

CIA director Deutsch speaks on US power, security

by DANIEL BARBARISI
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The world is a dangerous place, even after the fall of the Berlin wall and the Soviet Bloc. The end of the



Photo by Daniel Rodrigues

John Deutsch, ex-director of the CIA

on my mind about security issues, and about the role the intelligence community has to play in that, but I'd rather take questions and talk about the issues with you — it's a lot more fun," Deutsch said.

In his speech, Deutsch explained why the US is in a precarious security position, and detailed the ten most important security issues for the nation.

"We're an extraordinarily powerful country, inhibited by our own lethargy, an inability to get our politics right, and an inability to get bi-partisanship on foreign policy issues," Deutsch explained.

While listing various security concerns ranging from the dangers posed by rogue states like Iraq and Iran, to catastrophic terrorist acts by independent organizations, Deutsch focused on what he saw as the two most pressing issues for America, the future of Russia and the rise of China.

Regarding Russia, Deutsch said, "Yes, the Cold War is over, but the country has collapsed internally. That might only be of academic interest, except that the Russians have 20,000 nuclear weapons.

"Then, there is the question of what to do about China. Do we enter into a strategic competition with them, or do we learn to live together? I think we have done a terrible job of managing our relationship with China, on the highest level... China is important right now because the influence China has on the economies of the region," he continued.

"These are great problems," Deutsch said, "But our power leads us to believe that we can solve them. That is not the case."

There are four main factors constraining our ability to solve our international problems, Deutsch reasoned: European integration, internal political problems with US leadership, a reliance on international monetary institutions, and the unanticipated non-interference of China in world affairs.

Deutsch moved on to the question and answer portion of the program, which he prefaced by encouraging students to ask about anything and everything. Many students' questions, however, were rejected as pertaining to subjects too sensitive or personal for such a public forum.

In response to some of the tamer questions, Deutsch gave his opinion on the role of the CIA in the new millennium, and he talked about his experiences as director. The primary role of the director, according to Deutsch, is to present adequate, well-supported information to the president on the state of world affairs. His secondary role is to "support the operations of all of our military all over the world, whether it be on land, sea, or air. We are in the position to provide our military with near-real time information about where the enemies are, which gives us the ability to sustain fewer casualties, achieve military objectives much more quickly, and do so with less damage to civilian installations and the civilian population."

He said the third role of the director is to work closely with law enforcement, in particular the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to keep American borders inviolable. "There has historically been an ancient separation between the CIA and the FBI in dealing with security issues. Of course, the problems aren't presenting themselves that way any longer," he said.

He concluded with a discussion of how the CIA itself has changed in recent years, after moving away from a world based on the conflict between the US and the Soviets. Deutsch explained that the CIA has, first of all, effectively re-deployed away from the Soviet threat, while managing to create a much more flexible, and thus effective, response system for dealing with low-level threats anywhere in the world. He did state, however, that while resource reductions and budgetary cuts have not been a major problem, morale in the organization is not what it should be, perhaps due to the lack of a clear-cut enemy in the

Cold War has not made the world safe for democracy, nor has it made American hegemony concrete, a point made abundantly clear by former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Director John Deutsch, who spoke to a mixed group of about 100 graduate and undergraduate students in Barnum 008 last Wednesday.

"My view is that the United States is facing more serious security issues than we have in quite some time," Deutsch said. "And despite the end of the Cold War, the US is less able to deal with these issues than you think."

Brought to campus by the Undergraduate Lecture Series, Deutsch has previously served as Undersecretary of Energy, Deputy Secretary of Defense, and head of the CIA from 1995-1996. Deutsch gave a brief speech, but the bulk of his talk centered around a question and answer session.

"I'll talk a little bit about what's

Men finish ninth, women 11th at Nationals

Every men's runner sets personal record again

by NEIL TAYLOR
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After every men's cross-country runner set a career personal record in the National qualifying race, it seemed nearly impossible that they could come through with a duplicate performance the following week. However, the team actually bettered its performance, with each runner again setting a new personal record on Saturday at the NCAA Division III National Championship race.

In a great weekend for Tufts cross country, both the men's and women's teams had stellar performances at the Championship on Saturday in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The ninth-place finish by the men

was the second best in school history, as the Jumbos narrowly beat out conference rivals Bates and Williams.

"The race went really well," senior captain Matt Lyons said. "We finally put everything together and got the job done. We were really prepared for the race and we did well."

Lyons finished 37th in the race (24:48) but was beaten out by fellow senior Steve Kaye, who blazed over the line with a time of 24:41.

"I tried to go out with the leaders and be aggressive," Lyons said. "But it wasn't meant to be. You win some, you lose some."

Although Lyons may have

had a personal loss, the team came back as victors. Maintaining its second-place ranking for New England schools was a big goal for the team, and it was just able to hold off rivals Bates and Williams. Tufts finished with 276 points and Bates and Williams followed with 281 and 284, respectively. Keene State, who won the NCAA New England race, finished second in the nation with an impressive score of 100.

Kaye finished his career with an inspired race which helped lead the team.

"He had a phenomenal race,"



Junior Dave Patterson finished in 63rd place, and was part of a tight pack that helped the Jumbos edge out rivals Williams and Bates, and finish ninth in the nation.

sophomore JR Cruz said. "He really stepped it up when Matt fell back and has really helped lead the team the second half of the season."

Junior Dave Patterson finished in 63rd place with the time of 25:08. Patterson, who is also a track star, helped explain the extremely fast times. "The course was really like running on a track because it was so flat and the grass was cut so short," he said.

Senior Pete Rodrigues finished right behind Patterson, in 68th place, with a time of 25:11, followed by sophomore Jason Mann in 78th place (25:18). The tight pack between these three runners helped in getting such a low score. With hundreds of competitive runners, a few seconds can mean dozens of points.

Cruz finished in 115th place with a time of 25:43.

"We are all really satisfied with the race," Cruz said. "We hoped to do a little better, but everyone ran the best times in their careers. For the returning runners, this will be something to build on for next year."

Last on the team was sophomore Ben Smith, finishing just

New group of Big Brothers to be established

Male students mentor young boys through Tufts chapter of group

by ILENESTEIN
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This year's group of Big Brothers will assemble Tuesday night when the group of male mentors meets with possible new members for the first time this year.

A new year brings new opportunities for a number of young boys from across the greater Boston area to gain a male mentor who will serve, not only as a positive influence, but as a friend. The Tufts chapter of Big Brothers pairs male students with boys from the ages of eight to 13 who otherwise lack a male role model in their lives.

Volunteers spend three to five hours a week with their little brother doing activities of their choice.

Senior Alexander Blum and junior Joel Schaefer serve as co-chairmen of the continuously expanding organization and cite their experience with Big Brothers as one of the most fulfilling of their college careers.

"I really feel that my association with Big Brothers and my experience with my little brother has been the most rewarding event of my college career," Blum said. "This is the one thing that I will look back upon and see the [how much] I have learned. This is really getting to know a child on the fundamental level and seeing what you gain from friendship."

Schaefer supported Blum's assertion. "It has made my college career much more fulfilling. It makes you feel good every time you see [your little brother]."

The relationship between a Big Brother and little brother is advantageous for both involved. While the Big Brother gains a sense of satisfaction, the little brother gains a new friend, role model, and confidant. "It is really easy to do, and it is really rewarding on both ends," Schaefer said.

"The common denominator between all these kids is that there is a void in their life that is looking to be filled, and that is what the Big Brother does," Blum said.

Blum further explained that there is no socioeconomic criteria for a child to participate in the program. "There are boys who have never known their fathers, there are kids whose fathers have left the family, and various other situations. The boys come from all different economic and racial backgrounds," he said.

Although a little brother does not have to fill out an application to be in the program, there is an application process to become a Big Brother. An applicant must go through two interviews: the preliminary interview to establish character and interest, and the second interview to filter out those applicants who "would not be appropriate" for the organization.

The Big Brother chapter in Boston was helpful in establishing a chapter at Tufts. "I always wanted a younger or older brother and found out about the program through LCS. I called Big Brothers in Boston, I got paired up within a month," Schaefer said.

But even though Schaefer found a little brother quickly, Big Brothers is not hasty in matching up volunteers. "They really want to pair you up with the right kid and they really want the little brother to be paired up with the right person," he said.

While most of the time spent between Big Brothers and little brothers is one on one, the Tufts chapter occasionally holds group activities. These events allow both the students and the children participating in the program to meet and share in each other's experiences.

"We have an upcoming event where we are going to paint the cannon with our little brothers. We also sometimes play games of tackle football as a group. At the end of last year, we all went to the amusement park together," Blum said.

The Tufts chapter alone already has 15 to 20 members with five to ten other students in the process of becoming Big Brothers. Blum and Schaefer said they hope to gain more volunteers through publicity including actively talking about their own positive experiences within the program.

News Briefs



Heaven's Gate's earthly goods hit auction block

SANDIEGO—Just another Saturday and just another estate sale—except that the stuff in this estate was left by the 39 Heaven's Gate cultists who committed suicide in March 1997.

It was a diverse group that came to a county government warehouse Saturday to bid on the earthly possessions left behind by the cultists as they embarked on what they believed was a trip to join a spaceship riding on the tail of the Hale-Bopp comet.

Among the several hundred bidders were the profit seekers, the bargain seekers, the curious, and maybe a few like-minded souls.

A young couple with tight, black hair and a leave-us-alone manner bought the cult's book collection for \$340, including *Star Trek Encyclopedia*, *Disneyland of the Gods*, and *Aliens From Outer Space*.

A fellow from Hollywood survived spirited bidding to win the cult's three vehicles: the moving van (\$3,750), the wheelchair-lift minibus (\$7,200) and the blue minivan (\$4,000) that several cult members used for a sentimental journey to Northern California and Oregon before returning to the San Diego area and swallowing a deadly mixture of applesauce, barbiturates, and alcohol.

The vehicle buyer said he represents people interested in making a Heaven's Gate movie "so realism is important." He refused to provide reporters with his name, and officials of the public administrator's office honored his desire for anonymity.

Bradley seeks women's support

DUBUQUE, Iowa—Presidential candidate Bill Bradley stumped through the Iowa farmland Saturday, garnering the support of local women who praised his leadership on women's health issues.

At a mid-afternoon news conference at a Dubuque hotel, eight mothers and local leaders credited Bradley for his proposing a 1996 law guaranteeing mothers at least 48 hours in the hospital after giving birth. His efforts to pass that bill raised awareness about the issue of "drive-through deliveries," they said, and lead the Iowa state legislature to pass a similar bill months before the federal measure became law.

Barbara Wickham, a 40-year-old teacher in Dubuque, said she had two children before the law was passed and had to leave the hospital 24 hours after their birth.

"I went home not knowing how to breast feed, how to care for them," she said. "It ends of being a nightmare for some parents. I thank you, Mr. Bradley, for pushing this through. It's really made a huge difference in our lives."

Bradley's supporters said Saturday that short hospital stays put them and their children in danger, since they had to leave before knowing if their babies exhibited signs of jaundice or other illnesses.

Bradley said the 1996 law was an example of the work he's done promoting women's health — efforts he promised to continue if elected president.

"That was a fight that had a direct impact on the lives of women in this country," he said. He added that his health care proposal, which would use government subsidies to help provide health coverage for all Americans, is especially critical for women because they make up nearly half of the 44 million Americans without insurance.

Shelter says Brown Foundation grant never materialized

A Los Angeles County women's shelter listed in tax forms filed by the Nicole Brown Charitable Foundation as having received a \$2,000 grant in 1995 never got the money, according to the director of the program that serves abused women.

Angel Step Inn program director Patricia King said the shelter has never applied for a grant but did receive an unsolicited \$25 check last Christmas.

"I had our funding director and public relations director check our files, but we couldn't find any evidence of a check," King said. "We never got \$2,000 from them."

Denise Brown, chairman of the foundation named in her murdered sister's honor, declined to comment this week, saying she did not have a list of the shelters awarded money by the organization in 1995.

"Until I get to the bottom of this, I am not making one single comment. I'm tired of people trying to make us look bad," Brown said.

However, Stella Plunkett, a volunteer at the foundation appointed by Brown to research the issue, said there's no record of the grant.

"We've gone through the list twice and haven't found Angel Step Inn, except for a \$25 donation made to them last year."

Plunkett called the inclusion of Angel Step Inn among the grant recipients "a simple mistake... a clerical error."

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The Daily Weather Forecast

Today	Tonight	Tomorrow
		
Morning fog, afternoon sun High: 65	Fog Low: 53	Morning fog, afternoon sun High: 65

A mild southwest flow will be with us through this week, with a potential change occurring about Friday. Morning dense fog and afternoon sun will be the rule today and tomorrow, with high temperatures in the middle 60s! The period from Wednesday through Friday is looking a bit wet, and progressively cooler. More details to come tomorrow. Enjoy the short week!

— Weather forecast by Daily Washington Correspondent Andrew Freedman

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This is not necessary for students currently living in fall-only housing! First-year and sophomore students are required to live on-campus.



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THANKSGIVING RECESS

(November 25 - November 28, 1999)

- ✓ The residence halls DO NOT close for the Thanksgiving recess.
- ✓ Dining halls are closed during the break. Call Dining Services at x7-3566 for details.
- ✓ Most University offices are closed (with the exception of the University Police, x6-6911 for emergencies).
- ✓ Residential Staff are NOT on duty.
- ✓ The Catholic Center will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving dinner for the entire community - you can call (781) 391-7272 or email dolear01@emerald.tufts.edu for more information.

WINTER RECESS INFO

(December 23, 1999 - January 18, 2000)

- ✓ Residence halls close for the winter recess at noon on Thursday, December 23, 1999.
- ✓ Residence halls re-open for the spring semester at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2000.

On-campus residents: Please check your mailbox the week of November 15th and our website (ase.tufts.edu/reslife) for VERY IMPORTANT Winter Recess information.



Questions?? Call Residential Life, South Hall, ext. 7-3248 or email us at reslife@emerald.tufts.edu

Features

Music rocks my world

Walking into my room here at Tufts or at home, there's one thing that's immediately noticeable. There are CDs everywhere. For as long as I can remember, music has been an incredibly important part of my life. I don't know what I would do without music.

I remember as a little girl listening to my favorite records on the

Featuring...

Kelly Wisnewski



family stereo. It was always fun getting the records out and looking at all the pictures on the covers. One of my favorites was the *Muppets' Christmas* record—it didn't matter if it was December or June, I thought that the music was always in season. When it was actually Christmas time, the record was put into heavy rotation in the house because of me, and if I wasn't begging my parents to put the Muppets on, it was our *Alvin and the Chipmunks Christmas* eight track.

My love for music has grown and refined over the years. I have a very eclectic taste in music, and I have acquired a broad knowledge of different genres. Leafing through my music collection, there's some techno, alternative rock, classical, jazz, swing, '70s disco and funk, and

'80s music. I love it all. For me, music can brighten my mood, help me relax, or pump me up for a night out.

One of my absolute favorite things is going to concerts. I can't even count how many I have been to. There's nothing like the rush a person feels when she is in the front row at a concert, listening intently to the performers, with a huge grin on her face. I've woken up early to wait in line to get the best concert tickets as soon as they go on sale so many times. I've even gone so far as having my mom get up early to get Phish tickets for me since I couldn't get them for myself because I was at school.

Concerts are great, especially when you are with your friends because of the memories they create. It can be a truly meaningful experience when you are so immersed in the music that it has taken you and your friends over. To be able to look around and see thousands of smiling, dancing people can have a strong impact on a person.

Even though I've loved most of the concerts I've been to, I have been to a couple bad shows. Sometimes, however, bad music can create good memories. A few years ago, a friend dragged me to a hard rock show at this small club at home. I hated the music, but somehow I managed to have an okay evening.

It is always good to give new things a shot—the experience may reinforce your preconceived notions, or you might find something new that you like. Thinking back on the night, I'm glad that I went because the club, which was an Albany landmark, closed this summer. Now I can say that I've been to a legendary club, and share my experience.

After thinking about it for a long time, I have found that music is an integral part of my life. I have this ability to associate practically any song I've heard with some sort of event that happened to me. It has even become a joke between my friends and me. Plus, if a song comes on and the memory associated with it is happy, I usually can't help myself from retelling the story to my friends for the thousandth time.

A perfect example of this goes along with the song "Boombastic" by Shaggy. I know, it's a totally random song, so of course, I have a fun memory to go with it.

A few years ago, I went on a class trip to Europe, and one of our stops was in Belgium. We went to this medieval town that had basically been turned into a tourist attraction, but was still very picturesque. As I walked through the cobblestone streets with my best friend and browsed through the shops, we thought we heard something coming from around the corner. As we got closer, we found a small square within the village that had been completely modernized. And the song "Boombastic" was blasting from the speakers. This was a totally unexpected scene, and to top it off, "Boombastic" isn't exactly a song you would expect to hear in Belgium. Now, whenever I hear that song, especially in the car with my friends, we play it loudly and sing along.

I have also decided that I can't function without music. There is no possible way that I can accomplish work without listening to music in the background. Just as I have been writing this Featring, I've listened to so many different songs. Music just helps me concentrate. It's even better when I listen to a CD that I know practically by heart because the music blends into my thought process. Being able to listen to music that fits my stressed-out work moods helps me take things one at a time, relax, and just go with the flow.

I don't know what I would do without music. I love my stereo and my CD collection. Whenever I go shopping, something mysteriously pulls me to the record store. I have even been known to drag people to three different record stores just so I could find the one special CD from an unknown band that I had just heard and loved.

Although I'm not a huge fan of the band KISS, I think Gene Simmons was onto something when he wrote, "I want to rock and roll all night, and party every day."

Kelly Wisnewski is a Features Editor of the Daily. We'd bet money she's listening to music right now.

Laziness hits all-time low with new website: www.kozmo.com

Order movies, CDs, food without leaving your room

by MARY ANNE ANDERSON
Senior Staff Writer

Instead of trekking all the way to the video store to rent a movie next weekend, have one delivered

Website Review

to your house or dorm for free. At www.kozmo.com, customers can rent or buy videos, DVDs, and video games, as well as purchase magazines, CDs, and snack foods for free delivery. The purchased items will arrive within an hour, or can be scheduled for delivery at a specific predetermined time.

"Kozmo is all about making your life easier and saving you time by delivering entertainment and convenience items to your home or office in under an hour," the website explains.

Kozmo boasts over 15,000 videos in its library, along with many other convenience items. Videos and DVDs can be checked out for three days, and video games can be rented for four days. The rental can then be returned at a drop-off site, which are silver, marked boxes. The closest drop off site to Tufts is located at 4 College Ave. between Highland Ave. and Winter Street. Kozmo also offers a pick-up system for a \$1 fee, which can be reached through the Customer Service line, 1-877-GO-KOZMO (1-877-465-6966). Phone delivery is also available at this number.

Kozmo offers video rentals for as low as \$2.99 and CDs for as low as \$9.99. Monday through Thursday, if customers rent more than one movie, each movie rental after the first one is discounted by \$1. Additionally, Kozmo offers snacks on the go, such as Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream at \$3.25 a pint, popcorn, movie-theater-sized candy, and a variety of drinks ranging from Gatorade to soda to Fresh Samanthas. Soon, they hope to offer convenience meals in addition to their wide range of snack foods.

Kozmo's delivery hours are great for busy college students, since they process orders from 10 a.m. until 1 a.m., seven days a week, and deliver until 1:30 a.m. "I think it's convenient because you don't have to go to Davis to rent a movie, or watch it in the library," freshman Rachel Hertz said.

On the website, customers can search for a title using the search option or browse the site's "Selected Featured" titles. Patrons can place items in a shopping cart and order accordingly after browsing. Undesired items can also be removed from the shopping cart before making the final decision.

Once at the site, there are several ways for customers to find the right movie. Kozmo offers movie searches by title, people (directors, actors, or producers), or new releases. Kozmo also places the movies into several categories, which are also searchable. In addition to the more traditional categories like "Comedy" or "Action

/Adventure," Kozmo offers tips for renters.

Kozmo also does research for its customers. Performing a search for films by a certain actor not only produces an extensive filmography, but also provides tidbits of information about the actor, a personal biography, and a picture.

When visitors go to the site search for a certain movie, they'll find a synopsis of the film and a list of the actors and actresses in it. They are also pre-



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presented with the cast members' personal bios and filmographies and movie reviews. Kozmo also offers customers the chance to be movie critics with its comment screen and customer review options that appear for most movies.

Kozmo accepts Visa, MasterCard, and American Express for payment and ensures its patrons that credit card transactions are safe at the website. "Every credit card purchase you make at Kozmo is backed by our secure server software, which encrypts information using SSL technology, ensuring that Internet transactions stay private and protected," the website says.

Kozmo also has a point system that works as accumulated credit for future rentals. "Think of Kozmo points as a frequent

flyer program for movie renters," the website explains. Each time a movie is rented, the system credits its member's accounts with points that can be used for free rentals or to pay late fees. One hundred Kozmo points equals \$1.

To order from Kozmo, patrons have to sign up and become Kozmo members. The sign-up is free and simply asks for the person's delivery address, method of payment, and a user name and password. This ensures that unauthorized people will not be able to access Kozmo accounts. Also, filling out an optional demographic survey guarantees a free movie rental for new members.

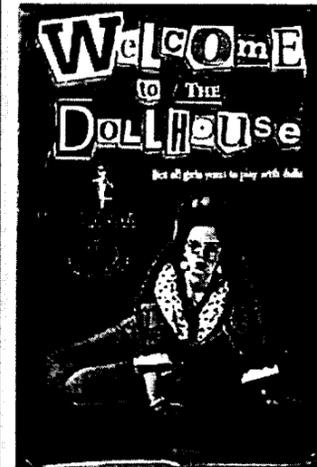
For many, e-commerce is foreign and therefore not too appealing. However, even skeptics contend that the convenience of a service like this is unmatched.

"It's sort of weird because I just don't trust it. There's no one there that I'm actually talking to about it; there's no actual transaction, but it's a cool idea. You can purchase food that's really good," freshman Rebecca Valerin said.

For busy college students, Kozmo is a unique way to purchase entertainment at a decent price without having to leave their room. Even though the experience of actually physically browsing through CDs and videos is absent, the convenience of the delivery system is perfect for the student who wants a movie (or simply some ice cream) late at night or on the run.

New film series spotlights issues affecting kids

During their lives, kids deal with difficult circumstances and situations. Death, divorce, hurtful peer interaction—everyone has experienced it. But, while in the throes of these trials and tribulations, few actually understand that they're not alone. Others have similar experiences. Through a new film series, *Kid Flicks*, the Eliot-Pearson Department of Child Development is working to focus on these issues.



On the first Friday of every month, from noon to 2 p.m. in the Eliot Pearson A/V room at 105 College Ave., a different movie is shown. These flicks will delve into the lives and experiences of children around the world. Specifically, the movies address how death, the struggle for identity, and resilience in the face of adversity play into kids' lives.

"The stories will help to make children's issues come alive," said Dr. Calvin Gidney III, co-founder of the project.

Salaam Bombay! will be showing on Dec. 3. This movie chronicles the experiences of ten-year-old Krishna as he travels from a country setting to a big city riddled with prostitution, drug abuse, thievery, and homelessness.

Upcoming movies include *Fresh*, *Ponette*, *Ma Vie en Rose*, and *Welcome to the Dollhouse*. Admission to all films is free and the Graduate Student Council provides pizza for all attendees.

The series began on Oct. 1 and will run through May 5.

—Kim Fox and Sheryl Gordon

MONDAY EVENING		NOVEMBER 22, 1999														
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WGBH	2	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Boston	Keeping Up	Antiques Roadshow (R)		Frontline "Apocalypse" (In Stereo)			Charlie Rose (In Stereo)		Nature (In Stereo)			
WBZ	4	News	CBS News	Hollywood Sq.	Ent. Tonight	King	Ladies Man	Raymond	Becker	Family Law "Holt vs. Holt"		News	Late Show (In Stereo)	Late Late		
WCVB	5	News	ABC Wid News	Inside Edition	Chronicle	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?		NFL Football Oakland Raiders at Denver Broncos. (In Stereo Live)					News	Nightline		
WLVI	56	6	Sister, Sister	Fresh Prince	Friends	Nanny	7th Heaven "Dirty Laundry"	7th Heaven (R) (In Stereo)		News	Friends	Nanny	Change-Heart	Change-Heart		
WHDH	7	News	NBC News	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Friends (R)	Veronica's Cl.	Law & Order: Special Victims		Dateline (In Stereo)		News	Tonight Show (In Stereo)	Late Night		
WSBK	38	8	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Seinfeld	NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at Carolina Hurricanes. (Live)					Frasier	Blind Date	Ricki Lake (R) (In Stereo)	Paid Program		
WFXT	25	9	3rd Rock-Sun	Drew Carey	Simpsons	Drew Carey	Time of Your Life (In Stereo)		Ally McBeal "Troubled Water"		News	Simpsons	Home Improve.	Newsradio	Unhappily	
WABU	68	10	Supermarket	Shop 'Til Drop	Family Feud	Family Feud	Hope Island		Touched by an Angel		Diagnosis Murder (In Stereo)		Twice in a Lifetime (R)		Newlywed Gm.	Dating Game
WENH	11	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Business Rpt.	Antiques Road	Granite State	Crossroad	Antiques Roadshow (R)		Lords of the Mafia (In Stereo)		Cabin Country	Tony Brown	Earth Revealed	Earth Revealed	
WGBX	44	12	Arthur (R)	Business Rpt.	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Men-Sailed Liberty Ships		Price of Peace (R) (In Stereo)		Deadly Fuze-World War II		World News	Boston	Nova "Battle Alert in the Gulf"	
WNDS	50	14	Simpsons	Judge Lane	News	Real TV	** 1/2 The April Fools (1969, Comedy) Jack Lemmon.			News	Hollywood Sq.	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Jerry Springer (R)		
CABLE CHANNELS																
A&E	25	Simon & Simon		Law & Order "Poison Ivy"		Biography: Kris Kristofferson		Investigative Reports		Poirot "Wasps' Nest"		Law & Order "Benevolence"		Biography: Kris Kristofferson		
CNBC	31	Edge	Business Center	Upfront Ton.	Hardball	Rivera Live		News With Brian Williams		Hardball (R)		Rivera Live (R)				
CNN	35	Worldview	Moneyline Newshour	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live		Newsstand		Sports Tonight		Moneyline	Larry King Live (R)			
COM	29	Saturday Night Live		Daily Show (R)	Stein's Money	* 1/2 Armed and Dangerous (1986, Comedy) John Candy.		Strangers	Upright Citizen	Daily Show	Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live				
CSPAN	44	(5:00) House of Representatives (Live)				Prime Time Public Affairs				Prime Time Public Affairs (R)						
DISC	21	Your New House (R)		Wild Discovery: Wild Asia		On the Inside "Macy's Parade"		Ultimate Guide "Crocodiles" (R)		Shark Attack Files II (R)		On the Inside "Macy's Parade"		Ultimate Guide "Crocodiles" (R)		
E!	45	Coming Attr.	News Daily	Fashion Emer.	Model (R)	Talk Soup	Scandals	True Hollywood Story (R)		Macy's Passport		Howard Stern	Howard Stern	Behind the Scenes "Miss USA"		
ESPN	30	(5:45) Sportscenter		Monday Night Countdown				College Basketball: N. Carolina vs. S. California				Timber Series	ESPNNews	Sportscenter		
ESPN2	55	69	Legends-Road	RPM 2Night	College Basketball Massachusetts at Connecticut. (Live)				Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies		Billiards: WPBA Classic Tour		College Basketball: Georgetown vs. Memphis			
HIST	51	75	Warrior Tradition (R)		20th Century (R)		Missing Files: Assassination		Warren Commission				History's Lost & Found (R)		Missing Files: Assassination	
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NECN	59	43	New England This Evening		NewsNight	New England This Evening		CEO Corner	PrimeTime-New England				One Game	NewsNight	PrimeTime-New England (R)	
NICK	24	All That	Catdog	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Rocket Power	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	
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TNT	32	Due South "Juliet Is Bleeding"		ER "Days Like This" (In Stereo)		WCW Monday Nitro (In Stereo Live)				** 1/2 3 Ninjas Kick Back (1994, Comedy) Sean Fox.						
TOON	48	72	Batman-Series	Scooby Doo	Scooby Doo	Dexter's Lab	Ed Edd	Chicken	Bugs & Daffy	Tom and Jerry	Flintstones	Ed Edd	Chicken	Batman-Series	Dragon Ball Z	
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Arts & Entertainment

Go see 'Sleepy Hollow,' but watch your head

by DAVID ATTANSIO
Contributing Writer

Sleepy Hollow is not an innocent update of the traditional Washington Irving tale best known as an animated Disney movie. It is most definitely not for children or anyone faint of heart. The director, Tim Burton, took the core of the original story and recast it as his own distinct creation.

Sleepy Hollow

Starring: Johnny Depp,
Christina Ricci
Directed By: Tim Burton
Rating: ★★★★★



The film begins with a gruesome murder of the wealthiest citizen of Sleepy Hollow while he is traveling in a stage coach down an ominous forest road. The method of the murder? Beheading. When Constable Ichabod Crane arrives from New York to investigate, he learns that this is just one in a series of

such murders, all marked by the method of execution and the fact that the heads are missing.

He immediately launches into an investigation of the murders, and the film proceeds in a whodunit manner. While the townspeople are sure that a ghoulish headless horseman is removing the heads, Ichabod remains convinced that science will reveal the murderer to be a human.

There are some notable changes from earlier versions of *Sleepy Hollow*. Ichabod, while still a coward, is now a Constable instead of a school teacher. The classic scene from the Disney cartoon where a horseman rides down Ichabod and throws a flaming pumpkin at him is preserved. The horseman, however, has been changed from a terrifying legend into the murdering ghost of a dead Hessian soldier.

The weaknesses in *Sleepy Hollow* are due mostly to the script and the length of the film. The director leaves a few of the sub-plots woefully unexplored so that they don't impede the horrors of the main plot. Specifically, Crane's romance with Katrina Van Tassel is not fully developed, making the scene where they kiss seem contrived. When Crane arrives in Sleepy Hollow, he receives a kiss from the blindfolded Katrina, angering her boyfriend, Brom. In traditional versions of the story, the tension between Crane and Brom is a major focus of the plot.

The director sacrifices the subplots in order to focus on the complex whodunit-style main plot which turns out to be excessively complicated. At the end of the film we are left trying to piece together what exactly happened because the chain of events Crane uncovers is just too confusing, with too many involved characters and events.

As with previous films, Burton tries to explore the motivations of the central character. At the start of the film, Crane attempts to promote scientific methods of crime investigation as opposed to torture. During the remainder of the film, the director exposes us to the character's past through dream sequences, dialogue, and visual clues. Crane doesn't fully reveal his dark past before the climax of the film. While this psychological exploration is fascinating, like the subplots, it is underdeveloped.

Despite the disjointed focus on Crane, Johnny Depp delivers a decent performance. He does an excellent job of portraying a cowardly hero, a tough role. He manages to portray the seemingly contradictory states in a way that brings much needed levity to otherwise ominous scenes. A well-timed faint can really lighten up a scene in which someone has just been taken to hell by the horseman.

Tim Burton shines in the areas where he always does. The film is heavily stylized in a traditional Tim Burton manner. The village of Sleepy Hollow looks exactly as a spooky late 18th Century village should. The sun never shines and the village looks perpetually gloomy and depressing, as if it has a plague hanging over it. Despite the dark nature of the location, everything is sharp, clean, and perfectly defined.

The special effects, while not overly ambitious, are air tight. Everything seems perfectly realistic. The decapitations are all the more disturbing for their realism and the headless horseman is terrifyingly realized. Given the supernatural nature of the film, all of the effects look completely convincing.

Despite the problems, the film is well done and entertaining. If you don't have a strong stomach, you might want to steer clear, as this is one of the most disturbingly graphic films I have ever seen. If you can stomach it, it is an innovative take on a classic American ghost story.



Christina Ricci who starred in 'The Ice Storm' goes blond for Tim Burton's 'Sleepy Hollow.'

Freshman play brings a clever thriller to Balch Arena Theater

Director Bien explores disability in 'Wait Until Dark'

by ALISON DAMAST
Daily Editorial Board

If Tufts just hasn't been scary enough for you this semester, you might want to head on down to the



Wait Until Dark

November 22 and 23, 8 pm
Balch Arena Theater

Balch Arena Theater this Monday and Tuesday evening to watch the freshman play, *Wait Until Dark*. This Hitchcock-like thriller is the gripping tale of a blind woman confronted in her apartment by three criminals with an elaborate and intricate scheme. At the heart of the suspenseful play lies a daunting question: How can a blind woman defend herself? This play, which has been translated to the screen (Audrey Hepburn starred in the 1967 film version) and the Great White Way (the recent Broadway production starring Marisa Tomei and Quentin Tarantino) is a timeless audience favorite.

Jennifer Bien, a sophomore majoring in child development and drama, directs the play at Tufts. Bien, who is interested in eventually going into theater for the deaf, was attracted to this play because it is about a person with a disability. "Susie, ... the blind woman, is very intelligent. It is not just a play about deception. The lead charac-

ter is literally in the dark," Bien said.

Wait Until Dark is even more intriguing because the lead can't see what the audience can, Bien explained.

To ensure that her cast had a good sense about the way blind people perceive the world, Bien took them on a field trip to the Perkin's School for the Blind. There, they were taken on a very long tour by a blind tour guide. Bien said the tour guide raised an interesting point about the way that blind people are perceived in society, explaining that blind people are usually portrayed in artistic mediums as superhuman or completely helpless.

"What is redeeming about *Wait Until Dark* is that Susie is not helpless, even though in the beginning of the play, she lacks confidence in her ability to rely on herself. The play portrays her as very human. Even though Susie is disabled, it is important to understand that she is not handicapped," Bien said.

Even though the cast gained a good sense of what it is like to be blind, it was still a challenge for the actors. Sarah Kauderer, who plays the role of Susie, said she is excited to be in a thriller but feels that the part is difficult. "The hardest thing about it is that she's only been blind for a year. She has just learned to accept the fact that she has a disability," Kauderer said.

To prepare for the part, Kauderer

had to be blindfolded several times during rehearsal and the cast would rehearse the play in the dark. "Sarah had to learn how to react to sounds as opposed to visuals," Bien said.

Deane Madsen, who plays Roat, the killer, also said he had a great deal of fun in this production. "I have loved having an opportunity to be evil," he said. "It is fun but interesting because being maniacal is something that seems to reside in everyone. It is like the heart of darkness in everyone coming through."

Madsen said he was grateful for the opportunity to flex his acting skills this semester. "It is good to get involved this early in our Tufts career. It is a great way to get involved in the department," he said.

Bien, who had a lead in last year's freshman play and Torn Ticket II's Orientation show, said she was excited to have the opportunity to direct *Wait Until Dark*. "It has been an incredible experience," she said.

The freshman play is a chance for students to get involved in the department early on in their career at Tufts. "It is also a great opportunity for the crew to learn how to operate lights and sound. It is technically challenging for freshmen and a super learning experience," Bien said.

Wait Until Dark will be playing on Nov. 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. in the Balch Arena Theater. Admission is free.

Pacey and Jen to have casual sex, Dawson is a loser again

by WILL KINLAW
Daily Editorial Board

Dawson took his three preppy friends on an amusing journey in last week's episode of *Dawson's Creek*. As Joey eloquently stated at the show's

WB Commentary

outset, "basically, you're ripping off *The Blair Witch Project*." Couldn't have said it better, because that's exactly what he did. Of course, the show never tried to score points in originality.

Instead of writing a paper on *The Crucible*, Dawson convinces his teacher to let him make a documentary on Capeside's own witch legends. Clearly someone didn't do his homework.

However, the ever-mature Jen was not afraid. "There are no such things as witches. *Witch* is just a buzz word for a girl who chooses to follow her completely natural and totally healthy urges and explore her sexuality, but you can't do that in the swinging 1690s without getting the townspeople up in arms... I would've been so burned at the stake by now," she says. Hopefully *she* will get burned at the stake since she never stops whining. With all the cosmetics she wears, all you'd have to do is strike a match and she'd light up like the Fourth of July.

Dawson recruits his crack professional film crew/actors — Pacey, Jen, and Joey — and heads off to shoot his documentary on an island where supposedly 13 witches died in the 19th century. Even though Joey and he both have their own boats, and the island is only a couple hundred yards off shore, Captain D decides to hire some nutcase to ferry them out. I believe this is where the "suspension of disbelief" switch flickers on.

As soon as the team arrives at their touristy destination, Pacey and Jen head into the gift shop, where she attempts to make him fall in love with her using a spell from an ancient witchcraft manual. And so she confirms our suspicions: Jen indeed is

a bitch — excuse me, witch. Immediately the two begin flirting shamelessly and complaining about how it is so difficult to have sex without worrying



Dawson is such a loser.

about emotional baggage. Problems, problems, problems. Wait till college.

"Sex good, love bad," the monosyllabic Pacey elucidates. "Sex is nice. Maybe casual sex is the way to go." The two horny teenyboppers painstakingly work out a "pre-gettin' busy agreement," as Pacey calls it. "This may be the witch's brew talking, but you're starting to look all kinds of cute," he tells her. I guess I'm not the only one who noticed that Jen is looking much better these days.

Meanwhile, Joey and Dawson are employing a paper-thin analogy to bicker about the status of their relationship.

"We're friends, why can't you just leave it at that?" he asks her. "If you take away everything else that we are, then that's what we are: friends." Put your hands together for Dawson Leary, ladies and gentlemen! If you take away everything BUT being friends, then of course you're friends, dumbass. My goodness, and this kid wants to go to college.

Returning to the "documentary," according to legend, the Capeside witches were young girls

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Sports

Football finishes inconsistent campaign with an even record Seniors end their careers with a year of close games

by **RUSSELL CAPONE**
Daily Editorial Board

The Tufts football team finished a season full of ups and downs last weekend with a 22-10



Football

home loss to Middlebury. While the ups came primarily in the opening weeks of the season and the downs more recently, the team's final record of 4-4 is rather deceiving.

The 12-point loss to Middlebury was the largest margin of defeat for Tufts all season — none of the other three had come by more than a touchdown. The Jumbos could have finished the season 7-1 — or on the other hand 2-6 — just as easily as the final .500 mark.

"On some levels I was disappointed in the season and on other levels I wasn't," senior tri-captain Gerry Topping said. "Everybody's effort level was there and we never shied away from a team. We just didn't perform on the plays we needed in order to win.

"We were in 'em, we just didn't get it done," he said of the team's near-wins.

Question marks abounded even at the beginning of the season. Gone were several key players from the 1998 squad that finished 7-1, including NESCAC offensive player of the year, quarterback Dan Morse. Senior Chris Fahy, who had never started a game before, was given the daunting challenge of filling Morse's shoes as the starting quarterback. The pressure of living up to 1998's success raised concerns about how this year's squad would fare.

Coach Bill

Samko warned at the beginning of the season about comparing this year's team to last year's squad.

"Last year's over," he said bluntly when asked about the concern. Samko instilled in his players a "one game at a time" attitude from the very beginning of the season. "The next game is always the most important one," Samko said.

The Jumbos were fortunate not

to have overlooked the season's first opponent. The team hit the road to take on Hamilton in the Sept. 25 season opener. Although the Continentals wound up finishing 0-8 and last in the NESCAC, the Jumbos barely escaped with a 28-25 victory. Fahy was solid in his debut, completing 12 of 16 passes for 165 yards. Nine of those 12 passes went to senior Jon Troy, who finished with 118 yards on the day. The game marked the beginning of Troy's exceptional season, as the tri-captain would wind up leading the NESCAC in receiving yardage.

The big story of the opener, however, was the emergence of sophomore running back Renato DePaolis. The outlook for senior back John Routhier, the team's top rusher and an important motivator, did not look good early on. Routhier was out with an injury, and it was DePaolis who got the job of stepping up. The sophomore responded in a huge way, running for a total of 200 yards, including a 72-yard touchdown on the second play of the game.

While the team was happy to escape with a victory, concern was plentiful about the aspect of the game that would continue to haunt the Jumbos throughout the season: the turnover problem. Tufts committed three turnovers in the opener and the problem continued the following week on the

for 220 yards. DePaolis redeemed himself a bit with a 74-yard rushing performance, but it was once again Troy's two touchdown receptions and 123 yards receiving that provided the spark. The Jumbo defense was also solid for the second week in a row, holding the Polar Bears to 36 yards in the first half and finishing with six sacks and four interceptions on the day.

The high from the team's early success was not to last, however, as Tufts played host to Trinity, one of the league's top three teams, on Oct. 16. The Jumbo offense was at a standstill for most of the day, and the team wound up with a 13-7 loss, dropping its record to 3-1. Fahy threw a disappointing four interceptions, and the Trinity defense shut down the Jumbos all day long. Fahy's 20 completions were just two shy of the Tufts single-game record, but the turnovers once again proved devastating. Troy went over 100 yards for the fourth straight game and the Jumbo defense was strong yet again, but careless play had finally gotten the better of the Jumbos.

While the loss ended up as the beginning of the downward spiral for the Jumbos, the team nearly avoided a losing streak with a strong performance against the Williams Ephmen on Oct. 23 in Williamstown. With last year's abominable 41-7 Homecoming loss to Williams in the back of their minds, the Jumbos were impressive against the NESCAC's top team, nearly coming away with a victory. The game was tied 14-14 entering the fourth, but the Ephmen scored 14 points early in the quarter to go up 28-14. Junior cornerback Brian Holmes began a late Tufts rally with a 74-yard interception return for a touchdown with just 3:41 remaining in

the game. Tufts wound up getting the ball back in the closing minutes, and the Jumbos found themselves with a first and goal inside the Williams five. Tufts failed to score on four attempts, though, and the team had to settle with nearly avenging last year's loss.

The story of the day was the same for the Jumbos — Fahy continued to get better, but could not shake the interception bug. The senior completed 22 of 45 passes for a career-high 275 yards, but threw three interceptions. Routhier had his biggest impact on a game to that point, rushing 20 times for 60 yards, while DePaolis continued to play a bit of a disappearing act. Troy once again stole the show for the Jumbos, hauling in 15 passes for 177 yards and rewriting the Tufts record books. The senior's 15 receptions not only tied the record for most catches in a single game, but also made him the all-time Jumbo leader in recep-

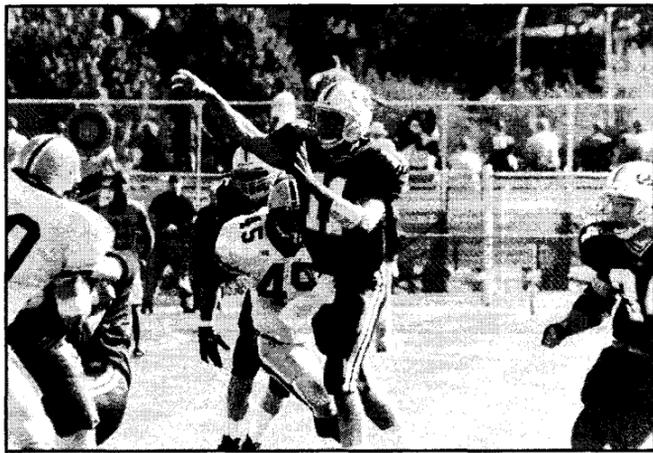


Photo by Kate Cohen

Senior Chris Fahy led the Jumbos to a 4-4 record in his lone season as the team's starting quarterback.

road at Bates. Fahy threw for 195 yards in a 13-10 win, but was sloppy in throwing two interceptions. Routhier returned but was not particularly effective, and DePaolis was shut down altogether. The Jumbos extended their record to 2-0, but only because of two late, fourth-quarter touchdown passes caught by Troy, who finished with his second straight 100-plus yardage game (108).

The Jumbos won their third straight game the following week in a 38-10 trouncing of Bowdoin. Despite once again throwing two interceptions, Fahy came through by completing 15 of 24 passes



Photo by Jacob Silberberg

Running back Renato DePaolis will be looked upon to pick up the slack for the Tufts offense next season.

tions.

The Jumbos then returned to Medford for a Homecoming date with the Amherst Lord Jeffs, looking to reverse the Tufts trend of losing Homecoming matches. The team had lost seven of them in a row, and the streak would be extended to eight by the end of the day. Other than an 85-yard kickoff return by Holmes to start the game, the Amherst defense shut down the Jumbos. Fahy was ineffective for most of the game and was replaced by freshman quarterback/receiver Scott Treacy for half of the contest. Troy failed to reach 100 yards for the first time of the season. DePaolis came back with an 84-yard rushing performance, but the team could not put together a solid offensive drive. The Jumbos did have a late opportunity to win the game, but could not convert for the third straight week.

With the loss, Tufts had dropped three in a row to the top three teams in the NESCAC, and had been anchored to .500 (3-3) on the schedule, and the Jumbos needed a win in the worst way.

The team got the victory but certainly was not happy about how it got it. Heading into the fourth quarter up 27-7, Tufts gave up 19 points within a ten-minute span and nearly dropped the game. The Jumbo defense fell apart in the fourth quarter, allowing three Colby touchdowns, with the final one giving the White Mules the opportunity to win the game, had the two-point conversion succeeded.

"I'm not satisfied with this win at all," tri-captain and defensive tackle Gerry Topping said after the victory. The Jumbo defense held opponents to under 14 points in four of the previous five games before giving up 26 to Colby. Offensively, the team experienced turnover problems once again — Fahy threw two interceptions and the team had three fumbles. Troy returned to form with 11 receptions, two touchdowns, and 113

yards, while Routhier wound up with his best day of the season, compiling 88 yards on 24 rushes.

The disappointment with the fourth-quarter collapse did not last long, however. The Jumbos returned home with one thing on their mind — finishing the season above .500. The team would have a chance to do so with 5-2 Middlebury coming to town for the final game of the year. Fahy, Troy, Routhier, Topping, and the rest of the Jumbo seniors (16 in all) would be competing in the final games of their careers at Tufts, and the team wanted nothing more than to go out with success.

It was not to be for the Jumbos, however, as the team committed five turnovers and the seniors never got things going. Middlebury quarterback John Wenner threw three touchdown passes and running back Bryan Sanchez, the NESCAC's leading rusher, ran for 146 yards in the victory.

The Jumbos got up early on a 63-yard touchdown run from DePaolis in the game's opening minutes, but never led again after Middlebury assumed control towards the middle of the second quarter. Fahy could not get things going and was replaced once again by Treacy, who wound up throwing two key interceptions in the fourth quarter. Combined with two late DePaolis fumbles, the Jumbos failed to capitalize on several scoring opportunities. Troy also had his lowest yardage total of the season with just 50 yards.

The Jumbos' roller-coaster season came to an end with the Middlebury loss, and the team was forced to settle with an average record for a rather un-average season. The team nearly defeated the league's top team (Williams), and nearly lost to two of the league's lower-ranked teams (Hamilton and Colby).

"The season didn't go as I would've liked it to," Topping said.

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TUFTS FOOTBALL RESULTS

September		
Sat. 25	@ Hamilton	28-25 W
October		
Sat. 2	@ Bates	13-10 W
Sat. 9	vs. Bowdoin	38-13 W
Sat. 16	vs. Trinity	7-13 L
Sat. 23	@ Williams	21-28 L
Sat. 30	vs. Amherst	7-10 L
November		
Sat. 6	@ Colby	27-26 W
Sat. 13	vs. Middlebury	10-22 L

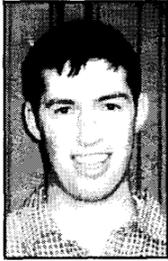
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Sports

Jon Japha

Giving thanks

I can't wait for Thursday. It's one of the best days of the year. It's any man's dream — you get to watch a lot of football, then eat even more food. I'm not sure the Indians had the Dallas Cowboys and Grandma's stuffing in mind when they helped out the Pilgrims, but that's how the holiday has evolved.



Oh yeah, Thursday's also a time to give thanks, so I sat down and thought about what I would be saying thanks for. What do I have to be thankful for?

I'm giving thanks that I'll never have to face Pedro Martinez on an 0-2 count, or figure out who my secondary receiver is on a zone blitz with Derrick Thomas getting ready to snap my body in half. I'll never have to play Tiger Woods in a \$100-a-hole skins game, or accidentally look the wrong way at Mike Tyson. I'm thankful that I'll never have to stop Allen Iverson's crossover with the game on the line.

Mile High

I'm especially thankful that I will never get drafted by the Los Angeles Clippers.

I'm saying thanks that I can sit down on Sunday at 1 p.m. and not move an inch until the last game's over that night.

I'm grateful that men talk about sports to hide their real emotions, because for most of us, sports bring out our real emotions.

I'm saying thanks that I can go into a urinal at a sports bar, pee standing up, and still read the sports page they have attached to the wall.

I'm glad I can watch the Florida-Florida State game with beer, nachos, and buffalo wings, and call that dinner.

Thanks for being able to watch Sports Center four times a day, just to hear Kenny Mayne say in a Spanish accent, "Home Rrrun." I'm glad I can watch a basketball game and see the cool Nike commercial with Randy Moss and Jason Williams four times an hour.

Come Thursday, I'll be saying thanks that Wade Boggs is finally retiring so he can stop disgracing his teammates and the competitive nature of baseball just to get 3,000 hits.

I'm thankful that I can say I've seen John Elway, Michael Jordan, and Wayne Gretzky play live. Mostly, though, I'm thankful I can say I've seen them all with my father.

I'm grateful I have a loving mother who will cook the traditional Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, and not yell at me when we tear up her backyard playing the more important, traditional football game.

I'm very thankful that the Denver Broncos won the last two Super Bowls — that's definitely helping soften the blow of this season.

I'm saying thanks a few times that the New York Yankees won't get Ken Griffey, Jr. In fact, I'm offering a special prayer that they will trade Bernie Williams and Derek Jeter to the Boston Red Sox, so the poor fans of Boston can finally have something to smile about.

I'm giving thanks that I don't live in Pakistan or Northern Ireland, but rather in a country where we're free to make \$100 million and still shoot 35% from the free throw line.

I'm thankful that I didn't grow up in Indiana, so my dad would never have the urge to drag me to watch a bunch of rednecks repeatedly make left turns at dangerous speeds. I'm also glad I'm not from Kentucky, so I don't have to sit with rednecks and watch horses do the same thing.

I'm just plain thankful that I don't live in Cleveland.

I'm saying thanks that I cover college athletes who go all out even if there isn't an agent promising them keys to a new BMW.

I'm just happy that my friends at least pretend to read my column.

I'm thankful for Mark McGwire's 70th home run, Cal Ripken's 2,131st game, and Tony Gwynn's 3,000th hit. For ESPN Classic, 24-hour sports talk radio, and so many sports magazines that will employ anyone that can combine two sentences. For the Chicago Cubs, the Boston Red Sox, and loveable losers everywhere.

I'm giving thanks that Master P is not my agent.

I'm thankful that, if we ignore the lack of thousands of crazy, face-painted fans, future pro prospects, and national exposure, we get to watch college football for free, and at Michigan they're shelling out ten bucks a ticket.

I'm glad that we don't have a football player here who is stupid enough to climb into a drive-through window at Taco Bell, just to retrieve a forgotten Challupa. I'm glad that no one has turned down acceptance at Tufts to play in the NBA.

I'm thankful that the judges in the Lennox Lewis-Evander Holyfield fight finally got it correct, and gave Lewis the belt, or belts, or whatever they give the best thug.

I'm thankful for Jesse Owens, Jackie Robinson, and Satchell Paige, who revolutionized sports and never had to listen to Brent Musburger.

I'm very grateful that I got to meet Harry Caray and never had to talk to Bill Walton.

I'm giving thanks that the Celtics still use the original parquet, the Yankees still have the monuments, and the Cubs still have ivy on the walls of Wrigley.

I'm grateful for the Avalanche-Red Wings rivalry, where the goalies get in fights. For the Boston-New York rivalry, where the fans get in fights. For the Grambling-Southern rivalry, where the bands get in fights. And for the Harvard-Yale rivalry, where neither football team is coordinated enough to fight.

Of course, I don't know if the Indians were too thankful for the rivalry they were in store for on the first Thanksgiving.

Women finish 11th at Nationals

Manning and Murphy earn All-American honors

by ANN MAURER
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There is now no doubt that the Tufts women's cross country team is not only a power among the New England Division III teams, but



Women's X-Country

among the nation's top teams as well. The team placed 11th out of 24 schools at this Saturday's National Division III Championships in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Leading the way for the Jumbos were seniors Cindy Manning (17:32) and Caitlin Murphy (17:40). Manning and Murphy, who finished 22nd and 34th, respectively, will be honored as All-American athletes for finishing in the top 35.

Junior Leslie Crofton (17:56) crossed the finish line shortly after Murphy. Crofton, who ran with Murphy for much of the course, was able to finish in record time despite taking a fall during the race. Sophomores Heather Ballantyne (18:51) and Jennifer Edelmann (18:55), junior Molly Hobey (18:59), and senior Tiffany Davis (19:03), along with Manning and Murphy, all raced their personal best times.

"We all peaked at the right time," Edelmann said.

One of the Jumbos' greatest advantages this weekend was their relative anonymity. Although both

Manning and Murphy have been to Nationals in the past, the team as a whole has never gone that far. Its performance in last weekend's qualifier at UMass-Dartmouth marked the first time this season that the Tufts women showed themselves to be a division leader as opposed to just a strong team. Since it was

the first National Championship for five of the seven women, there was a possibility of choking among the toughest competition in the country. However, these Jumbos not only managed to keep their heads in the game, but also to exceed all expectations.

"At first people doubted that we could hold it together," Murphy said, "but we proved that we could do it."

Going into the race, Tufts was ranked 16th in the nation. Other than national prominence, the Jumbos were also competing for another distinction — if Tufts, as well as NESCAC teams Williams and Middlebury, all finished in the top 16 at Nationals, the NESCAC would



Photo courtesy of Allison Chapman

Caitlin Murphy's 34th place finish at the Nationals Saturday earned her the distinction of All-American. The women finished 11th place overall.

earn a fourth spot to next year's Nationals. The Jumbos knew that they could expect more from themselves and set their goals higher. Their 11th place finish not only displayed the team's strength, but it proved the strength of the New England region as a whole.

"Our team focused and performed," coach Branwen Smith-King said. "We represented the New England region."

The women's performance, although a result of the team's mental toughness, was also furthered by the support it received from having the men's team with them in Wisconsin,

along with the support of the many non-running teammates who either flew or drove out to Wisconsin to cheer their teammates on.

Perhaps one of the greatest aspects of Saturday's performance was the way in which seniors Tiffany Davis, Cindy Manning, and Caitlin Murphy were able to end their final cross country season at Tufts.

Davis, who was abroad last season, was able to grab a top-seven spot for herself at the ECAC Championships on Nov. 8. She went to both the qualifiers and to Nationals, proving to be an invaluable asset to the team.

From the beginning of the season, Manning has led the team in every competition. She consistently challenged her teammates to match the strength and determination that allowed her to earn the honor of All-American.

Murphy, who was suffering from injuries in the beginning of the season, was able to pull it together and with the support of her teammates, earned the distinction of All-American as well.

"These girls have worked so hard and sacrificed so much," Smith-King said. "They deserve this in their senior year."

Fortunately, Crofton, Hobey, Ballantyne and Edelmann will be able to bring their experience and taste of Nationals to next year's team. The team has definitely earned a new respect in its region, as well as nationally. These women have much to celebrate.

"We're psyched to go back, to do it again and to do it better," Ballantyne said.

Cross Country NCAA Results

Top Tufts Finishers

Men:	
42) Steve Kaye	24:41.1
53) Matthew Lyons	24:48.9
92) David Patterson	25:08.7
98) Peter Rodrigues	25:11.8
110) Jason Mann	25:18.4
158) Aristedes Cruz	25:43.2
166) Benjamin Smith	25:48.5

Women:	
22) Cynthia Manning	17:32.1
34) Caitlin Murphy	17:40.2
57) Leslie Crofton	17:56.0
163) Heather Ballantyne	18:51.0
168) Jennifer Edelmann	18:55.4
175) Molly Hobey	18:59.0
178) Tiffany Davis	19:03.1

Strong men's runners create a dynasty

CROSS COUNTRY

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behind Cruz in 121st place with a time of 25:48.

Last year the team was disap-



Men's X-Country

pointed with its 13th-place finish, and blamed its less-than-optimal performance on anxiety. Since few runners had experience with a race of this caliber, it was a bit overwhelming. Saturday's race was a different story, as the experienced runners joked around before the

race, knowing in the back of their minds what had to be accomplished.

Making three appearances at Nationals in the past four years, the team has raised its expectations even more. Losing three solid runners next year will surely hurt the team, but through this experience, the other four varsity runners should be able to match this year's performance.

"I think we will have a strong team next year," Patterson said. "We showed that we have a good pack, even with injuries. We will have to step it up, but we should definitely be as good."

The goal of this season for

the cross-country team was to create a dynasty. Through its clutch performances at the end of the season, it changed from a team full of excuses into a dominant powerhouse, which will not be stopped any time in the near future.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, November 22
Men's Swimming: @ Bridgewater State, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, November 23
Women's Basketball: vs. Johnson & Wales, 7 p.m.

LEONARD'S LETTER

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Charity and Justice

by Scotty McLennan
LCS Advisor

The Leonard Carmichael Society is as good as they come! I've loved working as Advisor with LCS, and this is a much different organization than when I came to Tufts in the mid-80's and there were only about 50 members. Now there are more than 800 working in more than 30 project areas all over Greater Boston—and on volunteer vacations all around the country. The commitment to community service among undergraduate students at Tufts is higher than it's ever been. Congratulations.

I'm biased and think that LCS is particularly great, but there is a national trend here, documented by UCLA surveys of incoming college students since the early 1960's. Students are showing more interest in community service these days than in any year since the UCLA survey began. What's worrisome, on the other hand, is that the same surveys show that students these days have the lowest political awareness ever, which means that they don't understand the social and institutional conditions that lie behind the poverty, hunger, homelessness, malnutrition, faltering public education, and other problems that LCS addresses. There's a real danger that LCS is largely treating symptoms without looking at causes.

My university chaplain when I was vice-president of the LCS-equivalent organization at Yale in the 1960's—Rev. William Sloane Coffin (who just spoke at Goddard Chapel on November 9)—used to speak about this in terms of the distinction between charity and justice. Charity is critical, because at its best it comes from pure intentions of compassion and when it's hands-on it provides personal understanding of the needs of other people. Justice, on the other hand, is a matter of looking at society broadly and asking questions about fundamental fairness and equity. How can we create a society in which our inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are defended and promoted for all? Coffin spoke eloquently of the necessity to link charity and justice, which in an academic environment means to be as hard-headed as one is soft-hearted.

The service learning movement is our best current hope of doing this well, I think. If students take courses which look at the underlying causes of poverty and other social ills, and link their classroom learning with work in the community, addressing the same issues face-to-face that they are studying from a systematic perspective, then charity and justice can be effectively linked. There are a number of courses at Tufts now that have a service component, and they are increasing every year. I would encourage LCS members not only to take such courses, but to demand more. Make sure that your action is always coupled with academically sophisticated reflection. As the parable goes, make sure that you not only pull drowning babies out of the river as they come floating down, but find out what's going on upstream that leads all these babies to be in the water in the first place. Then go to work on fixing the structural, institutional, and political roots of the problems you address one-to-one every day in your service projects. LCS is as good as they come, but it can be even better!

CHANCE: A New Beginning

by Lisa Kaplan and Jordana Ende

CHANCE co-coordinators

Don't deny it, we know the question that's been on everyone's mind, "What's the newest program in LCS?" Well, today is your lucky day because we have your answer: CHANCE!! So now a new question arises, "What is CHANCE?" CHANCE (College High School Alliance: a Nexus for Creative Education) is a tutoring and mentoring program that pairs college students with high schoolers in the process of applying to college. As these pairs work together in the battle to conquer the SATs, pick the right school, and complete winning applications, bonds are created friendships are formed.

This exciting endeavor all started when Bill Triant, a recent Harvard grad, decided to spread the program he coordinated at Harvard to other schools in the area. After months of work and organization, the Tufts coordinators of CHANCE, Lisa Kaplan, Jordana Ende, and Ilene Stein with the help of Triant and current Harvard student Hannah Blumenthal, succeeded in getting the program up and running. Tutors were recruited and trained and have just begun their weekly sessions with their new Charlestown High School tutees. The reactions from both the Tufts and the Charlestown High School communities have been overwhelmingly positive and supportive and Lisa, Jordana, and Ilene look forward to its future.

Now that you know about CHANCE, you must have one last question. And the answer is: YES! You still have a chance (no pun intended) to get involved with this sensational new program. Take this opportunity to join us and help someone who stands where you stood only a little while ago. If you are interested in getting involved contact the LCS office at x7-3463.

A Different Kind of Workout

by Shalini Mehta and Aly Viera

C.H.I.L.D. Co-coordinators

On Saturday, October 16, fifteen children with special needs and fifteen bright-eyed and bushy-tailed Tufts volunteers came to Jackson Gym before ten o'clock to participate in pumpkin painting. This was the first year that the C.H.I.L.D. program (Caring Helps in Living with Disabilities) opened up this activity to other Tufts students and made it an *Into the Streets* event. Some of the new faces decided to officially join the program. This event was part of our weekly Gym and Swim program, and during our second hour we went swimming in Hamilton



Pool. Gym and Swim is a program that fosters the relationship between a child with special needs and a Tufts volunteer. Our children come from the Somerville and Medford area and range in age from four to twelve. Typically, each volunteer is paired with a child with special needs. C.H.I.L.D. also sponsors a Disabilities Awareness Week in the spring and offers its volunteers other jobs and volunteer opportunities. If you are at all interested in any of our programs contact Aly Viera x7-8162, aviera@emerald.tufts.edu, or Shalini Mehta x7-7529 smehta1@emerald.tufts.edu.

Letter from the Editors

Did you participate in one of the *Into the Streets* events? Are you a tutor, or a Special Friend, or a PAL? Do you hug trees or at least recycle? Have you been on a Volunteer Vacation or built a house with Habitat for Humanity? Have you seen a Traveling Treasure Trunk performance or been a part of Kids' Day? Have you participated in any of the forty volunteer groups that LCS offers? If you answered yes to any of the above questions then you are not only one of the many volunteers at Tufts, you are also an important part of LCS.

You are what the Leonard Carmichael Society is all about. Although it may seem like LCS is intimidating in its size and goals, it is the individual that makes up the organization. The volunteers are the powerful forces that make real the lofty ideals of LCS.

This year we are planning to have more events to show appreciation for every volunteer's hard work and dedication. This will enable everyone to finally get together and not only help the surrounding communities but also reflect on everything that we have accomplished and look ahead. We feel proud, and everyone deserves to share that feeling.

Special thanks to everyone at *The Daily* for helping us publish this newsletter, to our advisor Scotty McLennan and the coordinators who wrote articles, and to all of the volunteers for making LCS what it is.

Rob Lott, Christina Luongo, and Katie Razin

Excited about Your Winter Break?

by Jon Lieber

Volunteer Vacations Co-coordinator

You spent your vacation doing *what??*

Vacations. The light at the end of the long dark tunnel of endless classes, quizzes, and papers. The cherry on top of the sundae of life that is working in the educational system. Vacation is a time for most students to spend going home to be with their families or going on vacation to exotic and exciting places, but for about 50 Tufts students each semester, the Leonard Carmichael Society has been offering vacations of a different kind. Since 1987 LCS has been taking groups of concerned try, from Florida to South Dakota, to work on children or the elderly, or doing emergency home

Volunteer Vacations (two words that aren't popular programs, has offered Tufts under-their vacations doing a little more than working focus on spreading Tufts students out to different regions of the country that they otherwise might not have contact with, the Volunteer Vacations program brings LCS and Tufts to people in need in areas that aren't always recognized. A week's worth of building, planting, repainting, or sometimes demolishing can make a huge difference in the



students to various sites all over the Eastern half of the country, to help with urban renewal projects, working with repairs in otherwise ignored rural settings.

often found in the same sentence), one of LCS's most graduates and graduate students the chance to spend on their tans or getting in touch with old friends. With a program brings LCS and Tufts to people in need in worth of building, planting, repainting, or sometimes lives of the people we're touching.

And, in addition to touching the lives of people in need, the Volunteer Vacations program puts a strong emphasis on the second three syllables of its name: Vacations. Not only do Tufts students spend a week helping, working, and sometimes sweating, they also get the chance to spend an intense amount of time with other interesting and engaging Tufts students. Most students say that the most memorable part of the Volunteer Vacations experience is not the valuable work, but the times they spend laughing and bonding with the other members of their trip. Piling into a van and sleeping on in a church for a 10 days in the dead of winter certainly can promote the making of memories. Each night volunteers cook their own dinners, go shopping together for tomorrow's food, and at the end of the week each trip gets a day (sometimes more) off to explore the sites of the region they are in. This has lead Volunteer Vacation groups to crawl the streets of New York City, explore the sites of Washington DC, or comb the beaches of Acadia National Park in Maine.

Volunteer trips in the past have had the chance to work on a colonial farm outside of the nation's capital, renovate buildings in depressed areas of Delaware, and build the frames for houses in Ottawa. This year trips will be going to Virginia, West Virginia, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Georgia!!! Participants are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to have a lot of fun while really making a difference.

For those who couldn't sign up for a trip this winter, be on the look out next semester for a whole slew of volunteers vacations planned for Spring break.

Simple Steps to a Safer Environment

by Kristen Welsh

Environmental Liason

Not another environmentalist! More lectures about hugging trees? Okay, I admit it. I hug trees in my spare time. But don't worry- this is not going to be another lecture to you about what you can do to make the world a greener place to live. I don't want to bombard you with frightening facts about the environment. I don't want you to instantly become a tree-hugger and preach to the world about a better way to live. Of course I'm concerned about the earth, but you can be concerned without being an extreme advocate.

As part of Into the Streets, LCS started the first Environmental Day on October 20th in order to tie together all of the environmental groups on campus, including LCS (with its groups LORAX and Tufts Urban Gardeners), ECO (Environmental Consciousness Outreach), and TIE (Tufts

Bowling, Bonding and Buddies

By Danielle Reardon

Best Buddies Co-coordinator

I would like to tell you about a friend of mine. She is bright, energetic, compassionate and has a great sense of humor. She and I go out together all the time. I have a great time when we go out, but more importantly, she has taught me many things about myself and about friendship.

You see, my friend is challenged in situations that I have always taken for granted. She is mentally retarded and many times people don't accept her for the kind and caring person that she is. Little situations, such as going out to the movies, are sometimes uncomfortable for her because others see her as just a handicapped person before they see these other qualities that I see in her.

I became friends with her last year through the Best Buddies program. The Best Buddies program paired me up with an adult friend with mental retardation who shares similar interests as myself. Before we met, I was nervous and worried because I had never volunteered with someone with mental retardation and thought that I wouldn't know what to do or say when we met. I was worried that she wouldn't like me or that we wouldn't get along.

All that changed the minute that we first talked, however. She was so excited to befriend me, and I knew then that we would have fun together. Over the past year, we have gone to play bingo, bowling, and trick-or-treating. But for the most part, we just like to go out for coffee and talk.

My friend has told me how much it means to her just to go out and have fun with someone who understands her and wants to have fun with her. And I have found how important it is to me to have such a trusting and caring friend like her.

Best Buddies works by having Tufts students befriend a member of the community by calling them once a week and getting together to see them twice a month. The program also has one or two group outings per semester, so members not only make friends with their buddies, but get to do fun activities with other Tufts members and their buddies.

Best Buddies is a wonderful program. For my buddy and me, we have found in each other a unique friendship in both of our lives.

For information about how you can become part of the Best Buddies program, contact Danielle Reardon at X77497 (dreard02@tufts.edu) or Amy Patel at 629-0691 (apatel1@tufts.edu).

Institute of the Environment). It was a huge success in raising awareness and showing students the small things that they can do to make a difference. Perhaps you stopped by and read some of the information on environmental issues, or maybe you picked up one of the Reusable Notebooks made from used paper collected from the Eaton computer lab and the library. Either way you saw that there are small things that you can do to make a difference- on campus as well as on your own. For example, in making the notebooks, we all saw just how much paper we waste every day and the alternatives to simply discarding used paper. We waste many resources daily, but little things, such as printing on both sides of a paper or turning off the water when you brush your teeth, can reduce a great amount of waste. These are little things that everyone can do and you don't need to be an extremist to do them. If you are interested in the environment then maybe you want to consider becoming involved either on your own, or through one of the many groups that exist on the Tufts campus. And remember: tree hugging is not always a bad thing. Who knows, maybe it will make you feel better! If you want to get more involved, call Kristen Welsh at X71449 or Danielle Olivier at X71735.

BOSTON CAMPUS ORGANIZING

What is the Boston Campus Organizing Project?

Greater Boston's large student population can act for its own interests and principles, but power must first be created by connecting students across campuses. When this base is formed, students will choose specific issues (campus and community) and act.

There are over 200,000 students in Greater Boston, and we want the student community to be an asset to Greater Boston. We are often dismissed as being too transient or disinterested to make real contributions, or even described as part of the problem. When we choose to work together, we will bring significant change and act powerfully in our local campus communities and across metropolitan Boston.

How are students organizing? Students at several campuses are forming organizing teams. These teams have been meeting at University of Massachusetts Boston, Roxbury Community College, and Harvard, with efforts beginning at Boston University, Boston College and now Tufts. The teams that have met have focused on building relationships across different campus groups and creating power from which issues, and action on issues, will arise. A meeting will be held soon to discuss students' interest in this effort. Stay tuned!

If you want to attend the meeting on December 2nd or start asking questions, contact Mike at 493-6264.

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Off the Hill

A&M investigation focuses on center pole in fatal bonfire collapse

TMS Campus News Service

COLLEGE STATION, Texas—A Texas A&M University sophomore died Friday night of injuries he suffered when a bonfire framework collapsed Thursday, bringing the death toll in the accident to 12.

Tim Kerlee, a 17-year-old from Germantown, Tenn., had been in critical condition at St. Joseph Regional Health Center since the accident. The other 11 victims died at the bonfire site on campus.

Investigators plan to focus on a splintered and cracked 100-foot center pole as they try to determine why stacks of logs for A&M's traditional bonfire collapsed. Twenty-seven others were injured in the accident, and two remained in critical condition Friday night.

Texas A&M President Ray Bowen said the school will take the lead in the investigation and will form a task force of engineers and experts.

One student who was working on the tiered log tower said the stack seemed to be leaning slightly just before it collapsed. He was thrown from his perch atop the first tier.

"One side seemed to have more weight on it," said Paul Alexander Jones, a freshman who suffered minor injuries. "I'm not sure how that happened."

Uneven weight distribution is one possible explanation for the collapse, said Benjamin Kelley, dean of Baylor University's school of engineering and computer sciences in Waco, Texas. "There's no question in my mind that one side of the pole was loaded more than the other," Kelley said. "Once it's not balanced, it's like getting caught in an avalanche."

The engineering involved in building the multi-layered stack is complex, Kelley said. Variations in the sizes and shapes of the logs could make it difficult to load weight evenly, he said.

Attempts to reach Texas A&M engineering professors Friday were unsuccessful.

Notebooks detailing specific engineering instructions for assembling the stack are passed down from each generation of student leaders who direct the project. Professional engineers do not oversee their efforts. "It's sort of like an apprenticeship," said Rusty Thompson, the University's bonfire adviser. "You learn the trade from the one above you on a person-to-person basis."

Friday, as the campus mourned the dead and held vigils at two hospitals for the injured, sympathy poured in from around the country. Texas Gov. George W. Bush took a moment to honor the victims before delivering a foreign policy address in California. "I would hope that you would join me in a moment of silence to ask God's blessings for those

whose lives were affected at Texas A&M University," Bush said.

The White House issued a statement from President Clinton, who spoke with Bowen on Friday. "This is a heartbreaking loss," Clinton said. "America stands with the College Station community as it joins together during this difficult time. Hillary and I offer our thoughts and prayers to the families and friends of those who were injured or killed in this devastating incident."

University officials have said the investigation will initially focus on the spliced-together center pole, which is made of two logs held together with bolts, steel plates, glue, and steel cable. Thompson said that cracks appear above and below the joint

of the center pole, but that it is unclear whether the cracks caused the stack's collapse or resulted from it.

Officials with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration said they don't have jurisdiction over a public university, but will investigate whether a privately-contracted crane operator violated any regulations while working on the stack.

Meanwhile, debate rages over whether the 90-year-old bonfire tradition should end. Bowen said the University will not

make that decision until the investigation is complete.

Jones said the students at the site took proper precautions to ensure safety. "There was no horseplay. This was very serious stuff because we knew what could happen," Jones said. "Everything appeared safe from my perspective, or I would not have climbed up there."

Critics say that ensuring students' safety during such a complex project is nearly impossible. Hugh Wilson, a Texas A&M biology professor, said the University should not sanction the bonfire. "There isn't much supervision," Wilson said. "The problem here is responsibility. The University needs to remove itself from its current position of responsibility."

Wilson argues that the bonfire causes serious environmental harm by taking thousands of trees each year. He maintains a website that is highly critical of the tradition.

A 1990 report issued by a faculty-student committee at the University acknowledged a need for additional precautions and called for downsizing the 55-foot structure.

"In spite of this attention to safety, accidents continue to occur," the report says. "An even more comprehensive safety plan is needed, one that concentrates both on preventing accidents and reducing the severity of injury when an accident occurs."



Photo by Alisaon Woodworth

Bob Hanus Jr. prays with Jonathan Gibson for the families of the victims killed in the collapsed bonfire at Texas A&M. Hanus carries the cross to remind students and families of hope.

Pacey and Jen plan to keep getting comfy

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deemed too promiscuous for their Puritan settlement and exiled to the island. One of them, Mary, was in love with a young man on the mainland who broke off the relationship after her exile. Like he couldn't just row out there for a quickie.

Joey looked up from the book with big puppy dog eyes and read the passage aloud to Dawson. "She offered herself to the boy she loved, the boy she thought loved her back, and he rejected her," she whines. Downright pathetic. Three hundred years and chicks still just don't get it. When you're trying to seduce him and you take your

shirt off, don't have a bra on underneath! Especially when you're dealing with Dawson. That kid couldn't get a bra off if he had four hands and a mirror. Mary probably made the same damn mistake back in the 1690s, it's just that she was wearing a colonial dress instead of an Abercrombie T-shirt. It's all the same when it's in a pile on the floor.

Darkness falls, and the gang fails to make it back to the boat before it leaves. Stuck on the island for the night, they take refuge in the old church. Pacey and Jen waste no time getting comfy.

"What should we do now?" he asks. "Should I just take my

pants off?" She, of course, says they have to kiss first. Typical. Just when you think that some serious booty knockin' is about to go down, the church gets attacked from the outside by what sounds like a band of colonials. A huge fireball whisks through the building, and the four screaming teenagers find themselves trapped inside. Instead of taking advantage of the romantic atmosphere, they decide to escape.

When they get home, Pacey and Jen decide to continue their agreement to have no-strings-attached sex, while Joey and Dawson, true to custom, completely waste a perfect opportunity to get it on. Times change, but the chicks stay the same.

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National/World News

Colombia extradites reputed narcotics kingpin Lara

Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

WASHINGTON—For the first time in nine years, Colombia has extradited a reputed narcotics kingpin charged in the United States, marking what officials said was an important development in the international war on drugs.

Jaime Orlando Lara Nausa was loaded on a Drug Enforcement Administration airplane under heavy guard at dawn Sunday after Colombian President Andres Pastrana rejected last-minute legal motions filed by the alleged

trafficker's lawyers.

If convicted on charges of heroin smuggling, Lara will face more punitive sentencing than in Colombia and an American-style incarceration that little resembles the comfortable accommodations typically afforded powerful drug dealers in Colombian prisons.

Lara's extradition shows that Colombia, despite bombings, protests, and intense pressure from drug rings woven through the fabric of its society, will take serious action against its most feared drug organizations. Colombia had banned the

extradition of its citizens in 1991 after the Medellin cartel's Pablo Escobar kidnapped, murdered, and terrorized the South American country to stop extradition.

Extradition was re-established in 1997, but until Sunday none had taken place.

"Today's extradition... will send a powerful and helpful signal," Barry McCaffrey, the White House national drug-policy director, said in a statement. "President Pastrana is making a sincere effort to confront drug trafficking. Colombia faces a severe crisis, with

coca cultivation doubling in three years and with the nation becoming a major heroin exporter to the US. President Pastrana must be commended for his courage and dedication demonstrated by today's action."

Colombian resolve in Lara's case will also likely be a boon to Operation Millennium, a massive US and Colombia investigation that netted arrests of 31 traffickers last month—including Colombians Alejandro Bernal, Fabio Ochoa, and Orlando Sanchez-Cristancho.

At the time of the arrests, the DEA said this new generation of drug lords shipped far more cocaine to the United States than the much-vaunted Medellin and Cali cartels.

It took almost a year for Lara's extradition proceedings and appeals to travel through the Colombian legal system.

He was arrested in Bogota last year on heroin smuggling charges and a federal court in New York requested his extradition. About 50 traffickers who could be shipped to US soil for trial are awaiting the outcome of their cases in Colombia.

A decade later, foreign stocks lure investors again

Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

Many US investors haven't paid much attention to foreign stocks in the 1990s. Not if they were smart, anyway. Here's the back-of-the-envelope scorecard:

— Average total return of general U.S. stock mutual funds: 265 percent for the ten years ended Sept. 30, according to Lipper Inc.

— Average total return of foreign stock funds, same period: 133 percent.

— Average total return of emerging-market stock funds, same period: 67 percent.

— Average total return of Japanese stock funds, same period: 7.6 percent.

Clearly, investing around the planet has been a bust compared with simply keeping your money at home in the 1990s. But with whatever other new-millennium gazing investors might be doing these days,

some folks must be wondering if the tide may finally shift in the new decade—in favor of foreign stock markets.

The numbers this year are certainly helping to turn more US investors' heads: Through last Thursday, the average foreign stock fund was up 23.7 percent year-to-date, and the average emerging markets was up nearly 42 percent, while the average general US fund gained 18.4 percent, according to Lipper.

Many investors playing individual foreign issues that trade in US markets can vouch that the action has been even hotter than the typical foreign mutual fund's return—if you picked the right names.

Take Japanese electronics titan Sony Corp., for example. Its New York Stock Exchange-listed shares (ticker symbol: SNE) have rocketed from \$72 at the start of the year to \$176.63 now, for a 145 percent gain,

tracking the rally in the Tokyo-listed shares.

The Japanese stock market overall still is worth less than half its peak reached a decade ago. But Sony's leadership in key electronics businesses (think: PlayStation) has made it a cult stock in Japan and worldwide all over again.

Among European issues, France Telecom (FTE on the NYSE), the phone and Internet giant, is up 46 percent in just the last three months, amid a new mania for telecom shares worldwide.

Closer to home, Grupo Televisa (TV), which produces and broadcasts Spanish-language programming worldwide, has helped pace the sharp advance in the Mexico City market, surging 46 percent just since mid-October to \$53.81 on Friday on the NYSE.

And last week, news of the landmark trade pact signed by the United States and China set off a

feeding frenzy for many US-traded Chinese issues. That binge, however, arguably had little to do with true investing. Buyers were pouring into tiny China-related stocks about which they surely knew next to nothing.

(Yes, many people are buying big US technology stocks that they don't understand—but at least most of those companies are substantial businesses.)

Predictably, the China game ended in disaster for many players. China Prosperity Holdings (CPIH), a Hong Kong-based apartment-renovator that also has interests in—you guessed it—Chinese Internet ventures, saw its Nasdaq-listed shares soar from \$1 on Monday to a peak of \$80 on Wednesday.

By Friday the stock was back to \$13.25—still a great gain if you bought at \$1, but an 83 percent loss to the person or persons who paid \$80, if they're still in the stock.

The problem of hot money inflating foreign stocks is all too familiar to investors who took a flier on emerging-markets mutual funds in the early 1990s.

Amid dull returns in the US stock market in 1993, Wall Street began to focus on expectations for burgeoning growth in emerging-market economies. The hype level was off the charts: Indonesia, Mexico, South Korea, Brazil—these all were to be the great economies, and markets, of the 1990s. The mutual fund industry, and the media, bought in. Cash began to pour into emerging-market funds.

It was fun while it lasted: The average Pacific-region mutual fund zoomed 64 percent in 1993. The average Latin American fund soared 57 percent. But the party ended soon after that, as the Federal Reserve drove US interest rates sharply higher and as Mexico devalued its currency late in 1994.

In mid-1997 a far bigger bomb would drop: Thailand's currency devaluation, which set off the devastating East Asian financial crisis. By the end of 1998, investors in the average emerging-markets fund had lost a stunning 41 percent of their money if they had stayed put since early 1994.

So despite this year's rebound in many emerging markets coupled with the Japanese market's gains and strength in most European markets as well, US investors can be forgiven for wondering if this is just another fake-out.

But on Wall Street, some high-powered investment strategists are advising clients to make a long-term bet on foreign stocks now. For many global investors, the basic appeal of non-US stocks is rooted in the assumption that economic growth is

beginning to accelerate in most areas of the world after the recessions, depressions or sluggish growth virtually everywhere outside the United States in recent years.

Goldman Sachs & Co., in a new report on emerging economies, argues that "while still subject to considerable uncertainties, there are good reasons to believe that the outlook for emerging economies will improve considerably in 2000, bringing with it investment opportunities."

In Europe, meanwhile, the dominant theme is that investors there, and companies, are on track to duplicate the US model of the 1990s: a growing equity culture among average investors, a growing focus by corporate managers on shareholder value, and an accelerating drive to consolidate.

"Europe seems a very good relative bet to us," says Paul Miller, a money manager at J.P. Morgan & Co. in Los Angeles.

As for Japan, the banking system remains weak, domestic consumer demand remains uninspired, and the demographic picture—an aging population—still gives some US investors pause about the stock market's long-term prospects.

But this year, for the first time since the Japanese economic crisis began ten years ago, major Japanese companies finally appear serious about restructuring, cutting costs and repositioning themselves for growth.

While a great case may be made for foreign investing now, who's to say that, however well foreign companies may perform, US companies won't perform even better? To put it another way: There is no law that says the US economy, and US market, can't continue to produce stellar returns relative to foreign competitors over the next ten years.

Another caveat: Investors who take the time to dig will see that price-to-earnings ratios and other valuation measures aren't much cheaper (if at all) in many foreign markets than in the US market.

Also, remember the currency risk: Fluctuations in the dollar's value relative to other currencies can directly help, or hurt, your foreign equity returns. This year, the strong yen is boosting returns for US investors in Japanese stocks, while the weak euro has slashed returns on European stocks.

Finally, there is the Y2K-bug risk: Who knows whether foreign markets will yet see a Y2K-related dive, either before or after Jan. 1?

All that said, a rational person might have to conclude that foreign markets are a bet worth making for 2000. The fundamental trends seem to be quite friendly, and after the last few years, that's saying something.

Ancient art for a modern crowd

Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

MEXICO CITY—The Mayas were always the favorite pre-Hispanic people among archeologists, anthropologists, and historians. Now Maya culture is winning the same kind of admiration from the public, as hundreds of thousands of visitors view its breathtaking artworks.

Mexican curators have assembled the largest-ever exhibition of Maya art—557 pieces in all, including human-sized sculptures, funeral masks, and columns laced with intricate glyphs—to show off the richest ancient culture of the Americas.

The works come from 40 museums in Mexico and from the four Central American countries on whose territory the Maya civilization also existed from 1800 B.C. until 1524, when Spanish conquistadors first reached the Mayas in what is now southern Mexico.

The show's importance lies in its scope in gathering the best Maya works from so many different museums. For example, a life-size sculpture of a male ballplayer is being seen intact for the first time; the lower torso and legs come from a museum in Merida, the capital of Yucatan state, while the chest and head have been displayed in a museum elsewhere.

More than 600,000 people visited the exhibition during its run earlier this year at the Palazzo Grassi in Venice, Italy. And more than 326,000 have visited the exhibition in Mexico City since it opened in early August in the 400-year-old Colegio de San Ildefonso museum in Mexico City's historic center. The exhibition continues until Dec. 30.

The show forms part of a broader revival of things Maya. Important recent discoveries, such as a royal throne at the ancient city of Palenque in Chiapas state, have prompted a jump in tourism to ancient Maya ruins. At the same time, the Mexican government is aggressively promoting the "Mayan Route," including the Caribbean coast south of Cancun and inland ruins such as Chichen Itza in Yucatan and lesser-known marvels such as Calakmul in Campeche state.

Among the cultures that predate the region's conquest by Spain, the Aztecs have long attracted more attention, said exhibition curator Mercedes de la Garza Camino, "perhaps because they had the most spectacular first contact with foreigners." Spanish conqueror Hernan Cortes overwhelmed the Aztecs in a fierce war

that ended in 1521 with his destruction of the Aztec capital, Tenochtitlan. He built the colonial capital of Mexico City atop the ruins.

The Mayas, in contrast, fended off total conquest by the Spaniards until 1697, and they remain Mexico's most important indigenous minority, even as others have been largely absorbed into the mestizo, or mixed, culture. Today, the 28 Maya languages are spoken by more than four million people, from Chiapas through the Yucatan Peninsula and into Guatemala, Belize, and Honduras.

Art historian James Oles, who teaches pre-Hispanic art history at Wellesley College in Mass., wrote in a review of the show for the daily newspaper *Reforma* that the sheer quantity of pieces can make the show exhausting for nonspecialists.

Yet he added that the qualities of Maya art, from the delicate profiles of the ruler Pacal and his wife to the fine clay figurines found buried on the Gulf of Mexico island of Jaina, appeal broadly: "Naturalism and sensuality permeate the Mayan aesthetic, making it easy to appreciate from a Western perspective."

De la Garza, a renowned historian and director of Mexico City's famed Museum of Anthropology, noted that Maya achievements include the most complex writing system in the Americas. Moreover, the Mayas were brilliant mathematicians.

"They were the first people anywhere to use the zero and to devise the positional value of numbers," she said. "And they did this 1,000 years before the Europeans."

Experts throughout this century have been slowly deciphering the finely detailed glyphs and the meaning of the intricate symbolic art of the Mayas. The Maya heaven had 13 levels and the underworld nine. The famed book of Maya culture, *Popol Vuh*, describes the basic Maya belief that people were created to feed the gods—for example, with blood from human sacrifices.

Although the Mayas are often regarded as a peace-loving counterpart to the warrior Aztecs, the exhibition reveals many signs of human sacrifice and warfare, often ritual battles in honor of the gods.

"The exhibition is designed to show the great cultural achievements of the Maya through their art," De la Garza said. "We have reunited examples of all the artistic styles so that people will leave the exhibition with an understanding of the culture."

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Inconsistency, turnovers plagued Jumbos

FOOTBALL

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"But these guys played their hardest. The legacy that these seniors leave behind is to keep on working — even when you're emotionally drained, keep on keepin' on."

Inconsistency was a problem for these Jumbos — Fahy played well in his lone year as a starter, but his inexperience showed at times. He adapted to his new role with relative ease, but could not always avoid sloppy play. DePaolis showed up to play in the season opener and closer, but was erratic in between, while Routhier, playing nobly with a broken arm for much of the season, could never fully get things going. The defense was powerful and rather successful at times, but proved weak in a couple of key games. Unfortunately for the team, some of the better defensive performances came in defeat.

Easily the most consistent performer for the Jumbos was Troy, who was the team's go-to guy in all but the last game. His performance this season served to echo Fahy's sentiment that he is "the best receiver in the NESCAC, no question about it."

While several Jumbos will be lost to graduation, the team will begin next season with a few

key players still on board, in the hopes of remaining competitive. Treacy will be given the reigns at quarterback, while DePaolis returns with an extra year's worth of experience. Brian Holmes, the big playmaker for Tufts, also returns for his senior year. The big question mark might be the offensive line, which returns just one player from this season's starting lineup.

"They'll definitely have some talent next year," Topping said. "There are holes to fill, but there are some younger guys who can step up. They'll probably be in the same boat we were this year."

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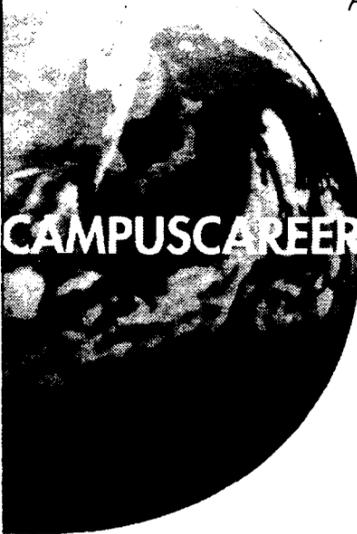
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Mother Goose & Grimm



by Garry Trudeau

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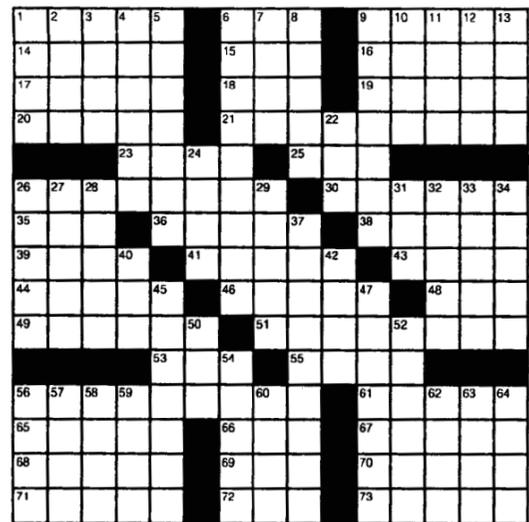
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Daily Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Yet to be paid
 - Municipal vehicle
 - Rho-tau separator
 - Gymnast Comaneci
 - Exactly suitable
 - Was mistaken
 - Put into office
 - London W.C.
 - Cacophony
 - Quench
 - Amazon predators
 - Vivacity
 - Old salt
 - Fuse together
 - Enlarged (a hole)
 - Paddle
 - Highlanders
 - Marshy lowland
 - Pot meal
 - Ticket figure
 - Butcher's cut
 - Choir voice
 - Duchess of York
 - Director Howard
 - 21A, e.g.
 - College organization
 - lac-toe
 - Do-others separator
 - Full of doubts
 - Rustler's last rope
 - Grab
 - Soft, wet ground
 - Knockout gas
 - Beyond
 - requirements
 - Lunched
 - Taking to court
 - Stand one in good
 - Young boy
 - Leopard feature
- DOWN**
- Washington bills
 - Room maker
 - Novel thought
 - Metallic element
 - Type of table
 - Some circus performers
 - Current
 - Brown ermine
 - Spanish gentlemen
 - Fe
 - Crisscross framework
 - Arizona city
 - Citrus drinks
 - Train unit
 - PDQ
 - Expenses
 - Like Cheerios
 - Field of action
 - Inventor Howe
 - Pointed tool
 - Polynesian New Zealander
 - "Daniel Deronda" author
 - Pitcher McLain
 - Rounded up
 - Chinese pan
 - Merit
 - Used tire
 - Relative warmth
 - Brood
 - Weed out
 - Secret plotters
 - Functions
 - On deck
 - Quote as an example
 - Stone or Pound
 - Infinitesimal amount
 - Buckeye State
 - Dispatched
 - Units of work



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Daily Horoscopes

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Your life gets a lot easier, starting now, and it'll be a lot more fun, too. You'll have opportunities to travel, especially once you figure out where you'll get the money. Ask somebody who owes it to you, for starters.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 — You're a little stronger than usual, so push for something you want. How about a little extra spending cash? Refinance the house, for example, and pay off a few bills. You could improve your current situation, but only if you persevere. Be bold.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — Anticipate change and plan for it. First, finalize an old project to get it out of the way. Do something that's going to save you the most money. Remember to be careful of what you say — and what you don't say, too.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — You and your friends could make some good decisions about what needs to be done next. Stop talking and take action. You're getting into unfamiliar territory, but that's OK. You're adaptable. Talk them into trying something new.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — You get luckier in love, starting now. You'll find it easier to win at games, too. That's the coming theme, but it may not be here yet. Make work your first priority. Relax later, like tomorrow.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — It's about time for you to fix things up at home. In order to do that, you may have to make a big mess first. That may be why you've put it off. Well, you may not be able to do that much longer.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is a 7 — During the next few weeks, you'll discover interesting things. You may solve a mystery that's haunted you for years. Think about the questions that you want to ask but wait until tomorrow to ask them.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Make a decision involving your partner soon. That will clear your head so you can move on to other topics. Shake the hand or sign the papers, and get that out of the way. Having a good, solid person on your side will minimize your risk.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — You're in line for some big changes, mostly in your favor: You're the whistle-blower. You'll find out interesting information, so use it wisely. Chances like this don't come often. Take your time and do it right.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — Your hopes, dreams and fears will be activated for the next few weeks. Luckily you have a good sense of humor. You might want to team up with another person who brings out that side of your character. It's always easy to tackle tough assignments with humor.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — You're going through a transitional phase. You've had it pretty rough during the past few weeks. You've come through that, and now you'll get a break. All of a sudden, you have a whole team on your side. Think about it and figure out what to do next.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — Focus your attention. Study something that will help you advance your career. You'll find it's easy to do that, in some ways, during the next few weeks. In other ways, it'll be quite difficult. Figure out where you're going first.

— TMS Campus News Services

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

UGGEA

SNAIE

OETAGE

RETHEN

Print answer here: WITH A

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: JOLLY GRIPE FOURTH LAXITY
Answer: What broke out at the bowling match? — AN ALLEY FIGHT

AROUND CAMPUS

TODAY

- Tufts in Chile**
Programs Abroad
Information Meeting/Pizza Party
Zamparelli Room 6:00pm
- Programs Abroad**
General Information meeting
Eaton 134 11:30 am
- Environmental Consciousness Outreach**
Weekly Meeting
Oxfam Cafe 9:30 pm
- Lecture Series**
Weekly Meeting
Campus Center Room #207
4:45pm

WEDNESDAY

- University Chaplaincy**
Reflections on the Spiritual Quest
"Rejoicing" Speaker: Rev. Scotty McLennan, University Chaplain
Goddard Chapel
12:00 Noon -1:00pm
- Programs Abroad**
General Information Meeting
Eaton 204
3:30pm
- Society for Creative Anachronism**
Get Medieval with us!
Weekly Meeting
Dewick - Meet by the couches
6pm

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Quote of the Day

"Do something every day that you don't want to do; this is the golden rule for acquiring the habit of doing your duty without pain."

—Mark Twain

Late Night at the Daily

Clip and bring home for Thanksgiving

RECLAIMING THANKSGIVING

THIS YEAR RECLAIM THE MEANING OF THANKSGIVING FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

This collection of text and commentary is set up in the form of a page of Talmud. It allows us to bring many voices, past and present, into the room. We hope you will bring it to your Thanksgiving dinner and it will stimulate some interesting conversation. This is brought to you by Tzedek Hillel, a social justice initiative of the Hillel Foundation of Tufts University.

What in the World?!...Talmud?

Talmud is the central text of Rabbinic Judaism, compiled in the 6th Century C.E. of the oral commentaries on the Torah. Experiment with a page of Talmud at www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~elsegal/TalmudPage.html For more Jewish text on social justice, visit HillelDaat.com (online sources with translation) at www.tuftshillel.org

"Giving thanks" is not just about the words we use but the actions we choose. The words are hollow, meaningless without actions. Our primary responsibility as a University is to educate. But what are we educating for? We are not just educating our students to acquire a job after graduation or to be admitted into a professional school. Those are important things, but we also must be producing people with a sense of responsibility. They must give something back to the society that nurtured them.

We have to be thankful for everything we have, for everything we are given. Not only for the material things, that we are privileged to have, but for the environment around us. We have a responsibility to protect the environment because it isn't really ours. It is on loan to us. We should protect it, treasure it, develop it further and insure that those who follow us have the same opportunities to share it. When you are given something precious you should not only be thankful for it, you should protect it.

John DiBiaggio,
President Tufts University

Deriving enjoyment from this world without a blessing is like stealing; as it is said, "The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" (Psalm 24:1). But it is also written, "The heavens belong to the Lord but the Earth was given to people" (Psalm 115:16).

How does one grapple with this contradiction? [The conflict is resolved this way:] Before you offer thanks for what you are about to enjoy, it belongs to the Lord; but, after you acknowledge it with a blessing, you are free to partake in its bounty.

*-Text after a passage in the Babylonian Talmud
Mishnah Berakhot 6:1*

A Summary of the World If we could, at this time, shrink the Earth's population to a village of precisely 100 people, with all existing human ratios remaining the same, it would look like this:

There would be 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 from the Western Hemisphere (North and South) and 8 Africans. 70 would be non-white; 30 white. 70 would be non-Christian; 30 Christian. 50% of the entire world's wealth would be in the hands of only 6 people. All 6 would be citizens of the United States. 70 would be unable to read. 50 would suffer from malnutrition. 80 would live in substandard housing. Only 1 would have a college education.

Who has the power to bestow blessings? Up until the generation of Abraham, God personally blessed each generation. When Abraham appeared, God said: "It is not proper that I should need to bless my creatures. I will bestow the [responsibility of] blessing to Abraham and his descendants..."

-Midrash Tanchuma

How does one fulfill the commandment to be joyful on festivals? When you eat [the holiday meal], you must also feed the stranger, the widow, the orphan, and all of the other distressed poor. One who locks the courtyard doors and eats and drinks with his children and wife but does not provide food and drink for the poor and distressed, engages not in the joy of the commandment, but the joy of their stomach.

-Hoseah 9:4

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

-John F. Kennedy

Questions For Conversation Around The Thanksgiving Table

Has anyone ever invited you in when you were in a state of distress?
Who can you invite that might be distressed?
A consideration of our world from such an incredibly compressed perspective, as *A Summary of the World* presents, makes apparent the need for both tolerance and understanding.
What are your reactions to this scenario? How does this change your perspective about the world and your place in it?
Who blesses you? Who would you bless?
What words of appreciation can you live by?

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