

## Key figure from UN at UB

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

On February 3, 2000, the University of Bridgeport hosted the President of the 54th session of the United Nations General Assembly, Dr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, in his first speech out of the United Nations. Dr. Gurirab was also named honorary fellow to the New England Center (NEC). Neil Salonen, the recently appointed president of the University was in attendance.

Dr. Gurirab was appointed president of the General Assembly late last year. He explained his tardy arrival to the audience of over 100 students, staff and faculty as being due to the bad weather and an accident on 1-95.

The speaker is from Namibia, Southern Africa, and still serves as Foreign Minister there. He was in exile for 27 years while the country was held by South Africa. After Namibia gained its independence in 1990, a process Dr. Gurirab was instrumental in, he helped draft the country's first constitution.

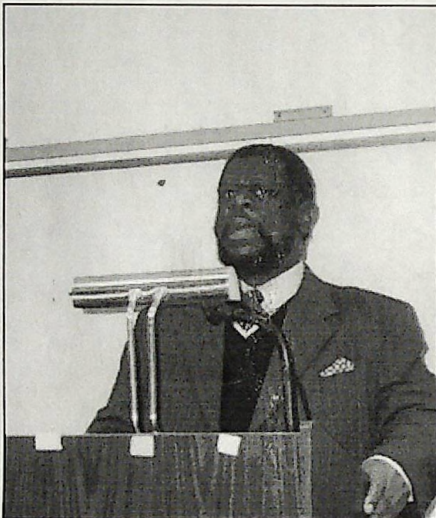
He won a United Nations fellowship in 1963 and came to the United States to study. He has worked with the United Nations for over 35 years and has held posts such as

Dean of African Foreign Ministers, South West Africa People's Organization's

equality, children's rights and protection, the record of UN member states, industry and academia alike stinks to high heaven."

He believes the global community is integrating and fragmenting at the same time, "and the UN's efforts towards peace and development are constantly being frustrated."

His term in the UN will concentrate on "especially the horrible plight of the world's children, especially the phenomenon of child soldiers." He said, "I have made use of every possible opportunity to speak up of the shame, neglect and inhumanity that



Dr. Gurirab, current president of the UN General Assembly spoke of problems within the UN

(SWAPO) chief representative to the United Nations while this organization fought for an independent homeland.

Dr. Stoyan Ganev, head of the NEC and former President of the 47th session of the United Nations General Assembly, introduced Dr. Gurirab.

Dr. Gurirab mentioned that he had grown up with the perception that the UN was an entity that was caring and thoughtful. However, he said "I am afraid that in the critical and challenging field of nuclear disarmament, human relations, disparities between the haves and the have-nots, gender

this most reprehensible situation imposes on the world leaders and the member states of the United Nations."

Another issue that Dr. Gurirab strongly addressed was that of debt cancellation. "An extra act of generosity is to outright forgive the loans of developing countries." He believes that this will then give the developing countries a "second chance."

He was given a standing ovation by the audience who seemed to appreciate the president's candor on the usefulness of the United Nations.

## Fake gun scare

by John E. Musser

The spring semester started out with a scare at UB as a 14-year-old boy pulled out what appeared to be a 9mm automatic pistol on student Nishant Ballah. The incident occurred close to Marina Dining Hall.

On the afternoon of Janu-

tion to Sgt. Rodriguez.

As soon as Rodriguez saw the 9mm replica, he approached the suspect with the vehicle, jumped out of the vehicle, and unbuckled his holstered weapon. With his hand on his weapon, he yelled to him to drop the gun. The



Sgt. Rodriguez bravely approached a youth who had threatened a UB student with a fake gun

ary 31, Sergeant Ramon Rodriguez "noticed five male youths walking in a group east on University Ave" near Chaffee Hall. Since they looked suspicious, Rodriguez parked his unmarked security vehicle behind Marina Dining Hall to watch what they did.

It wasn't long before Nishant Ballah, walking to dinner at Marina was confronted by one of the neighborhood youths who rudely asked him what he was looking at. The youth probably did not appreciate Mr. Ballah's response and with a pistol in hand, threatened to shoot him. At this point, Mr. Ballah decided that Marina would be a better place to be, and left the situa-

suspect then dropped the gun and Rodriguez told all five kids to get against the near-by fence.

It was at this point that Rodriguez was able to pick up the gun and realize that it was only a replica of a 9mm automatic, and not a real pistol.

The Bridgeport Police was then called and two other security officers helped in detaining the suspects.

The Police taught these five boys a lesson by taking away their pellet gun and making them apologize to Sgt. Rodriguez. After the apology, they were allowed to leave the

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## Business club to open convenience store

by Jack Ndombi

The Business Club has been planning to open a convenience store on campus. Their objective is to provide the students of the University of Bridgeport (UB) easy access to personal products that they need when they need them.

"In addition to selling merchandise we also plan to provide other services especially faxing and photocopying for cheaper prices than those available now on campus," said Linda Ruzickova, Vice-President of the Business Club. "The store will be open until, approximately 1 a.m.," added Ms. Ruzickova.

"Another idea is that we

will have students bring their old text books and we will sell them on their behalf for a small fee of about a dollar," said Galya, a member of the business club. "By doing this the students will be able to buy books for cheaper and at the same time get more money from selling them."

"The main objective of the

store will be to provide students with products and services for a cheaper price and be easily accessible," said Professor Robert Todd. "The store will be run and managed entirely by the students," added Professor Todd. "It will be a wonderful experience for the students since they will be getting hands on experience of what they learn in class."

The convenience store will be located in the John Cox Student Center under the Ms.

Dawn Valenti's office. This was the former location of the UB bank.

"We hope to start the convenient store with the backing of the Student Congress and any profits earned will be shared between the Business Club and the Student Congress. Although the plans for the convenience store are not certain, we hope to get started this semester. Our main deterrent right now is lack of resources," said Ms. Ruzickova.

If the plans go through, the convenience store will provide students of the business school

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## On Campus

## Blood drive a success

On Tuesday, February 15, the American Red Cross held a blood drive in the Social Room of the Cox Student Center from 11am to 3:45 pm. Edina Oestreicher, the director of student programming at UB, organized the event, as she does twice each year. Approximately fifty-five volunteers gave blood, although around sixty-five had actually made appointments.

The hospitals in Connecticut are currently facing a shortage of blood. This is partially due to the cold weather, during which more people come down with the flu and the com-

mon cold. Since you are not allowed to give blood while sick, more potential donors are turned away. Blood drives such as these help to make up the difference.

Edina Oestreicher said, "For each person that donates blood, the blood can be used to save the lives of at least three people, through surgeries or transfusions."

The next UB blood drive will be held in October. Those who wish to donate earlier may call

1-800-GIVE-

LIFE, and the Red Cross will connect them with a local blood drive.



The blood drive attracted many people willing to give their share

## Barnum's washing woes



On Sunday 6 February, two out of four washing machines were working in Barnum Hall, and three out of the five driers. The situation remains until press time. The independent contractors who are apparently responsible, Mac Gray, have not rectified the situation.

## Student Congress Update

The Student Congress has filed grievances on behalf of the student body concerning the billing and registration process. Anyone who has experienced problems with the Bursar or Registrar is encouraged to submit their complaints to the Student Congress. Concerns should be addressed, in writing, to the Student Congress and left in the Student Congress office.

The Student Congress has undertaken an investigation into the University policy concerning high school students in the classroom. A committee was formed to examine the fiscal and legal issues, and the academic effects of the policy. Anyone wishing to submit comments should contact the chair of the committee, Minori Oshika, at x2048.

Financial allocations should be submitted to the Student Congress before Sunday night of each week in order to be considered by the Financial Committee on the following Tuesday night. Clubs should reserve all necessary facilities and equipment before the allocation is brought to the committee. Anyone who has questions about allocations should contact Chief Financial Officer Lafir Thassim at x2115.

The offices of the Student Congress can be reached at x4818. The Student Congress office is located in Room 231 of the Student Center.

## Career Corner

## Writing A Cover Letter

by Arman Gevorgyan

Your resume is a vital part in your job search. However, you should not just send your resume to the potential employer. Rather, you need to enclose a cover letter to accompany your resume.

The function of the cover letter is to explain to the potential employer why you are applying for the position. Just like your resume, the cover letter should be one page long, printed on good quality paper with standard fonts and font sizes (refer to my last column in The Scribe).

Your cover letter is a business letter and should be written as such. Create your letterhead on top of the letter, stating your name, address and telephone number. If you have an e-mail address which you check daily, it should also be included. A rule of thumb is to apply the "bold" function of your word processor to the letterhead, center it and increase the font by 1-2 points, as compared to the rest of your letter.

Start your letter with the date, then skip one line and write down the information on your addressee. Put down the addressee's name, title and organization to which he/she belongs, followed by the mailing address. Skip

two lines after the mailing address. Now you are ready to address the person to whom you are writing.

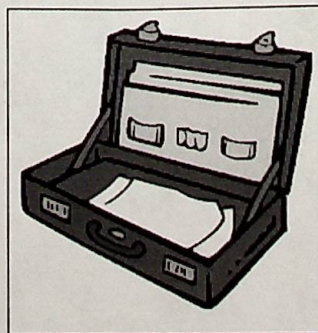
It is generally a good idea to use the last name of your addressee in the greeting to the letter, e.g., "Dear Ms. Burton." Do try to find out the name of your addressee even if it is not listed in the employment ad. That will dis-

tinguish your cover letter from those of other candidates and will show the employer that you consider this job important enough to go ahead and perform some research.

through which you learned about it. It is not advisable to state "My name is..." in the beginning of the letter, as your name is already on the letterhead. Next, put down your present occupation. Indicate the name of the University, your class status (freshman, sophomore), and your major. If you are currently undergoing an internship or employed, be sure to include that as well.

In the next paragraph, list the skills and knowledge that you possess and match them with the requirements listed in the job ad. Make sure that the employer sees you as a good match for the position. You can also put down why this particular position (or industry in general) attracts you and mention additional skills of yours.

At the end of the letter, mention to the employer that you are enclosing your resume. Thank your addressee for reading the letter and inform him/her that you will follow-up one week after the letter is sent. Don't forget to sign the letter before sending it!



tinguish your cover letter from those of other candidates and will show the employer that you consider this job important enough to go ahead and perform some research.

Now comes the body of your cover letter. Start by stating the position for which you are applying and the means

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## UB not too shabby after revovation

by Jack Ndombi

When most students went away to spend Christmas and the New Year with their families, the University was busy doing renovations. These renovations took place in three buildings: the Wheeler Recreation Center, the Marina Dining Hall, and Carstenson Hall. The buildings were selected for renovation mainly because they had needed renovations for some time now and they were areas typically used by students.

The Wheeler Recreation Center, which has not been renovated since its construction in 1979, was revitalized to create a state of the art fitness center so as not only to attract students and faculty but also to increase membership by non-students who can use it as a fitness center. Present renovations were of the field house and the pool area. Floor resurfacing, lobby extensions and a new martial arts studio will be completed by Fall 2000.

According to "Insight," a University of Bridgeport circulation, the budget for the renovation is approximately \$650,000. The money being

used is part of the donation by Dr. Hak Ja Moon last summer, which was made especially for that purpose.

The renovations of the Marina Dining Hall, which were scheduled to be complete by last Wednesday, are now in their last phase.

The renovations included a new drop ceiling, new lighting, new fire alarm systems, new emergency lighting and exit signs; also the floor tiles



The original plans for the renovation of Marina do not compare to how it looks now

were repaired and the walls have been repainted. "The renovations have improved the atmosphere and feel of the Marina," and "it looks brighter" were the general statements given by most of the students. Most students who are smokers noticed that smoking sections in the Mari-

na have been reduced. Marina Dining Hall Director Mr. Bill Zimnoch commented it was due to the new fire alarm system.

"For students who miss the frogs due to the new ceiling, I managed to save some of them and you can catch a glimpse of them as you enter the Marina," added Mr. Zimnoch. The "Insight," reported the cost of the rejuvenation at approximately \$75,000.

Carstenson Hall was the third building to be renovated. It serves as the interfaith center for the different religious groups in the school and was renovated to meet with life safety codes it had violated. It was last renovated in 1982 when a former University trustee, Fred Carstenson, after whom it was named, had donated some \$150,000 for its renovation.

According to "Insight," the renovations are almost over and cost approximately \$35,000.

## Who makes up UB?

by Christian Salvatori

According to the most recent statistics about UB, there are a total of 2,686 students enrolled. This number represents all part-time and full-time students throughout the entire school, and indicates a 7.3% increase in enrollment from the previous year and 10.8% from two years ago.

The largest grouping are the undergraduates. In fact, just over 45% or 1,212 of the school's population are undergraduates, with an additional 242 Chiropractic students, 63 Naturopathic students and 1169 graduate students. In terms of the sex ratio there are 11% more undergraduate females than there are males. For the entire UB population there are 53% females and 47% males.

General Studies seems to be the popular choice amongst undergraduate students. Over a quarter of the undergrad population are enrolled in this field. The other popular departments at UB are the Business school and the Engineering & Design department, which have an enrollment of 285 and 199 undergrad students respectively. There are 153 enrolled in the Arts & Sciences department,

83 in both Dental Hygiene and the School of Nations, 58 in Education and Human Resources, and less than 20 teach in the Health Technology, Chiropractic and Naturopathic Medicine departments. In the Graduate and Professional programs, Education & H.R. and Engineering & Design are the two most popular fields, with 533 and 341 students respectively. There are an additional 242 Chiropractic and 182 Business students.

Of the 1,021 international students enrolled in UB the majority come from India (207), China (192), Japan (105), Korea (66) and Bulgaria (61). Interestingly enough, all 61 Bulgarians are undergrads but 19 undergrads from China. The undergraduate population considered by itself comprises of 90 students from Japan, 64 from India, 51 from Korea, 31 from Nepal, and 23 from Russia. In total, over 78 countries are represented in UB.

US students make up 62% of the UB population, with 1,064 being white (non-Hispanic), 282 black, 148 Hispanic, 113 Asian, and 58 being either mixed or some other

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## In search for a new provost

by Zornitza Lilova

Last semester, Dr. Grant stepped down from his Provost position at the University. Since the position can't remain unfilled, a committee was selected to choose a new person to fill this job. The committee was formed following a procedure described in the Faculty handbook. Representatives from all the academic units: all the schools and the administration, as well as a Student Congress representative were members of it.

Two candidates were interviewed by the committee. They were chosen from the list of people who applied for the President position. After speaking with each one individually, the members of the committee were asked to vote on their preferred option. According to Dr. Healey, representing the College of Nations, the candidates were evaluated on how well they fit the description of the Provost position.

The candidates had done advance work in preparation for the interviews and had thorough knowledge of the

University and where it stood. None of them had been connected to the school before. One is from the East Coast and the other is from the Midwest.

A recommendation has been made to President Neil Salonen and it is now up to him to make the pick. The new Provost is expected to take over as soon as possible. Until then, Dr. Grant continues to perform the duties of this university official.

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## Repeat yearbook troubles

by John E. Musser

Last year, several students at UB undertook the task of producing a yearbook. According to Minoru Osaka, the editor at the time, 100 copies of the book were printed at a total cost of \$7000.

The budget that covered the cost of these books came at least in part from the yearbook fee of \$20 that was charged to each of the graduating seniors. Ms. Osaka admits that most of the seniors have not received the yearbooks that they paid for. This is because she "did not get a list of seniors until last week" and even then, there were many mistakes in that list.

Since the list of seniors is inaccurate, as are many of the addresses on the list, they have not been able to ship the books. However, even if they receive an accurate list, it will be impossible to send yearbooks to everyone simply because the budget that was afforded to the group was not sufficient to print enough books for everyone. Ms. Osaka doesn't think this to be as bad as it might sound however, since "most seniors don't seem to care" about getting a

yearbook. She said that it was even hard "to get people to take senior pictures," as they



Many seniors still have not received yearbooks

were not interested in the book. Thus far, she has been sending books to those seniors that specifically asked for them.

Ms. Osaka stated that she wanted to print more yearbooks, but she could not ask the printing company to make more because of problems with the funding. She had several problems with getting money to the printers, even after the allocation was passed.

In addition, when the interim CFO started last year, the allocation process had to be restarted.

Several copies of the yearbook were sold last semester at \$20 apiece, and according to Ms. Osaka, the money obtained through these sales will be used to cover shipping costs when the remaining yearbooks are sent to seniors.

The yearbook that will cover this academic year is expected to be a much shorter, less colorful, paperback version.

According to Edina Oestreich, the advisor of the yearbook, it will be smaller "basically because only a few students... were interested in dedicating the tremendous time and energy it takes to produce a quality yearbook." The few students who seem to be most interested in making a yearbook include Geetha Thamaratnam, Christian Salvatori, and Beylul Solomon.

Oestreich says that the yearbook needs "much improved computer equipment (namely, a scanner and high power computer to handle

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## Scribe Meeting

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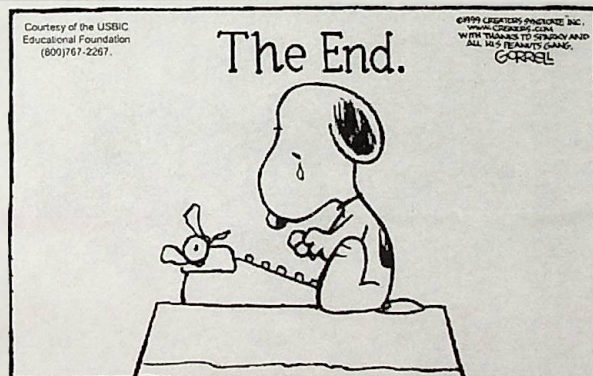
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## Guess Who?



This picture was pulled out of a box under an old table. We think this was a professor who once taught here. Please call X4382 if you know who he is.



## Interfaith center gets a much needed facelift

Cartensen Hall, the University's Interfaith Center, was one of the buildings on campus that received a facelift during the winter intercession. The University hired outside contractors for the job.

Paul Englemann, Director of Facilities Management said that the repairs included life safety issues like fire alarms and exit lighting. Mr. Englemann also said that a few aesthetic repairs were carried out too. These included renovations of the front porch, front hallway, and interior and exterior painting.

Most of the repair work was done during the winter break to avoid shutting it down and causing inconvenience to those using it.

In September 1999, Cartensen Hall had to be closed for two days due to an incident involving a raccoon and a skunk. The animals were trapped and euthanized. The building was checked by the exter-

minator company and all visible holes were sealed.

Mr. Englemann said that all the holes in the building were boarded and all necessary precautions had been taken to avoid similar incidents.

The money for the repair came from the campus Renovation Fund. The funds allotted were for basic repairs, and a lot of additional work on the building still remains to be done. This, however, requires additional funds.

Cartensen Hall is used as an Interfaith Center by the Protestant, Catholic and Muslim ministries on campus. Mr. Englemann said that they were looking at alternative sources or possible ways of coming up

with the necessary funds.

One of the ideas proposed has been to try to get the religious groups using the building to come up with fund raising plans. Until those funds become available, though, new major renovations will have



Cartensen Hall, now a bright sunny color, is ready for worship

## To the next Millennium

by Sara Warfield  
**"M**illennium Time Capsule," the current art exhibit at The University Gallery, has taken the popular millennium theme and twisted it a

said that the gallery wanted an idea that would "avoid the whole millennium cliché" while still recognizing the importance of this monumental point in history.



A message for the next millenium on the last millenium

bit.

The exhibit was designed to reflect "something about who we are and what

we're about as a society" in the year 2000 to an audience in the year 3000, Gallery Director Kaz McCue said. He

Distinguished Juror Harry Philbrick, Director of the Aldridge Museum of Contemporary Art, selected the work of 17 artists from across the United States for "Mil-

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# To serve and protect...

Well, it's nice to know that the men in blue of our proud city are keeping us safe. The other day, some kid walks onto campus, pulls a gun on a student, and where is he today? Well, since the gun, which looked very real, was just a replica, the naughty young man was told to apologize at once to the nice security guard for being such a rascal, and sent on his way with a stern warning.

What is this? In this state, threatening someone with a fake gun is almost as severe as using a real one. And what if he'd been shot? The security guard was using a real gun. After all, the kid was, for all appearances, waving around a deadly weapon. If he'd made a wrong move, he could be yet another body lying on a cold slab in the city morgue.

And, next time, it might not be a toy. I don't really want to end up dead, so that the Bridgeport Police get out

of doing a little paperwork. No offense to the cops...well, actually, yeah. Maybe if they're offended, they'll do their jobs.

It's so nice to know that this youth will now grow up with a healthy respect for authority and the law. After all, why ruin the life of a kid, busting him for scaring someone with a fake gun, when you can wait and arrest the drug dealer that he'll become after he's killed a couple of people. It's nice that they have higher goals.

I am so glad that the police of this city are taking such pains to protect its residents. If the cops are not going to take the law seriously, then how can we expect anyone else to? I would ask these officers to look at their conduct, perhaps casting aside the years of hardening that makes them not give a damn anymore, but they obviously have neither the time nor the inclination. After all, Boston Cream waits for no man.

# UB smokeless?

The issue of smoking on campus is one that has reared its head several times in the past. It seems now that the school has decided to take a stand on it. Rumor has it that Marina dining hall is to go smoke free.

There are many who would applaud this. After all, the non-smokers have had to endure the fog that drifts over the invisible wall drawing distinction between the smoking area (the larger part of the cafeteria) and the non-smoking area (the line of tables along the window). This semester, there has been a reversal in the arrangement.

However, it seems that there are people who have advanced the idea that smokers have rights too. Really, we hadn't noticed. The issue seems to be non-smokers have to sit in the same room as non-smokers and take in the second hand smoke. This seems to be a good time to mention that it seems non-smokers have rights too. We hadn't noticed.

Apparently, a committee has been/will be formed to deal with this matter. On that committee will be students (2), professors, and administrators. How many of them will be smokers?

It is rumored that T-Maria will also come under consideration. Better watch out, Marco, there will go 65% of your clients. Smokers' culture seems

to dictate a smoke after a meal, especially while in the company of friends. T-Maria, the one place on campus to hang out and eat, may just lose its patrons who refuse to keep leaving the building for a smoke.

The question is why now? Perhaps it is because of the white, white walls in Marina. There is one theory the smoking ban stems from the desire to keep those walls white and clean. God forbid it stems from the concern of people having to inhale second hand smoke.

Instead of completely banning smoking in Marina, why not utilize the small dining room for smokers? Last semester the New Eden High School kids used the dining room to eat in. This semester they have mingled with us natives. That leaves the small dining room free. A thought?

For some time now, smoking has been banned in the public buildings, like classrooms. Then there is the substance-free dorm, Barnum. The next step is shaping out to be a smoke free dining hall and perhaps cafe. Is UB to become a smoke-free school? That we don't know yet. But surely, there has to be a better way to get stragglers out of Marina - those people who stay behind after a meal to smoke and are there until most of the staff has gone home.

*The Scribe would like to extend an invitation to the staff and faculty of the University to submit old pictures of themselves for the "Guess Who?" section. Try it and see if anyone recognizes you!*

*Should any professor be interested in writing for the Professor's Commentary section, please contact The Scribe at X4382. If there is an issue you think that will interest the University community, please let us know!*

*If you are curious, bright, talented, and smart, you probably already work for The Scribe. Riiiiiggghht????? Come join the fun-Meeting: Thursday 8:30pm Student Center 2nd Floor*

# SPORTS On The Spot

*Do you think there's adequate security on campus?*



"As far as I know, we do. I think security on campus work hard to keep this campus safe."

Vincencia Adusei



"For the most part, I'd say "yes" but I haven't seen any incident

that would make me think otherwise. They're a tight organization from what I've seen.

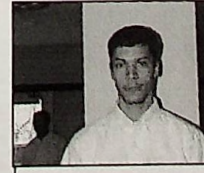
Jeff Loyd



"The security on campus is good. Everywhere I go I see a security guard. I feel

safe even though I live at home."

Steve Padilla



"No. I don't think we do. Most schools have ID cards that have a bar-code so you can enter the

building; only Warner has that. However, as you walk you do see a lot of security so that makes me feel safe.

Michael McCarthy Jr.



"As far as I know, the security here has been able to maintain the peace, so I would

say yes."

Joy Kampilel



"Yeah, I guess the campus is pretty safe, maybe because of the campus security.

They really do a good job, making the campus safe. But once you go off campus...take it easy."

Joy Kampilel



"Since we are walking around with a PAD that doesn't always

work I will say No! unless you are a strong man's arm."

Lacrisa Wright



"I see a lot of security walking around, on the other hand I never see them doing

anything."

Shawna Reeves

## Classifieds

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scene. This seems a rather light penalty, as according to Captain Mooney, head of Campus Security, "a replica of a weapon is the same as the real thing in the eyes of the law."

Mr. Mooney was very pleased with Rodriguez' performance, issuing a letter of commendation and submitting his name for security officer of the quarter for the entire Burns Security organization.

Sgt. Rodriguez had never been in such a potentially life-threatening position, but stated, "I shouldn't be in this line of duty if I wasn't willing to take on the responsibility." He bravely claims that "I would rather myself get shot than live with knowing that a student was killed because I didn't do my job."

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ethnicity. Of the 1,665 US students, 1,054 come from this state, 345 from New York, 96 from New Jersey, 38 from Massachusetts, and the remaining 132 from one of the other 32 states represented in UB.

There are 94 full-time and 264 part-time teachers here at UB. This rounds off to a less than 8:1 teacher-student ratio. The University employs a further 222 individuals, of which just 39 are part-time.

Where retention is concerned, 79% of the freshmen eventually make it into their sophomore year, and 54% of them graduate within six years. That is, 46% of freshmen (excluding transfers) do not stay long enough to get a UB graduation certificate.

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graphics) to be able to more easily produce a better product. But still, even with improved facilities, what the yearbook needs most is students willing to take photos at the many events, do layout, write text and do the myriad other tasks involved."

According to Geetha Thamaratnam, 300 yearbooks will be made for this year, at \$10 a piece. This will be enough for approximately 225 seniors who will be graduating, and still have some remaining for records and general sale.

Even though the yearbook has a budget of \$7000, only \$3000 will be used because the rest of the money "was already spent on last year's yearbook," according to Ms. Thamaratnam.

She is not sure whether the seniors will still be charged \$20 even though the books will only cost \$10 to make.

## IRC visits Chinatown

On Feb 7, the International Relations Club hosted a trip to Chinatown in New York City to celebrate the Chinese New Year. The bus left from Mandeville Hall at eight o'clock in the morning, and returned at eight o'clock at night.

In Chinatown most students attended a parade on Canal Street. It celebrated the year of the Dragon and was complete with the traditional Chinese Dragon Dance. Many residents showed up to celebrate the holiday with

with experience of accounting, management and marketing.

"It will also be a source of employment for students on campus, since it will need people to sell and run the store." Professor Todd also added

"It is a wonderful idea" commented UB student Ambica Gupta "It will be convenient for I won't have to go off campus."

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lennium Time Capsule."

"I hoped that the work would provide insight into what we think and how we think about it," Mr. Philbrick said.

The exhibit carries a few dominant ideas, especially the theme of the feminist perspective of the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

This is especially apparent in Susan Nichter's heavy and somewhat graphic paintings. One of these depicts a woman casually giving birth, a crying infant's head poking out of the mother's body, while a man plays with a technological toy.

The ever-present theme of advancing technology, for better or worse, is also apparent in several pieces. Other themes include the reflections of major historical events and movements on today and the ideas of modern art within modern art.

One piece displays the layout in ruins which would seem to the viewer to reflect on historical events rather than on modern society but interestingly reports "how the present society reports on the past," said Prof. McCue.

Prof. McCue also stressed the importance of simply viewing art for art's sake.

"[We want] to leave the door open and leave [the exhibit] to the audience's imagination. People think that because it's art, you have to get it. We're trying to break them of that," he said.

"Millennium Time Capsule" was produced in collaboration with the Women's Caucus for Art.

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style.

After the parade, students left to freely wander around the city. All were supposed to meet back on Canal Street at six o'clock in the evening. There was some excitement and confusion toward the end, as the group lost one of the buses. The vehicle was soon found, and everything went back to normal.

The International Relations Club is planning another bus trip soon, possibly to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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excellent game going six of fifteen from the field with fourteen points and pulling down a mammoth twenty-two rebounds to complete her first double-double. What a find she has been for head coach Greene. Ryan Vicino followed up Wednesday's performance with a solid eleven points and eight rebounds. Starting guard Hiroko Uchiiri had by far her best outing of the season going four for nine from the field with fifty percent shooting from three-point range, scoring a total of eleven points. This game also showed an improvement in our free throw shooting as the team went nine for fifteen from the line.

Fatima Carvey continues to draw accolades this season being named this week's NCAA rookie of the week for her exceptional performances. She is currently twenty-second in the nation (Division II) in rebounds averaging over ten a game. She also continues her streak having started every contest this season. Sophomore guard Tanisha Hubbard is forty-fourth in the nation (Division II) in scoring at just under eighteen points a contest. She is second in the NECC in scoring and in three-point field goals made per contest averaging over two a game.

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# Valentine's Day dance a success

by Ambica Gupta

The Valentine's Dance, a semi-formal party was hosted by the Student Congress on Friday, 11th of February. It was the first party of the Spring semester. It was organized by the Special Events Committee comprised of 10 members. They got their funding from the Financial Committee. The money paid by the students as activities' fee was contributed towards the party which was free for all UB students.

Considering that the party was held at the beginning of a new semester, the turnout was huge, about 200 to 250 people attended the dance. The Valentine's Dance was held for a good four hours from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00a.m. Initially the place was empty, but students started pouring in; by 11:30 p.m. the place was full. The Social Room of the Student Center was nicely decorat-

ed. The refreshments at the party was a usual affair with chips and sodas being served.

A professional DJ—Eddi Gutierrez was called for the second time for

appeasing the eclectic crowd.

But, it evoked mixed reactions among the students. There were some who enjoyed the music thoroughly and a few who left dissatisfied.



a UB on-campus party. The first time he came was at the Winter Prelude, which was a fair success. This time he played a variety of music from reggae and rap to hip-hop and techno,

Unlike many other parties, a lot of graduate students were also seen. Many new students came to the dance eager and enthusiastic to attend their first party at UB. There was romance and excitement in the air as the latter half of the party saw couples dancing arm in arm to slow and soft music. One thing good

about the party was that spirits were high the dancing continued till the very end. So, overall, the Valentine's Dance was a grand success.

# Sitar recital promotes lessons here at UB

by Andrea Koehler

On Feb 7, at six o'clock p.m., the UB Music Department hosted a faculty concert in the Littlefield Recital Hall. The concert featured the Sitar and Tabla and lasted for two hours, during which the audience, comprised both of students and faculty, sat in utter silence. Afterward, many expressed how much they enjoyed the performance.

Melissa Merced, a senior, said: "I thought it was very good." Professor Edward Geist, a member of the English Department, was quoted calling the concert "...Stupendous. Strictly out of this world."

The selections played that evening were called "Raga Yaman" and "Hamgsua Dhama." Both were evening ragas; that is, they are

only played in the evening.

The performers, Prasanna Kumar on the sitar, and Naren Bhudhakar on the Tabla, both teach their respective instruments here at the University. Mr.

tigious concerts in the United States, Canada and India. He is also a member of a rock band called "Wyldie Olde Souls."

The sitar and the tabla are traditional Indian instruments. The sitar is a long necked, stringed instrument that is over eight hundred years old. The tabla is a percussion instrument, consisting of two drums: a high drum and a bass drum. It is almost two hundred years old.

Dr. Geoffrey Johnson of the Music Department, who arranged the concert, said that both instruments were presently being offered as major instruments to those music majors who wished to concentrate in music performance, and further commented that this was an exciting initiative.



Students were treated to the sounds of the Sitar and Tabla, Asian instruments

Kumar has been playing the sitar for over thirty years, ever since the age of nine, and has performed at many pres-

# Brazilian Capoeira delights UB audience

by Trinity Belgrave

On Saturday, Feb 5, the first of a series of free concerts presented by the University Gallery and MACH, was held at the Littlefield Recital Hall. The concert featured Brazilian Efraim Silva who demonstrated one of Brazil's unique art forms - Capoeira.

Capoeira incorporates aspects of dance, music gymnastics and martial arts into a seamless art form, which is as enjoyable to watch as Mr. Silva has been demonstrating it. Mr. Silva, who presently teaches a MACH class in Breul Hall on Friday afternoons, noted that it was a form of martial arts that involved no physical contact, and therefore could be taught in schools. He said that people of all ages could participate in it, although, admittedly, not all to the same degree. During the performance the energetic

Mr. Silva handed out sticks to members of the audience, inviting them on to the stage. A lot of them readily did so, becoming part of the performance that they came to see. Demonstrating his considerable



The Brazilian group gave tips on how to Samba

charisma, Mr. Silva got the audience on stage with him, dancing from the youngest to the oldest. When he

eventually did reclaim the stage for himself, he demonstrated some of the more difficult skills involved in Capoeira to the delight of the seated audience members, who seemed relieved not to be taking part at that point. He demonstrated the use of various instruments, some unique to Brazil, others known to the audience by other names. He invited two delighted youngsters to join him on the stage with a quick lesson on how to use the instruments. At the end of the performance, along with statements about his country's soccer prowess, he gave the audience a quick lesson in Samba and tips on how to participate in the Brazilian Carnival. For those who were there, it was an excellent performance, and many left still humming and moving to the beats of Capoeira.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, February 17

Meet the new Career Counselor

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"Love Talk" Coffee House

6:30 - Carstensen

Friday, February 18

Drop-in workshop - Prepare for

your career

1:30 - 3:30 pm

Career Services Office

Saturday, February 19

Gymnastics meet R.I.C.

1 pm

Wheeler Recreation Center

Monday, February 21

"Millennium Time Capsule"

Show Exhibit at the UB Art

Gallery

Friday, February 25

Faculty Piano Recital

David Korevaar plays the music

of Bartok and Liszt

Spin, Littlefield Recital Hall

Saturday, February 26

Basketball vs. Teikyo Post U

6 pm

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Purple Knights'

# Sports



## Women's gymnastics ranked 4th in nation

by Trinity Belgrave

On February 5 our gymnasts competed against Yale and MIT at the John J. Lee Amphitheater in New Haven. We finished with a team total of 188.075. This score, although our highest of the season thus far, placed us behind the host team, Yale, who, taking advantage of their home floor, finished with a total of 190.450. MIT finished a distant third with a total of 175.725.



Laura McFarland in a home meet against Springfield

Leading the way for UB was senior Casi Clayton who finished second in the all around competition with a total score of 38.375. She did not place lower than fifth on any apparatus on the day. The top finisher all around was Yale's Andrea Wolf who finished with a total score of 38.600. Freshman Joey-Marie Kochanski finished fourth with a

total score of 38.025 and rounding off the top five was Angela Currie with a score of 37.675.

This performance improves our ladies to fourth in the nation overtaking Alaska University who held the fourth spot the last week. Angela Currie is currently second in the nation in Division II she is closely followed by senior Casi Clayton ranked fourth. Also in the top thirty-two are freshman Joey-Marie Kochanski ranked eleventh, junior Laura McFarland ranked twenty-fifth, freshman Tracy Vassaluzzo ranked thirtieth and sophomore Teri Melsch ranked thirty-first in the nation. With six ladies in the top thirty-two we have more than any other college.

## Men's basketball working through season

by Trinity Belgrave

The men's basketball team on Wednesday Feb 2 avenged an earlier season two-point loss to Felician College with a come from behind victory. Down by six at the half the Knights battled back with an immense defensive effort holding the Felician men to twenty-five second half points. The Knights were led by senior forward David Lemanczyk who had a game high twenty-two points. He also pulled down sixteen rebounds. He was aided by Dennis Eanotti who led in rebounding with eighteen boards, twelve of them offensive, he also contributed twelve points to the UB cause. Off the bench Rocky Ferrante in thirteen minutes of play contributed ten points

going four for seven from the field, two for four from beyond the arch. With some more consistency from the free-throw line the margin of victory would have been greater than four but at the end of the day our Purple Knights had achieved their second victory of the season, their first at home in front of an appreciative crowd.

On Feb 12 David Lemanczyk again lead the way for UB scoring twenty-two points this time however in a losing effort. Playing against division rivals Tiekkyo Post he also lead the team in rebounding pulling down eight. In this game five of our players got into double figures. James Williams contributed sixteen, as did sophomore Erik Smiles. Freshman T.J. Newman scored fifteen points and Dennis Eanotti

scored thirteen points. It was a good shooting game for Bridgeport as we shot forty-five percent from the field including ten for twenty-two from three point range. The efforts were in vain as the UB Knights went down ninety-four to one hundred and thirteen.

David Lemanczyk who has scored eighty-three points in the last four games, was named to the New England College Conference Honor Roll last week. Erik Smiles is among the conference leaders in free throw percentage shooting nearly eighty-two percent from the field. He also shoots over forty percent from behind the arch averaging nearly two three pointers a game. Bridgeport is second in the NECC in three point shot percentage.

## Freshman shines in dismal season

by Trinity Belgrave

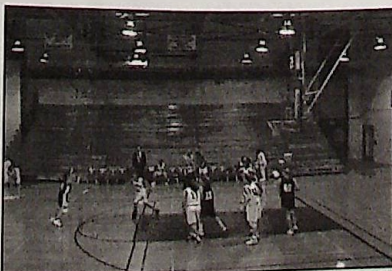
Our women's basketball team played at home for the second time since the semester opened when they faced division rivals Felician College. In a disappointing performance earlier this season we went down thirty-six to eighty on their court. This affair was a much more competitive one.

We trailed early in the first half and images from the earlier season encounter must have flashed in the minds of the ladies from Felician. This was not to be. Our ladies played hard and cut a double-digit lead to within two. We went into the half down twenty-four to twenty.

Early in the second half, the momentum still with us, we fought hard and after several opportunities finally took the lead in the game. We extended our lead to eight but that was as large as it was to be. The ladies from Felician after the scare cut the deficit and never looked back pulling away

and winning the game by fourteen.

Bridgeport sophomore guard Tanisha Hubbard shone once again for the Knights as she scored twenty-nine points to lead all scores going thirteen on thirty from the field. Freshman



rebounding machine, Fatima Carvey, despite a second half scare, grabbed a game high sixteen rebounds.

On Feb 9 our ladies traveled up to the University Of New Haven to play in the Charger Gymnasium. This game, although resulting in a disappointing

thirty-one-point loss, had two outstanding performances by members of our freshman class. Fatima Carvey, grabbed, a then career high, twenty rebounds and scored nine points. Our other starting forward, Freshman Ryan Vicino, delivered a present to the team on her nineteenth birthday scoring a season, and game, high twenty-five points.

In last Saturday's game at Tiekkyo Post University we suffered a ninety-eight to sixty-one point loss at the hands of the host team. The Tiekkyo Post scoring was well balanced with six players getting into double figures. The scoring was also well balanced for UB as all four scorers got into double figures. Tanisha Hubbard led the way with twenty-five points shooting five of fifteen from beyond the arch. She was followed in scoring by Fatima Carvey who had an

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## Scoreboard

### Gymnastics

Date	Meet	Score
2/12	@Yale University/ MIT	188.075 (7-1)

### Men's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Score	(Overall)
2/2	Felician College	W,67-63	(2-19)
2/5	@New Hampshire Coll.	L,69-118	(2-20)
2/9	@U. of New Haven	L,78-90	(2-21)
2/12	@Tiekkyo Post	L,94-113	(2-22)

### Women's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Score	(Overall)
2/2	Felician College	L,57-63	(0-19)
2/5	New Hampshire Coll.	L,36-87	(0-20)
2/9	U.of New Haven	L,53-84	(0-21)
2/12	Tiekkyo Post U	L,61-99	(0-22)

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