

Victim of smear campaign wins freshman election

By JON ELSEN

Scott Solomon, who claimed he was the victim of a smear campaign, was elected Freshman Class President Friday. Posters appeared for Solomon promising second and third hits of acid at John Jay.

He managed to overcome the attack, however, and win with 98 votes, to 67 for Joslyn Morgan, 51 for Tom Douris, 42 for Robert Sacks and 35 for Robert Stor.

Solomon promised to "foster a greater identity in the freshman class." He said he plans to increase the number of spectators at frosh sporting events by distributing free beer and food and would like to organize "symposium-type activities" with graduates from Columbia, who have gone on to become doctors, lawyers and other professionals.

Sahotra Sarkar won the vice-presidency and A.J. Bosco is the secretary-treasurer. Sarkar won with 94 votes to 86 for Vance Thurston, 66 for Ed Klees, 42 for Hye Tae Kim and 40 for Solomon's running mate, Eduardo Tabio.

Bosco beat out Lewis Horowitz, Solomon's other running mate, 148-131, on what he called a "Trifecta Ticket."



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William Davidon
... speaking at workshop

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production in the misbelief that this creates greater employment and prosperity.

"Military products do not have utility in the normal sense. You can't use them to make anything else. As the law of conservation of matter and energy basically states: resources used in place A can't be used in place B."

The six hour teach-in was attended by some 50 persons, including students, local residents and members of other concerned groups. The seminar was sponsored by the Morningside Heights chapter of the National Mobilization for Survival.

"We're trying to stimulate awareness on the nuclear question and urge commitment and action on the issues," said Burris.

In addition to lectures by various speakers, participants later broke down into workshops where various aspects of nuclear power, nuclear disarmament and military spending were discussed.

"We're here because a few men decided to drop nuclear weapons on human flesh in Japan," said Ladon Sheats, a member of Jonah House, a community in Baltimore, Md., "which stands to witness against the throes of the nuclear insanity of our country."

Sheats maintained that the escalation of nuclear armaments was the result of a "consortium of power" including corporations and the military, "whose underlying motive is profit."

Sheats suggested that "we are living under the power of rationalized insanity. Coupled with this insanity is a reluctance among all groups to take moral responsibility for the nuclear arsenal that tax dollars buy." Sheats said society cannot look to current institutions to "resist the drunkenness of nuclear death... it's you and me who have to make the choice by passive resistance against the madness."

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