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## Senator Bradley addresses members of Founders' Club

by Lisa Rosenbaum

Senator Bill Bradley was the keynote speaker at the fifth annual Founders' Club dinner, which was held on Saturday, March 5. In his address he affirmed his belief that education is the fundamental key to resolving the problems faced by the United States in the coming decade. Rising unemployment, with fifteen million currently out of work, along with severe economic difficulties of post-industrial society are the problems the Senator believes we must solve as a nation. He believes we will succeed in this quest if we employ the two strains that run through our history: individualism and our sense of community. He feels that education is the key to harnessing these qualities as we move through this transitional stage in our nation's history.

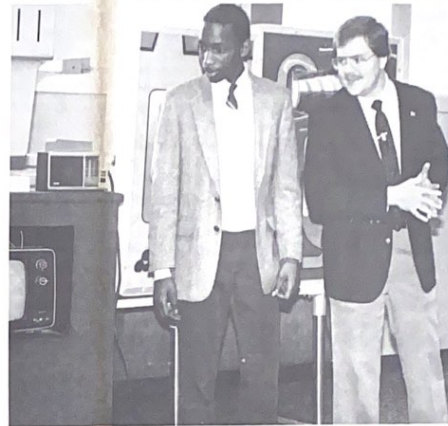
The Senator was greeted by the largest group ever to attend the Founders' Club dinner. Mr. Stanley Kaufelt announced to the members that \$80,000 has been raised and that an ad-

ditional \$20,000 had been donated anonymously. This combined total of \$100,000 easily put them over this year's fundraising goal. Mr. Harvey Silverman, a member of the Board of Trustees, was in charge of fundraising and was the person responsible for inviting the Senator to attend. The funds raised this year are earmarked to be spent on repairing the physical plant, instructional resources, more computer equipment, and financial aid.

Before Senator Bradley arrived at the dinner, he met with Headmaster John F. Magagna and Mr. Kaufelt in the Headmaster's office. The entire group congregated in the school cafeteria, which would have caused the average Prepter to blink his eyes in wonderment; the room was decorated in yellow and white and highlighted by colorful floral arrangements that helped to transform the lunchroom into a banquet hall fit for a Senator. Alumni Coordinator

Mrs. Beatrice Johns was responsible for the overall organization of the dinner.

The highlight of the evening was Senator Bradley's witty, informative address. The serious subject of his speech was prefaced with clever anecdotes from his experiences as a Hall of Fame forward for the New York Knicks, his years at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, and as a candidate for elective office. Senator Bradley impressed those present as a highly polished speaker, an intelligent man, and a dedicated public servant. A Rutgers Prep chair was subsequently presented to the Senator by Mr. Kaufelt in appreciation for taking the time out from his busy schedule to speak at this annual event. Thanks to the Senator's fascinating speech, the splendid ambience of the dinner itself, and the large amount of money raised, this year's dinner was a smashing success on all counts.



On March 4, Mr. Warren Wilson of Oak Ridge Associated Universities conducted an energy awareness assembly. He is shown explaining how power is generated.

## Disend appointed Development head

by Cindy Goosen

Rutgers Prep has just acquired a new addition to the staff. Mr. David Disend recently accepted the position of Director of Development. His job entails fundraising and working closely with the Alumni Coordinator in order to get enough money to see that the goals of the school are met.

Mr. Disend believes that it is important to involve the alumni in school affairs so as to make them feel as if they are still a part of Prep. This is important because they make donations to the school's annual fund. Mr. Disend commented that "it is important to establish the school as a priority" with the alumni.

Mr. Disend feels strongly that a tradition of gift giving should begin in the senior year. He believes that a senior class gift is an excellent start to a life-long rapport with Prep.

Originally an English teacher and drama coach, Mr. Disend progressed to the head of his department and was subsequently appointed academic dean of his school, Christ Church in Virginia. In this job, he developed an

interest in the external affairs of his organization. Luckily, the Director of Development left and Mr. Disend was offered the open position. He was able to triple the annual fund and started a million and a half dollar campaign at Christ Church in just two years.

When asked what he thought of Prep's prospects in terms of fundraising and development, he replied that it had tremendous opportunities and the people whom he had encountered were extremely enthusiastic and more willing to volunteer their time.

Since Mr. Disend is new to Rutgers Prep, he will be spending a lot of his time trying to get to know the school in order to identify its needs, a necessary step that must be taken before serious planning can occur.

As our new Director of Development, Mr. Disend is optimistic. He remarked, "We must look to the future. The future here can be rich, not only in terms of dollars. And with the right organization, we can all work to make Rutgers Prep an even better school than it is now."



Mr. Stanley Kaufelt greets Senator Bradley.



photo by Steve Goodman

## Prepters 'search for strategies'

by Julie Wiseman

On Wednesday, February 23, the History Department sponsored a program for the Upper and Middle Schools called "Searching for Strategies." The purpose of this program is to make students more aware of worldwide problems.

Each student chose two topics to attend out of the five topics offered. The five topics were: Military and Industrial Nuclear Dangers; Population, Poverty, and Hunger; Inflation and Unemployment in the World Economy; Role of the Corporation; and Role of the United Nations.

Seven knowledgeable and experienced speakers were invited to come and talk about the five topics. When the speakers arrived they were greeted by nine of Prep's students. These students served the speakers at a luncheon prepared by the luncheon committee.

After lunch, Mr. Jeffrey Brown, director of Global Learning, Inc., a non-profit organization, delivered the keynote speech. He asked the students to rate themselves from one to seven, with one being very optimistic and seven being very pessimistic. There were a few people who were ones and a few others who were sevens, but most of the people rated themselves right in the middle at four. He then questioned

the students as to why they felt as they did.

Students then went to their two topics. Each workshop lasted fifty minutes. Mr. Jeffrey Brown Conducted the workshop on Military and Industrial Nuclear Dangers. Dr. Robert Vasquez, a Rutgers University Political Science Department professor, also had a workshop on this topic. Mr. Norman St. Landau, an international lawyer representing Johnson and Johnson, spoke at the Role of Corporation workshop. Dr. Robert Stuart and Dr. Henry Raimondo, professors of economics at

Rutgers University, talked about inflation and unemployment. The Role of the United Nations was discussed by Mrs. Estelle Perry, who is the Executive Director of the Center of United Nations Reform Education. Ms. Marguerite Chandler, Executive Director of the Somerset County Food Bank, spoke on Poverty, Population and Hunger.

The program ran very smoothly. The students responded very positively and provided much feedback for discussions. The day proved a positive experience for everyone involved.



Freshmen Stacy Adams and Dean Barratta learn about energy the hard way. They burn it. photo by John Kellam

## News in Brief

### Berman on the rampage

Anyone who had been in assembly during the beginning of March was sure to notice the daily announcements made by one of our seniors and greeted with clapping, shouting, cheering, and jeering. Each morning Ellen Berman, business manager of Ye Dial, presented her updated list of those seniors who owed the yearbook money. Over the final few days, the announcement was accompanied by people such as Mike Keller running into the assembly with their checks in hand. After all the money was collected, suggestions were made that Ellen go into this business professionally.

### Two Prep students honored

Michael Goosen has been selected as a Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Now he is in the group of 13,000 Finalists who are being considered for the final selection of 5,300 Merit scholarships.

Amiel Bethel was also recently honored. He received notification that he is one of the 1,200 Finalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program (NASP) competing for 650 merit scholarship awards.

### Students visit Philharmonic

On February 24, a group of students chaperoned by Mr. Pickens and Mr. Gaggioli took a trip into New York City to see a performance of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. Following the show, the French and music students were allowed to go to lunch at a restaurant of their choice in the city.

### A Word from BIOS

Let's Give Credit Where Credit Is Due Dept.: BIOS wishes to thank Amy Rosenfeld for her generous donation of the "Leonard Nimoy goes in search of Senior Circle" concept. We couldn't have done it without her and we hope she's eminently satisfied.



## Editorial

### Guns don't die, either

We've all heard the horror stories. Robert F. Kennedy, Dr. Michael Halberstam, John Lennon—these are only three of the more well-known Americans to be murdered with handguns; thousands more die each year. According to the National Rifle Association and other pro-gun lobbies, the answer lies not in restricting guns but in arming every citizen so that they may better defend themselves, since "guns don't kill; people do." What these organizations fail to realize is that proliferation of guns, especially handguns, results in proliferation of violence. And guns don't die; people do.

The NRA presents many arguments against any form of gun control, first and foremost of which invokes the Second Amendment, which they claim guarantees everyone's right to own guns. The Amendment states: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed." In 1982, the Utah State Supreme Court interpreted it: "The Second Amendment right 'to keep and bear Arms' applies only to the right of the state to maintain a militia and not to the individual's right to bear arms."

This argument falls even harder when one looks at its history. During the 1960's, arms were taken away from blacks and militants, who cited the Second Amendment to no avail. After the confiscation of guns from Black Panthers in California in 1967, then-Governor Ronald Reagan, now a staunch advocate of the NRA's cause, commented: "There is absolutely no reason why anyone should be carrying a loaded gun on the street today." Yet now that gun control has been proposed for all Americans, he seems not to want to take his own counsel.

There are those who claim that restricting guns runs contrary to the American spirit, that guns are part of our national heritage. Interestingly enough, John C. Calhoun made the exact same argument in his support of the "peculiar institution" of the South: slavery. This argument could also have been used in support of unfair labor practices, persecution of the Indians, and unemployment. Clearly, being distinctly American does not make guns good.

In pursuing this line of argument, let us compare the handgun murder rates of countries like Israel, France, and Great Britain, countries with strict handgun laws and no death penalties, to that of the U.S. In 1979, less than 100 handgun murders were committed in each of these countries, while 10,729 occurred here. Yes, guns are distinctly American. And so is handgun murder.

The NRA argues still, saying that "if guns were outlawed, only outlaws would have guns." This statement is, to a certain extent, true. But what is the alternative? Statistics show that a gun bought to defend, rarely fulfills that purpose; tragic accidents abound in these homes, and the risk of these guns being stolen is high. The gun lobbies persist, arguing that a person should have the right to buy a gun for the sense of security it provides. Yet it is this false "sense of security" that is often the owner's undoing: he may kill an unarmed intruder and face criminal charges; he may kill someone else by mistake; he may pull his gun and force the intruder to kill or be killed. The average citizen is incapable of making rational decisions in such situations; that is why we have police. A gun's purpose is not to defend; it exists to enforce, to kill. If a citizen truly wants to defend himself, let him learn martial arts.

The gun lobby has one last card to play: they say handgun laws are unenforceable, and can cite various local and state ordinances to prove it. First of all, the types of laws being passed are inadequate. The mandatory sentences in handgun related crimes serve no purpose but to punish after the fact; "deterrent" laws do not work: just look at New York City's crime rate. Secondly, the fact that they are local and state laws is the problem; how could a New Jersey ban on handguns work when a criminal can pick one up for \$20 in a Staten Island pawnshop?

Thus, a comprehensive, regulatory federal gun law is needed. (The Gun Control Act of 1968 banned the domestic manufacture of "Saturday Night Specials," but failed to take into account the possible importation of parts.) The gun lobby is right when they say that banning handgun is unenforceable, but if the government can ban their sale and manufacture outright, possession of these deadly weapons will decline dramatically. In addition, more detailed licensing procedures will dissuade or prohibit all but the most serious target shooter or hunter from owning a gun. Finally, creating a double standard for long guns and concealable short handgun will serve to separate the weapons of hunters and marksmen from the weapons of criminals. These laws will not stop handgun murder; they are merely a first step in a reevaluation of our treatment of crime, but it is a vital step.

These proposals were originated by Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Representative Peter Rodino, co-sponsors of a handgun control bill not expected to get out of committee. Yet, for all our sakes, it must pass. The last major gun control law was passed after the assassination of Robert Kennedy; membership in handgun control lobbies soared after the murder of John Lennon and the attempted assassination of President Reagan. If it takes crises like these to get the public to open their eyes, I can only shudder to think what Great American will die next, and mourn the ordinary citizens who will die in vain in the meantime.

## Letter

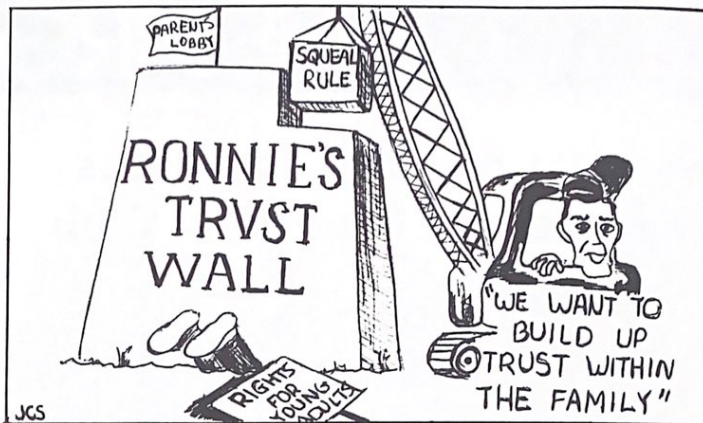
To the Editor:

Something really needs to be done to improve the Rutgers Prep student parking lot. There are not enough spaces to accommodate the vast number of cars that juniors and seniors drive to the high school. Every day there is a mad scramble to find a piece of property to squeeze one's vehicle into. Many a day, a driver who has left his or her car in the lot finds bumps and scratches left by some unknown cause. In addition, just trying to get in or out of a spot is a tremendous hassle! We have a beautiful, large campus with

lots of grounds. Surely the administration can find some space to alleviate the parking problem for students. Since the majority of students are new drivers providing an area that gives us plenty of room would be a smart and helpful idea! This is a priority item which needs to be addressed in order to prevent a serious accident from possibly occurring. It will also make it much easier for the seniors to go to and from school during lunch.

Sincerely

Name withheld upon request



## Squeal rule invades privacy

by Suzanne Eger

Recently, two Federal District Judges in separate cases blocked the implementation of the squeal rule, which says that federally funded birth control clinics must inform parents within ten days of the time they issue and prescription birth control devices to girls under the age of eighteen, and which was to have gone into effect on February 25.

In recent time, Congress has been working for a decrease in teenage pregnancy by encouraging family involvement in the counseling and making sex education and birth control more readily available to teenagers. This is shown in the 1978 amendment to Title 10 of the Public Health Service Act in which Congress mandated federal support for teenage birth control programs to counter the problem of teenage pregnancy. Since that time over 530,000 teenagers have been treated at over 5,000 federally funded clinics nationwide.

On February 19, 1982, the Reagan administration promulgated this rule which former Secretary of Health and Human Services, Richard S. Schweiker commented was like building a "Berlin Wall" between kids and parents. According to its sponsors, the rule would open communications between parents and children; however, the facts show otherwise. In a survey conducted in 1979 and 1980 by the Alan Guttmacher Institute, fifty-four percent of minors who attended the clinics had already informed their parents, but of the other forty six percent, over half said they would discontinue the use of effective birth-

control methods if parental notification were required.

There are also other maladies which can be prevented by the blocking of this rule. For those teens who continue to use the clinics but do not want their parents informed, they will give false information which will prohibit the clinic from getting in touch with them if through testing any evidence of health problems arises. For those who do not allow their parents to receive the information, many rifts in family relationships will occur, possibly causing more teenage runaways or suicides.

Another side of the story is the effects on the clinics themselves. Those who can afford to will forsake the federal funds in order to continue their services with confidentiality, although most will be forced to obey the rule. For these clinics, this means sending out notices and making sure they have been received. Also, all notifications must be recorded. These practices will take time and money. Consequently the clinics will require more federal funding to support this.

Besides all of these reasons, the squeal rule should be blocked because it violates the family planning statutes and the U.S. Constitution's guarantee against invasion of privacy, since all records would have to be made available to the Government upon request. The decisions made by Judge Werker in New York and Judge Thomas A. Flannery in Washington D.C. uphold this position. As stated by Judge Werker, "the parental notice requirement is invalid because it contradicts and subverts the intent of Congress to combat the problem of teenage pregnancy."

## T.V. bids farewell to MASH

by Mindy Kramer

On one Monday night in February, an era in television came to an end. After eleven years, MASH ended its remarkable run as one of the most intelligent, imaginative and funny series in the history of television. The last episode drew the largest television audience ever, with a 75% Nielson rating that topped the "Royal Wedding," the "Who Shot J.R." episode of Dallas, and, yes, even Luke and Laura's wedding on General Hospital. A host of major corporations paid \$450,000 for a 30-second commercial, the highest rate ever, for the privilege of advertising on that historic Monday night.

The question now is what will America do without Hawkeye Pierce and his crew of crazed surgeons and nurses. For more than a decade, America tuned in at 9:00 on Monday night to watch Hawkeye Pierce, Trapper, B.J., Klinger, Hot Lips, Radar, Col. Potter, and the rest of the MASH crew acting as zany as possible in order to stay sane enough to deal with the bloodshed, death, cruelty, and boredom that typify the realities of war. The characters on MASH showed us how to care for each other in the face of a world that was indifferent to human suffering.

There are many episodes among the 251 that were aired that are worth remembering. One of the most poignant of these was the episode where Col. Henry Blake (played by McLean

Stevenson until 1975), was killed in a plane crash on his way back to the States. The characters on MASH had to deal with death every day, but on that day it was different. Their comrade and commanding officer was dead, but the war still went on.

The finale of MASH received mixed reviews from its devoted fans. This last episode showed how three years in war-torn Korea finally got to Hawkeye, who was always depicted as the most sane and rational member of the 4077th, even in the midst of all his crazy antics. The illusion of millions of viewers was destroyed when Hawkeye ended up in a mental hospital for a few days after all the stress, bloodshed and boredom

had gotten to be too much for him to handle. Hawkeye did indeed recover his sanity but he, along with millions of Americans, realized that Benjamin Franklin Pierce was, in fact, vulnerable.

There were strong reasons for laying MASH to rest. The whole company voted to quit while there would still be pride in the show, and before all their ideas had been exhausted. But the ending of MASH will leave an empty space for millions of people every Monday night. There may never be anything like MASH again. It taught us something about ourselves, and it made us cry. But most of all, it taught us how to laugh.

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# Current issues discussed at Sen. Bradley's seminar

by Michael N. Gooen

How many people would jump at the chance to meet with a United States Senator? I certainly would, and that's why I and about sixty other high school seniors from all over Central New Jersey braved a blizzard to attend Senator Bill Bradley's fourth annual Leadership Development Seminar at Rutgers on February 7.

After we were welcomed by an aide of University President Bloustein, Senator Bradley made his opening remarks: "The purpose of these seminars is for me to be accessible to you as your Senator, to listen to what you have to say, and . . . to present you with the choices a U.S. Senator must make on a variety of issues." In order to accomplish these goals, two seminar periods were held in which participants attended two of six seminars conducted by the Senator's LA's or legislative assistants. Each session consisted of roundtable discussions on the individual issue, in which the problems (already documented in previously distributed information packets) were analyzed and suggestions were made. The seminars held were: Draft and Defense Spending, Social Security, Tax Laws, International Marketplace and Competition, Health Policy, and Labor-Management Relations.

The first seminar I attended was Draft and Defense, in which I quickly became involved in a comprehensive discussion with students representing every political point of view. After Bill Taylor, Senator Bradley's staff researcher on defense, pointed out many of the flaws in the Reagan Ad-

ministration's defense policies, he was beset by suggestions for alternative solutions: many students expressed their belief that money should be directed to personnel in the form of incentives; others spoke in favor of concentrating on updating our conventional forces, while still others proposed allocations for research and development. The Reagan Administration's policy of overspending for nuclear weapons systems was almost universally criticized. A similar division occurred over the draft issue; the three predominant viewpoints were pro-voluntary military, pro-draft, and pro-mandatory national service.

The next seminar I attended was on Social Security. Legislative aide Ken Aptfel conducted the first half of the seminar as a lecture, since the issue was so complicated. Some opinions were put forth, however, and this time a clear consensus was reached: practically everyone supported the bipartisan compromise, while such long-term solutions as raising the retirement age, gradually lowering COLA's and extending coverage to federal employees were applauded.

Senator Bradley began by mentioning the four great changes in American society that have taken place over the last twenty years: nuclear parity with the Soviets, increased economic competition from abroad, increased dependence on foreign sources of energy, and the decay of the environment. He went on to define his role in dealing with these changes and the need for him to stick by his personal convictions: "I do not believe a United States

Senator is a weathervane who takes the pulse of his constituents and immediately takes that view." He also stressed the need for the public to play an active role, calling the decline in voter participation "one of the sad aspects of our democracy."

The ensuing question-and-answer session dealt with issues from Senator Bradley's Fair Tax to the role of PAC's to protectionism, while the Senator questioned us about defense and Social Security, resulting in a discussion similar to the ones held in the seminars. Unfortunately, the other issues were not discussed due to time constraints, but the day proved to be a thoroughly enjoyable, memorable, and valuable experience for all.



Liz Jasienowski and Les Book pondering over the Sunday comics during a lighter moment in the meetings.  
photo by Anita Kothari

## Variety offered in music program

by Michelle Yu

The Music Department, under the direction of Mr. Pickens, is a small but definitely progressing one. Within the last two years, much has been changed to make the music programs more involved and more interesting. Not only has there been widespread participation, but the students are becoming aware of their musical talents as well as those of their comrades. The offered musical programs seem to bring forward a certain inspiration and a meaningful personal growth. The attitudes about music are being changed and Prep's environment provides the proper atmosphere for that change.

This year, the Chorus, which is now being offered as an elective, has grown in number considerably and consists of largely underclassmen. Members of the Chorus warm up with scales and music exercises and rigorously practice a variety of old and contemporary songs. In addition to the choral program, the Music Theory course being offered has helped many students in understanding musical notation as well as enhancing their concentration. Participation is even more widespread in the Lower School, where music is a required course. Middle Schoolers have a choice of General Music, Band, or Chorus, and they also partake

in Friday acting periods when special groups such as the Sweet Adelines and the Barbershop Quartets can practice. A newly formed club in the Upper School has the aim to involve more boys in singing and enjoying music. Mr. Pickens hopes to recruit more members, although the club does not bind members to attend every meeting.

Cabaret Night, to be held on April 15 and 16, is a big occasion. The setup will closely resemble that of a nightclub with tables and chairs on which food and drink can be served. The event, in Holley Hall, features students performing in skits, comedies, instrumentals, and dance. Appearing on May 10 is the annual spring concert. This year students from Prep will have the opportunity to participate in several statewide competitions. The chorus as a whole will be judged and evaluated at the State Choral Festival in Trenton. Furthermore, the chorus will be able to see how it fares against other choral groups in the state. Tryouts are also available for the All State Chorus, an elite group of singers which last year included Amy Rosenfeld and Rob Sklans. On a smaller scale, the Middlesex All-County Chorus is also open to anyone willing to compete. Finally, Prep will also have several assembly programs to further heighten musical awareness; including a few more mini-concerts which spotlight student talent.



Elaine Imbriani was sworn in as School Council Secretary on February 15.  
photo by Anita Kothari

## 'State of the Council'

Now that Anil Kothari, as School Council President, has been in office for over a month, the Argo asked him to share his impressions of the existing Council and to outline his future plans and goals.

Anil found the junior and senior class representatives effective and helpful to the Council, truthfully representing their respective class views. He observed the sophomores and the freshmen as "willing to help," but reserved and lacking in experience. In the future he would like more suggestions and responses from them. Anil found the Faculty and Administration advisors helpful, but deemed the half-hour weekly sessions inadequate. Many issues have to be postponed because of a lack of time, creating efficiency and, "forcing us to make priorities."

A definite advantage of Council, maintains Anil, is its program of extracurricular activities, such as dances, the Burger Blast, and Western Day. He feels committed to maintaining and enhancing these social functions. A second dance (the first one was held during former President Amiel Bethel's administration) is tentatively planned for April 29, and part of its proceeds will be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Fund. An outdoor firepit, planning for started under Amiel will also be built, hopefully in time for this year's Western Day. This tradition may be revised, however, and new themes for the outdoor festival are being considered.

Long range plans include a senior lounge and a School Council office for the new Upper School. The former proposal is being investigated by Ken Schwab and it is possible that the lounge will be built in the Field House and include vending machines whose profits would go to the Council. The new office proposal is part of Anil's hope to organize the Council files, which as of yet have no permanent home.

Overall, Anil is impressed with the School Council and feels that it is, "a plus to our school." Consequently, he would like to get more students involved, especially freshmen. In his main goals of organizing the Council files and in creating more social functions, Anil feels he has support from all sectors and is optimistic about the future.

by Jill Wacker

On Thursday, February 10, the Model U.N. Club travelled to Washington D.C. in order to participate in the Twentieth North American Invitational Model United Nations (NAIMUN XX) sponsored by Georgetown University. A cold but enthusiastic group of twenty-four left early Thursday morning and got to work on the train preparing and editing previously prepared resolutions and studying the policies and practices of the countries which they were to represent.

The purpose of this Model U.N. is to provide an atmosphere in which students can interact with one another while discussing and trying to create solutions for current international problems. Prep has participated in this program since 1970, and this year the club's advisors were Mrs. Dutta and Mrs. Wacker. The club was supervised

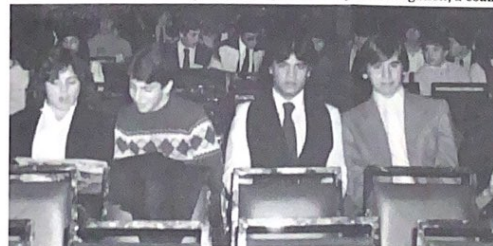
by a group of experienced seniors as the conference date approached, including chief delegate Dawn Hughes, also chief delegate of Poland's delegation; Sue Sigle and Audrey Yu, leaders of Democratic Kampuchea's delegation; Mindy Kramer, club secretary, and Lisa Rosenbaum, club treasurer. Each delegate was presented with ten dollars in spending money gained through previous fund raising activities.

This year Rutgers Prep sent two delegations to Washington, those of Poland and Democratic Kampuchea, a strife torn country formerly known as Cambodia. Even as we traveled to Washington, Cambodians were streaming into Thailand, seeking refuge from the destruction caused by conflicts between the Vietnamese-backed government which rules Kampuchea at present and the government represented by this delegation, a coalition

which combines the forces of Pol Pot, Son Sann, and Nordom Sihanouk. A thorough knowledge of the politics and policies of the country one is representing is necessary in the Model U.N., as one is bombarded with proposals and accusations the moment one enters the Washington Sheraton Hotel.

The delegation arrived before the conference had begun, allowing for a bit of sight-seeing. All twenty-four checked in, received their materials and made for the subway. They headed for the Smithsonian Institution, where they split up for several hours, visiting such famous and popular museums as the Museum of Man, and the National Gallery. The delegation then returned to the conference center for an optional Georgetown University admissions meeting and the opening ceremonies, led by Secretary-General Melissa LaTrobe-Bateman.

Two days of committee meetings followed, in which resolutions were argued and revised. The weekend's activities were capped on Saturday night with the NAIMUN XX banquet and the delegate's dance. The banquet's planned keynote speaker was unable to attend because of the storm, so Donald McHenry, former U.N. Ambassador under the Carter administration, currently a professor at Georgetown, addressed the conference and graciously offered the delegates a question and answer period.



Prep students represented Poland and Kampuchea in Washington, Feb. 10-13.  
photo by Anita Kothari



## Basketball finishes season 22-7

by James Keller

The idea of a team effort is fully exemplified in the 1982-83 basketball team. With fourteen active members, the team was not forced to rely on a single star to carry the team through the season. The practice obtained by all members will help eliminate a costly transition into next year, and will pave the way for future basketball teams.

This was the first year in the thirty-one years that Mr. O'Connell has been coaching at Rutgers Prep that he has had a team so diverse. While the team had many seniors participating, it still can look forward to another successful season next year. Mr. O'Connell had an active roster of backup players many of whom are underclassmen; this allowed the players who will soon be the bulk of the team gain varsity experience.

The impetus behind the extraor-

inary season was the zeal expressed by the senior class. Besides being outstanding ball players, the seniors sparked a pride which helped drive the team to a winning record. They are in accord on what they believe was their prime function as a team member. Leadership and team morale were their prime jobs. This was best typified by co-captains Steve "Rat" Starker and Steve Jochman, with exceptional input from Kenny Ross.

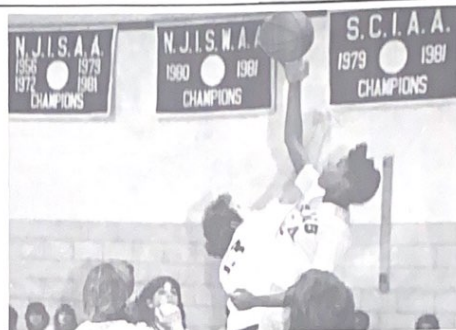
Mr. O'Connell is particularly proud of this year's senior class. "The seniors on the team reflect to me the most well rounded class in many years. There are many seniors who are participants in the athletic department who still maintain outstanding academic work."

The seniors will be able to look on a twenty-two win and a seven game loss season including a victory in the Somerset County Tournament. Other victories included exceptional wins

over rivals including Wardlaw, P.D.S., Bernards, Manville, and Bridgewater West.

With the development of leadership among the ranks of the underclassmen, Mr. O'Connell expects the team to be even better next year. Each year reveals new talent allowing the team to grow, and not having to rely on a single player.

The future holds great height and excellent skills for the basketball team. There is a range of players from five feet four inches to six feet six inches; they include Raoul Hunt, Ken Schwab and Bill Dixon. There is also a wide array of proficient ball handlers expected to help lead the team to another winning season, including Stacy Adams, Jeff Hennessy, Scott Essex, Dean Starker and Frank Davis. We can look forward to another exceptional season in 1983-84.



Simone Ardehali goes up for the jump ball.

photo courtesy of Ye Dial

## Winter sports conclude

by Beth Glass

This year's swim team boasts an impressive record of 6-6-1. The team, coached by Mr. Nes Forney, was led by tri-captains Joe Bradshaw, Pat Bradshaw, and Dina Savage.

The team consisted of seven returning swimmers and sixteen newcomers. Among the returning lettermen were the Bradshaws, Dina, Claudia Michaels, Barry Dunigan, Rich Hagen, and Jill Cooper. The newcomers, who included Chris Holliday, Glenn Jacoby, Paul Ludwig, Andy Lewinter, Jeff Eisen, and Tracy Altan, were described as being "great assets to the team" by Coach Forney. These new swimmers were consistently able to take second and third places against tough competition. Other swimmers included Marty Brodsky, Lisa Fetchko, Amy Eisenberg, and Dave Kahn.

Coach Forney's one regret is that he is losing senior Joe Bradshaw: "Joe has been an excellent swimmer and competitor." However, the coach is looking forward to next season and welcomes any new swimmers. As Dina Savage commented, "We all had fun and at the same time worked hard. It paid off."

### Wrestling

The wrestling team began its season with the distinct disadvantage of having only nine of the required twelve wrestlers. Nevertheless, the team, coached by Bob Pavlovsky, achieved a respectable record of 4-10-1 with a key win coming over Wardlaw-Hartridge.

The team was led by senior co-captains Ron Howarth and Yale Zoland. Ron, who wrestled at 188 lbs., is described by the coach as leading the team in all categories. His individual record was an outstanding 20-4. Ron took third place in both the county and state tournaments, as well as placing first in the Hun Tournament. Yale, at 115 lbs., took second in the league tournament. Coach Pavlovsky described Yale as "an excellent leader."

Another key wrestler was Steve Lovell. Steve weighed in at 133 lbs. and was described by the coach as being "one of the strongest, toughest wrestlers on the team." Junior Matt Gilbert, wrestling at 129 lbs., was considered to be "the most talented wrestler on the team."

Other wrestlers included juniors Jon Roman and Eric Weiss. Eric weighs 141 lbs. and was wrestling with the team for the first time this year. Coach Pavlovsky stated that Eric was "highly determined with a good mental attitude." Jon wrestled at 148 lbs. and placed third in the league tournament.

Rounding out the team were freshmen Peter Alfinito, Bob Finklestein, and Garikai Campbell. Unfortunately, Bob, at 108 lbs., and Peter, at 122 lbs., were both injured during the season. However, the coach expects much from them in the future. Garikai, at 101 lbs., was described as a very hard worker; he won the Hun tournament.

Coach Pavlovsky was very pleased with his team's overall performance, saying: "Everyone worked hard and had good morale despite the problems."

## Faculty steals three games from seniors

by Sue Sigle

Each year, members of the faculty and the senior class participate in various contests of physical skill and strategy. Cheered on by the student body, the seniors usually emerge victorious. Unfortunately, this year the senior class has suffered some setbacks which has allowed a few minor victories to fall into the laps of the faculty.

In the fall, the senior football squad, led by Mike Keller and Andy Lenaghan, was narrowly defeated by the faculty. Coaches Della and Forney provided most of the punch for the faculty team, which was distinguished by a conspicuous absence of academic teachers. Perhaps the referees, juniors Doug Katz and Mark Kornegay, may have been intimidated by the faculty, who called future tests to their attention. Nevertheless, it was a great team effort on the seniors part.

The next sports event was bowling. Held at Carolier Lanes in North Brunswick, the seniors narrowly missed victory by a mere quarter of a point. The scoring was determined as

follows: the highest and lowest games for each team were averaged and the team with the better average was the winner. John Sierotko and Mr. Avella were the high scorers for their respective teams; each bowled a 165. The low scorer for the seniors was Paul Scialabba, who courageously played with an injured right arm, thus forced to bowl with his left hand.

The third setting for the competition was the volleyball court, where the best of five games would determine the victor. Once again the seniors put up a gallant struggle, yet once again they were nipped by a tenacious faculty. Starring once again for the faculty were Coaches Della and Forney, while varsity volleyballers Sue Imbriani and Stephanie Greeley were the senior standouts.

Throughout all these games it is important to remember that it is not whether you win or lose but how you play the game. Meanwhile, the seniors eagerly await their chance to avenge themselves on the softball field this spring.

## Volleyball and basketball seasons come to a close

by Les Book

The 1982-83 winter sports season has come to a close for two varsity girls sports, volleyball and basketball. Both are an integral part of the winter athletic season.

The girls' volleyball team was coached by Ms. Kyle Jackson. Although the squad achieved a rather dismal 3-7 record during the course of the regular season, they developed into a formidable unit by the time of the State Tournament.

The State Tournament culminated an up and down season for the spikers. Although they won the Christmas Tourney, their season's record was not a fair indication of their ability. The double elimination State Tournament had Prep pitted against Collegiate in the first round. After a rough first round victory, the Prep squad met Mo-Beard in the second round. After a hard fought match, Prep came out on top. The team then faced Newark Academy in the third round, and again Prep's spikers were up to the task, holding on to a victory by a tight score of 15-10, 12-15, 15-8. The three victories meant that Prep was assured of at least a second place finish. They had the opportunity to take the State Crown with a victory over Morristown-Beard, who had also advanced to the finals based on their record in the first three rounds of tournament action. However, it was

not meant to be, as Prep bowed out by the scores of 15-10, 13-15, 15-7. Beth Glass and Ellen Berman were key to the victories in the tourney. As a result of that tournament, Sue Imbriani and Stephanie Greeley were voted to the All-State team.

The girls' basketball team struggled through a 4-12 regular season record. Coached by first year leader Al Bertsch, the team underwent a transitional year. Faced with the loss of many players from last year's team, Coach Bertsch counted on the leadership of senior tri-captains Liz Jasionowski, Anita Kothari, and Lisa Rusinko.

Anita Kothari responded well to the role. She handled the point guard responsibilities as well as becoming the leading scorer for the squad. For her efforts, Anita was named to the All-Star team. Her leadership was instrumental in the four victories achieved, including Prep's triumph over Gill St. Bernards.

Next year the girls basketball team should improve. Although they will be hard pressed to replace the talented Anita Kothari, the squad can look forward to returning players such as Alexis Balsamides, Elaine Imbriani, Christina Harcar, and Lisa Brown. Hopefully, this year's experience will aid in developing a successful program that will carry over into the '83-84 season.

## Spring sports look promising

The outlook for the spring season looks very promising after evaluating past successes of our teams and the practices of this final season of the school year.

After capturing the State title for two consecutive years, Coach O'Connell hopes for this year's baseball team are expressed in his slogan "83 in '83." This year the team will attempt to make Rutgers Prep history and State tourney history as the first baseball team to win three titles in a row.

"One of our biggest strengths," commented O'Connell, "will be the attitude of our returning ball players. They don't know what it's like to lose after being State Champs for two years."

Mr. Mike Della, the lacrosse coach, shares the same enthusiasm for his team. "For the beginning practices we are looking pretty good considering we have not worked on a tremendous amount of drills or team play." Coach Della foresees many team strengths that will make a successful season. These include enthusiasm, patience, movement of offense, an unselfish attack, and a very coachable group of boys. The team will look for leadership from seniors Amiel Bethel, Paul Scialabba, Ken Sweeney, Steve Haas, and Rod Calafati.

For the boys' varsity tennis team,

there are great expectations for a successful season. Coach Ernie Katko, formerly of Liberty College, has taken the position to lead a strong, anxious and talented crew. Practices basically include strengthening the basic stroke skills and running many sprints to improve movement on the court. At present, they are playing each other off in order to determine the future line-up. The team faces tough competition with a schedule of 24 matches along with the

State and County tournaments.

The varsity softball team, led by Coach Sue Leach and assistant coach Al Bertsch, looks to the upcoming season with optimism. Currently, practices focus on the infield and also stress the importance of physical conditioning. Although the team faces tough competition, Coach Leach feels that the outlook is promising especially since "this year's girls are psyched and ready for the new season."



Paul Scialabba demonstrating the motion one offense.

photo by Anita Kothari