



President Jean Mayer.

President Mayer Warns Greeks

by LAUREN KEEFE

President Jean Mayer yesterday issued a stern warning to fraternities, saying any that had encouraged freshmen to drink at parties last week could be closed down.

Mayer's warning follows police reports of two cases of freshmen alcohol poisoning last week and campus police closings of several parties.

Associate Dean of Students Bruce Reitman said that the Dean of Students Office is investigating reports of underage drinking at the fraternity parties. He declined to comment on whether any further action would be taken by his office.

"I can't comment any further

because our investigations have not begun yet," Reitman said.

In addition, Mayer said that he would ask the new Committee on Social Fraternities and Sororities to deny recognition to fraternities found to have served alcohol to freshmen.

The committee was established by the Arts and Sciences faculty last year to oversee Greek organizations.

Provost Sol Gittleman, the chair of the Committee on Social Fraternities and Sororities, said yesterday that the committee has not been instructed to take any action as of yet.

"I can't tell you what the committee is doing about it

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New Discretionary Fund Created For TCU Organizations

by SCOTT DAMELIN

A new, centralized discretionary fund will provide emergency funding for student organizations this year, replacing the old system of requiring groups to obtain funds from various deans and departments.

The new fund, known as the Student Assistance Advisory Fund, will be used by organizations that have been unable to obtain funding from other campus resources.

The new fund has been set at \$16,000 for this year, with the money coming from Academic Vice President Robert Rotberg's discretionary fund, according to Lee Sinai of Rotberg's office. Future funding levels have not yet been decided.

The new system will centralize the various funds by placing them in one discretionary fund

under the supervision of three offices. Representatives from the Dean of Students Office, the Dean of Undergraduate Studies Office and Rotberg's office

the money does come from this office, we thought we should have some say in the matter," Sinai said.

The old system required stu-



Academic Vice President Robert Rotberg.

would jointly decide which organizations should receive the funds.

"The fund is not under the control of one office, but since

dent organizations to contact various deans when searching for program funding. The deans

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Tufts Considers Court Action

by CHRIS BALL

Tufts is considering filing a petition by the end of this week with the Massachusetts Land Court to obtain a ruling allowing the University to construct a new dormitory on the Somerville side of the campus and a parking garage on the Medford side.

Somerville zoning restrictions currently prevent Tufts from building a proposed 378-bed dormitory without also constructing a parking garage in the city. However, Tufts would rather build the garage on the Medford side of the campus, on or near the current site of Sweet Hall, Vice President of Operations David Moffatt said yesterday.

"If we go to Land Court, it

will be simply to deal with the campus as a single entity," President Mayer said Tuesday.

If accepted by the court, the petition would allow Tufts to disregard the fact that the campus is split between the towns of Medford and Somerville.

"If the cities would give us the exemptions and let us deal with the campus as a whole, we wouldn't need [to go to Land Court]. But I think legally they can't," Mayer said.

Tufts administrators said that the petition to the Land Court is not meant as an attack on Medford or Somerville.

"There is no hostility involved in all this....It is necessary to do in fact what our neighbors would like us to do," Mayer said.

"We are still looking as to

whether there is another way to do it, and it appears that there probably isn't," Mayer said.

Somerville Alderman Jack Connolly said Tuesday night that he understood that it would be in Tufts' interest to petition the court, but he said that Somerville city officials would be angered if the garage is not built near the dormitory.

"I think, being advised by their legal aide, there is little alternative but for them to abide by their interests," Connolly said of the Administration.

Connolly said that he understands why Tufts wants to build the garage by Sweet Hall, but he said that students would be unlikely to park their cars on the Medford side of the school and then walk over to the Somerville side to their dorm, making the plan unacceptable from the view of the Somerville city officials.

"We expect to have to satisfy the Court that we can arrange the parking so that students' overflow onto the streets won't take place," Moffatt said in response to Connolly's argument.

Medford Mayor Michael McGlynn declined to comment on the issue.

The Somerville Zoning Board of Appeals last summer granted Tufts variances for the construction of a dorm next to Latin Way on Powderhouse Boulevard, but the permit was contingent upon the construction of the garage behind Jackson Gym. The variances will expire on October 14, according to Connolly, when Tufts would be required to begin the application process for the dorm and garage all over again.

Originally, Tufts proposed to build the garage on the current Cohen parking lots at the corner of Talbot and College Avenues,

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Tufts Pledges to Reduce Enrollment

by CHRIS BALL

In an attempt to improve relations with Somerville, Tufts President Jean Mayer sent a letter September 1 to Somerville Mayor Eugene Brune informing him that Tufts will be reducing its enrollment and limiting its residential housing purchases over the next three years.

Tufts will also begin a one-year pilot project with Somerville to collect parking fines from

students, and will give the city a \$150,000 grant to help develop low and middle-income housing.

The letter comes at a time when Tufts is considering petitioning Massachusetts Land Court to exempt Tufts from Somerville zoning restrictions. They require the construction of a garage on the Somerville side of Tufts if the University wants to build a new dormitory by Powderhouse Boulevard.

Mayer said in an interview yesterday that the proposals only cover a period of three years because he does not want to commit any successor beyond that point.

He said that he is not giving in to demands from Somerville officials, but that the proposals in the letter are initiatives taken by Tufts to improve community relations.

"We want to be good neighbors in Somerville," Director of Community Relations Barbara Rubel said yesterday.

Mayer said that the number of Tufts students parking their cars off-campus disturbed many of the Somerville residents.

"We're on very good terms with the towns. Our only trouble is the students," Mayer said, referring to the parking problems and noise from the student parties that disturb Somerville neighbors.

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To the Tufts Community:

Over the summer The Tufts Daily underwent several changes, all intended to increase the paper's accuracy and efficiency. The most visible changes are our new Miller Hall location and a page-making computer system.

We discovered last year that our computer system was inadequate as well as environmentally hazardous, as was confirmed by an environmental study conducted at the request of Dean of Students Bobbie Knable. The Safety Office's report recommended discontinuing its use.

The Trustees of Tufts College purchased a pagemaker system for the Daily's use this year, since Senate bylaws do not permit a TCU organization to take out a loan. Therefore, the Administration, Senate and Daily must decide who will ultimately pay for and retain ownership of the new system.

A third change, a transition within the Daily's structure, rests with the editors' decision to seek independence from the Tufts Community Union Senate.

The Tufts Daily currently remains under the TCU framework, meaning that, along with the other 100-plus TCU organizations, the Daily receives yearly financial allocations from the TCU Senate. In other words, the student government owns the press. The Daily initially needed this set-up because, like any fledgling organization, it couldn't gather enough funds to support its growth. Today, however, the Daily can guarantee its own financial stability. The logical next step for the paper, then, is to take this opportunity to separate itself from the government.

Although in the past no misuses of Senate power have been carried out successfully, we have seen that this system cannot guarantee against the danger. Financial strings could be pulled to direct editorial content. The Daily editors wish to abolish that possibility.

This move toward independence, of course, must neither weaken the paper nor the TCU. Therefore, negotiations await and unclear timeframes result. In the meantime, the Daily editors ask for the community's understanding of our intentions and for your support of this attempt to guarantee objectivity.

Julie Beglin
Editor-in-Chief

Sabbatic Leaves

To the Editor:
I just want to clarify one point. Professor Elias was on sabbatic leave, not leave of absence. His tone of moral indignation should be tempered by the fact that morally, faculty who take a paid sabbatic leave are bound by all good conscience to return to the institution where tuition dollars pay for their sabbatic, at least for one year. His request for an extension arrived at his department, I believe, in July.

Sol Gittleman, Provost

Daily Editors-

Have a great weekend,

See you Sunday afternoon!

The Daily will publish every other day next week. It's a tradition, not a blow-off! Look for papers at your favorite pick-up site on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Real weekday publishing will resume Monday, September 19.

The Daily will be hosting a giant open house for all interested writers, photographers, layout editors, business managers, and resume builders on Wednesday, Sept. 14. Meet us at 8 p.m. in the basement of Miller Hall. All are welcome. No RSVP required.

Correction: Due to an error in a press release, Tuesday's story on the grant for the Olin Center contained a wrongly attributed quote. The quote on "linguistic chauvinism" came from the portion of the grant application written by Dean of Undergraduate Studies David Maxwell.

Correction: Tuesday's Freshman Food Fare article misidentified the location of Dining Services' new restaurant, Trios. It is located in Mugar Hall.

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could then donate the requested money at their discretion.

Another alternative is to seek buffer funding from the Tufts Community Union Senate, which only provides limited amounts.

"The old system didn't offer any coordination or monitoring of student funding needs, but the new system will help im-

prove these problems," Senate President Alex Schwartz said.

Last year, senators said that many deans had told them that budget cuts made by Academic Vice President Robert Rotberg would eliminate the funds donated by deans. The Senate warned at that time that campus activities could be severely

curtailed.

The new fund was a compromise solution in response to the Senate's warnings. Schwartz said that he negotiated the fund with Dean of Administration and Finance Larry Ladd.

"The discretionary fund is just for this year. We'll see how it goes, then decide what to do for

next year. The fund would have to be renegotiated in the future," Schwartz said.

Schwartz added that he originally proposed a total of \$20,000 for the fund, but a compromise was eventually reached.

"The new system will definitely be an improvement over

last year, when the funds were frozen. The \$16,000 will help meet student needs," Schwartz said.

"The three offices will decide on students' needs and approve the funds, but the Senate will be contacted on the funding decisions," he said.

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because we haven't been given any word yet," he said.

Mayer said in an interview that the fraternities could be shut down by the City of Somerville if they lost their recognition from Tufts. If Tufts ceases to recognize the fraternities, Somerville could withdraw the fraternities' lodging licenses, thereby closing them down, he explained.

"It is very easy for us to do it," Mayer said in a raised voice, referring to arguments from previous years that the Administration would have trouble shutting down fraternities.

As for the police action, Tufts Police broke up parties on September 1 at Zeta Psi and Sigma Nu fraternities, and at Theta Chi fraternity early on September 4.

The police report on the Zeta Psi and Sigma Nu incidents has been forwarded to the Dean of

Students Office, according to police officials. The report states that freshmen had been drinking at both parties.

Furthermore, on September 1, a freshman from Bush Hall was found unconscious behind Houston Hall and transported to Lawrence Memorial Hospital, according to police.

And on September 3, a freshman from Haskell Hall was found unconscious on Fletcher Field. He was brought to consciousness, but remained extremely intoxicated. The student was transported to Hooper Infirmary and was then brought to Lawrence Memorial Hospital, the report said.

Mayer said at a press conference Tuesday that there has been no Administrative order to crack down on fraternities during Orientation. Reitman denied

rumors circulating around campus that there is a two week ban on fraternity parties.

Mayer said in his Orientation speech and his Tuesday press conference that he is a friend of fraternities, but that they would be closed down if they were promoting illegal or excessive drinking and other offenses.

Mayer's statements come at a time when relations between the administration and Greek organizations appeared to be improving.

Inter-Greek Council President Andy Rockett had said last week that prospects for good relations between the Administration and Greek organizations appeared to be good.

In a separate action, Reitman said that the Committee on Social Fraternities and Sororities today will release a statement

defining the relationship between the Greek organizations and the University. The report will contain a set of guidelines formulated last spring to govern Greek life on campus.

According to Reitman, each Greek organization must sign a contract obligating it to abide by the relationship statement.

Senate President Alex Schwartz, stressing the need for improved relations between the Administration and the Greek system, said that fraternities should have received advance warning of any possible action by the University.

"I feel that it is unfair for the University to take this action without properly informing the fraternities about their status. If they are so concerned with the freshman class, as they should be, they should have gotten the

fraternities and sororities together and talked to them in the spring," Schwartz said.

"Instead of an antagonistic relationship between the Greek system and the Administration, both should consider working together to resolve the issues rather than set the battleground," he said.

Schwartz also expressed concern that the Administration may have other motives for wanting to shut down the fraternities.

"I feel the penalty of revoking recognition is extreme and indicates the zealous policy the Administration has to acquire land for expansion. The fraternities and sororities on Professors Row should not fall victim to this policy," he said.

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but complaints from local residents convinced Tufts to withdraw the plan. Somerville then told Tufts that it would have to build the garage behind Jackson Gym, but Tufts rejected that plan.

Moffatt said that the Jackson Gym site was impractical because of problems with the construction of the garage itself. Also, the location inside the campus would create traffic problems and leave the area with too many large structures in one place.

Moffatt said that the construction of the garage by Sweet Hall and Boston Ave. would be an ideal location because there are few local residences in the area and it is accessible to traffic from College Ave.

Tufts and Somerville officials had discussed having all faculty and staff who work in the downhill portion of the campus park at the garage in Medford, and reserving the Cohen lots for students. Moffatt said that the peak parking hours are between 1 and 2 p.m., when many stu-

dents park on campus.

"We didn't find a compromise with the city," Moffatt said, explaining why that plan was never adopted.

The plan also had the disadvantage of being inconvenient for staff working downhill, Moffatt said.

However, at this time, no money has been raised for the garage construction, which is expected to cost around \$10,000 per parking space. The garage may have anywhere between 350 and 500 spaces, Moffatt said.

Daily Reminder:

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2. Call Mom
3. Wash socks
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The Lighter Side

by Bill Shein

What to Expect Now You're Back

Welcome back to Tufts. Or, if you're a freshman, welcome for the first time, and don't expect any further niceties until Senior Week, "the next time you get a week devoted solely to you" (Jean Mayer, Matriculation Address 1988, Hour Three).

It's been a tradition to begin each semester with a column about vacations, about starting over, about actually doing the reading, making it to class, and behaving like adults. Of course, it's also a tradition to joke about these things and then forget them by the second week of classes.

So, now you're back at Tufts, having discovered already that the astute editors of the Tufts Bulletin, Pachyderm, etc., chose not to use the professionally airbrushed photo you sent them over the summer.

Also, you've realized that suddenly, everyone is Tracy Chapman's best friend.

"You go to Tufts? Wow, did you know Tracy Chapman?"

You fumble for a moment, then uncontrollably blurt out, "Of course I did. I liked her music before anyone else. I really think I was the first. I went to all her shows, knew the words to all her songs, often before she did, and even performed with her a couple of times. In fact, she's my sister. My twin sister. So yeah, you could say I knew her."

Yes, this conversation took place hundreds of times this past summer, all across our great land. Finally, Tufts is on the map, and all because of a singer whose music attacks the apparent values of a good portion of the Tufts community.

Speaking of conversations, which I think is redundant, you'll undoubtedly have the following conversation many times: (Reprinted from one of my old columns with the express written consent of Major League Baseball):

"How are your classes?" (Translation: Which courses are you taking, so I can drop them.)

"Oh, they represent perhaps the greatest combination of subject matter that I could possibly join together in one semester of worthwhile academic enlightenment." (Translation: My courses suck and I hope yours are worse.)

"How was your summer?" (Translation: Okay, I really don't care what you did, so let's move this conversation along so I can tell you what I did.)

"Oh, it was really great." (Translation: I didn't do diddly, but I really want to lie and say that I killed everyone in my small rural hometown with a chain saw after I got my grades, and that my trial starts next week.)

"And you?" (Translation: Start blabbing, big mouth, I've got a class in three hours.) (End of reprint).

Of course, after you tell someone that you spent your entire summer working in your Dad's law office, that everyone hated you because they hate your Dad, and that it was the most miserable summer ever, they come back with something like this:

"Mine was pretty crummy too. After serving as an astronaut-consultant to NASA on a secret fact-finding mission to Neptune, I was drafted by the Democratic Convention to be our next president, and after gracefully turning them down, I went to Walden Pond, wrote three novels and developed a unified theory of the universe, which you'll be studying in your Physics class this semester."

What else? You can expect Tufts' encroachment into Medford and Somerville to be a hot local campaign issue this fall. You can also expect Jean Mayer to make matters worse by proclaiming that he thinks of the New York State border as the future radius of the campus.

You can expect to be run into, or possibly crushed, by large groups of freshman clearly inspired by the recent re-make of "The Blob." You can also expect them to walk in the middle of the road, and when you try to drive by without killing them (though you'd

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FEATURES

The Democratic Convention: Boxes on Their Heads

by BOB GOODMAN

Atlanta '88, JULY 17-22. By filling out the necessary forms and writing a cover letter before the deadline, I was able to get a press credential, issued each morning, to cover the Democratic Convention for the Tufts Daily. I traveled with the Rhode Island delegation and was able to observe the process first hand. This is part two in a three-part series of my impressions of the week.

PEOPLE WITH BOXES ON THEIR HEADS

There were many strange people doing strange things in Atlanta, including Syndicated Columnist Dave Barry, who was covering the convention for an Atlanta newspaper. One day he and a few other reporters walked into a press room in the World Congress Center wearing boxes on their heads and proceeded to announce that they were a new protest group, People With Boxes On Their Heads. It was intended as a test, to see how fast reporters would focus on them and how much attention they would

get. Sure enough, they were deluged with questions and the flashbulbs of photographers.

"Why are you wearing boxes on your heads?" "It's because of the name," Barry offered helpfully, "People With Boxes On Their Heads." Sure enough, news of the group, considered to be politically neutral, went out on the AP wire. Much to the amusement of Barry, who wrote it up in his column the next day.

Another unusual correspondent who was dispatched to cover the convention was Saturday Night Live writer Al Franken, hired by Independent Network News. The Sunday before the convention opening, Franken stood on the podium and disrupted instructional speeches to the delegates, while flexing his muscles. The man who once proclaimed the "Al Franken Decade" was perhaps now ready to proclaim the "Al Franken Presidency."

The Amazing Randee was dispatched from omnipresent MTV. Randee also launched his presidential campaign during Spring Break in Florida, but apparently MTV is not concerned

with this blatant conflict of interest. Randee stood outside the convention gate, talking to teenage passersby and promising victory against Mike Dukakis and "George Benson." Randee was obviously very amused with this "George Benson" joke and took pains to repeat it as often as possible. Randee drew a large crowd of onlookers while Senator Bill Bradley and Representative Lee Hamilton slipped through the gate seemingly unrecognized.

Near the Omni was a large parking lot that the city had designated as the free speech area. For a few days there were Klan protests, greeted with anti-Klan protests, but most of the free speech time had been reserved by independent presidential aspirant Lenora B. Fulani, a 38 year-old black sociologist from New York. She hopes to attract Jackson's disenfranchised vote and fracture the Democratic party enough to throw the election to the Republicans in November. Then, in the wake of this Democratic upheaval, she hopes to form a viable left wing third party and eventually win the presidency. Her campaign manager was quoted in Atlanta newspapers as saying that her candidacy is being taken very seriously because she "is not a loony."

Even if this assessment was indeed correct, there were plenty of others to foot that bill. A group of 10 black men in suits ran in seeming military formation, dispatching flyers announcing an upcoming speech delivered by Louis Farrakhan, the controversial Black Muslim leader who refers to white people as "White devils." They were careful to give the flyers to black people only, then race onward. Farrakhan, in his speech, reportedly took the opportunity to blast Jesse Jackson for having a "slave mentality."

Also marshaling their forces were the Lyndon Larouche supporters, asking for the opportunity to address every state's delegation and gathering signatures petitioning to let Larouche speak at the convention. One sign said, "Stop that Nazi, Paul Kirk. Let Larouche speak." Paul Kirk is a highly regarded chair of the Democratic party, and is not, in fact, a Nazi. Other signs of interest abounded. One see DEMOCRAT page 13



Day one of classes: Two freshmen, highlighters emblazing new pages, waste no time in getting to their books.

Photo by Dennis Brown

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A Triumphant Farewell

Benson, Herlihy Capture NCAA Track Titles

by RANDALL A. BUDD

When seniors receive their diplomas at Commencement, they often reflect on and remember all the good times, as well as the trials and tribulations, of four years at college. But for Nancy Benson and Mark Herlihy, the most shining moment and crowning achievements of their Tufts careers was to come after graduation.

Planes had to be caught: one going to Carleton College in Minnesota, site of the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships. It was a flight of fancy, a plane that would lead each of them to national titles.

Benson was the #1 seed in the 3000m (1.8 mile) race, and she lived up to her billing on paper. On a day when temperatures on the track were around 95 degrees, Benson shot to the front and never relented. Her hot-weather performance was somewhat surprising, considering the fact that all season the weather in Northeast was unusually cold and rainy. The eight-time All-American adapted superbly to the conditions, holding a straight-away length lead by the first half-mile.

Going on to win in a Laird Stadium and a Tufts women's record time of 9:41.46, Benson improved on her second place indoor finish in this event. And with her third place finish in

the 5000m (3.1 miles) race (17:29.31), she went home to California with a round number of 10 All-American honors in her Tufts track career.

Benson's male counterpart, Herlihy, who had a disappointing second place finish at the Indoor Nationals in the 1500m, wanted to prove to all skeptics that he had the talent to be a national champion.

He chose not to compete in the 1500m, but rather in the 3000m steeplechase, his favorite event and probably his strongest. Like the indoor 1500m, he was the #1 seed with the fastest



Mark Herlihy in the lead to the Division III steeplechase crown.

time of the field by almost 10 seconds. Having posted a personal best and Tufts record of 8:58.24 in his third place finish at the New England Div. I Championships, and having competed in the Nationals in the steeplechase since his freshman year,

this senior was ready to go back home with more than just his degree in English.

After easily winning his trial section, Herlihy stepped to the line with the fastest time of both trials. The only competitor in the race who had beaten him previously was Jim Batchelor, the #2 seed from Wisconsin-LaCrosse. He ran with a fractured jaw that he had incurred in a fight in LaCrosse the previous weekend.

The temperature was in the 90s -- the beginning of the heat wave that was to stifle most of the U.S. this past summer. Herlihy did not set the pace; he gave that job to John Ondande of Loras (Iowa). But you could sense throughout the stadium that this race was Herlihy's to win or lose. He was the most talented runner in the event, and if the six-foot blonde was on his mark that day, there would be no stopping him. At just about the mile mark, Herlihy passed Ondande with a burst.

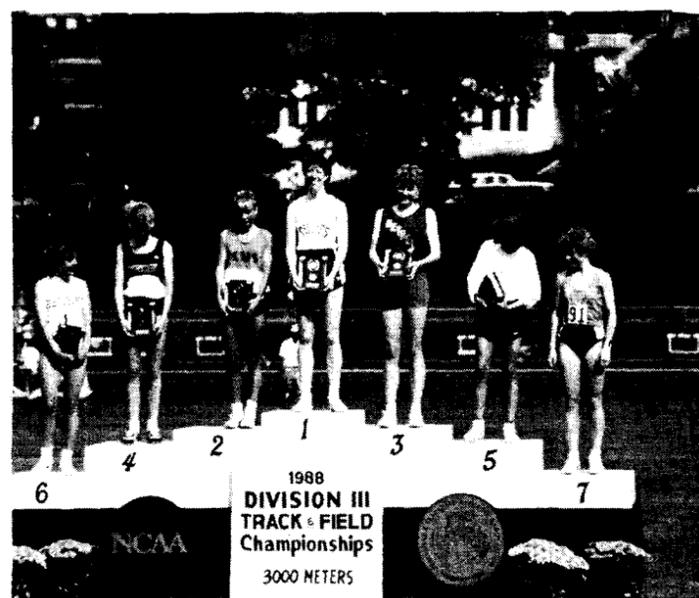
Herlihy maintained the lead and after holding off a last comeback attempt by Batchelor, Herlihy finally secured his national championship in a time of 9:06.42.

And with parents and coaches looking on, two of the greatest Tufts athletes, track or otherwise, hung up their Jumbo uniforms for the last time -- as champions.

as skipper, as well as from Harvard, URI, Yale and Coast Guard. The key for Tufts, concluded Legler, "will be practice time in J-22s somewhere... possibly Boston Harbor."

The teams of Steve Kirkpatrick-Kim Ockene and Rich Harries-Tara Nelson did not fare as well in New Haven at the Harry Anderson Trophy. Legler admitted that the lack of training during the summer, as well as a lack of substitutes at the event, hurt the Jumbos. They dropped to seventh on Sunday, when, according to Legler, the Jumbos "were sailing well underweight." Old Dominion won the event with 102 points, followed by Yale (136), Rhode Island (151), Brown (156), Navy (164), Kings Point (173) and Tufts (210).

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Nancy Benson says goodbye to Tufts a national champion.

Vera Stenhouse - The Next Nancy?

by RANDALL A. BUDD

the last weekend in May.

The cry on the Women's Track team has gone out: "What are we going to do without Nancy?" Well, there is at least one person on the team who is trying to quell those worries, and she started right off the bat during her freshman year.

This athlete is Vera Stenhouse, who during her winter and spring track seasons appeared to be on an all-out mission to match Nancy Benson. It was no time to be concerned with freshman adjustments or about the new collegiate competition; there was a job to be done. In fact, Stenhouse probably had the longest tenure as a Tufts freshman of any of her peers -- starting back with

Orientation and going all the way to the outdoor Nationals

After earning All-American honors this past winter in the triple jump, Stenhouse went on to win honors in two -- not one but two -- events at the outdoor NCAAs last May. She placed fourth in the triple jump with a jump of 38' 4 3/4" and then, with a time that was a mere six hundredths of a second faster than a competitor in another trial, the Daily MVP placed eighth in the 400m final (59.11) to be an All-American for the third time in her very short Tufts track career.

So it seems that Stenhouse, chosen last season by both the NESCAC and her teammates as the most valuable female athlete, is ready to represent the Jumbos at the Nationals and continue as a national-class athlete for several seasons to come.

Sailors Set for Successful Season

by STEPHEN CLAY

First, the good news. In its opening weekend, the Tufts Sailing team posted a first-place victory in the Pine Trophy inter-sectional regatta at Coast Guard, beating the host team (and its brand-new J-22s) and six other schools.

However, the Jumbos had a harder time at the Harry Anderson Trophy at Yale, where, sailing in 420s, they finished seventh, far behind eventual winner Old Dominion.

"Coast Guard's fleet of J-22s arrived the week of the event, right from the factory," said coach Ken Legler in his post-weekend review. "They bought 12, valued at about \$14,000 per boat." Despite that show of monetary force, the Jumbos raced out to fast starts each of the two days of the competition, and hung on at the end of each day to

finish with 26 points, three ahead of the second-place Coast Guarders.

Senior Charlie Ulmer was the skipper for the Jumbos, and seniors Joe Bardenheier and Don Kerr were the crew for the team that posted finishes of first, first, second, fifth, and sixth on Saturday, and then first, third and seventh on Sunday. Adding those numbers up, you get a final Tufts' score of 26, which was good enough for first place.

As far the season outlook, Legler said that "the real test for sloops will be at the district championships in mid-October." Only the winner of the New England and the six other district champs will go to Santa Cruz, CA, for the Sloop Nationals.

Legler expects stiff competition in New England to come from Brown, which will likely insert All-American Kevin Hall

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weekend, with the Nevins Trophy (at US Merchant Marine Academy), and the Penobscot Bay Open highlighting the bill. The Women's Sailing team will be at the Man-Labs Trophy at MIT, as well as the CCT Invitational at MIT.

Other races coming up this weekend are the Northern Series I at BU in Flying Juniors, two freshmen regattas -- the Freshmen Symposium at Tufts and the Freshmen Invitational at Brown, and finally, the Lark Invitational at Tufts.

JUMBO NOTES: Women's Sailing captain Jane Kirk was named one of the ten Most Outstanding Sailors of the North American Championships, and then combined with junior Jane Bash for a fifth-place finish in the top sailing event of the year.

Kirk and Bash competed in the Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association (ICYRAs) Championships, held at the University of California at Santa Cruz in late May, and their boat finished fifth in the A Division competition. Tufts' second boat finished sixth in the B Division, with senior April Richards and sophomore Holly Gregg on board.

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LETTER

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last year with members of the Tufts community, Somerville residents maintained that Tufts' purchase of homes in the area and the student population there has created a transient neighborhood and skyrocketing housing costs. In addition, the residents criticized the city Traffic and Parking Bureau for not cracking down on students illegally on city streets.

Two of the residents, Jim Monagle and Bud Melaragni, formed a committee of 25 to 30 residents last year to research Tufts' purchase of community homes and to develop a set of

goals.

Rubel said that the timing of the letter's release is not linked to the dorm and garage issue, but Mayer said that the letter should help Tufts maintain favorable relations if the University petitions the land court.

The letter details four steps that Tufts will take to improve community relations. The proposals were made "[s]ince Tufts has tried to be responsive to the community and has undertaken projects beneficial to Somerville in the past, and since we want to be good neighbors."

Over the next three years, Tufts

will reduce undergraduate enrollment by 300 students. The letter mentions that Tufts sent out 500 fewer acceptances to this year's freshmen class. Mayer also wrote that Tufts has no plan to make significant changes in its graduate program.

Tufts also offered not to buy any new residential property without selling a currently-owned property, and noted that only seven Somerville properties had been purchased in the last 10 years.

In addition, the letter said Tufts will assist Somerville in the ticketing of student cars parked

on Somerville streets and in the collection of the tickets. Beginning this semester, the University will notify all students who have received five or more tickets from Somerville that they are expected to pay them.

Next semester, Tufts plans to collect fines from students who have five or more tickets, and turn the payments over to Somerville. Mayer said in the letter that the discussions have already begun with Somerville officials on this issue.

Rubel said that the details and some legal aspects of the program still have to be worked

out.

Tufts officials believe that no other college has established a program of this kind.

Mayer also proposed granting Somerville \$150,000 to assist the Mayor's "housing partnership," which is designed to develop low and middle income housing.

Under the program, Somerville will receive \$70,000 this year and payments of \$40,000 the next two years.

Mayer also noted in the letter that Tufts provides \$150,000 in financial aid every year for Tufts undergraduates

living in Somerville.

Attention Student Organization

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