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Boy's basketball coach Sean Drennan, whose
boys have won an astounding nineteen games in a row. On the eve of February 2nd, 2006, they looked to successfully improve to twenty in a row against the Enos-Wolff Technical School.

Guided by their smooth shooting, hard charging, and witty coaching staff, the Bulldogs were able to keep their emotions under control and put another digit in the win column.

Quick passing, physical play in the paint, and the ever-present leadership of Coach Drennan ensured the Bulldogs would have a victory.

I had never heard of this concept, but as I took a deeper look, it made me realize how many blacks have been on the stage.

Many seemed surprised that there is a black woman of that caliber. One remarked that it’s an unbelievable talent. Another agreed that it’s a rare occurrence.

The Bulldogs picked up the pace early, correcting every shot, making every pass, and drawing every necessary foul. It seemed like every time the Wolverines went for an angle, the white and orange jerseys were there, taking the offensive.

The Bulldogs turned a simple afternoon into a time of love, joy, and magical music. Their music was a great combination of jazz, rock, R&B, and classical music. Their music was a true language of love and romance.

Sherry Winston began her musical career after graduating from Howard University. Her first record Do It For Love was number one on the Black Recorders Recording chart and the Black Radio Exclusive chart. She has also recorded four more CDs, one of which, Love is..., was nominated for two Grammy Awards. She has performed all over the country, and has held concerts at Carnegie Hall, Concert Hall, Lincoln Center, and the White House as a surprise to the White House for President Clinton and First Lady Hillary during their last holiday party.

The members of her band are also very talented and popular, with an impressive amount of accomplishments.

Nicholas Burks is a keyboard player, and has been in the band with Skerdy for more than 17 years. He is a co-writer of lots of Sherry’s songs, including “Love & Marriage” and “For Your Love.” He also composed music for the ABC news documentary “Tipping Point.”

Sherry Winston began on these tracks: What Are You Doing in My Yard? What Are You Doing in My Yard? What Are You Doing in My Yard?

Sherry Winston

B.C.C. Remembers Rosa Parks

Rosa Parks: Pioneer of Civil Rights
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color purple: From the Pages, to the Screen, and Now the Stage

By: Francine Lucas

Bergen Community College offered the students an amazing chance to see the work of Alice Walker on the Broadway stage on February 14, 2006. With a discounted ticket and a free treat, I was excited to see the show filled with faculty members and their guests. As we sat off in the third row of New York’s wonderland, how could the cast, director, and numerous producers have known it was a sold-out show?

The Broadway Theatre was packed with a colorful spectrum of faces walking down the aisles and fumbling into their seats. The stage was filled with diverse props to bring the audience to the old southern culture. As the performers stepped onto the stage they immersed themselves into the characters. The actors, the set, and the music, took control of Celie’s mark and often powerful character with a booming voice that stole the hearts of the audience. Musical numbers such as “Huckleberry Pie” and “Mysterious Ways” were filled with powerful gospel voices and beats that made the audience tap their feet and want to get up and dance. During the second act, there wasn’t the same energy as the first and the pace slowed down, but it still was able to captivate the audience’s attention. For all of those who have not seen or read Walker’s creation, you
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Goodbye to Rosa Parks
(Feb. 4, 1913-Oct. 24, 2005)

By Nicole Cassadore
Staff Writer

Rosa Parks was far from a simple woman who randomly refused to give up her seat on the bus because she was tired. As Rosa Parks wrote in her autobiography, “People always say that I didn’t give up my seat because I was tired, but that isn’t true. I was tired physically, and no more so than the white people who went home and sat down to supper.”

Parks was a woman of action. She was the first in a long line of activists who refused to accept the status quo. Her actions, and those of others like her, were a direct response to the systemic racism and discrimination that plagued the southern United States. Parks’ actions were not born out of desperation, but rather a commitment to principle and justice.

On December 1, 1955, Parks refused to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, bus. This simple act of defiance became a catalyst for the civil rights movement. Parks’ actions sparked a new way of protest, one that demanded equality and justice for all people.

Parks’ legacy extends far beyond the events of that day. She inspired a generation of activists who continued the fight for civil rights. Parks was a woman of courage, determination, and principle. She was a true inspiration to all who aspire to make a difference in the world.

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on Friday, March 10, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in Bram Teich 134, Technology Education Center, Bergen Community College, 600 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ. This event is free and open to the public. Dr. Hansen heads the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies (GISS) Climate and Global Change Section of the Earth Sciences Directorate of the Goddard Space Flight Center. He is the United States’ foremost scientific authority on global warming, and is best known for his testimony climate change to congressional committees in the 1980s that helped raise broad awareness of the global warming issue. At those congressional hearings, Dr. Hansen explained how gases being produced by the combustion of fossil fuels were causing the “greenhouse effect” by retarding heat on the planet like a greenhouse on a hothouse. He was widely credited with bringing the problem of global warming and the prowess of greenhouse gases to the world’s attention. The event is sponsored by Bergen Community College’s Division of Continuing Education and Bergen Education Services. The keynote speaker is James E. Hansen, Ph.D., an internationally recognized climate scientist, who is a national spokesperson for Global Climate Action. Hansen has served as lead author of the four United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reports that have shared the Nobel Peace Prize. In 1988 he was a principal architect of the precautionary principle in environmental decision making. Hansen has been labeled a “dangerous and controversial” scientist by New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd, who has referred to his climate change projections as “screaming, frightening, and frightening.” Hansen, who was a key member of NASA’s review board on climate change, was compelled to resign from that board in protest of NASA’s “inaction on global climate.” Consequently, Hansen moved to private research with his wife, Dr. Janet Lin, and co-authored a book,编译 in 2001, entitled, “Earthtrain: New Climate Riddles.”

Born to Buy: Children are the biggest spenders!

BY NICOLE CAMMANN

STAFF WRITER

If you ever thought that your kids were innocent, think again. Today’s marketers are spending over fifteen billion dollars to market goods to the people who have the most influence in buying today: children. On November 8, 2005 Ph.D. Katha Krippa had her fourth session for its on-line series on popular culture. Dr. Juliet Schor said the research in her book, Born to Buy, to discuss the biggest trend in marketing today. If you thought children’s wants and needs were irrelevant, think again! What children want shapes most of the advertisements we see daily. And it doesn’t just include television advertisements, children are being targeted almost everywhere they go, including museums, parks and even in many schools “Twins” are the most important marketing group to advertisers today. Twins is a marketing word used to describe children from first youngers to 12 years old because in the eyes of marketers they are the most important people to reach today through advertising.

Children today have a more commercialized lifestyle than any previous generation mainly because they’re richer than ever before. In 1995, children spend five billion of their own dollars. In 2003, the number rose to 30 billion dollars! You may think this sounds crazy but the way the process becomes the more the allowances they give their children increase. And thanks to the fact that the average child spends eight and a half hours with some kind of media outlet, six and a half on television alone, it’s really easy to market to them. Just look at young people’s growing fascination with glamour, money, sexuality and violence. This is all thanks to the images of the Paris Hiltons and Justin Beiber of the world that children are too used to seeing. The good old days of children having aspirations such as playing in the major leagues of their favorite sports or becoming President of the United States are over! Today, the number one aspiration for children is simply to get rich. Not only is the typical consumer sophistication in what they want (buy, buy my First Sony, hello mp3 player), but the brand of the product is just as important. They don’t just want any MP3 player, only an iPod will do.

Since kids proved to be such profitable targets, companies spend a lot of time and money researching the best ways to reach them. There are four prevalent techniques used. The first is branding or symbolic marketing which focuses on the “cool factor.” While advertisements previously tried to show how good their product tasted or how much fun was to play with, today or not the product is cool is the main focus. The second technique is called age compression or “tweening,” which is specifically geared toward children and results in children buying products to them. For example, while little girls may have used fake make-up before, today they are buying real makeup because they want kind they can. Tweening is the technique above all others that you can thank for little girls and boys dressing sexually, behaving more violently, and matching and listening to things too over the top for them. The third technique used in marketing is the most subtle and deceptive because it is the most dangerous because it is the most dangerous because it is the most subtle and deceptive. It is called Word of Mouth Marketing. They actaully have a secret agency, the G.I.A. The G.I.A stands for Kids Intelligence Agency. The G.I.A. is a branch of the Central Intelligence Agency. Since word of mouth marketing’s primary concern is to get the kids to buy what they’re selling, they lot their marketers know they’re being marked to, they will hire young girls to sell their products under the guise of an innocent display person.

The fourth technique used is one parents should be most aware of. It’s referred to as anti-advertising. See, previously companies would target their advertisements to the parents, convince the parents it was a good product and then the parents would buy it. All of that is out of the window now. Today they know they need to get the kids interested and through their advertisements can communicate to the children without the parents. They show their parents, teachers and adults in general as the problem and give kids ways to solve this problem. This was based on a famous study about the ‘Age Factor’. Through age segmentation, companies actually reach kids not only to sell their products to, they convince them to buy their product. So, if you were afraid your child was a pain in the butt because of how your raised them, you may be very mistaken. And it doesn’t have to be to sell children’s products, advertisers use commercials meant for adults to sell adult products. An example of this is when Nike ads are presented with the Regents characters in Cheltenham mini-vans. The children seeing that commercial suggest their parents to get it and guess what? It worked! But by far the biggest products children have influenced these food products. Part of the obesity problem in this country may be partly to blame on advertisers due to all the advertisements for fast food, junk food, sugared fills beverages etc. It is predicted that one out of every five young adults will develop type two diabetes within 2010 many will develop hypertension or even face death due to their unhealthy eating habits. But parents seem to have cared on this issue. While they certainly try to fight their kids’ sexual behavior and drug use, they seem to have given in on the food issue. And it’s no coincidence that tobacco and alcohol advertisements are geared more towards teens than people of age. While we may not be able to control advertisers, we do have control over our own children as long as we choose to exercise it. The more technology increases, the more important it is that we teach and enforce good values in our children. It’s time to stop blaming other people, even money-hungry advertisers, for the problems your children have. You may not be able to control the commercials they see all over, but you can control whether they have much influence over your children than you do.
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Spring 06’ Executive Member Profile: SGC, SAB, The Torch, LASA, Anime

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A.K.A. 5.

Yazan N. Atiyyeh
Born: 4-27-83
Status: Student
Seeking Degree: Computer Engineering
Experiences: What’s up dudes? Strangest Experience: I just got a job at the airport; eventually got on another plane.

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Favorite Color: Yellow. Favorite Food: Mexican food.
A.K.A. Fatima.

Ronnie Pena
Born: 8-25-85
Status: Student
Seeking Degree: Business Management
Experience: To be a team leader. What is it like to be a team leader? Favorite Drink: Garden State Plaza Frapachino.
A.K.A. 5.
Television Stereotypes

BY NICOLE CASAMENTO

The media has historically formed and reinforced stereotypes. Think it’s not that serious? Hank Azaria said his number one technique to get people in Europe to hate Jews was to display them negatively in cinema. And today in many Arab countries, the media often portrays Americans negatively, reinforcing the idea that all Americans are violent. "I know it’s difficult to get through school. I didn’t know what to do," he told us. Born and raised in NY, Hank knew from his age seven that he wanted to be an actor. He was told by his high school history teacher, "Winkler, if you ever get out of here you’ll be great!" Hank’s speech was constant reminder that “smarts and a sense of humor” will get you anywhere you want to go.

6) They cook, meal, tape etc. This is another example of portraying different people in the most unkindly way possible.
7) They play by a different set of rules. They’re entitled or annoying. This is another way of making other people seem much less worthy of our respect.
8) They are inept in the battlefield and the bedroom.
9) They are equated with animals.
10) They don’t value life as much as us.

The cultural other is also noticeable when we use the term “those people.” Even if the stereotype seems positive, such as “all those people are smart,” it is still very harmful psychologically to put people in tightly closed boxes.

So how do people learn stereotypes?

The cultural other refers to the way people place other groups in a category separate or apart, from themselves. There are 10 common ways of placing a group in a cultural other. These are called stereotypes. They are:

1) They look different than us.
2) They dress different than us.
3) They speak with a thick accent.
4) They are unattached from family.
5) They believe in a different deity (usually non-Christian).
6) They are inept in the battlefield and the bedroom.
7) They don’t value life as much as us.
8) They are equated with animals.
9) They are unimportant or valueless.
10) They are unimportant or valueless.

Through Henry’s speech, the constant reminder, “If you will it, it is not a dream.” Our college is eminently lucky to have had such an opportunity to hear a wonderful and inspiring speech. Before his event, Henry reassured the audience that “your instinct will always put you on the right path.” From hardships to that famous leather jacket, life is good for Henry Winkler. You can see how happy his days are now! Be sure to check out One of Practice on CBS Monday nights at 9:30 pm.

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B.C.C. News

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Become a “E-Member” of the BCC Psychology Club. Your membership is just one email away!

Write to BCC_PsychClub@yahoo.com or send us the info to join our online discussion group.

*Post your thoughts, read the latest research, discover the newest trends in psychology today, and enjoy a laugh or two, share it all in one forum!

Learn to Play Chess with Chess Master Freddie Rodriguez

March 1st
March 29th
April 12th
April 26th - Tournament (tentative)
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.
in the Student Center

FONZIE” FINDS HIS WAY TO BERGEN!

BY AMANDA FERRANTE

Staff Writer

On Thursday January 26th our favorite leather jacket-clad ladies’ man came to Bergen Community College to discuss dyslexia during Disability Awareness Week. Henry Winkler, best known for his role as Arthur Fonzi on Happy Days, is a multi-talented actor, producer, director, and author of Hank Zipper, the children’s book series. Henry’s most recent roles on TV include Barry Zuckerkorn on Fox’s Arrested Development and Stuart Barnes on CBS’s new series Out of Practice. In addition to his many roles in film and television, Henry has also recently taken on the role as an author. His book signing held in the gym for his book signing held in the gym for his most recent book, “Winkler, if you ever do get out of here he wanted to be an actor. He was told “Don’t ever let that happen over dyslexia and truly moved the audience.

Henry did not discover his dyslexia until age 11, therefore he encountered many problems as a student and did not think much of it, as it was so difficult to get through school. I didn’t know what to do," he told us. Born and raised in NY, Henry knew from his age seven that he wanted to be an actor. He was told by his high school history teacher, “Winkler, if you ever get out of here you’ll be great!" Hank’s speech was constant reminder that “smarts and a sense of humor” will get you anywhere you want to go.

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Henry Winkler

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SGC, SAB, The Torch, L.A.S.A. Staff Member Profile

Jose Woss
- Born: 11-17-85
- Seeking Degree: D.O.
- Language(s): English
- SAB Experience: Two years in SAB
- Color: Red
- Drink: Sprite
- Best Memory: I have many memories, but the most memorable one was when I won the SAB President's Award.

Andrea Rodriguez
- Born: 6-22-87
- Seeking Degree: English
- Language(s): Spanish
- SAB Experience: Secretary in SAB
- Color: Pink
- Drink: Dr. Pepper
- Best Memory: When I was in high school, I organized a charity event to raise money for a local animal shelter.

Jahyra Marte
- Born: 12-02-87
- Seeking Degree: B.S.
- Language(s): Spanish
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for three years.
- Color: Blue
- Drink: Water
- Best Memory: The time I won the SAB President's Award.

Diana Fabara
- Born: 8-14-86
- Seeking Degree: Accounting
- Language(s): Spanish
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for two years.
- Color: Blue
- Drink: Lemonade
- Best Memory: The time I organized a community service event.

Johana Bernal
- Born: 8-22-84
- Seeking Degree: Business Administration
- Language(s): Spanish
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for four years.
- Color: Red
- Drink: Lemonade
- Best Memory: The time I organized a fundraiser for a local charity.

Liliana Betonces
- Born: 9-4-86
- Seeking Degree: Biological Sciences
- Language(s): Spanish
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for two years.
- Color: Pink
- Drink: Juice
- Best Memory: The time I organized a community service event.

Megan Domico
- Born: 2-4-87
- Seeking Degree: English
- Language(s): English
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for one year.
- Color: Green
- Drink: Water
- Best Memory: The time I won the SAB President's Award.

Amber Ferrante
- Born: 7-2-87
- Seeking Degree: Early Childhood Education
- Language(s): English
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for two years.
- Color: Blue
- Drink: Lemonade
- Best Memory: The time I organized a community service event.

Lana Fridman
- Born: 10-14-86
- Seeking Degree: Psychology
- Language(s): English
- SAB Experience: I have been a member of SAB for one year.
- Color: Red
- Drink: Juice
- Best Memory: The time I won the SAB President's Award.
Meaning and is frequently being used nowadays has also lost its beautiful
to see their loved one. The word "love"
dresses and run away from parents just
more, and they don't put on their best
other hand, don't wait for men any-
songs or write poetry. Girls on the
they don't climb balconies, dedicate
Men no longer fight for their girls;
pletely stopped doing romantic things?

To be as objective and helpful in the
preparations for the day as possible,
Torch decided to listen to what
you, the students, have to say. As it,
rummed out, Bergen's men are either
very romantic or extremely cheap, be-
neared half stated that
on this Valentine's Day they present that
is being given to their girl is the
hearts.
Girls have also surprised me... we
turned out to be more cynical than the

We asked some questions in order to
illuminate all the doubts and finally
find the answer to the question "what
do women/men really want?"
WELL, see for yourself.

What would you want to get?

Girls
Yes 65%
No 35%

What are you going
to give to your boyfriend?

Girls
Yes 52%
No 48%

What are you getting
for your girlfriend?

Girls
What would you want to get?

Girls

What is your opinion about Valentine's Day?

Guys
Yes 65%
No 35%

What are you going
to give to your boyfriend?

Guys
Yes 70%
No 30%

What would you want to get?

Guys

Where will you celebrate?

Guys

Where would you want to celebrate?

Guys

Do you find anything romantic about Valentine's Day?

Guys

What is your opinion about Valentine's Day?

Girls
Yes 65%
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What are you going
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Girls
Yes 52%
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What would you want to get?

Girls

Where will you celebrate?

Girls

Where would you want to celebrate?

Girls

Make this Valentine’s day perfect.

By Mariya Gonor

Do you realize that we have com-
pletely stopped doing romantic things?
Men no longer fight for their girls; they don't climb balconies, dedicate
songs or write poetry. Girls on the
other hand, don't wait for men any-

Real World Interviewing

This workshop is designed to provide an overview of
the basic types of interviews, typical questions,
and dressing for success.
March 27
11:00 am - 12:00 pm (Graduating students only)

Resume Writing Review

This workshop is designed for individuals that
want to take a look at their current resume and learn
how to polish the document in order to have an

How To Work A Job Fair

Do you have the confidence in how to approach
an employer at a Job Fair? Attend this workshop to
learn valuable skills necessary to properly navigate
a Job Fair.
March 21
6:15 pm - 7:15 pm
March 22
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Introduction to the American
Workplace

Overview of the American workplace – terminolo-
y, the job market, proper job search techniques,
etc. Workshop designed for international students.
April 3
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Job Search 101

Searching for a job is a job itself. This workshop
will teach you how to approach a job search in a
systematic, efficient manner.
March 28
6:00 pm - 12:00 pm (Graduating students only)
The Torch

Member Profile

Andres Garzon
Born: 1/16/83
Staff Status: Single
Seeking Degree: Engineering
LASA: Engineering
Experience: Intern
Real Life: Gather, meet new people
Favorite Color: Black, Blue
Favorite Drink: Fatima, Fatimon
Favorite Food: Sushi
Career: Stuttgart, Apple Juice
Hobbies: Playing soccer, swimming, ice skating
Favorite Sports: Volleyball, soccer
A.K.A: Coño

Dayne Johnson
Born: 9-9-84
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Low
LASA: SGC
Experience: Intern
Real Life: Leadership Weekend
Favorite Color: Blue
Favorite Drink: orange soda
Favorite Food: Basketball, pizza
Career: Garlic, Starbucks coffee
Hobbies: Reading, crocheting, painting, dancing, playing sports
Favorite Sports: Tennis, basketball
A.K.A: lil red

Larry
Born: Streets of Englewood
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Undecided
LASA: Sports
Experience: First time being in the Torch
Real Life: Working as an intern
Favorite Color: Potato/Radio
Favorite Food: Salsa
Career: Salsa, white, grey
Hobbies: Traveling, playing sports
Favorite Sports: Basketball, playing sports
A.K.A: Chinito

Alan Mancueuta
Born: 9/12/86
Staff Status: Single
Seeking Degree: Business
LASA: Business Administration
Experience: Intern
Real Life: Leadership Weekend
Favorite Color: Blue and White
Favorite Drink: Ready to go
Favorite Food: Pasta/con hueso frito
Career: Fast food, McDonald's
Hobbies: Playing soccer, swimming, ice skating
Favorite Sports: Basketball, soccer
A.K.A: A.K.A.

Corrie Makovsky
Born: 11-12-81
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Social
LASA: Social
Experience: Intern
Real Life: Leadership Weekend
Favorite Color: Black - white
Favorite Drink: Starbucks coffee
Hobbies: reading, crocheting, painting, playing sports
Favorite Food: Sushi
Career: Corruption, Legal
Hobbies: Reading, crocheting, painting, dancing, playing sports
Favorite Sports: Football, basketball, soccer
A.K.A: Lil Squeaky

Craig Phillips
Born: 8-30-83
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Art
LASA: Art
Experience: Intern
Staff Status: Volunteer
Favorite Color: red, black
Favorite Drink: Red Bull
Hobbies: Reading, crocheting, painting, dancing, playing sports
Favorite Food: Pizza
Career: SGC Senator
A.K.A: Mr. Bald

Francisco M. Merino
Born: 7-10-83
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Arts
LASA: Arts
Experience: Intern
Staff Status: Volunteer
Favorite Color: red, blue, red
Favorite Drink: Root Beer
Hobbies: Playing soccer, swimming, ice skating
Favorite Food: Fettuccine, spaghetti
Career: SGC Senator
A.K.A: A.K.A.

Luis Romero
Born: 7-10-83
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Arts
LASA: Arts
Experience: Intern
Staff Status: Volunteer
Favorite Color: red, blue
Favorite Drink: Apple Juice
Hobbies: Playing soccer, swimming, ice skating
Favorite Food: Fettuccine, spaghetti
Career: SGC Senator
A.K.A: A.K.A.

L.A.S.A.
Staff Status: Senator
Seeking Degree: Drafting
LASA: Drafting
Experience: Intern
Staff Status: Volunteer
Favorite Color: Red
Favorite Drink: SGC Senator
Hobbies: Drawing, playing sports
Favorite Food: SGC Senator
Career: SGC Senator
A.K.A: A.K.A.

Nelson Guarquita
Born: Ecuador
Seeking Degree: Engineer Technology
LASA: Engineering
Experience: Volleyball, Soccer
Real Life: Communication
Favorite Color: Blue
Favorite Drink: Water
Favorite Food: Italian
Career: Volunteer Committee
Hobbies: Weight lifting, Swimming
Favorite Sports: Technology, Swimming
A.K.A: A.K.A.

Maria Guerro
Born: 1/29/86
Staff Status: Single
Seeking Degree: Business
LASA: Business Administration
Experience: Intern
Real Life: Leadership Weekend
Favorite Color: Yellow, blue
Favorite Drink: Sprite
Hobbies: Lifting, Volleyball
A.K.A: Chinito
Favorite Food: Hamburger, French fries
Career: What the LASA staff says about ME: Supportive in everyway
Favorite Saying: ‘Always to be better’
Hobbies: Playing soccer, listening to music
Favorite Sports: Diving, softball
A.K.A: A.K.A.

Juan Ibanez
Born: 4/12/83
Staff Status: Single
Seeking Degree: Information Technology
LASA: Information Technology
Experience: Intern
Favorite Color: Red
Favorite Drink: Apple Juice
Hobbies: Playing soccer, listening to music
A.K.A: Fatally, Fatimon
Favorite Food: Italian
Favorite Saying: To learn something good everyday

S.G.C. Senator

SGC Retreat - Bear Mountain

The Torch: Staff Writer

SGC Retreat - Bear Mountain

La S.A.

S.A.B. Group Plc.

L.A.S.A. at Leadership Weekend

February 2006
this country they’re not, which is why to try understanding basic English and math if you’re still struggling. You can’t be expected to do well in life. You must grow up to be the best you can be. This explains why so many foreign students come to America to find it easier to excel; for an American age foreigner is better qualified, and many universities are so eager to attract foreign students because as cliché as it may sound, children really are the future. Those are the years, when the foundation is built, that are essential for a country to live off of, making it more appealing to a company to hire them over you. For example, many history teachers never teach about the indigenous people of the Americas. A foreign student is more likely to not understand the history of the United States and how our government is run better than most Americans. Most foreign schools make sure their students can fluently speak and write in at least 2-3 languages, including their native language and English. Most schools in America don’t offer the study of foreign languages until junior high or high school even though it has been proven that one will never be able to fluently speak another language unless it has begun to be taught by the age of seven. We’re also the only developed country who hasn’t officially converted to the metric system, which is quoted in the U.S. Metric Association as being the “global language of measurement.” No wonder we’re behind the world in mathematics and science. So what does the government do about this? Not much. Instead of figuring out how to make children pass their standardized tests, they just lower their standards of passing or find ways to omit the lowest scoring children from the test results. School’s needs are continually ignored and funds are always cut back. Even if you don’t have children, you shouldn’t vote against funding for the school system in your neighborhood because as cliché as it may sound, children really are the future. These are the years, when the foundation is built, that are essential for a promising future not just for the individual but for the country as a whole.
Maida E. Ramos  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 7-14-86  
**in Puerto Rico**  
**Seeking Degree:** in Criminal Justice  
**SGC Experience:** I have been for two years which I have had a lot fun with every body in SGC  
**Real Life Experience:** One of my best experience was when I went to Pennsylvania and I stayed for three days  
**Favorite Color:** green  
**Favorite Drink:** Anything that taste good  
**Hobbies:** Play Volleyball and dance  
**A.K.A:** Maida  
**Favorite Food:** Arroz con Gandules, Pasteles, Lacinon Rudos  
**What the SGC Staff say about ME:** The SGC Staff says that I’m really hyper and crazy but a good girl. SGC Staff says that I’m really well! Guys.”  
**Laura Sampedro  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 5-18-85  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Real Life Experience:** I’m a full time student at DCC Area a food runner at the Cheesecake Factory and as a server at Florinesto Gardens (Kennedy House)  
**Favorite Color:** Black & Blue  
**Favorite Drink:** Juice  
**Hobbies:** Playing soccer, Volleyball, and dance  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff says about ME; They’re very funny.  
**Favorite Saying:** No manners, a e...  
**Strangest Experience:** to be new in this country  

Gadir Saleh  
**LASA Member**  
**Born:** 8-17-86  
**Seeking Degree:** in Political Science / Lawyer  
**SGC Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Real Life Experience:** I work at a bank (PNC)  
**Favorite Color:** Pink + Red  
**Favorite Drink:** Humbugan beer cookies  
**What the LASA Staff says about ME:** What the LASA Staff says about ME: They’re very funny.  
**Favorite Saying:** No manners, a e...  
**Strangest Experience:** to be new in this country  

Andrea Rodriguez  
**LASA Member**  
**Born:** Colombia  
**Nov. 23, 1984**  
**Seeking Degree:** in Economics  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the LASA Staff says about ME:** What the LASA Staff says about ME: They’re very funny.  
**Favorite Saying:** No manners, a e...  
**Strangest Experience:** to be new in this country  

Luz Tarquino  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 5-23-85  
**Seeking Degree:** in Business Administration  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff says about ME; I’m a good friend  
**Favorite Saying:** Let go and let God  
**Strangest Experience:** A prayer gave me a purple mamba  

Edelyn Yap  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** February  
**Staff Status:** Senator  
**Seeking Degree:** in Business  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff says about ME; I’m a good friend  
**Favorite Saying:** Let go and let God  
**Strangest Experience:** A prayer gave me a purple mamba  

The Torch  
**Member Profile**

Carmen Lizet Puch  
**LASA Member**  
**Born:** Lima - Peru  
**Seeking Degree:** in AOA  
**SGC Experience:** very fun  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the LASA Staff says about ME:** What the LASA Staff says about ME; She is very shy!! (lol)  
**Favorite Saying:** Whatever, Hola!  
**Strangest Experience:** to be new in this country  

Juan Vasquez  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 2/14/86  
**Seeking Degree:** in Transfer- ing, hopefully to Rutgers  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff say about ME; I’m a good friend  
**Favorite Saying:** Let go and let God  
**Strangest Experience:** A prayer gave me a purple mamba  

Julian Ramirez  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 12-26-79  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**Real Life Experience:** I’m a full time student at DCC Area a food runner at the Cheesecake Factory and as a server at Florinesto Gardens (Kennedy House)  
**Favorite Color:** Black & Blue  
**Favorite Drink:** Juice  
**Hobbies:** Playing soccer, Volleyball, and dance  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff says that I’m really hyper and crazy but a good girl. SGC Staff says that I’m really well! Guys.”  
**Favorite Saying:** No manners, a e...  
**Strangest Experience:** to be new in this country  

Evelyn Vargas  
**SGC Senator**  
**Born:** 10-19-85  
**Seeking Degree:** in Business  
**Real Life Experience:**  
**Staff Status:**  
**Jerking Degree:** in General Business  
**Staff Status:**  
**Financial Aid:**  
**What the SGC Staff says about ME:** The SGC Staff say about ME; I’m a good friend  
**Favorite Saying:** Let go and let God  
**Strangest Experience:** A prayer gave me a purple mamba  

THE TORCH  

SAB & SGC with Dr. Winn on Tree Lighting Ceremony.
TOP TEN REASONS to visit the Cooperative Education & Career Development Center

10. Assistance with selecting a major  
9. Discover how YOUR interests, values & skills fit specific careers  
8. Resume help  
7. Interview coaching  
6. Part - time and full-time job listings  
5. Learn how to spend a semester in Walt Disney World  
4. Volunteer experiences through Service Learning  
3. Earn academic credit while working through Cooperative Education  
2. Friendly, helpful staff and “cool” offices  
1. TO PLAN A BRILLIANT FUTURE!

Poem by: anonymous

No Child Left Behind

These words will forever haunt me  
Be very aware of this title - I would not want a child to go through Life as I have

At the beginning of the birth of a child - hold him close - let him know - that he is loved - in the very early stages

When you see a problem with your child - take care of it right away - What ever it is - NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

My childhood was so empty - I was lost from the very beginning - I knew there was something wrong - but I thought - I will not make anyone aware of my difficulty -NO ONE NOTICED

There was no direction in life - my father was not proud of me - Going to school the very first day - I could not put a sentence together - It was a Catholic School - about 40 in the class - When I was asked - “Who made the world?” I could not complete the sentence - simple as it was - I said “God made” - I was then blocked - NO ONE NOTICED

To bring goodness to this story - let me write what I had read about - The Great Philosopher Aristotle - Man’s highest nature is to be found in the realm of the mind - It is the fullest expression of thought, that produces the greatness happiness The human mind’s highest ability is to think To be a real person, his highest potential must be realized - Man’s goal in life is to fulfill his potential, to realize his true nature - I was far from that - I continued on imperfectly, somehow through school - until the tenth grade - I then dropped out

What was wrong? Why couldn’t the teachers see the problem? Had trouble with assessing right or left hands - had trouble with motor skills - had trouble with continuity of thought - NO ONE NOTICED

President Bush is strong with NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND - and rightly so - we should have had this in place way back then

The progress of this person is not good - How long can you fake it? - When will someone notice and be caring and compassionate -

Where was someone to say “Jane - what’s wrong - Let me help you” Where was the significant person? Every human being needs a significant Person in their life - It starts of course with mother and father - but Many times - there are children who never have this

So the search - mainly Father - in my case - acceptance of the Individual who is having difficulty mainly with connecting -

What happens to this person in life? The struggle begins - the search For love - We have all heard - Looking for love in all the wrong places - Countless women have gone through this - Oh for someone to notice me - Love me - Your on the wrong road - but you don’t realize it -

Some how - you don’t seem to know - what is right or wrong? If it seems to be helping, you - It can’t be wrong Why don’t I know about dignity, purity - the higher self? One walks blindly through life . . . . . .
Artwork in Retrospective by Moses O. Agwai

“Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.”
— Malcolm X

“I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: ‘We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal.’”
— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

I think it is very important that films make people look at what they’ve forgotten.
— Spike Lee

I have the people behind me and the people are my strength.
— Huey P. Newton
The Last Dragon
Crabgrass Puppet Theatre

The performance is a part of the fun and friendly family programming in Bergen Community College’s “Thin & That from Here & There” Performing Arts series. For a full schedule of events call Bergen’s Office of Community and Cultural Affairs at 201-447-7428 or visit them on the Web at www.bergen.edu/community_events.

The Holmes Brothers Masters of Blues Performed at Bergen, 2/10

For nearly two generations, The Holmes Brothers have been delighting audiences with their breathtaking harmonies and their ability to perform sanctified gospel, low-down roadhouse blues, deep soul, barroom country, and pure pop all in one show. Now with their latest release – Simple Truths – earning them national and international status, the Holmes Brothers have been enthralling audiences with their breathtaking harmonies.

When A Stranger Calls, Please Dial *69
Movie Review based on the remake of an original

BY ROWELL GARCIA

Hiring a babysitter is one thing, but what would happen if that babysitter was hired at a secluded complex? At first she thought it was a joke until a stranger said those dreadful words: “Have you checked on the children?” She calls the cops and is instructed to stay on hold while the cops trace the call. She checks on the children? How can anyone think of caring for the children when the cops trace the call? When she finds out the truth, she calls the cops and is instructed to stay on hold again, but this time she tells the producers might have added scenes missing in the remake.

The plot was lackluster at best. In the original, any thrill seeker can relate the idea; especially when you’re a babysitter being alone in a house is never a smart idea; especially when you’re a babysitter being alone in a house is never a smart idea. Getting ready for Spring Break has never been so much fun!

With these reasoning, despite top-notch acting and friendship the first film has its flaws. It’s recommended to watch the original before it’s released on DVD.
and now that I am here I have no one.

The summer were the best times of my life. But life is about constant change especially when everything was going perfectly for you. But life is about constant change. There is nothing you can do about it, and if you try to try you are you will be left behind. I was too afraid to talk to people in your class, no matter what they look like or act like, even if all of you say, “This class is so boring, do you know what it's going to be?” You never know how the person will respond, and the individuality of each person is the unique position that you are in. You should also arrange to jump the clubs that are offered at BCC. There are a variety of students who are involved in those groups, and you will already have something in common.

A few weeks ago when I was helping him find a room for a party he had to amend. It's really attractive and everything that I look for in a guy he possesses. We walked for an hour, he asked me for my email, and said that he would try looking for me again. The next time I went to work, he showed up and asked me to help him find a shirt. We talked again, and exchanged information. As he was walking away I checked him out, and noticed that he was wearing a wedding band. We continued talking and went out together on several occasions. He admitted that he was married and that he was unhappy in the relationship. He's 30 and I'm 20 — should I continue with the relationship?


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3/2 Thursday 2:30 p.m. 
Room C-111
Opening Tea
Hosted by students and faculty for an international exhibit of Bedsheets. Participants will engage in a discussion of the history and significance of bedsheets in different cultures.

3/3 Friday 1-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
3/4 Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
3/5 Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
Women’s History Month March 2006

3/10 Thursday 1:10 p.m. 
Room C-111
Mira Schor Feminist Art and the 1970s Since 1970
Women of Color in Feminism: A Focus on Black Women in the Movement. This talk will explore the complex relationship between sexism, racism, and social justice.

3/12 Thursday 3:10 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Love, Love, Love: Romantic Feminism” with Dr. Megan Laverne
An exploration of women’s roles in literature and art during the Victorian era, focusing on the themes of love and desire.

3/12 Thursday 3:10 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women, Feminism, and the Law” with Dr. Emily Law
An examination of the legal rights and protections available to women in the modern era.

3/13 Friday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women’s Rights: Past and Present” with Dr. Alice Johnson
A discussion of the historical and contemporary issues facing women today.

3/14 Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women in Science and Technology” with Dr. Mary Brown
An exploration of the contributions of women in the fields of science and technology.

3/15 Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women in the Arts” with Dr. Sarah Davis
A presentation on the role of women in the arts throughout history.

3/16 Monday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women in Sports” with Dr. Linda Jackson
An examination of the participation of women in sports and the challenges they face.

3/17 Tuesday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women in Government” with Dr. Elizabeth Patel
A discussion of the role of women in government and politics.

3/18 Wednesday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 
Room C-111
“Women in Business” with Dr. Susan Jackson
An exploration of the contributions of women in the business world.

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