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Dear Editor,

My name is Todd Schwartz. I am the Senator for the College of Imaging Arts & Sciences. This is in response to the opinion article from "Chris Parker."

I am extremely perturbed at the fact that an article was written when little or no research was done before you formed your judgements. If you had done any exploring, you would have found out first what my name is. You would have also discovered that I have gone into two of the three Freshman Lecture classes. I have also been in contact with different clubs and special interest houses (i.e. Photo House) connected to CIAS.

Regarding the CIAS RoundTable, the RoundTable did accomplish many things last year; although there were some communication problems, that I will not dispute. The RoundTable had no active role in the removal of the Textiles program, for the decision was made and implemented during the summer months. This is unfortunate, but at this time, the School of American Craft is doing all that they can to help the students of the Textiles program.

On the subject concerning the split of the School of Art & Design, it has not been formally announced due to the fact that it has only been ratified just recently. This split was proposed by the faculty for the purpose of making the programs more "Marketable" to students and to prospective employers.

I have been working with the RoundTable to restructure the organization, to be more true to its nature. One fact that I cannot overlook is that there were 2,400 letters sent out this year for representation to the RoundTable. Less than 20 students responded. Those who did respond did not reflect the complete diversity of our majors that is within the College of Imaging Arts & Sciences. It is unfortunate that we have students who question whom is representing them, if they have not attempted to represent themselves.

As Senator, I am working hard with the administration of the College to improve relations and communications for all members within the College and the Institute as a whole. This will not happen overnight and I cannot do this alone. If you have complaints about your College, I challenge you to become active in your College and help facilitate change in a constructive manner. If you want to know how to get involved in your College, contact me through either the Dean's office or the Student Government office.

If any students of any of the other Colleges want to get involved in your College or the Institute, contact your Dean's office or stop by the Student Government office.

Sincerely,

Todd H. Schwartz

CIAS Student Government Senator

"...Find out what it means to me...." are lines from a well-known song written by Aretha Franklin who had some idea of what the word RESPECT actually meant. In her song, she asks her significant other for a little respect, which is not an uncommon request that most of us require for one another. We ask that our privacy be respected, our own choices and opinions, our belongings and also—our bodies. I do not feel that this is a difficult request by any means, but evidently some individuals or groups consider this to be an imposition.

If you have had the opportunity to take a look at Campus Safety's "Safety Beat," then you have some idea about what I am talking about. Most of the incidents on the back page involve some type of violation and show the evidence of disrespect. Stolen wallets, money, cars, personal belongings and vandalism to school property are some examples of students' disrespect for others and our tuition money. Just last week, my friend had a binder stolen out of a classroom that had all of his bills, mail and a check for a significant amount of money.

Disrespect is not only about stealing things, it is also about violations of one another. Harassing phone calls and email, road rage, the use of "Roofies," rape and sexual assault are also included in the disrespect that occurs on this campus all the time. Just because these incidents aren't always listed in the "Safety Beat," doesn't mean they don't happen. Many of you are probably aware of the recent sexual assaults in the Brockport area, and because of them, RIT has taken several steps to educate their students, as well as increase safety conditions on campus. Now, we know that these happen all the time; the question is why?

Why do some people feel that it is okay for them to behave in such a disruptive manner? What makes them any different from anyone else? Who gives them the right to violate a certain level of respect? What is the proper punishment for these offenses? Well, if these are some of the questions that you have been asking – take a look at the sexual assault stories in this issue. It might give you some insight to different horror stories and maybe make you aware of some dangers that exist in our daily lives.

Kelley M. Harsch

Editor In Chief

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NEWS

Candlelight March Aimed to End Abuses

Rochester is blessed with an abundance of active community organizations. This holiday season, local groups including Metro Justice, the Rochester Council on Occupational Safety and Health (ROCOSH), the Union of Needletraders, Industrial, and Textile Employees (UNITE), the Service Employees International Union 1199 (SEIU), the Rochester Coalition on Latin America (ROCOLA), and Common Ground have joined in a nationwide effort to end child labor and sweatshop abuses. They have dubbed this holiday shopping season a "Season of Conscience" in which consumers are encouraged to take responsibility for their purchases by refusing to buy products made by children or workers laboring in sweatshops. They are also asking government officials to introduce and support legislation requiring that the apparel used to outfit mail carriers, sanitation crews, and other government employees be purchased from companies which do not violate the basic human rights of their workers.

For the showcase event of the season, members, friends, and family of the many Rochester community groups as well as other concerned individuals gathered together in the chill of early evening, December 3, 1997 for a candlelight march. The march began at the Sister Cities Bridge. Marchers of all ages, about a hundred strong and equipped with candles and flashlights, then proceeded to the Federal Building. Petitions asking the President and Congress to pressure corporations to stop human rights violations were presented to Congresswoman Louise Slaughter. Slaughter pledged her concern and support and promised to deliver the petitions to President Clinton. The next stop was City Hall where County Legislator Bill Benet, an active participant throughout the "Season of Conscience," stated that he

would sponsor a bill for Monroe County to boycott companies that use sweatshop and child labor. A few other communities have already adopted such legislation. The warmth of the Downtown United Presbyterian Church was the final destination of the march where a pot luck dinner was served.

The evening was highlighted with a presentation by Reverend Dick Gilbert, a member of ROCOLA who recently journeyed to McAllen, Texas, a city that lies directly on the Mexican border. He showed a video provided by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce which portrays McAllen as an economically booming city where the citizens live a true "country club existence" complete with golf courses, palm trees, and beaches. The Chamber of Commerce failed to show, however, the side of McAllen that Reverend Gilbert and the others he was with saw during their visit to the maquiladoras—sweatshops located on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border. They saw (and smelled) the water and air pollution and traced sewage pipes to the source within corporate compounds. They witnessed a labor force where workers on the Mexican side of the border earned one tenth to one fifteenth of workers on the American side. They traveled to shanty towns called "colonias" where workers lived in shacks made of cardboard with miserable corrugated tin roofs, while their managers lived "the country club existence" in gated communities. To build their houses, workers had to BUY the used cardboard shipping boxes from their employers. The ROCOLA members also met workers whose babies had been born with spina bifida or without brains because of unsafe working and living conditions.

As the "Season of Conscience" continues, the Rochester community groups urge consumers to avoid purchasing products from some of the worst human rights offenders including: Nike, Disney, Guess, Kmart, JC Penney, Walmart, and the May Co., which owns Kauffmans and Lord & Taylor. They instead encourage support of companies such as Levi's, Reebok, Liz Clairborne, and the Gap, as well as locally owned Don Allensons Athletic Wear, The Good Company Store, and One World Goods. These companies either have good labor track records or have successfully improved previously deplorable conditions.

by Sarah Brownell

Mo' Money

Surely we all can relate to the stereotype of the college student being broke all the time. Besides tuition, room and board, there are all of the other "hidden expenses." No one needs to explain what these extra costs are, since we all share in having them. Unless someone among us has recently won the lottery, some extra money may be in order. Working a job would be practical, but time-consuming. . . so why not try finding free money right in your own room?

The people at Microsoft might be able to help you do just that. Just log onto www.microsoft.com/money/fastweb and download the free trial version of Money 98 Financial Suite, and complete the related application. Once this application is submitted, students can log onto www.fastweb.com and enjoy a complimentary scholarship search. Among the scholarships available, Microsoft is offering ten \$2,500 awards to the students who write the best 500-word essays on "the importance of maintaining financial stability during college and how they believe Money 98 Financial Suite can help make smart financial decisions." (Microsoft News Release)

Besides the scholarship offers within the search, one has the opportunity to peruse financial advice at moneyinsider.msn.com. The site is very impressive and offers basic financial information, tips for effective planning, both long and short term, and a list of resources. So, check it out and you may find some money with your name on it!

For more information and official rules, surf to www.microsoft.com/money/fastweb/guide.htm.

by Jenn Tipton

New Chairman Named

After a three-year stint as Chairman of the Board, William Whiteside Jr. has been named the new Chairman Emeritus of the RIT Board of Trustees. His leadership abilities have been displayed in his work with school president Albert Simone and many of his accomplishments can be seen throughout the campus. The first and only chairman ever to be named from outside the Rochester area, the Philadelphia resident visits the Rochester area occasionally for board meetings and select campus events.

Whiteside is responsible for RIT's Strategic Plan and Program Review as well as the Faculty Evaluation and Development Program. In addition, the American College of Management and Technology in Croatia and the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies were founded under Whiteside's chairmanship. The current renovations being done on residential buildings were also initiated by Whiteside.

Whiteside graduated from Notre Dame and went on to Pennsylvania Law School. He is a partner in the Philadelphia law firm Fox, Rothschild, O'Brien, and Frankel. For his law work, Whiteside has been named to Who's Who in American Law, The Best Lawyers in America, and Who's Who in America. He is also a member of the National Association of College and University Attorneys. In addition, he sits as board member and vice chair in the Philadelphia Police Athletic Club, and has received the Spirit of Life Award from the City of Hope.

by Nick Spittal

World News

* President Clinton has organized an international conference targeted at high-tech crime. Law enforcement officials from the United Kingdom, Germany, Japan, Italy, Canada, France, Russia, and the U.S. have been the first to participate in the ongoing convention. The intent of the meetings is to discuss the ways that countries can cooperate to catch criminals who use the Internet and other new technologies. Specifically, the meetings target pornography on the Internet. Law enforcers will educate one another on how to spot violators.

* They line up every fall and take aim right into the United States. Hundreds of Canadian hunters have built tiny wooden shacks on stilts near the border between Maine and Quebec. Their target is the moose, which are rather scarce on the Canadian side of the border. U.S. game wardens have to play hide-and-seek with the moose poachers, but they usually lose. The hunters manage to escape the wardens by quickly transporting their kills to the Canadian side of the border with ATVs before the wardens arrive.

* In Rome, combining the old with the new is a top priority. A new shopping mall gives customers maximum convenience with 24-hour access to a grocery store, a car dealership, a fitness center, and a cocktail lounge. However, located right in the middle of all of this modern technology are some of the most notable tombs and mosaics in Italy. The ruins were discovered years ago when the mall was first being constructed, but archaeologists demanded preservation of the site. A recent agreement has allowed the mall to be completed under these extraordinary circumstances.

* The government of Singapore is attempting to pass new legislation that will put a ban on all motorcycles. A group of highly aggravated citizens recently came forward with a petition meant to put an end to the noisy intrusion of bikes. The petition centers around the death of an elderly woman, who supposedly experienced a heart attack from the extreme level of volume created by a large group of bikers passing by her residence in the middle of the night. No response has come from motorcyclists yet concerning a violation of rights.

by Jeremy Perkins

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Think you know BULL when you see it?

One of the four blurbs in *World News* is phony.

If you can tell which one it is, then you deserve a gold star.

This week's answer is located on page 30.

LEISURE

Welcome to Lumpy Gravy

Are you tired of studying all the time and not having any fun? Well, take a break from all the stress and escape by reading the comic collection, "Welcome to Lumpy Gravy," by John Long. The book is ridiculously funny and deals with reality—in an unrealistic way.

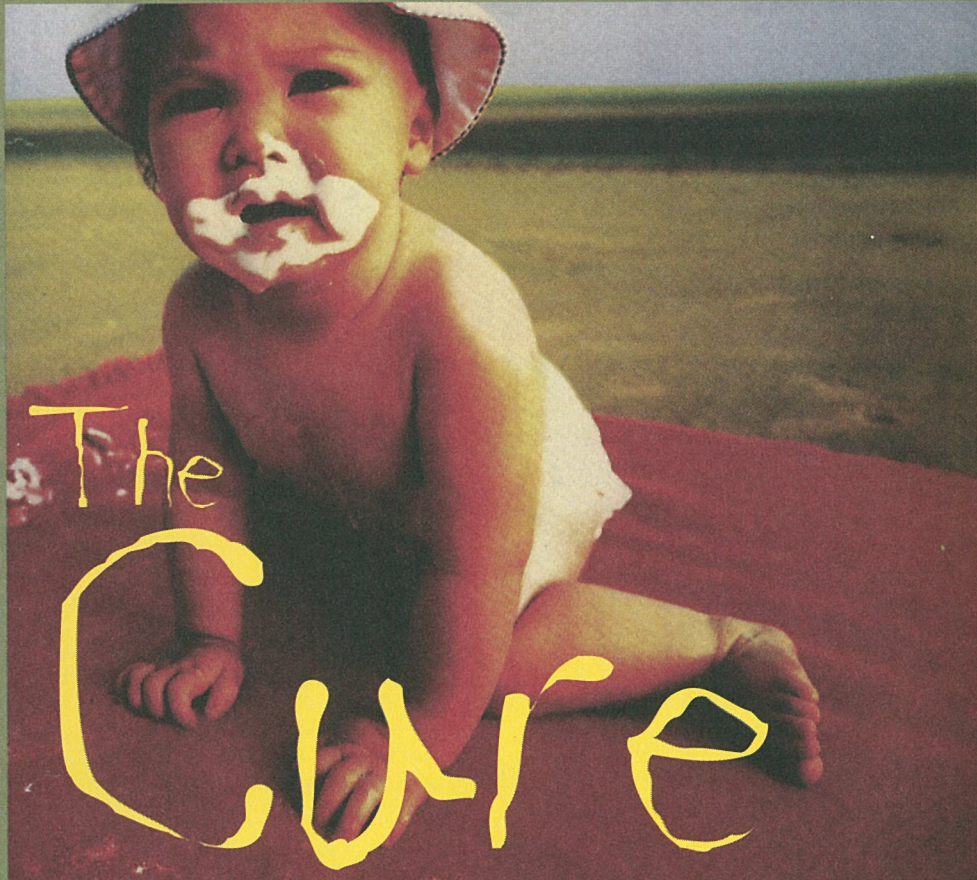
John Long started as a fine artist and firefighter until he and his wife made a bet. Long's wife wanted him to express his humor. Since that day he discovered the art of cartooning, and has not looked back at his previous careers.

"Lumpy Gravy" illustrates his "uncanny ability to see the lighter, often ridiculous, side of things." His artistic ability will amuse you. It is not like any of the comic books that I have read. The way Long thinks of Lumpy Gravy is that, "Life is like lumpy gravy. You try to make it smooth, but somehow it always seems to have lumps." This is exactly what is emphasized in "Welcome to Lumpy Gravy."

Some of my favorites are the mixed breeds of animals that Long draws. For example, an owl and a cow is called a "cowl," or a mosquito and a cow squish together to represent a moosquito.

Lumpy Gravy is like THE FAR SIDE. According to the Detroit News, Lumpy Gravy is better. Long's cartoons are read by millions of people in newspapers such as the Chicago Tribune and the Los Angeles Daily News.

by Jyotica Patel



G a l o r e

Galore, the latest release from the ever-evolving Cure, spans the past decade of their singles, but ends with the brand new "Wrong Number." This song makes the release different from a standard singles collection.

The widely influential band who has been cited as fore-fathers of the industrial/Goth scenes are at their best early on, with tracks like "Why Can't I Be You," "Just Like Heaven" and "Fascination Street," but weaknesses arise in some of their later work.

The new single "Wrong Number" sounds surprisingly upbeat, but contains the trademark piano and affected guitar sounds reminiscent of their old style. The lyrics, however, leave something to be desired. Vocalist Robert Smith

doesn't seem entirely comfortable, and the song lacks the building verses and swirling choruses that the band is known for. As a result the song doesn't achieve much.

The rest of the album's 18 tracks are classic Cure. These were taken from their last five albums, which was their most popular period. The collection is probably best suited for those unfamiliar with the band because it contains their most well-known songs. Fans probably have most of the material already, so it's hard to recommend, except for those die-hard fans who must own everything the band has released.

by Colin Tierney

THE ROADHOUSE GRILL

Looking for a new restaurant with great food and a down-home atmosphere? Well then, shine up your boots and put on your spurs, and head on down to the Roadhouse Grill at Panorama Trail. The building itself gives you a feeling of the experience which awaits you. Looking very much like an old-west saloon, you would almost expect a pair of bat-wing doors to flank the entrance.

Entering the restaurant instantly transports the patron back to the days of the wild west. From the peanut shells on the floor, to the all-wood interior, to the Roadhouse staple "Cowboy Jim" riding a barrel to the right of the entrance. The only thing which gives the place away as a 90's establishment are the neon signs on the outside and the video games in the restaurant's game room.

Walking to a table, it is almost impossible not to notice the kitchen. With nothing but glass separating you from the appetizing food beyond, the saliva starts to run before you even reach your seat. I urge you strongly to take a LARGE appetite with you when you go. The portions are absolutely enormous. But probably the best part is that the prices are so reasonable, you won't have to worry about getting in a shoot-out over the bill.

Also, the Roadhouse offers a special "Lunch in a Rush" menu. The items are specially priced for lunch time, and are brought to you within approximately ten minutes of ordering. This is great for business persons and college students on the run. In addition to the lunch specials they also have happy hour every day from 3:00pm to 7:00pm.

Service is a big seller at the Roadhouse. The staff is friendly and more than accommodating. Unlike some establishments where you have to wait about an hour after you eat to have someone check on you, they are at the table often throughout your stay to make sure everything is all right, and to make sure you're having a good time.

The food at the Roadhouse grill is absolutely spectacular. The burgers are big and juicy, the ribs are tender and flavorful, and the portions



photo by Andrew Gambert

are large enough to feed a small army (or a starving college student). With every meal, patrons also receive a complimentary "bottomless" bucket of peanuts, and fresh store-baked yeast rolls. Also, for dessert is the possibility of home-made ice cream made fresh at the restaurant.

Funniest among the experiences at the Roadhouse is the trip to the bathroom. In the men's room the first thing I noticed, after the cleanliness of the place, was the sports page tacked to a cork board on the wall. After that, I noticed dry-erase boards hanging on either side of the bathroom mirror. And what better to have on them than the amusing jokes popularized by Jeff Foxworthy. Every day they write new jokes which begin: "You might be a redneck if . . ."

So, are there any problems with the Roadhouse? There is only one that comes to mind, and that is the fact that it isn't very close to RIT. About a 20 minute drive to Panorama Trail is enough to discourage many students because of a lack of time. However, the trip is worth it.

At the end of it all, you will probably be very reluctant to leave the Roadhouse. However, if you so desire, you can take a bit of the Roadhouse home with you. Road Wear t-shirts and hats are available to buy at very reasonable prices. So, if you've got a hankering for a world class down-home meal, stop down to the Roadhouse at Panorama Trail.

by Cory Reeve



Cory Sipper SWIMOLOGY

"Swimology" is the debut album of Santa Barbara, CA, artist Cory Sipper. Best classified as pop/rock, the album is a wonderful starting point for what should be a promising career. A solo-style album, Cory wrote all the lyrics and music (except "Raptures," which was co-written with Tom Flowers). She also sings and plays several different instruments over the course of the album.

The guitar work on "Swimology" is simply fantastic. The chords blend together with the backing instruments beautifully, and the melodies fit the songs' moods to a T. Truly talented on the fret-board, her guitar ability has been honed to near perfection.

However, her abilities reach far beyond her instruments. Cory Sipper's singing voice is something she should be very proud of. Similar to Alanis Morissette, but her voice is much nicer to the listener's ears. Truly a treat, this is something you can't afford to miss.

Another great aspect of this album is the style of the songs themselves. Many of the songs are mellow tunes which, for me at least, means they can be played over and over. The broad mixture of song styles ensures that you won't feel like you are listening to ten different mixes of the same song.

The only problem you might find with this album is getting your hands on a copy. It is available only by mail-order from Cory Sipper. However, if you are interested, you can check her out on the web at: www.buzzworm.com/corysipper.

Overall, this is one of the best new artists I have come across. Sipper's musical ability is matched only by her competency as a songwriter. As always, contact me if you want more information.

by Cory Reeve



Resident Evil 2 Somebody Get a Mop

Two years ago, Capcom released the Playstation game Resident Evil. Almost overnight, the game became a cult classic for puzzle gamers and action players alike. Scheduled for release in late January of 1998, Resident Evil 2 marks the second story in the saga.

This game takes place in Raccoon City, the same town in which the first game was based. So, what's the difference between the two? Resident Evil was set in a mansion in the woods. RE2 is set in the city itself. You are a member of the local law-enforcement agency. The town has been beset by flesh-eating zombies and your job is to make it out alive.

I was only able to play the demo which comes along with the Director's Cut of Resident Evil, but this showed me more than enough. The un-dead people-eaters from the first game have returned to wreak havoc among the civilians. But if you think a couple of bullets are going to put these guys down, you better bring a body bag with you when you play. Probably the most disgusting, and most fun, thing to do with a zombie in RE2 is to blow it in half with the shotgun. The legs continue walking a short way before falling over, but the upper body crawls after you, still looking for lunch.

The game engine is the same as it was in Resident Evil, however subtle changes have been made. The main characters limp when they are wounded, even to the point where the male character

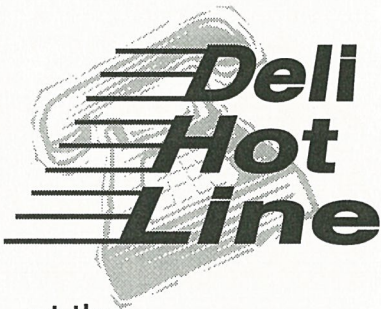
uses the shotgun as a crutch, and they look at things of interest. The looking is especially helpful when trying to solve some of the brain-busting puzzles. Also, Capcom has allowed up to eight characters to appear on the screen at one time. This is a vast improvement over the possible four characters aloud in the first game. Not too impressed with that? Wait until you have seven zombies at your throat and only a combat knife to deal with them all.

The new bad guys in RE2 look incredible as well. I only encountered one, which nearly ripped my head off with a frog-like tongue, but even that was enough to get me excited about the new stuff. Capcom has promised more fighting, more puzzles, and a lot more cool stuff to find. Rumors abound that this installment of Resident Evil may even traverse two CD's. However, there is no support for that rumor forthcoming from Capcom.

After all is said and done, Resident Evil 2 appears to be a sequel that is going to tower over the original. The creepy atmosphere combines with wonderful game play to offer up possibly the best game of the new year. Resident Evil is rated M and is available on the Sony Playstation.

by Cory Reeve





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The realities of

Sexual

Assault

by Elisabeth Horrell
photographs by Jason Getz

“At Buffalo State College and SUNY Brockport, each college had a female student who was abducted, taken to a remote location and sexually assaulted by two unknown males driving a gray vehicle, who asked the students for directions. One assailant was a male, approximately 30 years old, short blonde hair, wearing jeans and carrying a knife. The second assailant was a male, approximately 30 years old, short, dark hair and had a revolver. The students were approached and abducted in the area of the campus parking lots. It is believed by law enforcement that the two assailants may be involved in both incidents.”

These chilling words graced yellow pages recently posted by Campus Safety in an effort to inform RIT students and to encourage them to take precautions. The description is frightening, but even more terrifying is the fact that sexual assaults rarely fall, as this one does, into the definition of “rape” as commonly perceived. Instead of abductions, knives, and dark parking lots, most sexual assaults involve friends, alcohol, and comfortable bedrooms.

“Sexual assault” is a term too broad to be defined. Generally, it is used to refer to any violent crime involving sexual acts that are not consensual. The term encompasses acquaintance rape, “stranger” rape, domestic rapes (within marital relationships), sodomy, and many other offenses. Clearly, the conventional perception of “rape” no longer applies to what has become one of America’s fastest growing violent crimes.

Not all countries publish such information, but rape statistics from other countries make it overwhelmingly evident that the United States leads the world in sexual assaults, with sexual crimes occurring 13 times more often than in England and 20 times more often than in Japan. Experts estimate that one of every three American women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime, and the numbers are just as grim for college students: one-fourth of college women have already been the victims of rape or attempted rape. What’s more, 92% of college and high school age victims know their attackers, according to a study by the National Center for the Prevention and Control of Rape.

Acquaintance rape is clearly the most prevalent of the many sexual assault crimes, and there are several factors that appear in nearly all cases. Acquaintance rape, or “date” rape, almost always occurs when a couple are alone. This does not, however, mean that there are no other people in the area.

Victims of date rape are often attacked in one room of an otherwise crowded house. In other words, a woman could be raped in her own bedroom while her friends are watching television downstairs.

Alcohol frequently plays a part in date rape situations, whether it's consumed by the victim, the attacker, or both. Many victims report that they were intoxicated to a point where they didn't realize what was happening until it was too late. Many attackers point to their drunken state as an explanation for their behavior.

Another explanation is necessary, though, since alcohol is not always involved. Finding a single cause of date rape would be impossible, but research compiled by the Project on the Status and Education of Women (a division of the Association of American Colleges) indicates that the crime typically involves three key elements: socialization, miscommunication, and/or changing sexual morals.

Despite the collapse of many gender barriers in recent years, society still holds the view that men should be aggressive and women submissive. The distinction remains when it comes to sex: Men are expected to have sexual feelings while women are expected to be more concerned with emotion. This is the socialization element of date rape.

Miscommunication occurs in every aspect of life, but it's particularly tricky when it comes to sex. Therefore, it is a major factor in date rape. A woman's actions certainly don't justify her rape, but it is sometimes difficult for a man to read the signals. For example, a woman may feel that she is dressed appropriately and being friendly while her friend thinks she is dressed provocatively and flirting with him. Her actions don't excuse it, but a misinterpretation combined with an aggressive nature could lead to date rape.

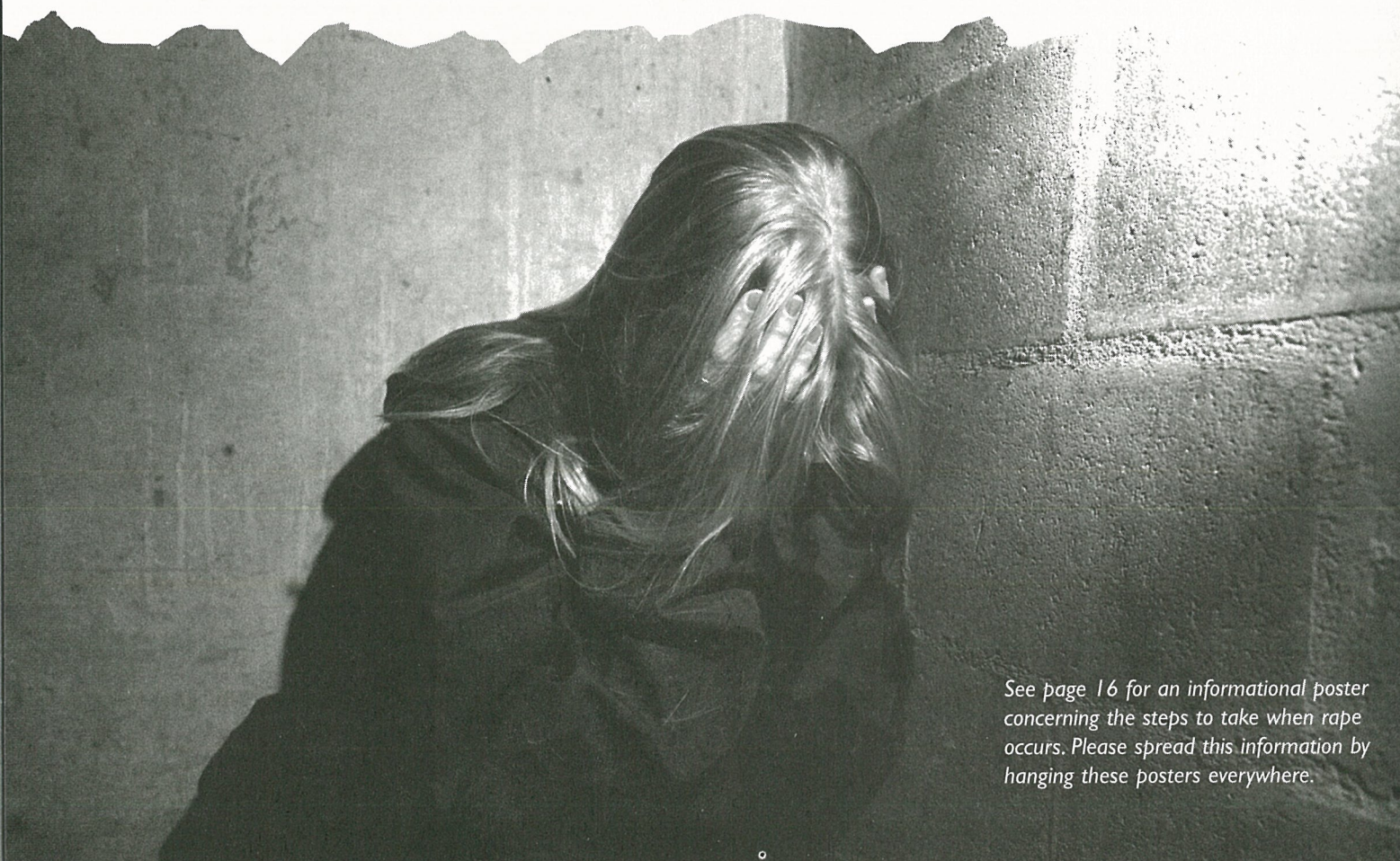
The third element deals with changing sexual morals. As a society, we have become far more lenient about sexual behavior in the last few decades, and one result of this has been a general decline in the age at which people become sexually active. Because of this, some men, particularly college-age men, expect

sex from anyone they date. This expectation can also lead to date rape.

These three elements not only play a role in causing rape, they contribute to its under-reporting. After all, a victim is hardly likely to report a crime if she feels that she should have consented because of new attitudes toward sex. Estimates range from 10 to 70 percent, but it is widely accepted that less than 50 percent of rapes are reported to authorities. Many victims are too embarrassed to report it, or they are afraid of being hurt more. Others think that reporting a rape is the same thing as pressing charges, and they don't want to endure a trial. Some victims don't even realize they've been raped. According to the American Medical Association, "surveys of American youth have found that boys and girls justify forced sex under a variety of circumstances, including the boy spending money on the girl, the girl being 'sexually experienced,' a history of dating for six months or more, 'when a girl gets a guy sexually excited,' or when a girl agrees to sex and then changes her mind."

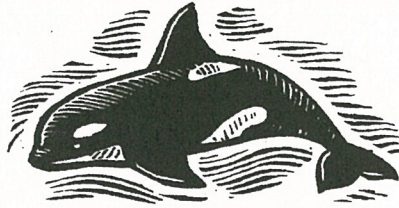
Under-reporting is a particular problem when it comes to male rape. Very few male rapes are reported, and this limits knowledge about the crime. In the past few years, however, more and more male victims have come forward to shed light on the situation. The American Academy of Pediatrics estimates that males constitute five percent of sexual assault victims, and many experts claim that as many as one in every nine men is raped.

Sexual assault is a crime rooted not in sex, but in violence, aggression, and power, and the New York State Penal Code recognizes it as a violent crime. While the state's violent crime rate went down ten percent in the past year, sexual assault figures continued to climb at the national level. Monroe County has had a reported rape count (remember that less than half of all rapes are reported) of about 200 annually for the past several years. Of the more than 700,000 people living in the county, that may not sound like many. But since most victims are college-age, it is certainly something for RIT students to think about. **R**



See page 16 for an informational poster concerning the steps to take when rape occurs. Please spread this information by hanging these posters everywhere.

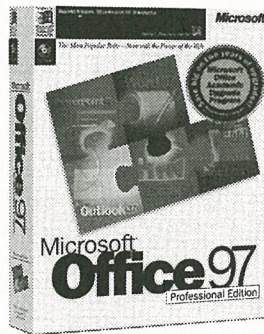
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2. Go to the hospital

At the hospital, they will have an evidence kit that will count as proof of the rape. Although you may feel like you have been through enough, this is very important because not only can it prove who did this to you, but also that it happened. This "kit" involves a doctor doing a pelvic or rectal exam to check for any signs of forced sex and sperm. They will also comb the pubic hair to look for someone else's hair. A doctor will check underneath your fingernails for the skin, tissue or blood of your attacker. This evidence kit will be on record for 30 days at the hospital so that you have time to decide if you want to press charges against the person who raped you. Also, the hospital can give you a morning after pill so that you do not get pregnant, and they can test you for STDs. Hospitals cannot test for HIV, so it is strongly recommended that you go to a clinic or your doctor to be tested for HIV and to receive counseling.

3. Talk to the police

If you decide to press charges, you can talk to the police to tell them what happened. They are going to need to know the details, so it may be helpful to have someone you trust with you during this. If you do not want to press charges, the police department has what is called a proxy report that you can file. This is not a police report and the rapist does not even know about it.

This report does, however, allow you to tell your story to a police officer, and gives you the power of having your story on file. A proxy report is completely anonymous. This cannot be used at a later date to prosecute, but it can be reviewed to help police identify if a person has committed a rape crime before.

4. Seek counseling

Many people who are raped feel alone and do not want to talk about what has happened.

There are counselors out there who are willing to listen and are there to help you. Many times telling your parents is a hard thing to do, and a counselor can guide you if you need someone to help you tell your parents. Also by talking to someone, you are not keeping the rape inside you, and you will not be alone.

For further information about what to do if you are raped, please call Rape Crisis Service at Planned Parenthood at 546-2777.

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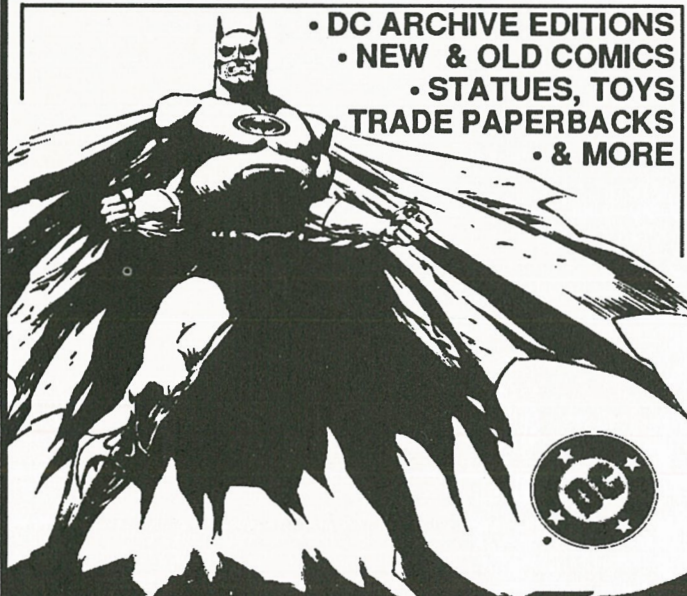
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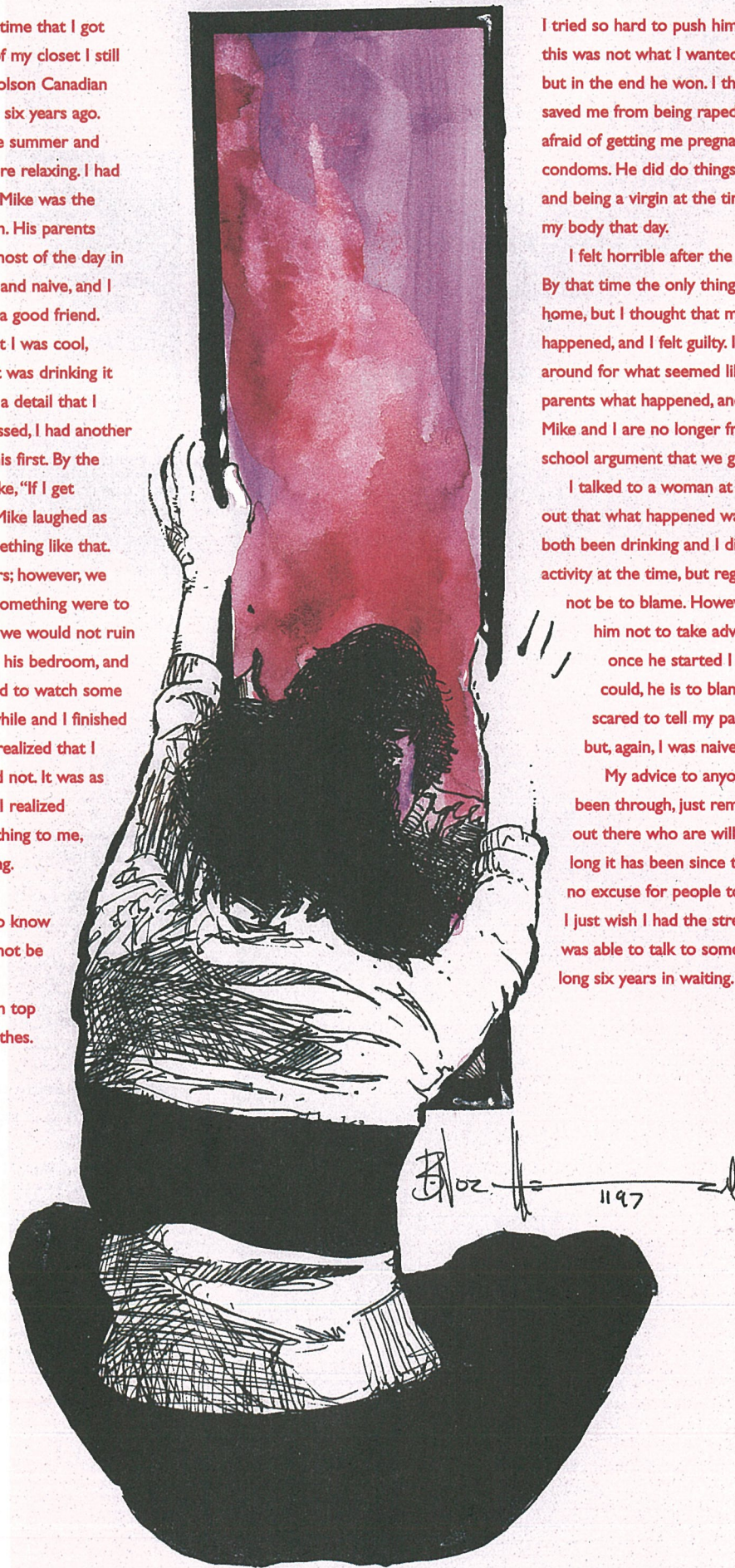
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I don't think I will ever forget the first time that I got drunk. In fact, I think that in the back of my closet I still have the three bottle tops from the Molson Canadian beer that I drank that hot summer day six years ago.

High school had just let our for the summer and Mike, one of my close friends, and I were relaxing. I had just broken up with my boyfriend, and Mike was the person whose shoulder I was crying on. His parents were away on vacation and we spent most of the day in the pool and watching TV. I was young and naive, and I trusted Mike. Why wouldn't I? He was a good friend. He offered me a beer and, thinking that I was cool, I calmly accepted. He also had one, but was drinking it much slower than I was. This was not a detail that I noticed at the time. As the day progressed, I had another beer, while Mike was still working on his first. By the end of my second, I jokingly said to Mike, "If I get drunk, do not take advantage of me." Mike laughed as though I was insane to even think something like that.

He had had a crush on me for years; however, we were friends who had decided that if something were to happen, we would take it slow so that we would not ruin our friendship. Mike had a television in his bedroom, and the pool was getting old, so we decided to watch some MTV. We were up in his room for a while and I finished my third beer. I tried to stand up, and realized that I couldn't move. I tried to talk and could not. It was as if someone had taped my mouth shut. I realized that I was very drunk. Mike said something to me, but I could not hear what he was saying. However, I knew everything that was happening. It was a really scary thing to know what is happening around you, but to not be able to control it.

The next thing I know, Mike was on top of me kissing me and removing my clothes.



I tried so hard to push him off me and to tell him that this was not what I wanted. For some time I succeeded, but in the end he won. I think that the only thing that saved me from being raped that day was that Mike was afraid of getting me pregnant and he didn't have any condoms. He did do things that I am not proud of, and being a virgin at the time, he took away some of my body that day.

I felt horrible after the alcohol started to wear off. By that time the only thing I wanted to do was go home, but I thought that my face would show what had happened, and I felt guilty. Instead of going home, I drove around for what seemed like hours. I never did tell my parents what happened, and to this day, they think that Mike and I are no longer friends because of some high school argument that we got into.

I talked to a woman at a crisis hot-line and found out that what happened was not my fault. If we had both been drinking and I did not object to the sexual activity at the time, but regretted it later, Mike would not be to blame. However because I specifically told him not to take advantage of me, and because once he started I tried to stop him as best I could, he is to blame. I should not have been scared to tell my parents. It was not my fault, but, again, I was naive.

My advice to anyone who knows what I have been through, just remember that there are people out there who are willing to talk, no matter how long it has been since the assault or rape. There is no excuse for people to be doing this to each other. I just wish I had the strength then that I do now, and was able to talk to someone about this. It has been a long six years in waiting. R

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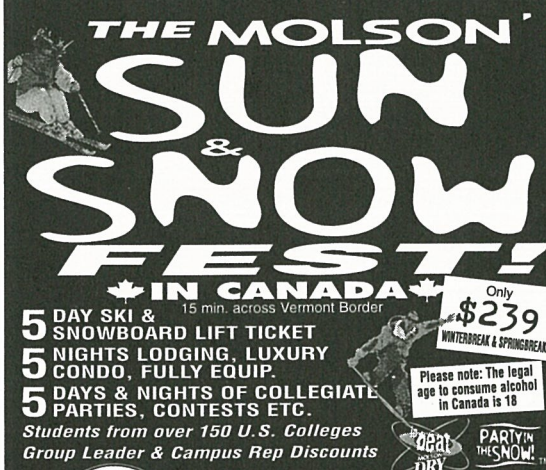
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GHB

**A New Generation
of Rape Drugs
is Unleashed.**

by Andrew Badera

Rohypnol has a little brother, people.

Its street names are Liquid X, Liquid Ecstasy, and Cherry Meth. It is usually colorless, almost completely odorless, and has little or no taste. It lowers inhibitions, arouses, and knocks out. It is the new rape drug.

Gamma hydroxybuterate, or GHB, was first created in the lab about thirty years ago. It has seen use in the treatment of alcoholism, insomnia, and narcolepsy. European doctors prescribe it as a mild anesthetic as well as a birth aid. Until it was banned in the early 1990s, body-builders and athletes in the U.S. used it to build muscle and burn fat. It is a naturally-occurring substance in the body of every mammal. It is non-toxic, and completely breaks down into carbon dioxide and water after four to six hours.

Because it is legal to possess and to import, there are few barriers to acquiring gamma hydroxybuterate. Overseas pharmacies and manufacturers can and will ship to United States customers. There are rumors that it is easily acquired in Canada and Mexico as well. It generally appears in white powder form when imported, or in hotel shampoo-style bottles when bought in liquid form on the street. Kits are readily available that allow users and dealers to produce it, in either form, in under fifteen minutes. End product GHB and kits for in-home use can both be found through a simple search of the Internet.

One of the quirks of GHB is its dosage. One person's "buzz dose" may put another on the floor. The average "recreational dosage" is one gram, but varies proportional to body weight, how much one has eaten, and one's metabolism. Once the "recreational dosage" has been

reached, minor increases, like one tenth of a gram or even less, have disproportionately large increases in effect. On average, however, a "knockout dose" is usually considered eight to fifteen grams — about four teaspoons.

Once ingested, the effects of Liquid Ecstasy are usually felt within 15 minutes. The effects usually last for one to three hours, though with larger doses, effects tend to be felt longer. They always include drowsiness, and usually include an increased tendency to socialize. Some users report an increased appreciation for music. Larger doses multiply the effects many times over. Once the "heavy dose" range has been reached, users often fall asleep. The worst possible known effects of heavy dosages are true unconsciousness rather than mere sleep, as well as vomiting and headaches. In general, GHB's effects and consequences are very similar to alcohol.

This drug works by slowing the release of dopamine in the brain. Much of the dopamine that is produced is stored, then later released when the effect of the GHB wears off. Dopamine, as defined on the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, website, is "a hormone-like substance, is an important neurotransmitter. When present in normal quantities, dopamine facilitates critical brain functions." Because of the long-term storage and quick release of dopamine, GHB users often experience sudden awakenings as the body finishes metabolizing the drug.

According to various studies, GHB is non-toxic, or has very little toxicity. As mentioned above, it occurs naturally in mammalian bodies. With all cases researched involving deaths or sickness related to GHB, alcohol and/or other drugs were involved. Users and professionals alike agree that under absolutely no circumstances is it ever recommended to mix GHB with any other drug.

Fortunately, there have been no apparent incidences involving GHB in the Rochester area. While this writer, due to time constraints, was

unable to speak to anyone officially about the appearance of this drug, an office worker at the Brighton Police Department said that she had seen no mention of it in reports. Again, the unofficial word at the Rochester Chief's Office was that no one could recall hearing of any arrests involving GHB. However, to gain more certain information, Rochester PD informed this writer that a Freedom of Information Act form would have to be filed, and that the waiting period for the results of such a form could be two weeks or longer.

GHB has only recently become the subject of congressional legislation. It is now a Schedule II substance, meaning that it may have some medicinal value but its potential for abuse is recognized. Under U.S. law, GHB is legal to possess, but illegal to manufacture, or to sell for human consumption. It is sold in the States to licensed research laboratories for use in studies involving alcoholism, insomnia, and narcolepsy. It may, however, be imported for personal use.

Once placed in a drink, GHB is virtually undetectable. It has no noticeable odor, and usually produces no visual change in the drink. The potassium form almost always has a slight chemical aftertaste, but to mask this, those who employ the drug often dissolve it in pineapple or other citric juices. The sodium form, which according to some is more potent, does not usually have an aftertaste. Because this drug is so easily disguised, those not desiring to subject themselves to its effects should take precautions.

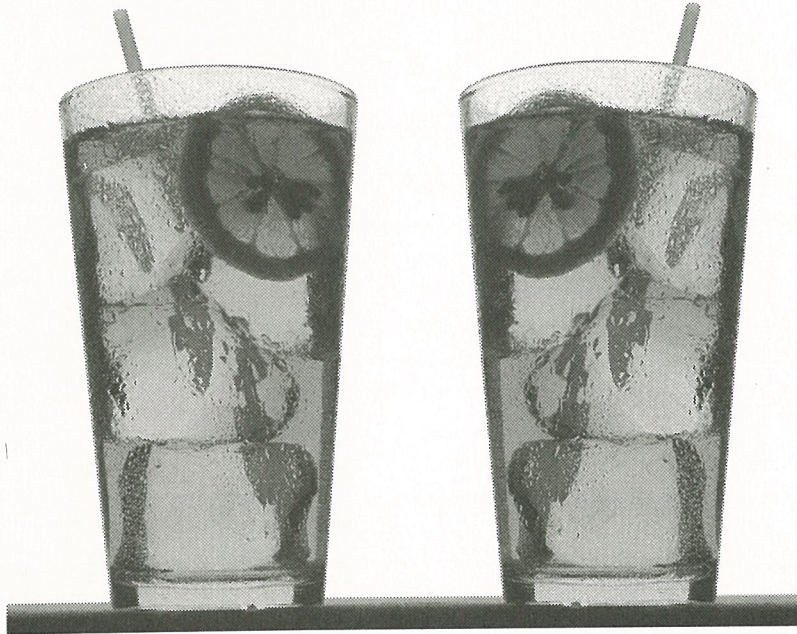
The following are guidelines, as reported in the January 17, 1997 issue of Reporter, to protect yourself from exposure to Rohypnol. Because of the drugs' similarities in employment and effect, these guidelines are also applicable where GHB is concerned:

"Be cautious not to leave a drink unattended and . . . only accept a drink from an unopened container that [you] open [yourself]. Also recommended is the buddy system."

While this writer did not find certifiable reports of GHB in the Rochester area, one should still be cautious. If it is not here yet, it will be. It is cheap—usually about \$3 per dose—and easily accessible. This combination could be deadly. **R**

One will quench your thirst.
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Rape is a sad reality. And it can happen to anyone. *Even you.*

When secretly slipped into a beverage, even a glass of iced tea, sedating substances can leave *anyone* vulnerable to sexual assault. You may not be able to see it, smell it, or taste it. And you don't have to be at a bar or club. It could happen in any social setting. The tragic fact is that the reasons for rape really have nothing to do with you. It happens *only* because there are people who wish to harm.

But there are some things that may help reduce your risk:

- Always keep your beverage in sight.
- At a bar or club, accept drinks only from the bartender or server.

- At social gatherings, don't accept open-container drinks from anyone.
- If you experience dizziness, extreme drowsiness, or other sudden and unexplained symptoms, call someone you trust. Go to a hospital emergency room immediately. Try to retain a sample of the beverage for testing.

If you think you've been sexually assaulted, call (800)656-HOPE for a rape crisis center near you, or call the police immediately. Don't be afraid to reach out for help. There are tests to help prove you've been drugged, and a federal law that can put the rapist in prison for 20 years.

So please, help reduce your risk...

Watch your drink!

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Roseann Stryker

by Elisabeth Horrell
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Roseann Stryker seems to be fascinated by everything. "I read everything," she says, explaining that she can sit for two or three books at a time. Someone with this kind of thirst for knowledge is bound to go far, so it's no wonder that Stryker was recently singled out for praise.

On October 22, RIT presented the first annual Staff Recognition Awards to staff members who work "above and

beyond normal job requirements." One of three individual recipients, Stryker was noted for Excellence in Increasing Work Productivity, which she says she achieved by assuming extra responsibilities, recruiting, and advising. She was "shocked," she says, when she heard about the award. "Flabbergasted. Didn't even give it a thought. I feel very honored and motivated."

When she's not increasing work productivity or receiving awards, Stryker enjoys dancing and reading. She also likes to spend time with her family, especially her 10 year old daughter, Alysa, and her 20 year old son, Bradd, who attends RIT as an illustration major.

Stryker is the senior staff assistant in the Department of Biology and has been working at RIT for nine years. "I like working with students and for

Dr. Fredericks. I enjoy working in academia. I find it interesting; it's always changing. You can hate it or love it." She loves it. **R**

SPORTS

Women's Hockey

“a nail-biting year”

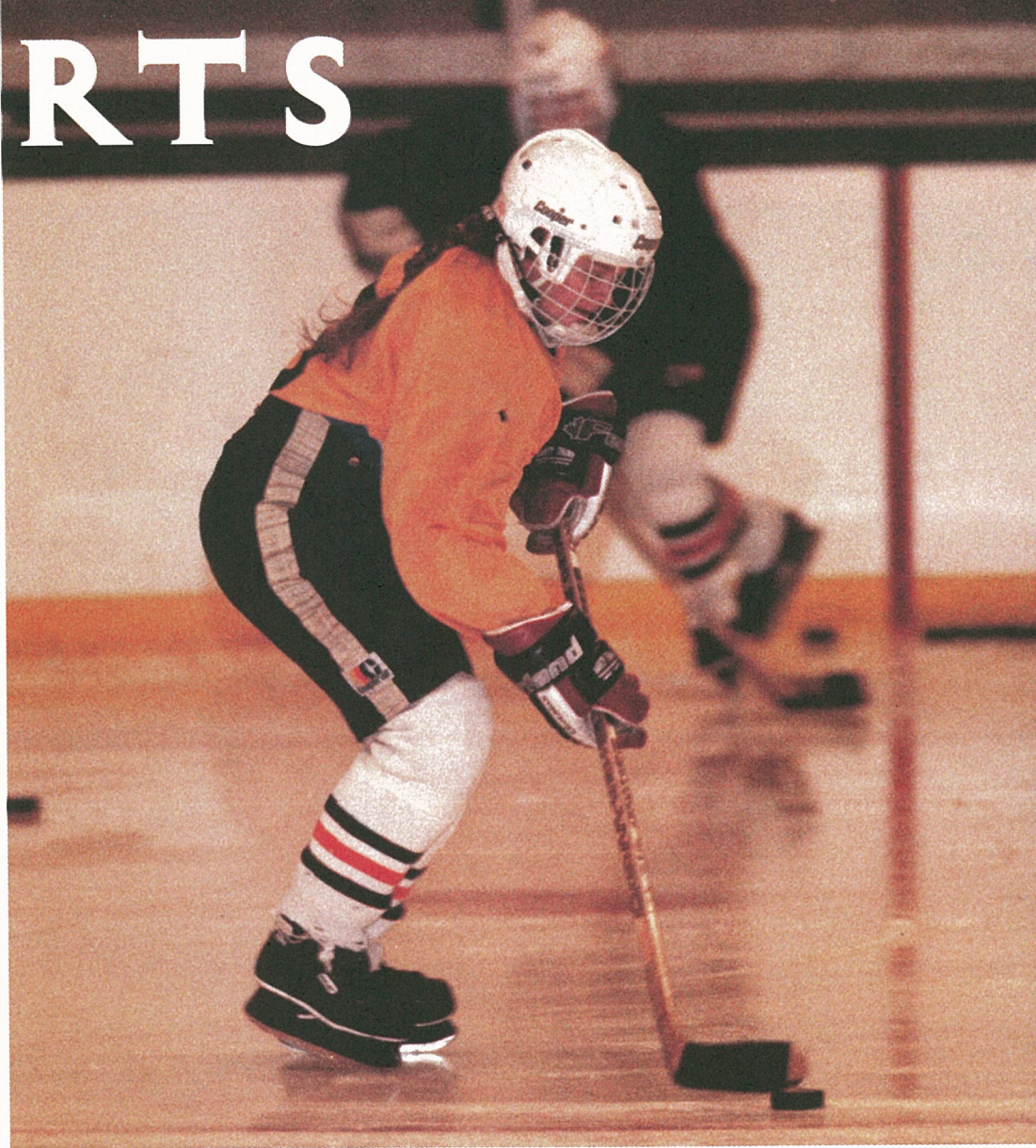
Just beginning pre-season, the women's hockey team at RIT is looking at what could be a nail-biting year.

If someone were to describe the team in just one word, that word would be “new.” The team is playing in a newly-formed league, the ECAC Alliance, which includes other schools such as Wesleyan, Connecticut College, Hamilton, RPI, Colgate, Bowdoin, and the University of Vermont. Furthermore, the team consists of many freshmen players. In fact, just-hired Coach Bob Filighera says that a lot of the team's talent lies “with freshmen . . . they're going to be asked to step it up and play a big role this year.” As it is so early in their season, Filighera could not pick out any players in particular that may eventually stand out as stars.

Special mention was made of team captain Christine Pierce, however. Filighera said that, “through her leadership and dedication to this sport and love of the game, she's definitely a leader on the ice and off the ice for this group.” Pierce, who is in her third season, was not able to play last year due to a fight with Hodgkin's Disease. Fortunately, the cancer is in remission, and Pierce is ready to go!

We will see the team open at home on December 13, playing against St. Lawrence at 5:30. Unlike men's hockey, the games are FREE. There are 19 of them this season, so be sure to catch at least one!

by Andrew Badera
photos by Tom Silknitter



New Coaches

Kris Anderson, formally from SUNY Brockport, has recently been named the new assistant coach for the RIT basketball team.

Anderson, from Fairport, NY joins the team after serving as Brockport's head assistant coach since 1993. Prior to that he was an assistant at St. John Fisher college. Anderson received his undergraduate degree from Fisher in 1985, and was born and raised in Liverpool, NY. He is currently a full-time associate teacher at BOCES in Fairport, NY.

Robert Filighera has been named the new RIT women's hockey coach. He has been serving as the head assistant for the team under his brother Rick for two seasons. Rick recently took a job at the University of Maine, and Robert has taken his place. Prior to joining the Tigers, Robert was an assistant at Frontier

High School for seven years. There he helped bring the team to the Southtowns League championship and win the New York State Club title in 1989-90.

Filighera earned his undergraduate degree from Buffalo State College in 1988, where he played defense on the Bengals' hockey team. He currently works as a full-time supervisor at Greyhounds Bus Lines, Inc., and lives in Lackawanna, NY.

Good luck to both Anderson and Filighera with their new positions, and also to the two teams with the upcoming season.

*compiled from The Sports News Release
edited by Amy Beaudreau*

Alpine Ski Team Club

It just seems natural for a school that is buried in snow for eight months of the year to have a ski team. RIT's Alpine Ski Team Club is a club sport funded by Student Government, with members providing additional support out-of-pocket. The team gets no varsity funding from the Athletics Department.

I spoke with Pete Janksy, a past president of the Ski Club, and team member of five years. Pete was not sure how old the Ski Club is, but he informed me that the team has had past members visit who skied for RIT in the '70s.

Writing this article from a non-ski perspective, I asked Pete what type of students join the club. "The Ski Club is for those who enjoy racing competitively," he said. "There is a balance between experienced competitive racers, and the recreational skiers who want to learn how to race." The Ski Club races against other teams in the United States Collegiate Ski Association (USCSA). RIT competes against other Division III schools such as Syracuse, Cornell, and Alfred. There are twelve teams in the Western New York division.

There are no formally scheduled meetings. However, the Ski Club trains two nights a week during winter quarter at the Hunt Hollow Ski Area in Naples, NY (about 45 minutes from RIT, near

Geneva). The men's team and the women's team train and compete simultaneously. The club is currently scheduled for five weekend races, usually taking place over two days. Events usually include the Slalom and the Giant Slalom. Comparatively, the Giant Slalom is a longer and faster race than the regular slalom.

Last year, RIT placed second of all twelve teams in the Division. The team went on to the regional competition in Waterville Valley, New Hampshire, where they met fierce competition. Fifth-year Civil Engineering Technology student Kiki Pacitti and third-year Nutrition Management student Stacey Hanmer had the honors of finishing at the top of the Division last year.

Pete stressed the high levels of aggressive competition in the Division. Despite the heated contest, there is a great feeling of camaraderie among the teams' athletes. There are many new faces on the Ski Club this year, and they are always looking for more. The goal of reaching the Nationals is not out of reach!

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by Otto Vondrak

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- Bright eyes - I love you - Angel
- Lis, How many more days until Christmas?
- Al, When are you going to take us skiing? Love, The gang
- Guy - Your Big loves you. D-Phi-E Love. Carrie

Answer to **BULL** news on page 7, the motorcycle ban



Friday, December 12

Talisman Movie: *Nothing to Lose*; 7 & 9pm in Ingle Aud. RIT students/faculty/staff: \$2, Gen Public: \$3, children under 12: \$1.

CAB TGIF: CAB presents *The Priests and 7% Solution* at the Ritzskeller 7-9pm. Admission \$1, ID required.

Panara Theatre Presentation: *Sunshine Too*, presents a show for adults and teenagers from 8-9:30pm in the Panara Theatre. Admission \$2. Contact Jim Orr at 475-6251 for more information.

Bevier Gallery Opening: The Bevier Gallery welcomes an exhibit of work from *Jan Kubasiewicz* entitled "*Design is Art . . . Art is Design*". Reception from 5-7pm December 12 only. Exhibit open through January 21, 1998.

Saturday, December 13

Talisman Movie: See above for show details. Closed captioned 7pm only.

Panara Theatre Presentation: *Sunshine Too*, presents a show for children from 2:30-3:30pm in the Panara Theatre. Contact Jim Orr at 475-6251 for more information. *FREE*

Monday, December 15

CAB Ticket Sales: Student tickets on sale for the Swain Ski Trip, January 17th. Faculty and staff tickets on sale Dec. 17th. Contact CAB at 475-2509 for more information.

Sunday, December 14

Noche Buena: Join LASA for holiday dinner from 5-9pm in the Clark Rm. SAU. Stu/fac/staff \$2, General Public \$3. Call 292-1708 for more information.

Film/Video Department Screening: Free showing of filmmaker *Claude Sautet's* movie "*Un Coeur En Hiver*" (*A Heart In Winter*). 2pm in the CIS Auditorium. Call 475-2743 for more information.

Tuesday, December 16

Toastmasters Club Meeting: The Toastmasters Club is dedicated to the art of public speaking. Meetings are alternate Tuesdays 6-8pm in the 1829 Rm. SAU. Contact Ruth Kelly at 381-0674 for more information.

Ongoing Events

Senior Announcement: Seniors graduating through the end of winter quarter (97-2) can pick up a special Senior Night surprise gift in the Center for Campus Life. Quantities are limited.; first come first serve!! Call 475-7058 for more information.

RITSkate: Free lunch-time skating in the Ritter Arena weekdays from 12:15-1:45pm. Skate rental \$2.50. Open to RIT students, faculty and staff. Call the rink office at 475-2223 for more information.

3rd Annual Toys for Tots Drive: The Center for Campus life will be accepting toy donations in the drop box in the SAU Lobby until Friday, December 19th. Help us make a child's holiday joyful by donating a new unwrapped toy. Call 475-7685 for more information.

RIT Mediation Services: Mediation Services is now recruiting student candidates. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Dorothy Brown at DJBCCL, or at x6171 or stop by the Center for Campus Life to pick up a Student Mediator Interest Form. Interest Form deadline extended to December 15, 1997.

CAB Calendars: The new and improved winter quarter events calendars are available from CAB. Be the first in your hall to know about all the great upcoming events. Stop down to the CAB office and get yours today.

To publicize your event to the entire campus, send the name, date, location, time, contact person, phone number, and any other pertinent information to CalendaRIT, Center for Campus Life, SAU, Room 2130, by 4:30 p.m. fourteen working days before the issue in which you would like it published. CalendaRIT may edit descriptions due to space limitations. Events subject to change.

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