He gives us inspiration to work hard in everything we do," said Hussein Michael Obwayo, 37, an out-of-work printer hanging around Kogelo's small market square.

Others hope for more concrete benefits if Obama wins a Senate seat. People talk excitedly of new windows for the local school, pavement for the rutted dirt road to Kogelo, maybe even an influx of cashflush tourists.

CDC unable to develop other plans

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But some health experts now suggest that if U.S. officials had relied less on Chiron's early assurances and acted more swiftly, they could have at least

limited the damage caused by the loss of half the U.S. supply. David Webster, a health industry consultant and former Aventis executive, said the FDA miscalculated the potential risk in the situation.

"I don't think they fully predicted what the impact of either the manufacturing problem or an entire shutdown of the facility would cause," he said.

Department of Health and Human Services spokesman Tony Jewell said the federal government saw no reason to begin looking for replacement supplies in August, when the British did.

"We had no indication from the company or MHRA until Oct. 5 that the entire 48 million doses were in jeopardy," he said. "As soon as we learned in October, we contacted Aventis Pasteur to purchase several million more." headquartered Chiron, in California, first told U.S. and British officials about contamination problems on Aug. 25, saying it planned to destroy 4 million doses of flu vaccine. Langley, the spokesperson for the British MHRA, said the company reported back Sept. 13 that the problems were still unresolved. British officials toured the plant Sept. 28 to 30 and pulled its license a week later. Chiron officials did not return phone calls for this story. William Schaffner, a member of the federal government's National Vaccine Advisory Committee, said officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention spoke with Chiron officials on a weekly basis, and the company always assured them that the problem was "limited."

curtailed, but basically we were going to be getting all we needed from Chiron," said Schaffner, chairman of the department of preventive medicine at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

Jewell said that based on what the U.S. government knew at the time, officials saw no need to ask Aventis to delay its shipment in case the situation eventually required some degree of vaccine rationing.

"We were repeatedly assured that things were looking up," he said, "so you're talking about disrupting the shipment of the other half of the vaccine supply on something that our regulators had no indication was going to be a problem.'

Aventis began shipping its vaccine in early August. An Aventis spokesman said that if the company had been aware in August that half of the flu vac cine supply was not going to be available, it would have done what it did upon learning of the shortage on Oct. 5 - consult with the CDC about how to redistribute supplies. In recent testimony before Congress, Julie Gerberding, CDC director, said her agency had been developing contingency plans for a "worst-case scenario" since late August but that those plans were hindered by the fact that most of the remaining supply had already been contracted to private distributors. Acting FDA Commissioner Lester Crawford added at the same hearing that, even by late August, it was too late for vaccine companies to start a new batch of vaccine. "We obviously hoped for the best," he said. U.S. officials now are left to try to redistribute the remaining Aventis vaccine to those who need it most. Already, long lines are forming at supermarkets, walk-in clinics and pharmacies where elderly and other atrisk patients are hoping, sometimes in vain, to get a dose of the vaccine.



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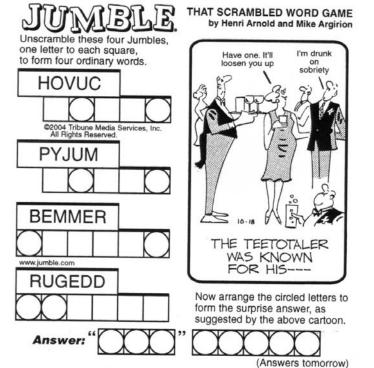


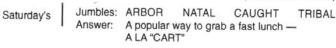
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Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) —Today is an 8 — By now you should be just about ready to start taking on new projects. You should pretty well know what you and the others want. If not, do that first.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 5 — You may feel like you're pouring money into a hole. Hopefully. it has a bottom, and you'll be pleased with the results. Stay in control as much as you can; the worst is just about over.

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Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 5— The cleaner you get all the nooks and crannies, the better you're going to feel. And the more confidence you'll have when asking for the next thing you . want.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — Your admirers come from far and near. There's hardly enough time to entertain them all, especially with chores to be done. Tomorrow will be even worse. Send out for food.

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Notre Dame continues its winning streak over Navy

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had hopes of being great this year. Entering Saturday's game against the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, the Midshipmen were 5-0. But college football has never seen one team dominate another like Notre Dame owns Navy. With its 27-9 victory on Saturday, the Fighting Irish have posted 41 consecutive victories over Navy, the longest winning streak against one opponent in NCAA history. The last time Navy beat Notre Dame was in 1963, when famed QB Roger Staubach won the Heisman Trophy.

PLATINUM PLAYAS OF

THE WEEK: The Florida State offense erupted this weekend, putting 36 points on the board against previously undefeated Virginia. "Inside College Football" gives two offensive platinum balls this week: One goes to FSU OB Wyatt "I'm not a hick" Sexton, who was 20 for 26, throwing for 275 yards and a TD, while the other goes to FSU RB Lorenzo Booker, as he compiled 123 yards and two TDs, all on only 15 carries.

The defensive platinum ball has to go to Wisconsin's Steve Starks. Starks's gamewinning TD put Wisconsin at 7-0, just the second time they have won seven consecutive games to begin a season since Ĭ912.

Jumbos play non-state Wheaton on Thursday

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and cohesively, limiting the range of the Bantams' shots and shutting down an offense led by senior Jessica Baker, whose 27 points on the season earned her national Division III Player of the Week recognition last week.

Facing only six shots from the Trinity offensive line, Tufts required only one save each from sophomores Marilyn Duffy-Cabana and Angela Rappoli. Bergh tallied eight saves on the day in front of goal for the Bantams.

The last three meetings between the two teams have been decided by only one goal, with the Jumbos coming away last year victorious on strokes in double overtime. Tufts and Trinity are tied for fifth in NESCAC, with Saturday's loss dropping the Bantams to 7-3 overall and 3-3 in league play.

This performance followed a two-goal loss to non-conference Bentley on Thursday in which,

despite a second-half rally, the Jumbos were unable to overcome two early goals by the Falcons. The game promised a good match-up, as Bentley was undefeated on the road and the Jumbos had yet to see a loss at Bello Field.

Sophomore Amanda Deppe and freshman Heather Buda, named Northeast-10 Freshman of the Week this week, knocked in a pair of first-half goals past Duffy-Cabana, who stopped four shots in the first half. Rappoli stepped in during the second half and recorded two saves.

The Jumbos were unable to put together an offensive drive in the first half, but came out in the second half to outshoot the Falcons 15-7. Unfortunately for Tufts, the team was unable capitalize, failing to break a Bentley defense that has allowed just six goals this season. Junior goalkeeper Kristin Johnson netted nine saves in the team's seventh shutout of the year.

Bentley competes in the Division II Northeast-10 conference and was national Division II champion in 2001. With the victory on Thursday, Bentley jumped to 15-1, and extended its winning streak to 14 games. McDavitt noted the benefits that come with playing a more experienced and competitive team.

"I think it's great for us to play up," she said "We could probably play lower-level teams and beat them, but playing a team like Bentley is great experience for us.'

Grabowski echoed these sentiments.

"Playing these types of games makes you build yourself up," she said. "You really have to step up to a higher level of play and even though we didn't win, I think we did that [Thursday]."

The Jumbos take the field again on Thursday when they travel to Norton to take on instate rival Wheaton in their last non-league game of the season.

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Jumbos will finish regular season against NESCAC foes

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non-conference action against

Red Sox are still able to reverse their fortunes

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for the second straight game, and she has certainly responded.

"We miss Sarah on the field, but her support on the bench is overwhelming," McCourt said. "To have a freshman come off the bench to start in a senior's shoes and score a goal is just awesome. It proves the strength of this team.'

McCourt was solid in the net all afternoon, turning away shot after shot by the Bantams as she recorded her second shutout of the week. The Rochester, N.Y., native lowered her goals against average to a paltry 1.10 per game and upped her save percentage to just under 80 percent.

The Jumbos are peaking at the right time, having gone undefeated in their last five games during the most important stretch of the season. The squad plays its final road game of the season on Tuesday, in

the Keene State Owls. Tufts will then play its final two games of the season at home against NESCAC opponents with hopes of securing one of the top seeds in the postseason tournament.

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> Meg McCourt Senior goalie

"This team is capable of amazing things, and this game and the past couple weeks, we've showed it," McCourt said. "We're peaking at the right time and becoming a great team."

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inning, yet manager Grady Little left Pedro in the game even though Alan Embree was warm in the bullpen. Martinez gave up two more runs before Little lifted him. And in the 11th inning, Aaron Boone swatted a Tim Wakefield pitch to give the Yankees the win.

There have been more chances, and other collapses (1948, 1967, 1975 and 1999 the Red Sox gave up 14 runs past the sixth inning in the 4-1 loss in the '99 ALCS).

Were the expectations of the 2004 team so high that losing this year could classify them as Cursed? Indeed, the majority of baseball analysts predicted this team to win the title, including Jayson Stark and Peter Gammons. Rather than cowboy-ing up, these Sox are looking like they are going to go belly up.

To say this team is in a precarious position is being very, very modest. In the MLB, the NBA, and the NHL in best-ofseven series, teams down 3-0 have a 2-236 record. The only two teams to recover and win the series from 3-0 deficits were in the NHL (the 1942 Toronto Maple Leafs and the 1975 New York Islanders).

I, for one, still believe this is the season. The Red Sox have all the odds against them, and are in the perfect position for redemption. Think about it.

They are down 3-1 to their greatest nemesis (Evil Empire) and face overwhelming odds. Curt Schilling, the injured team ace who has guaranteed a victory over the Yankees, may not be available to pitch until Game 6 or 7 (assuming they make it that far) and has his hopes for a Willis Reed type comeback rest on a Reebok boot. Johnny Damon, the leadoff hitter

whose production has been the key to the Sox offense this season and who arguably has been the team MVP this year, has been an intolerable 1-13 through the first three games and is looking to break out. And Pedro, who lost Game 2, still has yet to prove the Yankees are not his "daddy."

The Yankees are the perfect foil to this team. The cleanshaven, all business New Yorkers have a stranglehold on the fun-loving, idiot frat boys. The hated Yankees, who have profited the most from the Curse, threaten once again to destroy the hopes of a championship starved city with a fantastic fan base and an even more amazing ballpark.

The seeds for the perfect melodrama are planted. It's up to the Sox to cultivate them and move on to the Series. Hopefully, it will be an interesting week.

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Canes come back, retain hope of national championship

Wisconsin Badgers force last minute fumble to beat Purdue

BY BEN HAGOPIAN Senior Staff Writer

We're more than halfway through the college football season and the game just keeps on giving. This weekend we saw six of the top twenty-five falter. with three of these six teams removing themselves from the ranks of the undefeated.

BIG GAMES BREAKDOWN: There were two great nail-biters this weekend. The first came on Thursday evening when the number three Miami Hurricanes hosted the number 17 Louisville Cardinals. While the Hurricanes were looking to assert their superiority early in the game, the Cardinals had other plans. The Cardinal offense ran on all cylinders in the first half, with QB Stefan LeFors throwing for two TDs and RB Lionel Gates running for one. At halftime, Louisville walked into the locker room with a comfortable 17-7 lead.

Early in the second half, Louisville continued to dominate, building a lead at one point of 31-14. But the Hurricanes responded, showing why they are the number three team in the nation. Miami QB Brock Berlin, the University of Florida transfer, stepped it up, throwing a quick TD in the

end of the third quarter to cut the Louisville advantage to 31-21. Two early FGs in the fourth quarter, combined with a 78yard punt return TD by Miami's Devin Hester, put the Canes up 34-31.

Louisville kept its cool, though, with Gates running for another TD, putting the Cardinals up 38-34 with less than five minutes remaining. Miami came back on the ensuing drive, however. Hester's kickoff return started the Hurricanes at their own 44 yard line. Louisville's Kerry Rhodes dropped a potential INT that would have sealed the game for the Cardinals.

Berlin pounced on this second chance, completing a critical fourth and eight with less than two minutes in the game. The Canes' Frank Gore finished it off with a one-yard TD run with 53 seconds remaining, putting Miami up for good 41-38 and capping off what Miami head coach Larry Coker dubbed "A tremendous win."

The fifth ranked Purdue Boilermakers and the number 12 Wisconsin Badgers played in the weekend's other nail-biter. With less than three minutes to play and Purdue up 17-14, the Boilermakers' QB and Heisman Trophy candidate Kyle Orton took a bootleg and lunged for a first down. Bad idea.

Wisconsin's Steve Starks hit Orton low and the Badgers' Robert Brooks hit him high, forcing a fumble. Starks then picked up the ball and raced to the end zone, giving the Badgers the lead with 2:36 to play.

"If the ball would've been bouncing around, I probably would have just covered it," Starks said. "But it was just sitting there."

Orton attempted to bring the Boilermakers back, driving his team to the Badgers' 25 yard line. But Purdue kicker Ben Rogers' 42-yard field goal attempt missed right and Wisconsin ran out the clock, winning the all-important conference game by the count of 20-17.

Elsewhere across the country, number one USC knocked off number 19 Arizona State, and number 45-7 two Oklahoma came from behind against Kansas State to win 31-21. Also, fourth-ranked Auburn beat up on Arkansas, winning 38-20 and seventh-ranked Florida State pounded the number six Virginia Cavaliers, 36-3.

Unranked Texas A&M knocked off undefeated and

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Miami's Baraka Atkins sacks Louisville guarterback Lefars Lefors (17) during the Hurricanes' 41-38 win on Thursday.

15th ranked Oklahoma State by a count of 36-20, while unranked Michigan State spanked number 20 Minnesota. 51-17. Finally, number 23 Ohio State was handed its third consecutive loss, as it succumbed to Iowa's onslaught of offense, 33-7

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Trinity's Pitcher and Barnard too much for Tufts' defense

FOOTBALL

continued from page 24 only 360 against Tufts. Leading the charge in containing Trinity were two juniors, linebacker Mike McCann and safety Pat Magoon (nine tackles each) and sophomore defensive end Chris Decembrele (nine tackles, blocked punt). Always-steady senior quad captain defensive tackle Chris Lawrence chipped in with eight takedowns.

But it was the Trinity passing attack, led by quarterbacks Josh Pitcher and Chandler Barnard, which did Tufts in. Their 212 passing yards were well above their season average, while running back Gennaro Leo's 67 yards, which led all rushers, was

well below his usual output for the year. The Trinity running game, averaging 370 yards a contest coming in, may have suffered its biggest hit when starter Drew Finkelday went down after his first carry of the game.

But moral victories such as containing Trinity's running game can only be worth so much. At some point the Jumbos will have to play a full sixty minutes to win games, and Harris knows what that entails.

"We all have to trust the system and do our jobs when we are expected to," he said.

The Jumbos play host to Williams (3-1) this Saturday on Parents Weekend. Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m.

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Reverse the Curse ... in style

he Red Sox look down and out. Saturday night's 19-8 shellacking was reminiscent of the Boston Massacre. The Sox pitching staff hasn't looked that bad since before the arrival of Pedro. The Sox ran out of firepower as the Yankees guns (A-Rod, Sheffield, Matsui) were blazing for a combined 12-16, 12 RBI, and four home runs. Now the Sox must bounce back from a seemingly insurmountable three-game deficit, although they are 25-percent there with the victory last night.

Everyone has been talking about a Schilling or Pedro return for Game 5, but the Sox didn't look like they'd even get to a Game 5.

It's hard to think that only a week ago people were talking about how this same team was the team that would break the Curse.

Only a week ago Curt Schilling was guaranteeing a Game 1 victory over the Yankees.

Only a week ago this city was filled with hope. Did the Curse of the Bambino hit the idiots?

The Curse. Red Sox owner Harry Frazee sold Babe Ruth to the Yankees in 1920 for \$100,000 (the biggest bargain since Peter Minuit bought Manhattan from Native Americans for \$24) and both teams have gone in opposite directions ever since. The Sox have not won a title since 1918 while the Yankees have won 26 titles, starting with their first victory in 1923.

Let's revisit some Curse history. Boston Globe columnist Dan Shaughnessy coined the term after 1978 and explored the many Red Sox pitfalls in his 1990 book *The Curse of the Bambino*.

1946: Game 7 of the World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. Harry Walker hits a line drive single to rightcenter with Enos Slaughter on first in the bottom of the eighth with two outs and 3-3 score. Johnny Pesky cuts off the throw from center as Slaughter rounds third and hesitates to throw it to home as Slaughter scores to give the Cardinals the lead and the eventual victory.

1978: A one-game playoff with the New York Yankees for the right to move on to the playoffs. The Red Sox had squandered a 14-game division lead over the final three months, fell behind the Yankees in September, and had to win their final eight games to force the onegame playoff. Bucky Dent, a .140 hitter of the last 20 games, stepped in with two men on and the Yankees down 2-0 in the top of the seventh. The shortstop smashed a home run over the Green Monster, giving the Yankees a 3-2 lead

Shutout at Trinity snaps three-game win streak

BY KRISTY CUNNINGHAM Daily Editorial Board

You can't win if you can't score.

MEN'S SOCCER

The men's soccer team was blanked 2-0 by NESCAC rival Trinity College on Saturday in Connecticut. It was the Jumbos' first loss in four games and halted the team's longest win streak of the season at three. Tufts and Trinity now stand deadlocked in seventh place in the league.

"No one played well at all," senior captain and second half goalkeeper Scott Conroy said. "We were not moving the ball well, we weren't holding it well, and we were not getting any dangerous chances. We didn't test their keeper at all."

With the stiff October wind at their backs during the first half, the Jumbos kept the game scoreless despite not playing up to their standards. The teams went into the halftime intermission with the score tied at 0-0.

"Trinity wasn't a very good team," Conroy said. "Just because we didn't play well didn't mean they could score on us at will."

The match remained scoreless for much of the second half well. Sophomore Jumbo Mattia Chason had Tufts' best chance to break the 0-0 stalemate soon after halftime.

"Mattia broke through and hit a hard shot towards the upper 90," Conroy said. "It hit the post and then just bounced right back. That could have totally changed the game if he had scored, but that's just how the day went for us."

Trinity finally tallied the first goal of the day in the 66th minute. Sophomore midfielder Drew Murphy was awarded a free kick from about 18 yards outside the goal box. Murphy nailed the direct kick past the Tufts defense and Conroy and into the corner of the net.

After the Bantam goal, the momentum shifted away from the Jumbos. Sloppy play on both sides of the pitch kept Tufts from leveling the score and getting back into the important NESCAC game.

"We just weren't playing our game," Conroy said.

Trinity added an insurance goal in the final minute of play. Freshman forward Charlie Fuentes received a pass from senior forward Rob Bialobrzeski. It appeared Fuentes was offsides when he got the ball, but the line judge failed to signal the infraction. With Fuentes already behind the Tufts defense, there was not much Conroy could do to prevent the final goal of the match.

With the loss, Tufts moves to 6-4-1 overall and 2-4 in the NESCAC. Trinity upped its record to an unimpressive 3-6-2 on the year, but has the same



Sophomore forward Mattia Chason (14) hit the post with a shot in the second half of the Jumbos' 2-0 loss to Trinity on Saturday.

league mark as the Jumbos, tying the two teams in seventh place. Only the top seven teams will qualify for the post season tournament coming up in early November.

Tufts will need to pull itself back together after the Trinity loss for its next three NESCAC games. The team will have a week off before battling at home against second-place Williams this Saturday. Tufts will then play Wesleyan and Connecticut College in more NESCAC action the following week.

"We just have to take it one game at a time," Conroy said. "We have to beat Wesleyan and Conn. College to have a good chance at making the playoffs." Tufts has proven its ability to perform in big games twice this season. With a tie against nationally ranked MIT in September, and an upset win over league rival and former conference leader Bowdoin on October 9, the Jumbos have shown they can play up to their competition. A game of this caliber this weekend against Williams, ranked second in NESCAC at 5-1-1, would give Tufts a much-needed boost after falling to Trinity.

In other Tufts soccer news, sophomore forward Ben Castellot earned NESCAC player of the week honors for his two goals against Bowdoin. It is the first time this season that a Jumbo has been given this honor.

Athletes of the week

BEN CASTELLOT, MEN'S SOCCER

Sophomore forward Ben Castellot led the men's soccer team to its biggest victory of the season



and an eventual 5-4 victory.

1986: The tenth inning of Game 6 of the World Series. The Red Sox, holding a 3-2 series lead, have a 5-3 lead and are one out away from winning the title. Three singles and a wild pitch later, the Mets tied the game at 5-5 with Mookie Wilson facing Bob Stanley. Wilson then hit a weak roller down the first base line that appeared to be an easy out for Bill Buckner. The ball rolled under Buckner's glove as Ray Knight scored from second to give the Mets the Game 6 victory. The Sox then lost Game 7 and the World Series.

2003: Game 7 of the ALCS against the Yankees. In case you don't know the story, the Sox held a 5-3 lead in the bottom of the eighth with one out and Bernie Williams on first. The Red Sox were five outs from the World Series. Pedro Martinez was clearly laboring, having already given up a run in the see BLOOM, page 21

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last Saturday when the Jumbos upset the first place Bowdoin Polar Bears 3-2 in overtime a week ago. Castellot scored the team's final two goals, including the game-winning golden goal five minutes into overtime. The performance earned Castellot NESCAC Player of the Week honors. More importantly, the win was one of the biggest wins in recent history for the men's soccer program, and it revived the team's chances for a NESCAC playoff bid.

The Newton, Massachusetts native went on to score again on Wednesday in Tufts' 2-0 victory over non-conference Plymouth State. Castellot is now tied for second on the team in both goals and total points, with three and six respectively.

As a freshman in 2003, Castellot led the Jumbos with five goals and ten points. Castellot will need to continue to score in the coming games, as Tufts takes on three consecutive NESCAC opponents, beginning with second-place Williams on Saturday, Oct. 23.



SARAH CALLAGHAN, WOMEN'S SOCCER

Junior Sarah Callaghan has provided the women's soccer team with an offensive boost in the last several games. On Saturday, Tufts defeated NESCAC rival Trinity at Hartford by a score of 3-0, with Callaghan assisting on the first two goals of the day. The Northborough, Massachusetts native first found senior Jen Baldwin in the end of the first half before later hitting freshman midfielder Lauren Fedore with a perfect cross that Fedore headed in to give the Jumbos a 2-0 lead.

On Tuesday, Callaghan scored the first goal in Tufts' 3-2 win over NESCAC opponent Wesleyan on a header with 3:21 to play in the first half. Callaghan now has two goals and two assists this season, giving her six points. She is currently second on the team in goals and points behind Baldwin, as well as being second in assists behind senior Becky Greenstein.

Callaghan now has ten career goals and six career assists for 26 points. The Jumbos currently have won three straight games over conference opponents and next take on non-coference Keene State in Keene, New Hampshire on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

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Jumbos split two decisions in rocky week

Team falls to Bentley before demolishing Trinity, retains .500 conference record

BY ELIZABETH HOFFMAN Daily Staff Writer

It was another shaky week for the field hockey team, as it struggled to find its groove. The Jumbos split their two games, steamrolling NESCAC rival Trinity 5-0 on Saturday on the heels of Thursday's 2-0 loss to non-league Bentley College. Tufts ended the week with a 6-4 record, and are even in conference play at 3-3.

Saturday's game in Hartford saw the Jumbos at their best as the team pounded the Trinity defense and shut down the Bantam's offensive drives. The game remained close in the first half, with both teams playing tightly around the circle. Freshman Meghan Becque broke the game open for the Jumbos, notching her first collegiate goal off a penalty corner at the 14-minute mark. In the second half, the Jumbos exploded offensively, netting four unanswered goals and bombarding Trinity junior goalkeeper Courtney Bergh with 13 shots. Senior tri-captain Dana Panzer sparked the team with a beautifully executed upfield drive and scored early in the second half. Her goals were followed by tallies from freshman Ileana Katz and junior tri-captains Lea Napolitano and Jeanne Grabowski.

The seven players contributing to the team's five goals reflect the diversity of the Jumbos' offensive threats. Saturday's match saw two freshmen on the scoreboard, and coach Tina McDavitt commented on the ability and growth of the first-years.

"I'm continuously impressed with the freshmen this season," McDavitt said. "They've really made the transition to college hockey well, and [have continued] to step up throughout the season."

After scoring in its first seven games, the team was shut out in its next two games, but Saturday's successful offensive performance showed renewed focus and an ability to capitalize in front of the cage. Citing second-half surges against Bowdoin and Bentley, McDavitt emphasized the importance of coming out strong.

"I told them to play the first five minutes of the game like it was the last five minutes and we were down by a goal," she said. "We needed to show that mentality of urgency and focus right from the start."

On the other half of the midfield line, the Jumbo defense played aggressively

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JENNY DEBOER /TUFTS DAILY Freshman Meghan Becque (6) and the field hockey team shut out NESCAC rival Trinity on Saturday, 5-0.



Junior forward Sarah Callaghan (12) had two assists in the team's 3-0 win over Trinity.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Team notches third straight NESCAC win Jumbos avenge last season's loss during Trinity's Parents Weekend

BY AMAN GUPTA Daily Editorial Board

For the second Saturday in a row, the women's soccer team exacted some revenge on a NESCAC opponent.

The Jumbos, who fell at home in a tough NESCAC loss to Trinity last year, traveled to Hartford to face the Bantams having won two straight conference games and three overall. The Jumbos dominated the game from start to finish and shut out Trinity 3-0 on Parents Weekend and Seniors' Day in Hartford.

"I thought we played really well today," said senior co-captain Sarah Gelb, who watched the game from the sidelines, still nursing an ankle injury. "We dominated most of the game, and really clicked offensively."

After coming out flat on Tuesday afternoon and playing down to their opponent, Wesleyan, the Jumbos flew out of the gates on Saturday, keeping the ball in the Bantams zone for the majority of the first frame. However, just like in previous games, the squad was unable to capitalize on any of its shot opportunities, and solid goal-

keeping by Trinity senior netminder Brenna Shields kept the game knotted at zero.

Finally, in the 40th minute, the forward tandem of junior Sarah Callaghan and senior Jen Baldwin struck for the Jumbos. Callaghan gained possession of the ball deep in the Trinity zone and slotted the ball through the Bantam back four to a cutting Baldwin. Baldwin took control and slipped one past Shields to give Tufts a 1-0 lead heading into halftime. The goal was Baldwin's team-leading third of the year; she also holds the team lead in points with seven.

"After hammering the net [without scoring] during the first half, the first goal definitely helped boost our confidence," Gelb said. "It allowed us to settle down and play more composed in the second."

The second half entailed more of the same domination by the Jumbos. Just ten minutes into the frame Tufts struck again, this time from Callaghan to freshman midfielder Lauren Fedore. Callaghan gained possession on the left flank and sent a perfect cross to Fedore, who headed the ball to the near post past Shields, giving the Jumbos a two goal cushion.

It was Fedore's second goal of the season, giving her five points on the year (3G, 1A), good for third on the team. Callaghan's two assists on the afternoon move her into second on the team with six points (2G, 2A).

The Jumbos put the icing on the cake in the 80th minute. Sophomore fullback Jen Fratto cleared the ball from the midfield deep into the Trinity zone. Freshman center midfielder Martha Furtek gained possession of the ball, beat her defender, and sent a nifty shot past Shields for the first goal of her college career.

"We were so confident today, it was awesome to see," senior goalie Meg McCourt said. "We came out and dominated the game from start to finish which isn't always our strong suit."

The Jumbos' domination was particularly important because it allowed Gelb to get some much needed rest for her ankle, rather than coming back early and risking further injury. Coach Martha Whiting inserted Fedore into the starting lineup in place of Gelb

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FOOTBALL Streaking Trinity gets the best of a porous defense Tufts falls to 1-3 after 36-14 defeat at hands of top team in NESCAC



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Riding a 17 game winning streak into Saturday's home game with Tufts, the Trinity Bantams had earned the right to be a confident bunch. With their 36-14 dismantling of the Jumbos, the Bantams proved yet again why they are the elite squad in the NESCAC. The loss dropped Tufts to 1-3, while elevating Trinity to 4-0.

From the opening kickoff, the Bantams were suffocating on defense and the Jumbos could do little to stop the onslaught. This was evidenced by the seven sacks surrendered by the offense. Senior quad captain Jason Casey, with hardly any room to breathe in the pocket, only mustered four passing attempts, none of which was completed. He was taken down behind the line of scrimmage five times. With the score 30-0 at halftime, Tufts only had 16 yards to show for its troubles, mainly because much of the team's yardage was lost on sacks.

Tufts was not helped by the departure of senior running back Steve Cincotta, who, on his first rush of the game, re-aggravated an ankle injury and did not return. Filling in for him was freshman Brendan Georges (16 carries, 48 yards), who was coming off of a strong performance against Bowdoin, and sophomore Brian Cammuso (13 carries, 56 yards).

Although the half time deficit may have been too big a hole to climb out of, under the guidance of junior quarterback Casey D'Annolfo, the second half went a bit more according to the Jumbos' initial plans. D'Annolfo was seven for 13 for 97 yards, including a 31 yard touchdown strike to sophomore Steve Menty which cut the score to 30-7 late in the third quarter. It was Menty's first collegiate touchdown.

"We opened up the offense a little bit more in the second half," Menty said. "It felt good to get some points on the board."

Cammuso would score the other Jumbo touchdown on a nine yard run to cap off an 11 play, 80 yard drive as time was winding down in the fourth.

Defensively, Tufts encountered the same troubles that the offense endured; a lackluster first half making way for a solid second half effort. The first thirty minutes saw the Bantams grab 16 first downs, amass 240 yards (136 passing), and score 30 points. The back end of the game only saw the Jumbos yield 120 yards to have something positive to hang their hats on heading

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Sophomore Brian Cammuso (34) and the Jumbos were walloped by NESCAC powerhouse Trinity College on Saturday.

into next week.

"Rather than making adjustments, we just had to make plays, which we hadn't done in the first half," senior defensive end Josh Harris said. The Bantams' offense had been averaging 487.7 yards per game entering the contest, which they fell below in totaling

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