The TRINITY TRIPOD

Commencement Issue

Trustees Vote To Maintain Fraternities; Coeducation Optional

by Robin L. Fins

The Trustees of Trinity College have unanimously approved the recommendation of the ad hoc trustee committee report which will permit fraternities and sororities to continue at the College, though subject to strict regulations applicable to all student organizations. It also expresses a strong preference that fraternities and sororities admit both male and female members on an equal basis.

In this regard, and coeducational. According to the administrative coercion. "... the committee believes that the Trustees must commit themselves to supporting an active process directed toward the improvement of the quality of residential life on campus."

The committee report concludes: "... while recognizing that some problems in the community have seemed to be localized in certain fraternities, the committee does not believe that the abolition of fraternities is justified either by evidence or argument, nor would such a move be truly constructive. The committee is fully cognizant of the reservations about the existence of fraternities expressed by the faculty report, and by the Project I and Project II Task Forces. The committee also is aware of the alternative view among students, alumni, and some faculty members to the effect that fraternities and sororities may impede the hazing, harassing, or physical or mental intimidation of any student."

Any organization that manifests discrimination on the grounds of race, religion, or sex is unacceptable and constitutes grounds for the college's withdrawal of recognition from that organization. Similarly, noncompliance of any such organization with policies 2, 3, or 4 above will constitute grounds for the withdrawal of recognition.

The Trustees have empowered President English to use his discretion in regard to clauses numbers 2 and 5. Speaking for the Board, Chairman Edward Montgomery stated the Trustees "have left it to the President and the advisory committee to put structure around the established policies of the Trustees." President English will continuously "monitor the progress of the fraternities and sororities in terms of the broader stated aims of the Trustees." It was expected however, that questions of the existence of single-sex fraternities and sororities in terms of the broader aims of the Trustees. It was expected however, that questions of the existence of single-sex fraternities and sororities in terms of the broader stated aims of the Trustees would generally be honored.

President English noted that annual circumstances would prompt him to reverse that trend. An advisory committee will be established to insure compliance with campus regulations and also to facilitate the development of increased mutual accountability.

The committee report concludes: "The committee realizes the adoption of the suggestions contained in the Project I and Project II reports in regard to adding a person to the administration with specific responsibilities for the development and enhancement of student residential life,... the committee believes that the Trustees must commit themselves to supporting an active process directed toward the improvement of the quality of residential life on campus."
Student Review Board Idea Deferred

by Robin L. Fins

At the May 20 meeting of the College faculty, Professor Sloan presented a report in regard to the student proposal affecting the Appointments and Promotions Committee. According to Sloan, the student proposal initiated by seniors Anne Collins, Chris Sullivan, and Michael Topp, would incorporate student input into faculty appointments and promotions decisions.

The student proposal was passed by the SGA and was presented to the Appointments and Promotions Committee for evaluation. The Committee reviewed the proposal and made a formal presentation to the students. At the April 1 meeting of the Appointments and Promotions Committee, the group discussed the proposal. "It was our understanding that the proposal represented a serious student initiative that concerned an issue of particular importance to Trinity faculty and students alike. We noted, however, that the proposal, as it now exists, is unacceptable and proposed it be put on the floor for further discussion. Steele suggested the proposal be referred to the Academic Freedom Committee in conjunction with the Faculty Conference to examine the issues of interest, prepare a forum where discussion could be held, and prepare a recommendation on how to proceed on the matter. Steele felt this evaluation needed not be exclusive of the Project One recommendations concerning faculty appointments and promotions."

Commencement Honors

May 1983

Honors in General Scholarship

Amy Caroline Kuntz
Lorenzo Pinto
Kimberly Marie Thrasher
Andre Edward Robatino
Mark Jay Bromsky
Dana Alice Addison
Scott Lee Vernick
Joanna Jeanne Scott
Glenn Edward Hairsoo, Jr.
Bruce Steven Chorick
Lisa Anne Nebbia
Carol Elizabeth Hestiecki Baatz
Anne Frances Zinkin

Optimus Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Amy Caroline Kuntz
Lorenzo Pinto

1983 Scholarship Honors in General

Dana Alice Anderson
Bruce Steven Chozick
Mark Jay Bronsky
Lisa Anne Nebbia
Lorenzo Pinto
Robin L. Fins
Stephen K. Goldman
Floyd Higgins—Editor
Keryn Grohs
Staff

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Senior Class Gift List

The Class of 1983 is pleased to announce that $2422. has been raised to date for the Scholarship Fund. This figure represents 78 student contributions, one faculty contribution, and the proceeds raised to date for the Scholarship Fund. This figure represents 78 student contributions, one faculty contribution, and the proceeds raised to date for the Scholarship Fund.

Resolution

Whereas, on the weekend of April 14, 1983, Carolie Wildrick's research material on male attitudes toward women at Trinity was stolen from her dormitory room; and Whereas, this interference with freedom of research could, if not countered by a strong expression of campus opinion, have a chilling effect on the exploration of controversial subjects; Be it resolved that we the Faculty deprecate this episode and reaffirm the right of all members of the College community to engage in the unhindered pursuit of knowledge.

Faculty
On this occasion I am pleased to present you, a President and Trustee, the degree of Doctor of Humanities, honoris causa: George Washington Bailey Starkey.

A Hartford native, you have been a lifelong, enthusiastic booster of your hometown. Graduating from Yale in 1935, you joined your father in the insurance business and, over the ensuing 45 years, built up one of the largest independent agencies in Connecticut. Civic participation and philanthropy have been the touchstones of your career. In quiet, unassuming ways you have given generous support and leadership to a host of Hartford charities including the Open Hearth Association, the Salvation Army, the YMCA, and Mount Sinai Hospital. You have vigorously supported and honored the obligation to return to the community around you something of the substance that has been derived from it. This guiding principle has been the animating spirit of your life. On a previous occasion, Trinity paid tribute to your significant accomplishments with its 150th Anniversary Award. Today, I am pleased to present you, Executive Editor of the "MacNeil-Lehrer Report" and a Trinity Parent, for the degree of Doctor of Letters, honoris causa: Robert MacNeil.

In an era when television seeks to dazzle viewers withبهذلک urge and electronic gimmickry, you have captured a devoted audience on the basic journalistic premise that ideas are more fascinating than images. Armed with a fundamental belief in the intelligence of the American public, you have created as an approach to news reporting that is remarkable for its thoroughness, civility, and even-handedness. Though you modestly credit your success to being in the right place at the right time, your deft and articulate television presence has its roots in your earlier diverse roles as a disc jockey, summer stock actor, foreign correspondent, White House reporter, and news anchor. Throughout your distinguished career you have championed editorial integrity, treated your audience without condescension, and recognized this illumination rather than entertainment is the essence of innovative new programming. For delighting us even as you broaden our understanding of the events and issues of the world around us, I am pleased to present you, Executive Editor of the "MacNeil-Lehrer Report" and a Trinity Parent, for the degree of Doctor of Letters, honoris causa: Robert MacNeil.

Whether in the operating room or in the boardroom, your touch, curing man, and grace under pressure epitomize a life of dedicated, humanitarian service. You entered the medical field in 1939 after graduating from Harvard Medical School. Following residences in New York and a surgical fellowship in London you established a practice in Boston and with characteristic virtuosity became a celebrated thoracic surgeon in a city celebrated for medical excellence. Though your professional demands were heavy, and your practice on the tenent court an active one, you maintained a lifelong interest in the vital signs of your College. Elected a Trustee in 1966, you became Chair and Trustee 90 years later. In a decade of exemplary leadership you inspired your colleagues with your analytical acumen, unassuming dignity, and uncommon compassion. Little wonder that when your College entered the eighties in robust health! For your distinguished service to the body corporate as well as the body physical, I am pleased to present you, a Trinity graduate, Parent, and Trustee, the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa: George Washington Bailey Starkey.

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Honorary Graduates Cited For Distinguished Service

Robert Chester Knox, Jr., has been cited for his successful career as public servant and educator. A First Lady of our General Assembly, for the degree of Doctor of Letters. honoris causa: Robert Chester Knox, Jr.

Dr. Edward W. Sloan III, professor of history at Trinity College, has been named Northern Professor of History at Trinity. He succeeds Dr. George F. Segal, who has held the endowed professorship since 1964. Professor Cooper will retire from the Trinity faculty this spring. In announcing the appointment, Dr. Andrew G. DeRoeck, dean of the faculty, said, "This appointment comes at just the right time for Professor Sloan. He is an active and publishing scholar whose research is leading him into new fields of inquiry. He is a fine teacher, an able and effective department chairman, and a colleague to whom others for counsel." An American historian who specializes in 19th and 20th century maritime studies, Sloan has been chairman of Trinity's history department since 1979. He is an internationally recognized authority of numerous books and articles on topics in maritime and naval history. Recently he was awarded a major research grant by Trinity to study the career of Edward Knight Offley, an American shipping entrepreneur of the early 19th century. Sloan is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Yale University and received a doctorate from Harvard. He joined the Trinity faculty in 1963 and became professor of history in 1975.

Honorary Graduates Cited For Distinguished Service

Robert Breckenridge Ware, distinguished Judaic historian and founding force of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, you exemplify extraordinary sensitivity to God and His people. It is particularly fitting that your name in Hebrew means "First of the young." As leader of one of the most eminent seminaries in the country you have maintained the highest standards in the training of the conservative rabbinate, teachers, and lay leaders. Your authoritative studies on medieval Judaeans have excited scholars, and your television documentaries on the Golden Age of Spanish Jewry and the Jews of the Italian Renaissance have delighted the public, as well. Your wisdom is widely sought and generously given: The President's Commission on the Holocaust, Harvard Divinity School, and the Princeton University Chapel are among the many beneficiaries of your counsel. For your work in exploring the riches of the Jewish tradition and in defining its important place in American life, I am pleased to present you, Chancellor and Jacob H. Schiff Professor of History at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, for the degree of Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa: George D. Cohen.

For four decades, successive cohorts of Trinity students have benefited from your articulate, witty, persuasive, and unfailing interest. You are not only a full professor of history, but you are also the historian of your life. Like the British intellectuals you so much admire, you have moved adroitly between the private and public service in the conviction that the study of history should be tempered by contact with the world of affairs. Your service as president of the Hartford Board of Education and chairman of the Governor's Committee on Redistricting the State Senate stands as testimony to your belief in the relevance of an historical perspective in solving current problems. Though 18th Century British history is your first love, and the City of London your second home, you also have an affinity for Italian primitives and Sasanian stamps and for your remarkable collection of trash books. Your scholarly achievements include co-founding the distinguished Journal of British Studies, of which you were managing editor for some twenty years. Who else but an unabashed egotist would buy an entire plate labeled "Tory!"? For your distinguished service to Trinity, its students, and the community around it, I am pleased to present you, Northern Professor of History and Secretary of this College, the degree of Doctor of Human Letters, honoris causa: George Branford Cooper.
Sports

Baseball

Wesleyan Beats Wesleyan; Wins Title

by Stephen K. Gellman

In a shocking ECAC Baseball Championship Game, Wesleyan knocked off defending champ Wesleyan 10-2 to earn the title. The Cards were surprising; Wesleyan was the first seed and had a 24-5 record, but it was the ease of the victory that proved shocking.

Trinity's Mark Hanel pitched six shutout innings and Wesleyan faltered on offense in every inning, and George Allen once said that losing was like dying. George was funny, a little crazy, and I know that coaches like Stan Driscoll who Trinity had beaten by 7.5 seconds during the season would have had an easy time of it. The Bants came up with five runs in the top of the first, three on a Schwerhoff double, scoring more in the top of the ninth.

Trinity could have even been further in the hole early on if it had not been for their first baseman, Mark Hanel. He robbed Schwerhoff, grabbing a hard liner, of a two-run double in the first. In the fourth, Trinity came up with one run but the rally was cut off by a bases loaded double play that saw Driscoll tagged out at the plate.

In the end, however, the celebration was Trinity's. The Bants moved into the ECAC finals by winning a three hour and forty-five minute struggle against Mass Maritime. The game featured 36 hits, 18 by each team, and 26 runs of which the Bants produced a winning 14.

Early on it looked like Trinity and starting pitcher Schwerhoff would have an easy time of it. The Bants came up with five runs in the top of the first, three on a Schwerhoff double, scoring more in the top of the ninth.

Mass Maritime rallied and picked up four in their half of the second, adding two in the third. After Trinity scored again in the fourth and fifth, Wesleyan scored a run in the bottom of the seventh.

The Bants were able to get a run in the eighth and knocking Schwerhoff out of the game in favor of Dave Wensberg. Leading 13-10, Trinity moved into the finals by running out the top of the ninth as Bals to take it.

The result was surprising, and Wesleyan got two quick strikes on the next batter, Scott Adley, but hung the rest. 

The Tripod occupies much of my time and a good deal of that time is spent watching or talking to Trinity's athletes. As I write my 42nd Tuesday Afternoon (don't worry—there are just part of this job; as editor, I am just part of their jobs.)

In Hurdles

by Stephen K. Gellman

The youngster lightweight hurdlers were a highlight Trinity's weekend at the Dad Vail Regatta in Philadelphia.

The Varsity Lights finished second in their heat on Friday, holding off Ithaca by one stroke. The regular season, the lights took the silver with the Bants a boat-length back in third. The freshman lightweight won the bronze with the second boat and coasted to an easy gold. Coxe College, who Trinity had beaten by 7.5 seconds during the regular season, took the silver with the Bants a boat-length back in third.

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