

**Senate Agenda**  
**January 29, 2007**  
**Academic Council Room- 4th Green Hall**  
**6:00 PM**

- I. Roll Call
- II. New Business
  - A. Cortni Jones - Bursar: SOFC Funding Restructuring (15 min, 5 min ?s)
- III. Open Discussion
  - A. Katherine Langmaid - Alumnae Achievement Awards (10 min, 5 min ?s)
  - B. New Organizations: Peace Coalition, Clio History Club, and GLOW (15 min, 5 min?s)
  - C. Maria Nassen - WDOC student representative (10 min, 5 min?s)
- IV. Dean's Corner: Dean Michelle Lepore and Dean Kim Goff-Crews (8 min, 5 min?s)
- V. Beyond the Bubble: Malina Swiatek - CPLA Chair. (5 min)
- VI. Adjourn

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** Thanks for being here after our long break! Maybe I'm just excited because it's senior spring but we also have lots to look forward to. Cortni Jones has some exciting new things going on in SOFC to present about.

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** Last semester, SOFC talked a lot about the SOFC Constitution and where we would like it to go. We also discussed a plan of attack. We have an idea of a timeline, motivation, and our principles for the constitution. We also have more details and we will be presenting a full document at a later date. I just wanted to express some motivations and principles behind this so you could give feedback to policies or procedures, keeping in mind our main principles. We have had long discussions and one constant, main idea was that SOFC is here to support, not hinder, student organizations and activities. We want to keep these activities open and available to all students who pay the Student Activity Fee and keep in mind that students are here to have fun and enjoy themselves. We decided that one

problem is that deadlines fall at the wrong times for orgs - emergency funding at the wrong time, lecture funding late because lecture already finished, so we want more opportunities in the year to apply for money, and still encourage early application. We want planning stage applications ahead of time, but we have an idea of streamlining the processes and forms to something more manageable for new treasurers, and bridge the gap between new and old treasurers. New treasurers may want to push new ideas, but as they aren't involved in budgeting, they can't just do that. We want to reverse the cuts we've had to make since more money is applied for than we have available- we don't want one type of organization affected more than another, and we want to minimize cuts. We also want organizations to have freedom to apply for available money when it is best for them. Some of the colleges we visited had more deadlines but smaller amounts, and more freedom for what you can apply for; we took that away as one thing that we appreciated there. We will have a draft presented to Senate on February 26<sup>th</sup> and you can see under open meetings that we have several between February 26<sup>th</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is for all student leaders, honoraria, treasurers, all. We will be presenting the body of the work and soliciting feedback. On March 4<sup>th</sup>, we will present a final version that will be brought to Senate and House Councils. We will be asking that as these dates approach, to get people in your dorm interested in this, especially Presidents and Treasurers because we don't want to re-work this, and then have good ideas develop. We want these ideas early. Anyone can email me at Student Bursar, but SOFC members are also attached to every organization on campus and most organizations have been contacted, so they are your liaisons. A current constitution is on the website at the URL listed. This will keep the basic framework and add to it. The Student Bursar will still have to attend all meetings, obviously, but the types of forms, how and when to apply, will be changed to create flexibility and stability for all organizations. There will be a lot of work ahead for Senators because you will need to explain the constitution when it comes out, and we want you to be able to answer your own questions. I hope that you guys find this exciting because we want to provide something that continues with the fairness that we have and provides more stability from year to year, and adds flexibility. We want to work with people to achieve this.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** Thanks Cortni and all of SOFC. This is exciting because it is a big over-haul for what SOFC has been doing. I hope you can get pumped about being a part of this. Next we have Yang and two presidents of new organizations.

**Yang Qiu, College Government Vice President (CGVP):** Good evening. If you remember, last fall I presented the protocol for new organizations who apply to SOAC to become constituted. Today we aren't talking about new organizations, we are talking about organizations that have already been approved by SOAC and

tonight these organizations have finished their required trial period and are now asking for Senate approval so they can become full-fledged organizations. As I have told you earlier in the year, every year there are two deadlines for new organizations to apply to be recognized and get constitutional status. They apply through SOAC which reviews their applications and decides whether they will enter the trial period. If they do, they will enter the trial period which lasts for two semesters - Fall and Spring, or Spring and the following Fall semester. After this period, they will have to come to Senate and present their case and Senate will either approve or not approve their organization. Basically, what we are doing today is hear their cases and bring the vote back to House Council and ask for approval. We are approving the trial process procedure, not their individual organizations.

**Justine Parker, Peace Coalition President:** First of all, thanks for being here tonight. Peace Coalition started about 3 semesters ago and before that we brainstormed for a semester to gather ideas about what placeCityWellesley and the Peace and Justice Department needed in an organization. Our purpose is to promote a sense of community for Peace and Justice Studies majors and for the greater placeCityWellesley community, so our membership is Peace and Justice Studies majors but also majors from religion, sociology, economics, the whole spectrum. The organization is open to anyone interested in social justice activities. We are also open to people who don't consider themselves members but who just wish to participate in some of our activities. Additionally, we wish to provide on campus leadership opportunities in social justice as a good experience for later in life. Eight women serve on Peace Coalition's e-board and they find it to be an exciting leadership opportunity. I have included some of our activities on your handout and these really speak to our purpose. One of the first things we did was the National Registry for Conscientious Objectors book-signing. The purpose of the event was for people to commit their life and work to non-violence by having a witness sign the book for them and was very successful. We also had an alumni panel and a peace flag activity where we made colorful banners representing students' different conceptions of both inner and outer peace and hung them in the student center. We also had a progressive symposium on campus which united various social justice groups on campus. The various organizations brainstormed about what we could do to collaborate and work together this semester toward a common goal. We look forward to having another one this semester. We've been having a lot of bonding activities this year and the group has become very tight knit. We also have weekly protests at the corner of the college campus to draw attention to different events that are happening nationally and internationally that our members are concerned about.

**placeLuzon Pahl, Peace Coalition Vice President of Off-Campus Affairs:** I think one thing to add is that most of you come from a major that has its own department whether it be Economics, History, Biology, etc. One thing that is different for Peace and Justice Studies majors is that you don't have a hall with all of your professors, there is no office, and you might not even know who else is a Peace and Justice Studies Major. This organization serves as a way of getting together and allowing us to meet one another, helping us to share ideas with professors and each other and have a common space. It's not just exclusive to Peace and Justice Studies majors, anyone is welcome, and we have very opposing ideas within even just our e-board, and we have grown a lot because of that. Thank you and if you have questions, there is contact info and how to reach the Peace Coalition conference on the handout.

**Maria Nassen, President of Great Lights Of CityWellesley (GLOW):** I am a junior this year and I'm from country-regionplaceSweden. In Europe, circus is an established art form and is like Cirque de Soleil with trapeze, acrobatics, etc., which is what comes to mind when I think of circus, not Barnum and Bailey which is basically a zoo. Ever since my first year, I have wanted to try and change people's perceptions of circus which is why I created GLOW. GLOW has a double meaning - we are great and bring great light to placeCityWellesley but we also literally perform with light sticks. The purpose of GLOW is to provide an organization that can perform and practice the ancient art form of circus originating in placeEastern Europe of coming together in a traveling troop and performing for local villages. Today we have Cirque de Soleil and many different organizations that have turned circus into a school where adults and children can learn and advance in this field. I have brought my passion for circus to placeCityWellesley. The placePlaceTypeschool of PlaceNameCircus is what GLOW is - we meet once or twice a week and we teach and learn various elements of circus acts. I was the first who had any background in circus and have taken on the role of lead instructor, and now three semesters have gone by, and old members have begun to be instructors. Our members are very dedicated and practice hours on end. We have had some success, performing at the SBOG party, having two of our own shows. We've also received grants - last December the Davis Museum granted us \$1200 and we have received a couple hundred from SOFC so we have been able to purchase equipment, travel, and do many things that are necessary for the organization to function. I didn't put any contact info on the handout, but we put our information on the student organization conference. We had 18 members our first semester, and a few less this semester, but we are hopeful for new members.

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** Hopefully you enjoyed those presentations. Besides holding their open meetings, these two organizations must hold various activities like the ones they presented. Right now they are presenting to Senate and according to the SOAC constitution, Senate will vote on whether to give these organizations full constitution status since they have gone through the trial period and shown they are valuable to the placeCityWellesley campus. Please ask me if you have questions or concerns about constitution of new organizations.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** Thank you for coming. Thanks for encouraging collaboration between organizations and GLOW has brought creativity to campus that we needed. As far as voting on this part of our agenda, you can't vote without having house council tomorrow because you need their votes in order to vote here in Senate. So this vote will be postponed until after your next house council, and we will vote on Feb 7th. You will present next Tuesday at House Council so I hope you have a good recollection of what we talked about! Next we have Katherine Langmaid from the Alumnae Association to talk to us about one of the best nights of the year.

**Katherine Langmaid, Alumnae Association:** I work in the Alumnae Association. Quick poll - how many have been to the alumnae achievement awards. Great! This year, it will be on Friday February 9th in Alumnae Auditorium. These awards are the highest honor given by the college and they are for alumnae in honor of distinction in their field and endeavors. The college doesn't give out honorary degrees, so coming to this ceremony is your opportunity to participate in this honor that the college bestows. JudyAnn Bigby, from the class of 1973, a well-known doctor, will be honored, along with Judith Perlman Martin, class of 1959, who you know best as Miss Manners, and In-Ho Lee, class of 1960, who served as the first female Korean ambassador in history. All students are invited to attend the ceremony and this year we will host an open reception following the ceremony. I hope you will all come - the ceremony and reception are ticketed but tickets are free. The tickets will be distributed Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 12 to 2 of next week in the Lulu Chow Wang campus center. Posters and table tents will tell you more and remind you how to pick up tickets. This is a very special event and the main purpose is to connect students with inspirational and outstanding alumnae and I hope you will come. If you have questions or can't make ticket distributions, call me at extension 2392 or contact me on first class. I want each and every student to attend these wonderful awards. The ceremony begins at 5:30 and the reception will follow thereafter in Tishman commons. The ceremony is an hour, and the reception is an hour afterwards - you can still go out afterwards.

**Emily Oxford, Student at Large:** Will Miss Manners be providing a list of protocol for manners on first class? I think we've been missing out on that lately...

**Katherine Langmaid:** I don't know about that, but each alumna will speak for five or ten minutes about how placeCityWellesley got them started on their career path, so she will talk about her career in journalism, which will be very interesting, I'm sure.

**Victoria Starret, Severance:** Is this event open to non-students?

**Katherine Langmaid:** Alumnae Auditorium holds about 1400 people so if we have availability, we would love to have outside guests. We also have local alums and special guests there for the awards. Let us know you want to bring a guest when you pick up a ticket and if we have space, we'll let you know. I hope to see you all on the 9<sup>th</sup>!

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** I hope all of you go - it is pretty fantastic. Now we have Maria Nassen to talk about her role as the student representative to the Wellesley Development and Outreach Committee. Thanks for coming Maria.

**Maria Nassen:** I was appointed to NDOC (National Development and Outreach Committee) which ceased in existence and was replaced by the WDOC (Wellesley Development and Outreach Committee). The WDOC is a very large committee - it has 100 something alums that came to campus last fall. They come from all over the country and abroad to spend a weekend on campus, working with the alumnae office to try to determine the future of the office and the future of placeCityWellesley alumnae communities. All these alums had demonstrated strong ties to Wellesley through their donations and work so they were acting as ambassadors for the college already, and they were brought together to brainstorm and toss ideas around about how to get more alumnae back involved on campus, through donations, different events on campus, through work, and through nationwide events. placeCityWellesley wants to extend beyond the actual campus buildings. My role was to observe, to learn as much as I could so I could share the information and you can feel the connection as students now and as placeCityWellesley women now and forever. This was a powerful experience to see the connections people have built with this college - it is a space to grow individually and to learn what some of these women have accomplished. The highlight was to speak with the president of the Boston Area Association for the UN - a regional office that promotes the work of the UN locally - they spread awareness, hold events for local communities, that's the gist of it. And she invited me to a luncheon and I heard the permanent ambassador to placecountry-regionChina speak and it was fabulous. That is a personal perk of this

event but in larger terms, it is an amazing event sponsored by the college to bring people back and to help people reconnect with the place, each other, the current administration, to offer alums assurance that they are not forgotten and that we care about current and past student perspectives.

**Siobhan O'Keefe, Beebe:** I never knew that WDOC existed. So you can give me an overall of the purpose and why it exists?

**Maria:** This is the first year it existed so they don't even really know. They only hold meetings once a year and it doesn't have a long-standing, continuing goal. It is almost like SEQs for the alumnae office and what they would like to see improved.

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** I was wondering what exactly the role of the student on the committee is because it's great you meet alumnae, but shouldn't students give perspective when voting and was your role of your position valuable?

**Maria:** I actually asked myself that. The one thing the committee planners failed to do, was that I was informed of my representation a couple weeks before the meeting happened and the agenda was already set. There was a student perspective given, the last afternoon was dedicated to student presentations by two current students; that student was not me and it should have been and I could have been more recognized as a student rep.

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** Initially, there was NDOC which was a trustee committee that had one student rep appointed by SOAC. NDOC was dissolved in May 2006 and during the summer there was no committee. When the administration formed the WDOC in fall 2006, and the event Maria described was in September, so there was this really rushed scheduling for everything and also it is a brand new committee even though it evolved from NDOC. The purpose and mission is still evolving, the chair is a trustee still but it is no longer a trustee committee, so there are some modifications to the previous activities and goals, and missions. In addition, Maria was not able to serve as a student rep because it came together so quickly.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** Do you have a vote on this committee and what decisions or suggestions could you make?

**Maria:** I had an equal say in everything that we did, but it is not your traditional committee of sitting around a table and making a decision. There were never really decisions to be voted on. The main activity was to go through cases of different situations where Alums had decided not to be active in CityplaceWellesley life

anymore. Our task was to re-encourage alums and in my group, I was encouraged to think about how I would want to be contacted, how I thought it would be effective, apart from the whole social aspect, this was a main part of the committee meeting.

**Natalie Ross, Secretary:** What does the actual committee and planning look like on campus? Who plans, who is on the committee, etc?

**Maria:** This is an alumnae organization planned and put on by the Alumnae Office so it is planned by the college and then the alums are welcome to come as members of the committee.

**Malina Swaitek, CPLA Chair:** The word committee should be eliminated from the position and the goal. In my understanding of students to represent themselves on a committee, they give a unique voice, and is the only purpose to plan a one-time event to get more funding and alum participation. If so, do you think a student is needed?

**Maria:** I think there needs to be student voices, but the students who were presenting were not SOAC selected and they did a good job of representing placeCityWellesley to the alums so alums would continue to donate time and money. Yes, students should be there, and maybe it shouldn't be a committee position because there aren't any decisions made, but if it is a student representation, the student rep should have more responsibility.

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** This is from resources, not the alum office, and at the end of the year, let's ask them what this is and if a student is needed.

**Shayla Adams, MAC:** Were student leaders invited to the reception, and could students mingle with the alumnae?

**Maria:** I saw some students on the agenda but I don't know their role.

**Shayla:** I think it might be beneficial to interact with alums since they don't often have that chance. I would love to talk to some people.

**Maria:** There are 100 influential, rich alumnae in a room and it is a great networking opportunity.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** Thanks for some good questions, and thanks Maria for shedding light on some issues with this committee. I understand that it gave thanks

to the supports some of our biggest donors; because if people feel appreciated, they'll give more. Next, we have the Dean's Corner. We haven't seen you guys in a while, so it's exciting to be back.

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** Welcome back! I know a lot of you have been around, but we've been here since January 2nd plugging away and having lots of retreats about what we did, what we will do, and for the next few years.

Welcome back to Michelle and we just want to update you on the past three weeks. We spent a lot of time at retreats, and last week was trustee week. There were many meetings on a range of topics—from the chapel project, to two and a half hours talking about first year programs with trustees and faculty, so we have ideas. We talked about Residential Life at the student life meeting and we looked at what it means to be in a community, and what actually happens that might be different from when they were here. Our chair is the new Chief of Staff to the new Governor of Massachusetts, so Heather Long is the chair for the rest of the semester. They had alums meet with students at an informal gathering in the middle of the day and this time it was with student athletes. Over the course of the years, they will meet with different students. That went really well. Pam Melroy is a trustee, and she will command the next shuttle flights, so she gave us a discussion of what it is like to be in space but we can't talk to her until she goes off in space and comes back. Next the trustees went to see the stars in the observatory. We also talked about the divestment with placeDarfur and they were updated on the situation from the students' perspective.

We have two searches: We need an Assistant Director of the placePlaceNameStone PlaceTypeCenter, which will go on, and there will be a new Director of the PLTC, which has finally been approved. Dean Shennan and I are going to name a small committee to look at athletics, especially club sports, intramurals, and athletics overall. We were working on that while you were gone.

**Associate Dean Michelle Lepore:** It's great to be back. My trip was great, and it was very different to live in placecountry-regionIndia. I had great contact with CityWellesley alums living in country-regionIndia, and we established four new internships for CityWellesley students in placecountry-regionIndia for six students.

I also led a two-day leadership program for Tibetan college women and it was fascinating and two recent alums were there and helped us for the day—with the human knot and some leadership exercises. The national Tibetan Women's association is one of the internships sites we established.

I was also really sick, but I came home because there was a lot to do at placeCityWellesley. I came back in December and I am excited about the work for

CityWellesley students in placecountry-regionIndia. There will be more information on the CWS website in the next two weeks.

We also reviewed the overnight infirmary service—the consultants came two weeks ago and we invited OMHA and SLACK and CG to spend time with consultants. They met with police, residential life, and counseling center staff. They are working on a report and we will be back in touch to talk about what they think for how we can best use our resources. Finally, on Feb 12th, at 4:00, a labyrinth has been donated to the chapel. In a labyrinth you are walking on a course and they date back to the 12th central. There is one at the cathedral in placeCitySan Francisco and we will have our own and the chapel renovation project is going forward and there are boards in the chapel that show what it will look like.

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** I am graduating with the senior class and I am having my moments of senioritis, but Michelle and I are working about the transition plan but once we've nailed that down we'll get in touch with you.

**Dean Michelle Lepore:** I'm also doing party planning for Dean Kim and the president.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** When you talked with trustees, was there any component about transfer experiences?

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** We will talk about that in the follow up conversations we will have.

**Dean Michelle Lepore:** it has improved in the past two years and it definitely has a long way to go. There was a gathering last night for transfer students.

**Yang Qiu, College Government Vice President:** Could you tell us when Pam Melroy will be lifting up?

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** It may be September or August. She's in lockdown for a long time

**Dean Michelle Lepore:** She can take a number of items into space and before she has taken a placeCityWellesley thing.

**Shayla Adams, MAC:** I wanted to know, when you talked about presentations to Investment Committee, was it just about good and bad investments because of the situation right now?

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** They were getting a briefing about what the student issue is and what other colleges are doing.

**Shayla Adams, MAC:** Also can you bring us up to date with the multicultural requirement review?

**Dean Kim Goff-Crews:** We are looking at department reviews and we have determined the review for April 9. We are trying to get the external review committee finalized. It is proceeding at a fast clip to get this done by the end of the semester.

**Sara -----Dickhaus, Claflin:** I think the ice rink is great, but I'm a little concerned because it is being used a lot by community members and I'm worried that it might not be so comfortable for students to use it. Is there something that we can do to make sure students can access the ice rink? And there are no skates.

**Siobhan O'Keefe, Beebe:** Just go in your sneakers on ice! But when are the internships going to be available, and where did we get a labyrinth?

**Dean Michele Lepore:** The internships will be this summer. The alums who are helping are really excited and the students who go will meet with alums. I don't know who donated the labyrinth but we'll find that out and post it.

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** I was wondering if you could update on us on your planned programs for mental health since it's cold and it can be hard...and maybe we should have a good party soon.

**Dean Michelle Lepore:** So, the Wellness Committee was focused on the topic of suicide. This semester there will be programming in the residential halls. We previewed two movies that we will show in two residential halls. We will also run a program at Administrative Council, which meets once a month, to teach them about what symptoms they might see in depressed and/or suicidal students and how to interact with that student. We will also do a program through the PLTC that is focused on faculty and showing them the signs and symptoms of depression. As far as fun things on campus...here is Kate.

**Kate Durso, Director of Student Activities:** There are the Alumnae Achievement Awards. There are also tons of things on the campus calendar, and most of the events are in March and April so check the calendar.

**Dean Michelle Lepore:** If you want something specific, just let us know and we'll see what we can do.

**Aileen Hagerman, Beebe:** When will more information be available about the country-regionIndia internships and where in placecountry-regionIndia?

**Dean Michele Lepore:** I'll let you know next week, but two will be in CityDelhi at Action India, two in Vernassi with orphans and a girls' school that is connected to a boys' orphanage, and the Tibetan Women's Association - in placeCityDharamsala, country-regionIndia. And the other one is with a Tibetan children's village in Dharamsala also. And there is a chance we'll get an internship in the placeCitySeattle branch of the Tibetan Women's Association as well.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** It is time for our first Beyond the Bubble.

**Malina Swiatek, CPLA Chair:** Hoorah! It's me! I like to get myself pumped up. This is Beyond the Bubble:

### **In International News This Week...**

#### **placecountry-regionIran to Start Assembling Centrifuges, IAEA Says Underground Facility Would Enrich Uranium**

By George Jahn

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DAVOS, Switzerland, Jan. 26 -- [Iran](#) plans to begin work next month on an underground uranium enrichment facility, as part of a plan to create a network of tens of thousands of machines turning out material that could be used to make nuclear arms, U.N. officials said Friday.

"I understand that they are going to announce that they are going to build up their 3,000-centrifuge facility . . . sometime next month," Mohamed ElBaradei, head of the U.N.'s International Atomic Energy Agency, told reporters at the World Economic Forum here.

"If placecountry-regionIran takes this step, it is going to confront universal international opposition," warned U.S. Undersecretary of State R. Nicholas Burns. "If they think they can get away with 3,000 centrifuges without another Security Council resolution and additional international pressure, then they are very badly mistaken."

Former Iranian president Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, meanwhile, accused the country-regionUnited States of acting like a bully, with the ultimate aim of forcing placecountry-regionIran to "abandon nuclear energy." Also Friday, the Iranian government said it would bar the entry of all U.N. inspectors from countries that voted in favor of a U.N. Security Council resolution last month that imposed sanctions on placecountry-regionIran for its nuclear program. placecountry-regionIran said it had rejected 38 names from a list of inspectors from the atomic energy agency.

The Security Council's 60-day deadline for placecountry-regionIran to suspend uranium enrichment runs out next month, paving the way for further sanctions.

### **Gates Working to Accelerate Deployment**

By Ann Scott Tyson

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Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said yesterday that he was working to accelerate the deployment of 21,500 additional country-regionU.S. troops to [Iraq](#), suggesting that the influx of American troops is no longer contingent upon the Iraqi government fulfilling its commitments for placeCityBaghdad security operations.

Lt. Gen. David H. Petraeus, confirmed yesterday by the Senate as the senior country-regionU.S. commander in country-regionIraq, testified this week that he needs all of the troops -- and possibly more -- for the mission to quell sectarian violence in placeCityBaghdad. "As long as he feels he needs them, they're all going to flow," Gates told reporters at his first Pentagon news conference.

"We are going to see if the timetable for the dispatch of the brigades can be accelerated," Gates said, although he added that logistical hurdles may prevent speeding up the movement for all or some of the troops.

The U.S. troop increases now underway in both Iraq and [Afghanistan](#) reflect a deliberate effort to "create an environment in which the commanders feel open to requesting what they think they need," Gates said, suggesting that in the past U.S. commanders have not felt comfortable asking for reinforcements. Still, he said, "there is no blank check," and requests for more troops will be vetted by the Joint Chiefs of Staff before being presented to him and President Bush for a decision.

In congressional testimony and statements earlier this month, Gates had suggested that the flow of additional U.S. troops to Iraq would be dependent upon the Iraqi government meeting specific pledges -- such as sending three

more Iraqi army brigades to Baghdad and lifting restrictions on U.S. military operations targeting certain Baghdad districts or individuals.

### **In National News This Week...**

#### **'She's alive!': Duck ducks death a third time**

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The ringneck duck survived being shot and spending two days in a hunter's refrigerator -- and now she's had a close brush with death on a veterinarian's operating table.

The one-pound female duck stopped breathing Saturday during surgery to repair gunshot damage to one wing, said Noni Beck of the Goose Creek Wildlife Sanctuary in placeCityTallahassee, StateFla.

Veterinarian David Hale revived the bird by performing CPR. Said Beck: "I started crying, 'She's alive!' "

Perky entered the headlines last week after a hunter's wife opened her refrigerator door and the should've-been-dead duck lifted its head and looked at her. The bird had been in the fridge for two days since being shot and presumed killed Jan. 15.

Perky is recovering with a pin installed in the fractured wing, and probably will not have more surgery because of her sensitivity to anesthesia, Hale said.

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### **In State News This Week..**

#### **Antiterror cameras capturing crime on T**

##### ***Images aid police by nailing details***

By Mac Daniel and Suzanne Smalley, Globe Staff ~|~ January 29, 2007

More than 450 security cameras watching for potential terrorists on the T are now helping catch alleged criminals.

Friday, MBTA Transit Police arrested a 27-year-old man accused of robbing a passenger at gunpoint at the placeBack Bay station. Such cases have often gone unsolved, officials said, and the arrest would have been far less likely without digital images from a surveillance camera at the station.

So far, about a dozen crimes have been solved with help from the cameras, and T police expect many more cases , including those from an investigation into a large ring of robbers.

The camera network "has aided us tremendously in identifying suspects that normally would not have been identified in the past," said Sergeant Detective Michael Adamson . "Hopefully, the word will get out that these cameras are in place and people will reconsider their actions before committing crimes on the MBTA."

He said that detectives have been increasingly successful with the cameras, and they are now routinely using them to narrow down suspects. He said that even when police are unable to positively identify a suspect with the digital images, they usually get promising leads by significantly enhancing a suspect's description to include details of clothing and distinguishing features, such as moles and tattoos.

**In Local News This Week...**

**Can the little guys survive in placeCityWellesley?**

By Brad Reed, Townsman Staff

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Like many small business owners, Periwinkles owner Susan Black was having trouble competing with large retail chains. Her solution? Leave placeCityWellesley and go digital.

"I think it's very difficult for small businesses to survive," said Black, who is closing her addressStreetWashington Street children's clothing and furniture store after 23 years in business. "We're starting an e-commerce site where we're going to sell a lot of the same products you see in the store online."

Black said that running a retail store was "a really demanding life" and that she and her husband, Newbold Black, would be moving out of state to start their own online business. She said that while there were many factors involved in the decision to close down Periwinkles, competition from chain stores did play a significant part.

"The furniture component of our business had become very competitive," she said, explaining that it became more difficult to compete with chains such as placecountry-regionJordan's after they started selling more children's furniture. "We're going to go for more of a niche market online."

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** Thanks Malina. Now we have Cabinet Announcements.

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** You will be seeing different representatives on committees coming to Senate throughout the semester, and in the next couple weeks, we will be seeing more orgs that are at the end of their trial period and are asking for final approval from senate. Now you will know what to expect. And February 9th, next

Friday, is the deadline for new org applications. This is the spring deadline for orgs that want constituted status. Spam will come out in a couple of days so please forward the spam and for you or anyone you know who wants to start an org, ask them to contact me before they turn in their app so we can chat before they turn in the app and we can chat. The deadline is at 5:00 PM and all docs have to be turned in in paper version to CG office. Please contact me with questions.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** Welcome back!

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** None of that fake announcement stuff. SOFC is meeting in PNE 129. Emergency funding is due this Sunday at 5:00 PM to Spring 07 EF - see details on the flyer. Also, our office is up and running in Schneider - come by and visit.

**Shayla Adams, MAC:** CWDI is going to be off the hinge this year and we have a lot planned. So this year we are working with the deans to get info to multicultural review committee. Feb 6, 5:30, Multicultural council meeting for the semester- we want all the cultural org presidents to show up and if you can't come, send someone. Feb 7th is first CWDI meeting of the semester - if they elected a cultural org representative, they need to come to this meeting.

**Malina Swiatek, CPLA Chair:** Basically, CPLA is getting ready to open a can of CPLA fun. It is coming. We have lectures, Distinguished Lecture event, other than that, lots of stuff. First general meeting is next Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 with frosted cookies with location TBA.

**Elaine Skowronski, HPC/CG Liaison:** CPLA might be opening up a can of fun. But we are opening up a can of failure because we are doing Your Favorite Failure next week with student leaders, faculty, and administrators. Tuesday February 6th from 4:30 - 5:30, Wednesday 7th 8-9on placeEast Side, and Thursday 8-9 in Beebe, and no house council this week.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** My only CG announcement is thinking far ahead. On April 4th, that is CG elections and it is way too early to start stressing, but you should start thinking. If anyone you know or you is thinking of running, please contact the person in that position because we want to encourage anyone who is interested to run. So if you're thinking, which you should be, we can chat and we can keep in confidential and don't be shy about contacting us. But also, I felt compelled to let you know that at the CWS one of our big things in placeCityWellesley women in Science career/internship fair, so if you are interested, please check that out. The deadline is

February 6th for submitting your resume so look online and find the email and read it. And if you miss the deadline you can still come to the fair on Valentine's Day. If you have questions, let me know. We need to do more for our science students, so come and help us out. So by general consent, I move to adjourn this meeting.