

The Round Table

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Highway planned for Strawberry Hill SHS to be demolished

By Jim Obsitnik
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Connecticut governor, William O'Neill, and the Connecticut state legislature recently approved the construction of a new highway which will run through many Fairfield County cities including Stamford.

In Stamford, the highway will be built in the Newfield Avenue/Strawberry Hill Avenue area. This means that Stamford High School will have to be torn down.

The proposal to build this new highway was approved on January 4, but information about the bill was not released to the press until March 20.

The new expressway is being built to allow easier access to the Stamford Town Center for all Connecticut and Westchester County residents. Therefore, it will be named STC-95 (Stamford Town Center 95).

The expected cost of STC-95 is 50 million dollars. However, the legislature believes that federal grants along with increased revenue for the Town Center will offset the cost.

At his latest news conference, Governor O'Neill stated, "I feel that this highway will benefit all of Connecticut. It is such a drag to keep changing roads to get to the Town Center. I believe I am doing a service to all those faithful shoppers in Connecticut and Westchester County."

This feeling of approval has also been seconded by many highranking officials in Connecticut such as Senator Christopher Dodd and Representative Stewart B. McKinney.

In Stamford, praise for the proposal has been heard far and wide. Mayor Thom Serrani said, "Gee, this is great. Now I can put re-election posters along the new highway."

Serrani also believes that, even though more people will be thrown out onto the streets without food or shelter, and many students will go without an education, the road will provide Stamford with more revenue which can be put into the construction of a new golf course.

The Stamford Board of Education president, Mrs. Roslyn Nesin, also sides with the mayor. "I like STC-95 because I will have one less high school to worry about after Stamford High is gone. Besides, my son will already have graduated."

One would expect the main opposition to this proposal to come from the faculty and students of Stamford High. However, this assumption is incorrect. Most people in SHS are in total agreement with the proposal. The biggest supporters are the administrators. Mr. Nast said, "Thank God the highway's coming through. Now I don't have to deal with these _____ every day. I can finally go to Hollywood and pursue an acting career."

Mr. Tucci said, "Aaaaahhhh! My dream has finally come true. Now I can join the PGA tour and drill Jack Nicklaus' face into the green."

Mr. Kuczo told **The Round Table** "... Joy! Rapture! Barnum & Bailey circus, here I come!"

As with all controversial issues, there has been opposition to the new highway. The most formidable opponent is Mr. Cooper, driver education teacher. Mr. Cooper formed a militant organization in retaliation for approving

the highway. When construction begins, he intends to use all his resources to bar the demolition of Stamford High.

Mr. Cooper exclaimed, "I can't believe anyone would do this. They have the gumption to tear down SHS which has one of the finest Drivers' Ed departments in Fairfield County. I should know. I'm the department head."

He also said that he was not worried about himself, but he was concerned with all those students who will not receive proper instruction in driving. Many current SHS students have labeled Mr. Cooper a martyr, fighting for the basic human rights laid out in the Constitution.

Construction of the new highway, STC-95, is scheduled to start some time in August of this year. One can expect much debate over this issue in the next few months. There is also a possibility of violence since Mr. Cooper has a militant organization just itching for some, "... good old R rated stuff!" Time will tell whether Stamford High will be a pile of rubble or continue to be the venerable institution that it purports to be.

KnightLight

By Dan Naturman
Staff Reporter

One of Stamford High's most underrated students is indeed Elias Bigsby, a senior. Elias was born and bred in the wilderness of Alaska. He is an Eskimo and enjoys ice-fishing, seal beating, and igloo construction.

Sporting a 1.2 average, Elias is surely a student one should keep his eye on. Although he's served time for such offenses as whale taunting and grand theft dogsled, Elias is better now. "SHS has helped me to stay out of the hoosgow. I'm real good now. You know what they say. 'All the world's a stage.'"

Elias Bigsby

Elias is president of the Stamford High He-Man Woman Haters Club. Says Elias, "A good woman is a dead woman. If I could I'd have a world totally made up of He men."

Recently our hero won a national creative writing contest. Admittedly his story was cut out of a magazine. However, the judges felt it was an excellent story anyway.

Elias' future plans include joining the Islamic Jihad terrorist organization and learning to read. Stamford High could sure use more students like Elias Bigsby.

For what purpose we're not sure.

Police crack prostitution ring

By Brian Steinberg
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The entire Stamford High populace was shocked to learn of a secret prostitution ring operated by the Black Knights' own cheerleaders.

Police were tipped off to the illegal activity by several custodians who had been rebuffed by members of the squad.

Punishment will be handled by school administrators as well as police officials.

Little known by Stamford High students and personnel, the prostitution ring has been going steadily since early 1985, when this year's senior cheerleaders were mere sophomores. Says cheerleader Caryn Bunder, "We girls figured it'd be a good way to make a few bucks for the weekend. After all, it is the world's oldest profession. You can't earn money by doing somersaults at football games, ya know?"

Apparently, word soon got around; as all social SHS news travels faster than the speed of light, as rumormongers know.

Those interested would contact Madam Amy who would schedule a special lineup during cheers at football and basketball games.

Clients, who would sit in the crowd with the rest of the fans, would then make their choices. Several choice spots were reserved under the stands for an exchange of money.

This practice went on until March of this year, when, evidently, the cheerleaders stopped paying off our custodians, who see and hear everything

Said one who wished to remain

anonymous, "Money makes the world go 'round. Besides, with those girls there, it was hard to sweep up. Good riddance, I say."

An official police investigation reveals a smooth, well run operation. Books were kept, taxes paid, clients treated fairly. "If this were a legit business," said one police detective, "It'd probably make the Fortune 500."

All is not roses, however. Tales of horror have been exposed by former members of the squad. Senior Wendy Gross, who left the squad for a gym-

nastics career, revealed, "It was horrible, absolutely horrible."

The Round Table could not persuade Miss Gross to speak further on the subject. With a tear in her eye, however, she mentioned that she still has nightmares.

In the meantime, the cheerleaders have been put on probation until the authorities can properly deal with them. However, rumors of a similar operation among the field hockey squad have been heard. Police will investigate. SHS may never be the same again.

'Wrestle School' comes alive for mat fans

By Jan Ho
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It has been compared to such great events as Super Bowl XXI, and the '86 World Series. It was **Wrestle School**.

On March 29, teachers from Stamford High School put on a dazzling display of mat talent. Such stars as Rowdy Jimbo Palley, Jumpin' Jack Scanlon, King Kong Cooper, and James 'Crusher' Bellantoni, were featured.

Wrestle School took place in The Yale Bowl and drew a crowd of 95,000 plus; at least it started off with 95,000 plus. Guest singer Jill Abrahams caused widespread pandemonium with her version of *America the Beautiful*. Those with ringside seats didn't even have a chance to escape. However, those with seats near the rafters endured the 90 seconds of cacophony and proceeded to move down to ringside, which cost nearly \$200 per seat.

Wrestling in front of a crowd of 500 people, by no means, took away any intensity or electricity from the event. There was genuine hatred in every one of the five great bouts. In the preliminary bout, Rowdy Jimbo Palley faced Luscious Louie Morabito. The match was even all the way, until Luscious Louie slapped on the dreaded Louie Leglock. Rowdy cried out in pain and was on the verge of submission. However, he was saved by his henchman and bodyguard, Ace Cowboy Cox.

Rowdy reversed the leglock and proceeded to slap on his version of the figure-four leglock, which brought about a quick submission from Luscious

Louie.

In a ladies' match, Flower Petal Newton faced Gorgeous George-Anne Gibson for the ladies title. The Champion Gibson used everything in her power to stop the threat of Newton. The bout was filled with hair pulling, biting and scratching.

Finally, the referee disqualified both contestants for flagrant rule-breaking. However, after the DQ, Flower Petal dropped her infamous Newton Bomb on a prone Gibson body. The Champ was carried out on a stretcher, but vowed to return for revenge.

In the main event, James Bellantoni, also known in his homeland as Vladimir "Crusher" Slovincoff, made a run for the world title held by King Kong Cooper. Crusher had King Kong reeling from one side of the ring to another and could have taken the title at any moment in the match.

However, his insistence on singing the Russian National Anthem before pinning the weaker American caused the big Russian to lose the bout. Halfway through the first stanza, King Kong gathered himself and executed his dreaded Avalanche on the Russian which led to a quick pinfall.

In other bouts, Rebel Mara faced Jumpin' Jack Scanlon in a battle of the old-timers. The bout ended in a draw with both combatants exhausted and unable to continue. And Charlie Pike was ousted by Al Gurney in a Pier 6 brawl.

Wrestle School '87 proved to be a tremendous success with all proceeds going to Stamford High's favorite charity case, the Senior Class.

