

# SPORTS

KEENE STATE COLLEGE ATHLETICS

## Cross Country

### Cross Country shooting for bid

Bengston, Sullivan, and Barbera lead Keene toward post-season

Henry Lee  
Sports Editor

The Owls will be shooting for a trip to the NCAA Division II Cross Country Championship Saturday in the eastern regional qualifying race in Saratoga, N.Y. The Owls, who finished just out of the money last year with a fourth place finish, will be one of 42 teams racing for the two coveted team qualifying positions left.

"If everyone does their job we certainly should be in the running for one of the two spots," said Keene State Coach Peter Thomas, who has seen the Owls qualify for six NCAA Championships in his 12 year tenure. Highlighted by a team victory at the Codfish Bowl Invitational, Keene State has had its share of ups and downs. Thomas is hoping that sporadic performances will be replaced by one solid team effort Saturday at Saratoga Spa State Park.

Going into the race, the Owls' pack leaders Jeff Sullivan, Andy Bengston, Chris Beyer and Matt Kocyba appear ready to put their best foot forward. Sullivan,

from Arlington, Mass., and Bengston, a native of Alstead, N.H., placed eighth and eleventh respectively at last year's qualifier and will be asked to lead by example.

"It helps that we had good performances last year, but we can't rest on our laurels," said Sullivan. "We're excited and optimistic, but it's going to be tough."

"We know what to expect," added Bengston. "You try to tell everyone else to treat it like any other race, but it's difficult."

Sullivan, Bengston and Beyer (Concord, N.H.), who is coming off a strong third place finish at the Keene State College Invitational, give the Owls a solid 1-2-3 punch. According to Thomas, Keene State's chances of earning a trip to Spartanburg, S.C. and the NCAA Championships will depend on the finish of Kocyba (West Monroe, N.Y.) and a fifth runner coming from the group of Ken Flynn (Warwick, R.I.), Jeremy Gagne (Greenville, N.H.) and John Alezio, a freshman from Derry.

Ranked seventh in the region and 22nd in the nation, Keene State enters the race as an under-

dog to three Pennsylvania teams: Edinboro, Shippensburg and East Stroudsburg. After coming up short in their bid to return to the nationals the past two years, Thomas feels his Owls are prepared this time around.

"We're hungry and we want the prize," said Thomas.

More of a long shot to reach the nationals, the Keene State women's cross country team nonetheless has the opportunity to break into the top 10 for the first time in the program's history.

Currently ranked 10th in the region, the Lady Owls hope a strong outing at the recent New England Championships will be a springboard for a good showing at Saratoga.

Going into the season, Coach Cindy Edson had a fine nucleus of returning runners like Karen Barbera (Chelmsford, Mass.), Beck Nutter (Hamden, Conn.) and Chandra Beach (Hyde Park, Vt.). The return of Manchester's Christina Baines to the team from a knee injury as well as the emergence of Amy Arters, a freshman from Seekonk, Maine, has given Keene State a solid five that could surprise many at the regionals.

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ON THE MOVE - Lady Owl Karen Barbera paces her team in an attempt to acquire one of two regional NCAA tournament bids

## Volleyball

### Lady Owls off to best start in decades

Henry Lee  
Sports Editor

The Keene State College volleyball team lost last night 1-3 to Merrimack College in a game that did anything but represent how their season has gone.

"We got their late and didn't get a chance to warm up," said senior Jen Deardorff of the performance. "It showed."

The Lady Owls (16-13) have already won more games than any Keene State volleyball team through the 80s and 90s and have their sights set on the record (18 wins).

The team has already qualified

for the NECC tournament and will get at least three chances there to tie and/or break the mark. The tourney will be held at the University of New Haven on Nov. 10th and 11th.

Although the team is playing well this season, the road hasn't always been so smooth. In the past, Keene State teams have struggled to remain in the race.

This season, led by senior setter Jessica Garland the Lady Owl squad has risen to the occasion. The team has also seemed to thrive behind the hitting and blocking of exchange student Armelle Seiliez (Auray, France). "Mel" has provided some long-needed height and power in front to go along with the team's good

passing skills.

Left-handed hitter Robin Grainger has come up big for the team as well as senior Jen Deardorff, who adds consistency to the lineup.

Junior Erin Scutt has demolished opponents with her serves all season long. Sophomore Melissa Carline and junior Jen Phillips have also come up big.

"We didn't lose anybody last year and we've been working better together as a team," said Deardorff. "There's a lot more talking going on out there."

Deardorff also said that the freshman have stepped up and really helped out, especially Lindsay Ehmann and Melissa McMullen.

## Mens Soccer

### Owls lose

Henry Lee  
Sports Editor

The Keene State College men's soccer team saw any hopes of an NCAA tournament bid slip away Monday when they lost to Southern Connecticut State, 4-0.

Southern (15-1-1), a perennial powerhouse, had no intention of letting the Owls hamper their shot for another tournament appearance.

Keene State (12-4-2, 5-4 NECC) have sputtered in the end of their season, and have played exceptionally bad on

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Community Service Coordinator Don Hayes talks about his work with students and involvement in a number of organizations, including Alternative Spring Break and Habitat for Humanity

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## Russell wins by landslide!



AND THE WINNER IS... - Patricia T. Russell was elected mayor last night by a 2-1 margin.

### Mayor-elect receives congratulations from President Clinton

Joel Kastner  
News Editor

Patricia T. Russell was elected mayor last night by a landslide victory, as she defeated Robert E. Williams by an almost 2-1 margin.

Though many people, including incumbent Mayor Bill Lynch predicted a Russell victory, the surprising 2314 to 1215 margin of victory could not have been expected.

Russell, who has been active in New Hampshire politics for years, received a call from President Bill Clinton only minutes after the results were finalized.

"It was pretty exciting, you hardly know what to say when

the President calls..." says Mayor-elect Russell. "I was tongue-tied to tell you the truth, but very excited."

While calling mayoral winners in small towns such as Keene is most likely not the norm for the President of the United States, Russell apparently isn't the typical mayor-elect.

"I'm a life-long Democrat, I was National Committee-woman from New Hampshire and I won," Russell offered as reasoning for the call from Clinton.

While the campaign itself was "quiet," Russell says she had an "enormous amount of support" during the campaign.

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## If you can't smoke it, wear it

Local store offers community clothing alternative

### Equinox Staff

Don't tell Monadnock Hemporium owner Mark Lathrop that hemp is illegal; his mission by bringing the shop to lower Main Street in Keene is to educate people on the value of a society that accepts the stigma-surrounded weed as a low-cost foundation for every day products.

The Hemporium, which

opened in September, carries a variety of hemp-based products; from clothing to lip balm to ice cream.

"I didn't want to get involved with the hemp movement until I knew I could make a difference. I feel the Monadnock Hemporium is my outlet in getting education about the many uses of industrial hemp to the masses," said Lathrop.

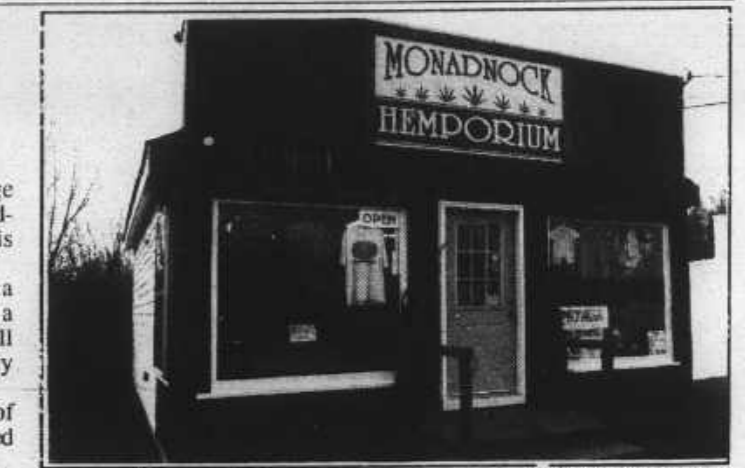
Lathrop said that he is striving to improve and expand his prod-

uct line as well as his knowledge of hemp so that he can better educate and serve the needs of his customers.

"I never pictured myself as a clothier. I pictured myself as a farmer, but the government will not let me sow the seed of my choice," Lathrop said.

The industrial production of hemp is infeasible due to the red tape involved in granting permits.

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NO SMOKING - Mark Lathrop opened his store in September.



Equinox/Sports Information File Photo  
QUARTERBACK - Senior Lady Owl Setter Jessica Garland has led Keene State to its best season in over 15 years.

## News

# "One on One..."

Don Hayes,  
community service coordinator

**"You can read all you want in your textbook, but what you do out in the community with that knowledge is what really makes that difference."**

*Editors note: The following is taken from an interview conducted with Don Hayes, community service coordinator, on Monday, November 6 in the Student Center. Hayes, who came to Keene State in 1992, attempts to "link" students to community service minded projects.*

Rebecca P. Conway  
Campus Editor

Why do students become involved in community service?

Some students worked for Habitat for Humanity, for example, in the high schools or church groups. The students have come from a background of doing service in their church groups or just on their own.

So I try to help them find some work sites here at Keene.

You mentioned Habitat for Humanity, what other groups are student volunteers involved with?

There are over 35 agencies in the Keene area that we work with. In working with children, elderly, homeless issues, food pantry, food kitchens, central service agencies, Big Brother/Big Sister, the list goes on and on but there are 35 different agencies that place the volunteers with.

How can interested students get more information on community service?

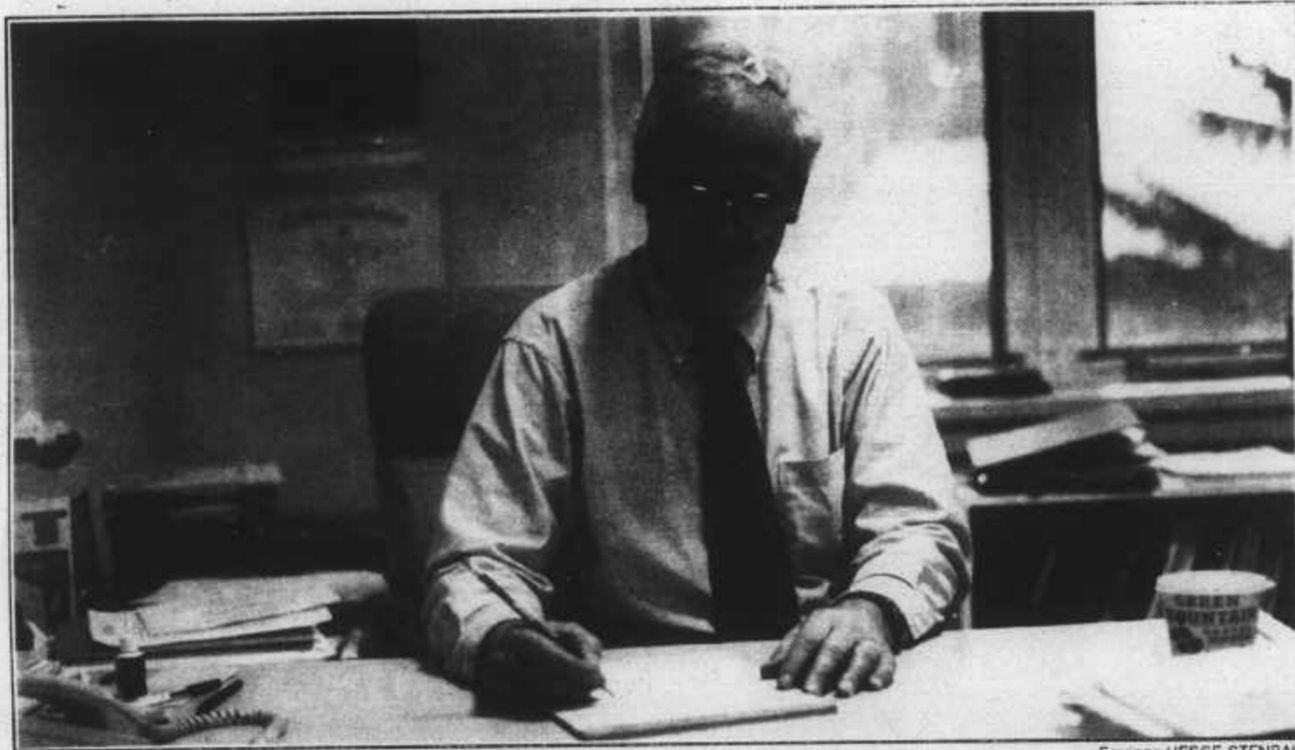
I have eight students who are enrolled as student volunteer coordinators. They are students who have interest in a certain area, for example, we have one fellow who is in charge of Big Brother/Big Sister. So he works very closely with anybody who comes into the office who is interested in working with Big Brother/Big Sister. He links them up and makes connections with the agencies.

We have a community service office on the second floor for students as well as my office on the third floor of the student center. We also have an Americorps member who works directly for me. He is here for a year. His responsibility is to help promote service on campus all for faculty and students.

How long has the college had the community service office?

It began when I came here. Oscar Fleenow and (Delina Hickey, vice president for Student Affairs) wrote a grant to find a part-time position to explore the possibility of community service becoming an active part of our campus. More active than it was.

Community service has always been



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**COMMUNITY SERVICE - Don Hayes coordinates student service efforts, working closely with external organizations. Hayes helps students become involved in such programs as Big Brother/Big Sister and Alternative Spring Break.**

part of the campus but it wasn't organized to a certain extent.

Did you have this type of experience before you came to Keene State?

Yes. I've worked with the human services field for a number of years.

I have a Master's degree in Human Services Administration and worked both as a volunteer as well as an employee for different agencies.

Partially with volunteer programs, I developed a volunteer program for the Prover area hospice which was a county wide (hospice) organization.



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DON HAYES

Tell me about the Alternative Spring Break program.

I saw a real need to provide students with a long-term, hands-on experience, like a week long event, to really get them interested in service.

Also, as a student here, but also as they leave here to want to continue the ethic of service. So I designed an alternative spring break program.

Our first year, I took a group of 18 students to Pittsburgh and another group of 20 students went to work with inner city projects in Washington, D.C. It was very successful. Students raised a lot of money.

Last year we had three trips so we expanded it to sixty students, faculty and staff.

This year we have four trips and 80 students, faculty and staff. We are going to South Carolina, Michigan and Philadelphia with Habitat and another inner-city project in Philadelphia.

What about incorporating community service with academics?

I work closely with some of the professors to try to link service learning in their curriculum to offer change to the students up here in the greater Keene area.

A psychology student, for example, may very well like to do work with a home for children or a crisis center as part of their course work.

One of the new initiatives that we've started this year is to really incorporate service in the curriculum and we had a faculty forum on campus last May and had quite an attendance from our Keene State

faculty as well as faculty from around the state who came together at Keene State to talk about ways in which to incorporate service learning into their curriculum.

Another initiative that we have started in full swing this year is to incorporate taking service learning from our curriculum on campus to the K-12 schools and organizations.

We have students who are volunteering in most of the schools and agencies that work with K-12 population.

We are trying to incorporate service learning into their curriculum as well so its across the board experience.

What stands out as the greatest benefit for students?

The main benefit for college students is to have some actual experience working with folks who need their help. It also is a great way to combine their classroom and their textbooks to the real world.

You can read all you want in your textbook, but what you do out in the community with that knowledge is what really makes that difference.

**"One on One," is a weekly series featuring segments of interviews with area leaders. If you know a leader, please contact the News Room @ x-2413, or E-Mail Joel at jkl@monadnock.keene.edu**

## News

## Results finalized; Ward Two results disputed

### Mayor

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One concern that may be on the minds of Keene State College community members, is the relationship that Lynch and Stanley J. Yarosewick, president of Keene State, fostered between the college and the city.

Before Lynch's and Yarosewick's administrations, the relationship was strained. Russell says she will continue the steps taken to further the relationship.

"It's a beautiful campus and it's part of our community," Russell says, between celebratory kisses. "I want to continue (the relationship) and make it even better than it is."

One relationship that may be in need of repair, however, is that between the Republicans and the Democrats in Keene.

Although the mayoral and council elections in the city are nonpartisan, Williams hinted at a stronghold on the elections by Democrats.

"It's no secret that nonpartisan elections in the city are controlled by the Democrats," Williams says. "They worked very hard to put the candidate in, and indeed they did."

So after nearly 20 years of service as a city counselor, Williams says he is done with city politics.

"No, not city politics," he says. "I think I've had enough..."

Responding to William's criticism of Keene politics, N.H. Rep. Robert K. Wollner (D - Keene), says for the most part, Keene city elections are nonpartisan.

"This is a very, very low-key election," says Wollner, who is a senior at Keene State. "There are some partisan aspects to it. Pat Russell is a very big Democrat and Bob Williams is a Republican, but when it comes right down to it, the Cheshire County Democratic Party and the Keene Democratic Party played no active role."

Wollner, who helped Russell campaign, says though he is a member of both the county and the city Democratic organizations, he acted as an individual, and that the party did not coordinate an effort to get Russell or city counselors elected.

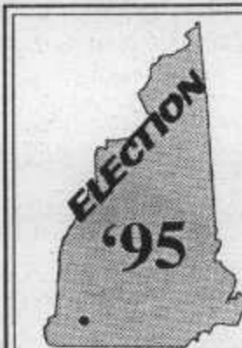
"There was no organized effort by the state party," Wollner says.

Russell will take office January 1. Her first priority, she says, will be to talk to all the counselors and find out where they stand on pressing issues.

"I intend to do that, and then I have to think about appointments to committees and appointments to commissions and different boards that are in the city," Russell says. "I think there's 33 different appointments coming up this coming year. I've got a lot of work ahead of me and that's going to be number one."

**"It was pretty exciting, you hardly know what to say when the President calls. I was tongue-tied to tell you the truth, but very excited."**

Patricia T. Russell  
Keene Mayor-elect



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	KEENE WARD ONE	KEENE WARD TWO <small>* see below</small>	KEENE WARD THREE	KEENE WARD FOUR	KEENE WARD FIVE	TOTAL
<b>MAYOR</b>						
Patricia T. Russell	347	463	477	461	566	2314
Robert E. Williams	188	176	305	253	293	1215
<b>WARD OFFICER</b>						
William A. Beauregard	276					276
Angelo D. DiBernardo, Jr.	268					268
Randy L. Filiault		504				504
Christopher C. Coates			518			518
Jacquelyn D. Hill			270			270
Dana A. Edwards (4-year)				616		616
Robert Meagher (2-year)				285		285
Roger T. Zerba (2-year)				384		384
Peter D. Bradshaw					445	445
Joseph W. Bendzinski					378	378
<b>COUNCILOR-at-LARGE</b>						
Joyce B. Lehman	343	388	450	457	535	2173
Cynthia C. Georgina	335	381	467	451	526	2160
H. Charles Larracey	325	419	445	442	518	2149
Mitchell H. Greenwald	301	406	435	413	512	2067
Nancy M. Wilkinson	275	330	428	418	445	1896
Richard C. Berry	236	344	365	364	424	1733
Don A. Hoshuh	247	270	402	386	412	1717
<b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS</b>						
Pamela K. Murphy	268	350	400	378	448	1844
George A. Payne, Jr.	202	225	320	282	325	1354
Ralph Palmer	175	254	308	238	281	1256
Linda Moody	191	227	280	253	239	1190
William R. Scruton	146	189	250	248	308	1141
David S. Watts	173	188	285	234	251	1131
Estelle J. Trahan	181	225	210	227	286	1129
<b>DISTRICT CLERK</b>						
Jodi K. Lamoureux	453	544	668	624	720	3009
<b>DISTRICT MODERATOR</b>						
H. Neil Berkson	455	531	684	631	729	3030

\* Results in Ward Two are not official.

## Editorial/Opinion

## Editorial

## Have you ever heard of Freedom of Speech?

Last week *The Equinox* published a column in the "Opinion" section of the paper (see "It's your fault; there are no victims, only volunteers" in the November 1 issue of *The Equinox*) which has proven to offend members of nearly every demographic on campus.

While many readers reacted to the column itself, suggesting that the author was off base, some students have also suggested that *The Equinox* should have avoided running the column in the first place.

As a newspaper, however, *The Equinox* is adamantly opposed to censorship.

This is not to say that the editorial board of the paper agreed or endorsed the arguments made in that or any opinion column. It did not.

But withholding any kind of information, whether it be news, opinion or otherwise directly conflicts with the goals of *The Equinox*, which are to provide fair and accurate reports, to inform the Keene State College community of relevant events and introduce thought-provoking or educational issues.

Therefore, by excluding such columns as the fore mentioned, the paper would fail one of its objectives.

Contained within the pages of the "Editorial/Opinion" section of the paper, readers find two very distinct types of opinion pieces.

The editorial represents a topic decided by a majority vote of the Editorial Board, while opinion columns represent only the views of the particular author.

In the case of Todd VanDell's "victim vs. volunteer" opinion column, it is understandable that people found it offensive.

However, that the first reaction some students had to the column was to advise censorship, is equally offensive.

It may be in order to remind ourselves of the freedom of the press and speech laws guaranteed to Americans.

The First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states as follows: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

While it is natural to disagree with opinions that oppose our own, it is stimulating to be presented with such.

Reaction to the column is appreciated - calling for censorship is un-American.



## From a student's perspective

Delina Hickey  
Guest Commentator

Last summer I had the privilege and the opportunity to attend a three week summer school program for 96 Administrators, Deans, Vice-Presidents, and Presidents of colleges from all over the world. We lived in residence halls, ate in the dining commons, and attended co-curricular programs.

The following is an excerpt of a letter home that I wrote and read to the Student Affairs staff at our opening of school meeting this Fall. The letter was written from a student perspective as a reminder of why we are here.

They sent along some pretty good information on what to expect, a form you had to fill out about roommate (bathmate) preference - smoker, non-smoker (night) person, outgoing, friendly, times of day you like to study - I never really gave my personal habits so much thought! Anyway, I filled out the forms, looked over the list of things to bring, thought more about the kind of roommate I wanted or didn't think I wanted, and how I would feel about someone who wanted to talk into the night. I wasn't even sure what I was concerned about! I guess it was just the uncertainty of not knowing who it was going to be. How bad could it be, we were only sharing a bath, but still...

Insight: How must our students feel? First Week:

Ah, what to bring. I have this great little TV, radio, and of course I had to have my own pillow and blanket - my stuff! I even took along one of my mysteries just in case I had any free time.

When I arrived at the residence hall, everyone was so friendly. People offered to unload the car and carry things up to the room. They were smiling a friendly, a real welcoming feeling. It was neat!

Up to my room - small, narrow, institutional, and containing a twin bed ensconced in rubber. The room overlooked (more accurately it sat on) a very busy road. Unpacking, I began to think

about my next three weeks. What had I signed up for? Everyone I talked to said it was so much work - a tremendous amount of reading - and someone mentioned competitive.

I did receive a list of all the people who were coming, so I knew three people a little bit, which was comforting. They told me that I needed to wear my name tag at all times - ugh - I always feel like an exhibit at the country fair when I wear a name tag.

My biggest fear in a new place is getting lost and looking lost so I was glad to hear that we were all going to meet in the lobby and walk over to our classroom building together. Whew, relief!

The very first event was the reception where we would get to meet each other. So, it meant walking into a room of ninety-six people where I might see one of the three people I know. Although I have done this many times, I always feel a twinge of apprehension. It is always fine and mostly very enjoyable because I love to meet new people, but still there is that moment... Insight: What must this be like for our new students...

The faculty were exciting, entertaining, knowledgeable and still some days it felt interminable - four, one hundred fifteen minute classes, occasional evening classes and about four hours reading each evening. Long days - sitting and listening for that many hours was new for me (Again I began to think about our students).

I made a decision to participate in the large group. I felt I needed to participate the first day or I might get overwhelmed and never say a word. I really felt it was important to go public with my ideas. I did notice that the faculty took every comment and built on it so that nobody was ever wrong.

Second Week: We all had a favorite (sounds like our students) faculty member and when my favorite

see SUMMER SCHOOL, page 13

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## Letters to the Editor

## Author shows his ignorance

I say "good for Todd VanDell," it takes a big person to admit to the entire campus that he is a moron!

I do not intend to go off on how irresponsible Todd is because I think that anyone reading this article knows that most men are not like Todd (who seem to think that women WANT to be raped).

Todd is a victim of his own ignorance and immaturity and I hope that there are enough students who will help set him straight.

My letter is a plea to the faculty and administration of this college.

I appreciate that Todd and *The Equinox* have freedom of the press and the administration should not dictate what is printed in our college paper. However, Todd has proven that he is an irresponsible journalist who needs to grow up both mentally and scholastically before he is entitled to his own editorial column.

As an honor student and an English major I am embarrassed that one of my fellow students still writes as poorly as Todd. His first six paragraphs say nothing.

Todd, if you use the metaphor 'look at yourself in the mirror' your first five paragraphs are understood, you do not need to explain this to the reader--that is the beauty of metaphor!

You use phrases and clichés as responsibly as a drunk driver does an automobile. Your diction is immature and inappropriate, as someone can not volunteer to unwillingly have sex.

I do not want the faculty or administration of Keene State to censor what is written but rather the manner in which it is written. Todd could have produced a good persuasive argument without stating that the majority of women who are raped want it and ask for it; all minorities are lazy and allow themselves to be discriminated against; and of course, the best one-liner he had, that handicapped people are in a situation that is

identical to that of children.

I know that Todd has the right to express his opinion, but I have the right to be protected against such irresponsible journalism. Any outsider who reads his column is going to think that the students of Keene State are moronic, irresponsible, sheltered people who have never been taught the responsibility of using the English language.

-Kristen Levesque  
Keene State student

## Columnist way off base

This may surprise you, but I, among others, am completely appalled with VanDell's sense of victimization.

I'm glad he at least believes child abuse and molestation survivors have been victims at one point in their lives, but he tends to ignore the fact that those who are raped never "allowed the rape to happen" because then, it wouldn't be rape would it?

Rape is defined, by the Merriam Webster Dictionary as: "sexual intercourse without one's consent; unlawful sexual intercourse of any kind by force or threat."

This, doesn't exactly seem to be an invited act. It doesn't matter what the person is wearing; how that person talks; or where that person happens to be at the moment of the attack.

One more thing - "NO!" is enough! There doesn't seem to be any gray areas in those two letters.

Yes, some "morons" say "No!" is not enough, but it's people like you who give them an excuse, allowing them to get away with rape and other acts of violence.

Unless you've been in that person's shoes, don't be so quick to judge. I take offense to the fact that you have called those who have been victims "naïve, gullible, blind, a sucker or any number of other things" because that is the farthest thing from the truth that I could possibly think of.

I know a victims of rape, domestic violence, stereotypical remarks, etc. and I'll be the first to say that not one of them are any

of these adjectives you have laid forth for your readers.

They are strong people who have been through a horrible experience and don't need people telling them otherwise.

I regret you feel this way because it means society needs to work harder in educating the ignorant minds of its members. Your commentary continues a trend in our society - to make excuses for the victimizer.

This needs to be stopped. You have made the attacker the hero once again - congratulations - you have accomplished one of my worst nightmares!

-Carrye Scudthorpe  
Keene State student

## Assumption is wrong

VanDell begins under the major assumption that no matter who you are, regardless of race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation you possess "all the rights and privileges that come with being a human being." What he fails to acknowledge is the fact that not all humans have equal rights nor do they enjoy equal privileges. His assumption is incredibly ignorant.

As defined by *The Random House College Dictionary* rape is "any act of sexual intercourse that is forced upon the person" (emphasis ours). How then, if a rape is defined as a forceful act, can it be "allowed"?

"Allowing" something implies consent! He asks "Why is she letting him do this to her?", not the more perennial question of "Why is he forcing himself upon her?"

VanDell states that only if one has been raped by "a sadistic power-hungry, woman-hating monster" who must be in possession of a weapon and must be beat and raped simultaneously can one be termed a victim.

This is a narrow definition of victimhood to say the least.

The only victims to be found in VanDell's world are victims "of child abuse or molestation because [they] were too young to know what that was happening was wrong." [sic] One can also be a victim if

one is "handicapped, which means your situation is similar if not identical to that of a child." Here he attributes the characteristics for children to handicapped individuals who, for the most part, are fully functioning, thinking adults in our society.

As a member of the dominant culture (white, Anglo-Saxon male), VanDell attends college and sits at a computer for example, enjoying privileges given to him based on his race, culture and socioeconomic status. From that position, he spouts what he sees as truths like he has some authority or experience about the issues he seeks to deal with!

We advise reading against the grain and the continued challenging of the status quo that people like VanDell uphold.

-Lisa Daly

Jennifer Dobransky  
Keene State students

## Volunteer isn't accurate

I am curious to know if Mr. VanDell took the time to proofread his piece before turning it over to be printed and, if so, how meticulously did he select the term "volunteer" for such an editorial.

Let's just say that I go to a party, have a few drinks and a young male (whom I know from my English class) in a chivalrous mood volunteers to walk me home.

I arrive at home unscathed by the possible rapist on the street, and invite him in. If I get raped, forced to engage in intercourse without my consent, how does that not make me a victim? Volunteering would imply that I had jumped up and down waving my hands in the air excitedly screaming, "Pick me! Pick me!"

I agree with accepting responsibility for one's self. However, since I can not dictate the actions of another I can not insure that, in my lifetime, I will not be made to have sex against my will, will not be beaten by a significant other, will not be denied a job because I am female.

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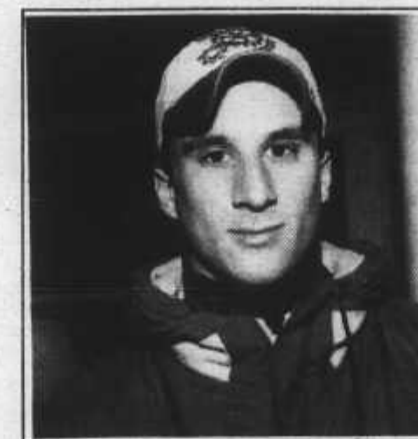
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## What's on your mind...

## Do credit card vendors belong in the Student Center?



Robert Cutrone  
freshman - undeclared

"They're pestering, but I really don't mind. Feel like I am in Penn Station - grubbing for money."



Mike Channon  
freshman - undeclared

"It's cool that they give out free things to get applicants."



Walt Gogolya  
freshman - undeclared

"I have no problem as long as we go to them. I don't want a sales pitch every time I walk by."



Beth Desmarais  
freshman - elementary education

"There's no harm in them advertising."

## Letters to the Editor

## Letters

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Mr. VanDell's column has lead me to the conclusion that only if I am randomly attacked and raped by a stranger, then beaten by my spouse or significant other because I allowed it to happen, am then discriminated by a job official because I do not physically adhere to the image that he wishes to project with my bruises and such, lapse into post traumatic stress disorder with memories of having been molested as a child and en route to my psychiatrist get into an accident and become paraplegic, then will I have achieved VICTIM status.

—Brandi Spain  
Keene State student

## VanDell is cold and callous

You sound cold and callous, Mr. VanDell.

The word "victim" is defined as "a person who is harmed by others." Humans who have their human rights imposed upon by other humans, society, the media, etc., are victims. Your own rationale must be sadly lacking—or else you are too incapable of intelligent thought to realize this.

One in three women is raped in her lifetime—and I am one of them. I assure you I said more than "NO!" Mr. VanDell, I was done harm by another human.

I am a victim.

In all of the cases you mentioned: rape, abuse, discrimination, public humiliation, etc., I would like to point out that there are no "volunteers," only survivors.

And that, Mr. VanDell, is what I face everyday in the mirror. I hope that after you retract your thoughtless opinion you may face yourself as well.

—Kari Lee Lockhart  
Keene State student

## Dehumanizing column

I am writing in response to the offensive and obviously incognizant piece of editorial rhetoric entitled "It's your fault; There are no victims, only volunteers." Mr. VanDell, is an unfortunate example of the type of person who is, on a daily basis, only serving to further dehumanize and demoralize the victims of abuse and assault in this country.

There is no such thing as allowing yourself to be raped, and yes, Mr. VanDell, just saying NO! is enough.

Rape is an act of violence committed against an individual to dominate and control them. It is defined by the absence of consent—NOT by the presence of a gun or a knife.

As a crisis counselor, I have witnessed first hand during rape exams the destruction of the human spirit that results from the horror of being assaulted by a friend.

The presence of blood or bruises on a victim's body, in no way compares to the look I've seen in their eyes. I pray you have nev-

er seen it, however, in all likelihood, you already have and were not even aware of it.

I had my jaw punched by an ex-boyfriend, on a public street, in broad daylight because he could not understand that I did but want to be in a relationship with a man who had a violent temper.

I, in no manner, "allowed" this 245 pound man to punch my 105 pound body. He made that determination himself, without consulting with me.

People are not victims of assault because they "allowed" it to happen. A woman in the United States is more likely to die violently at the hands of a spouse or lover than she is in an automobile accident. They did not "allow" this to happen either.

In conclusion, Mr. VanDell, when I look at myself in the mirror every morning, what I see is a survivor. I survived the initial assault that sent me to the hospital and I have survived the enduring criticisms of "cretinous morons", such as yourself.

—Andrea Collins  
Keene State student

## We have a long way to go

VanDell's commentary says "In some cases, you may have been raped because you allowed the rape to happen."

Rape is a forced act, how can anyone volunteer to be raped? How can anyone discredit the violent act of rape? Someone who is raped is a victim no matter how or why. I do not care if you were raped by a stranger,

best friend or lover, is someone forces you to have sexual intercourse, you are a victim of rape.

A friend of mine can't close her eyes without seeing the horrifying acts forced upon her. If VanDell could feel the pain of a victim of date rape for one moment he would know they are a victim.

I had thought society had finally realized rape is NOT the victim's fault. Unfortunately, I see we still have a long way to go.

—Rachel Canon  
Keene State student

## Rethinking the Issue

I find VanDell's hypotheses presumptuous, and detrimental to women who have suffered rape and/or abuse and to the institutions which are fighting domestic abuse and sexual violence.

According to Webster, a victim is "a person who is harmed or killed by another; one harmed by circumstance or condition." I think that we can also agree that being raped or abused is equivalent to "being harmed by another." Clearly then, anyone, adult or child, who is raped or abused is a victim. If this is so clear to us, then how can VanDell claim that "unless you have been killed recently, or were molested or abused as a child" or are "handicapped, which means your situation is similar if not identical to that of a child," you are not a victim?

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Todd E. VanDell

## Farrakhan's charismatic influence must not be dismissed

The national press has once again put the issue of race relations under their media microscope for closer inspection and discussion in light of the recent Million Man March headed by the Nation of Islam and its leader, Louis Farrakhan.

If Farrakhan and those who follow him and support him manage to successfully unite all African Americans who believe as they do in the common cause of anti-white sentiment, the likelihood of serious civil unrest or even outright violent confrontation between blacks and whites doesn't seem a far-fetched scenario.

If that thought does not scare you—it should.

Could the United States be facing the threat of another civil war, this time between whites and blacks? To hear Farrakhan speak, that possibility is not nearly as remote as we might once have believed.

It would be overly-simplistic, although probably significantly easier to deal with, to just dismiss Farrakhan out of hand as nothing more than an angry, militant rabble-rouser. However, that could be a regrettably short-sighted mistake.

Not all that many years ago, the world at large dismissed an individual named Adolph Hitler out of hand in much the same fashion as many would like to dismiss Farrakhan today. To those people some 50 years ago, Hitler too seemed little more than an angry, militant rabble-rouser trying to gain political power.

Yet, that rabble-rouser managed to unite almost an entire country to support this line of thinking. The results were catastrophic, to say the very least.

Hitler and the Nazi party instigated what may stand forever as the most horrific and tragic moment in the history of the world as we know it: The Holocaust, the mass execution of more than 6 million Jews.

Remember Hitler's rationale for this atrocity? He wanted to rid Germany, and maybe the world of all Jewish people, in the name of ethnic cleansing.

The concept of ethnic cleansing did not really originate with Hitler, although he did manage to perfect the process frighteningly well—to the point of deadly efficiency.

But hey, nothing like that could ever happen again, right? Could it?

Consider for a moment as well the atrocities that have been committed in Bosnia-

Herzegovina between the Serbs and the Croats in the name of ethnic cleansing and are still being committed even to this day.

Maybe even as much to the point, consider the continuing struggle between the Israeli's and the Palestinians in the Middle East.

There have been ongoing attempts on both sides of these factions to make concessions and come to mutual agreements in regard to the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Sadly, now, the future of the somewhat tenuous peace that has begun being affected by both peoples now hangs even more in the balance with the untimely assassination Saturday of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

For reasons that seem to escape reasoned and/or rational thought, the concept of ethnic cleansing appears to have a dangerously universal appeal to far too many races of people even still to this day.

The frightening thought is that, yes, such horrors are indeed still possible. They continue to happen. Unfortunately and tragically, it would seem that history has not taught the human race anything. Or, maybe worse, it seems that we simply cannot or will not learn from our past mistakes.

We are continually besieged, seemingly almost daily by threats of the possibility, even probability of violent division along racial and ethnic lines.

Put in that perspective, the concept of the potential of millions of blacks uniting behind someone as charismatic and silver-tongued Farrakhan and turning on whites with the same ferocity as Hitler's Nazi's turned on the Jews, or the Serbs and Croats are continuing to turn on each other, should be both extraordinarily frightening and an eye-opening realization.

We cannot afford to dismiss the likes of Louis Farrakhan and the Nation of Islam out of hand in any sort of cavalier manner. The long-term results of such blatant disregard for his powers of persuasion in the context of past and present history could once again prove horribly catastrophic.

I, for one, don't want to see such a nightmarish occurrence replayed yet again, only this time here in America.

Do you?

—Todd VanDell is a columnist for The Equinox and a student at Keene State College.

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## Letters to the Editor

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The answer is simple. Either VanDell does not believe that forced intercourse, other forced sexual acts or physical abuse at the hands of a significant other is harmful, or he has fallen into the common, yet unacceptable trap of blaming the victim. If the former is the case, then we can agree that VanDell's view is not representative of compassionate human beings like ourselves and therefore can be regarded as radically callous, hardly a mainstream view of the way human beings deserve to be treated. If, in fact, he has fallen into the quagmire of blaming the victim, then we must rescue him from his inaccurate reasoning and erroneous claims.

Blaming the victim is as simple as it sounds and ten times as harmful. By blaming the victim, the offender is allowed to escape responsibility by becoming invisible. In the case of domestic abuse, the question most often asked is, "Why didn't she leave?" When what we should be asking is "Why was she placed in a position where she had to consider fleeing her own home?" "Why is the offender abusing her?" or "Why isn't the offender in jail?"

Furthermore, how ridiculous is it to think that the abuse was a choice? Would VanDell then say to the victim in the case of a homicide, "You chose to let that person murder you?"

The simple fact that a woman is in a relationship with someone does NOT give them the right to beat or rape her! Rape and domestic abuse are not the fault of the woman; they are the fault of the rapist and the abuser just as murder is the fault of the killer.

Blaming the victim is an inexcusable substitute for attacking the real problem which is the rampant abuse of women in our society. We need to focus on exposing the true culprits instead of pointing fingers at the victims. In hopes of accomplishing that goal, I would like to request that Todd VanDell make a public written apology to the true victims of rape and abuse and to the other Keene State College community members offended by his assertions that blame the innocent for the reprehensible, misogynistic crimes against them.

—Bonnie J. Powers  
Keene State student

## Miller, VanDell right... sort of

Anne Miller and Todd VanDell got it right... sort of.

Yes, I agree college offers much to its participants to merit the title "real."

However, by saying that the sheltered community of college offers all students a time to grow philosophically excludes a large portion of the school's population for whom this college is real—not philosophical—struggle. These people are the traditional and non-traditional student who work full-time jobs (or more) to support themselves while trying to live through the same "struggles of the mind" you attribute to the leisure of college life. For us, college is a very real struggle of the wallet as well as of the mind.

Second Todd's column was about ten inches off the mark. Yes, we are all thinking human beings and are accountable for our choices/actions, but life is so much more complex than his victim-volunteer analysis. Women even if they get drunk and crawl in bed with a man, are victims of rape the second they say "no" and it isn't heeded. Battered wives are victims of their battering husbands, as well as victims of an authoritarian society that teaches women to accept being beaten in the same way it teaches men to batter. In fact, of all the groups you insisted weren't victims, you dribbled pity and the title "victim" all over the group who probably wants it least: those with disabilities that challenge them (not make them pitiable).

Both columnists obviously have good intentions, and both make some viable points. Life, however, is never as cut and dry as their real vs. unreal nor victim vs. volunteer.

As for his athlete course selection comments and the subsequent rebuttal, Todd was, again, partially right. Sure, it's tough to be an athlete and get the courses you need to fit around a busy schedule. It is just as difficult for many of us to make a schedule around a forty hour work week. The big difference is we don't get to pick courses first and most of us don't choose to work; we have to.

—Barbara Christensen  
Keene State student

Columnist explains views

"Give him enough rope and he'll hang himself." That happened last week in my column.

While my column should generate controversy, it is not about generating anger, fury or hatred.

Much of what I was trying to say got lost in the attempt to cram too many concepts into one 750 word column.

If my column implied that women who have been raped are not victims, that was not my intention. No one ever deserves to be raped and anyone who has been raped is indeed a victim.

If you misunderstood my meaning and were offended, I offer my sincere apology. I do not condone rape or any sort of physical assault.

I meant people might consider taking overly-precautionary measures in order not to put themselves in potentially dangerous situations. Just consider exercising intelligent, discretionary judgment at all times for the sake of your own safety.

When someone tells you "No," listen. When you mean "No," be clear. Some people suffer from selective hearing and may try to take a mile if they believe you may be giving them an inch.

According to statistics, rapes occur more often between people who know each other than between strangers. Unfortunately that means someone you might normally trust is more likely to take advantage of that trust than someone you don't know.

Don't stop trusting your friends but remain wary.

My reference to abused spouses or significant others was meant to inquire when and why does a loud argument constitute domestic violence?

There is no excuse for battery or physical assault but the rules should apply to both women and men.

My reference to handicapped individuals got lost in the translation. It appeared as

though I was trying to say they need pity or to minimize the challenges unique to them. Not what was meant.

My column also seemed to imply that all humans are already equal and that is far from the truth. While I believe that at birth we are all created equal, unfortunately discrimination still runs rampant everywhere in the world.

I knew what I was trying to say. The problem came in my attempt to convey my thoughts.

—Todd Edwin VanDell  
Equinox columnist

## Mistakes in basket story

I would like to clarify a few issues that were miscommunicated in last Wednesday's News Brief regarding the Keene State College Annual Thanksgiving Basket drive.

This is a campus-wide event that is supported by student, staff and faculty donations. For the last six years this drive has been co-chaired by myself, Kerry Cummings, Physical Plant Department, Kim Harkness and the Human Resource department. Since Kim is currently on maternity leave, any inquiries or donations should come to me this year.

Baskets will be collected on Monday, November 20th from 12-2 p.m. in the Great Hall, Holloway Hall. Pledge forms and suggested menus were distributed to the faculty and staff (through the campus mail) and to the student organizations and the Residence Directors last week. For more information or to submit a cash donation, please contact me at extension 2242. We will have shoppers standing by on Monday to turn cash donations into baskets.

The success of the basket drive depends on participation by all campus members—we encourage you to be a part of this KSC tradition!

—Kerry S. Cummings,  
Administrative Supervisor  
Physical Plant Department

## Early registration wrong

The policy allowing student varsity athletes early class registration is wrong.

I would like to know what incredible feat these students perform for the campus community which would allow them this preferential treatment.

I get the impression that some student varsity athletes get the impression they deserve this privilege. I would like to point out the flaws in their ideology and bring up a point pertaining to the rest of the student body.

Last week several students wrote letters in support of the school's policy on early registration for athletes.

Jennifer L. Kuehn's letter has a mistake in it. She said "athletes do not receive preferential treatment throughout their years at Keene State." This is not true. The registration process itself is a perfect example of preferential treatment. No other students receive this luxury. Another example is scholarships. New athletes do not receive them because of the change to Division III, but several still do receive them. It would seem to me that receiving money, in the form of a scholarship, to play a sport you presumably love, is preferential treatment.

Contrary to Miss Kuehn's claim, there are athletes on this campus who are not active in their program, but retain early registration status and did use it in this past registration. Whether this is the result of an oversight or is an attempt at retaining athlete's status it is unfair to active athletes as well as the rest of the student body. I have spoken to some of these students who will remain unnamed, who have enjoyed this privilege while not participating in the athletic program.

The other letter by the three swimmers Matt Donovan, Fran Mandeville and Darren Murphy conveys to me that in some twisted way they think they deserve benefits. I get this from the last section of their letter. They said "it is hard to keep quiet when someone is challenging the only real benefit we get." I guess that swim suits, bags, warm-up suits, money for food at away meets, transportation to those meets, a coach, and an Olympic size pool would not constitute a benefit. Would it?

Both articles mentioned the issue of time constraints. Miss Kuehn said that "students need priority scheduling for the simple fact that we have games, and we leave for these games in the early afternoon." The gentlemen from the swim team said "athletes average 20 hours of practice and competition every week" without which "it would be impossible for us to represent our school at an optimal level." These statements are true, but it should not give athletes the right to early registration. Many students have time constraints and obligations which require they leave the campus in the early afternoon.

Many students devote 20 hours or more to other activities and they do not receive the preferential treatment that varsity athletes receive. Members of the Lacrosse and Rugby teams are athletes and spend over 20 hours at practice and games. R.A.'s devote an exorbitant amount of time to their jobs. There are also students with families, students in academic clubs, or students who work to support their academic pursuits. Hundreds of students perform at an optimum level, whether it is to represent their school or for personal reasons. But they do not expect preferential treatment. All of these groups have to manage their time without choosing their classes first. Why is it the varsity athletes can't do the same?

I guess the aforementioned groups fulfill the criteria outlined in some way and should be put in to Group A next year. Wrong. All students should have to go on the basis of credits. No preferential treatment should be given to anyone.

—Brent Sullivan  
Keene State student

## Not enough campus Noyes

I was so excited when I saw a column addressing issues of concern for the non-traditional students here at Keene State. This semester there are over 1000 of them! But Nancy Noyes' column has been missing in the most recent issues of The Equinox.

I hope this is just a temporary situation and that Nancy's column will again be part of the campus newspaper. It was well written and had great ideas!

—Judith F. Perry  
Coordinator  
Adult Learner Services

# CALENDAR

## Wednesday, November 8

**Student Recital**  
2 p.m. @ Alumni Recital Hall  
Brickyard Pond  
**Resume Workshop**  
3 p.m. @ Career Services  
Elliot Hall - 3rd floor  
**Bladerunner**  
7 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
Brickyard Pond  
\$4 with validated KSC ID  
"The Crisis in Bosnia"  
Discussion  
7 p.m. @ Mountain View Room  
Student Center

## Thursday, November 9

**Michael McNevin**  
live entertainment  
8 p.m. @ The Folkway  
85 Grove Street, Peterborough  
\$8 - 924-7484  
**Bladerunner**  
7 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
Brickyard Pond  
\$4 with validated KSC ID  
**Knuckle Sandwich**  
7" record release Party  
w/ special guests Low-Fi Band,  
Nigel 6, and the Mitchells  
7:30 p.m. @ Pearl Street  
Nightclub  
10 Pearl St., Northampton  
\$6 adv. All ages  
(413)584-7771  
**18+ Dance Party**  
9 p.m.-1 a.m. @ Pearl Street  
Nightclub  
10 Pearl St., Northampton  
(18+) (413)584-7771

**R.L. Burnside**  
plays Delta blues  
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall  
20 Center St., Northampton  
\$12.50 - (413)584-0610  
**Phantom Of The Opera**  
Providence Performing Arts Center  
220 Weybosset Street  
Through November 18  
\$21 - \$61 - (401)421-2787  
**Black Coffee**  
Play by Barbara Matteau  
8 pm @ Leverett Old Library  
Mill Street, Leverett  
Through November 11  
\$5; \$4 with Student ID  
(413)661-4999

**Lir**  
band from Dublin; "U2 with a  
different kind of edge"  
10 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall  
20 Center St., Northampton  
\$6 adv/door  
(413)584-0610  
**"Children"**  
Wed-Fri 8p.m.,  
Sat 5 & 9p.m., Sun 2 & 7p.m.  
thru Nov. 26; Worcester Foothills  
Theatre  
\$13-\$22 - (508)754-4018  
**"An Inspector Calls"**  
Tue-Sat 8p.m., Sun 7p.m.  
thru Nov 19 @ Colonial Theatre  
106 Boylston St., Boston  
\$15-\$65 - (617)426-9366



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**COMING SOON - Tim Davies and Julie Flanagan will star in "A Servant of Two Masters," presented by Keene State Theatre. The play will run November 15-18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through the Brickyard Pond box office, 358-2168.**

**"State Fair"**  
8 p.m. thru Nov 11;  
Wang Center  
270 Tremont St., Boston  
\$15-\$55 - (617)931-2000; 931-2787  
**"Philadelphia, Here I Come"**  
thru Nov 11; 8 p.m.  
Actors Playhouse  
50 W. Broadway, South Boston  
(617) 268-9076  
**"The Secret Garden"**  
thru Nov 26; Thurs-Sat 8p.m.,  
Sun 7p.m.  
Turtle Lane Playhouse  
283 Melrose St., Newton  
\$10-\$18 - (617)244-0169  
**"Our Town"**  
Thornton Wilder Play  
Nov 8-11 8 p.m.  
UMass/Amherst  
\$6, students and elders \$3.50  
(508)545-2511  
**Friday, November 10**  
**No Classes - Veterans Day**  
**Smoke**  
7 & 9 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
Brickyard Pond  
\$4 with validated KSC ID  
**The Man with the Movie Camera**  
film about life in the Soviet Union  
7:30 p.m. @ Hopkins Center  
Hanover, NH  
\$7, for general public  
(603)646-2422

**Ben Harper**  
acoustic performer  
8 p.m. @ Pearl Street Nightclub  
10 Pearl St., Northampton  
18+, \$8 adv. - (413)584-7771  
**Retro Dance Night**  
9 p.m.-1 a.m. @ Pearl Street  
Nightclub  
10 Pearl St., Northampton  
(21+) (413)584-7771  
**Quetzal**  
pan-Latin band  
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall  
20 Center St., Northampton  
\$8.50 - (413)584-0610  
**Trailer Park**  
road house band  
10 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall  
20 Center St., Northampton  
\$5 adv/door - (413)584-0610  
**The Taming of the Shrew**  
Shakespeare Comedy  
8pm @ Old South Church  
645 Boylston Street, Boston  
\$10 - (617)536-1970  
**"Death and the Maiden"**  
Fri-Sat 8p.m.; Sun 3p.m.; Nov. 10-19  
Charlestown Working Theatre  
442 Bunker Hill St., Charleston  
\$12, \$10 students and elders

## "Princess Ida"

8 p.m.; thru Nov. 11  
Amherst Regional High School  
Chestnut Street, Amherst  
\$12, \$9 elders and students  
(413)256-4065

## "Famine"

Play by Tom Murphy  
8 p.m.; Nov 9-11 and 16-18  
Clark University, Worcester.  
\$6, students \$3 - (508)793-7361  
**"The Cocktail Hour"**  
Comedy by A. R. Gurney  
8:15 p.m.; Nov 10-11  
Footlighter Playhouse, East Walpole.  
\$10, children and elders \$7  
(508)668-8446

## Folk Festival

8 p.m. @ 56 Brattle St., Harvard  
Square  
\$10 - (617)547-6789  
**Frances Black**  
8 p.m.  
Somerville Theatre, Somerville  
(508)931-2000 or 641-1010

## Saturday, November 11

**Smoke**  
2, 7 & 9 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
Brickyard Pond  
\$4 with validated KSC ID  
**The Folkway**  
Jim Henry CD Release Party  
8:30 p.m.  
85 Grove St., Peterborough  
(603)924-7484

## The Muse

Northern Lites  
Concerts show @ 8 p.m.  
Londonderry, N.H.  
(603)437-6085

**Chris Smither**  
8 p.m. @ Somerville Theatre  
Somerville Theatre, Somerville  
\$15.50 and \$18.50  
(508)588-9100

## Jim Henry

album release party  
8:30 p.m. @ The Folkway  
85 Grove Street, Peterborough  
\$8 - (603)924-7484  
**Poi Dog Pondering**  
live entertainment  
8:30 p.m. @ Pearl Street  
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9 p.m.-1 a.m. @ Pearl Street  
Nightclub  
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live entertainment  
7 & 10 p.m. @ Iron Horse  
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Clark University, Worcester.  
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**Sunday, November 12**  
**Smoke**

2, 7 & 9 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
Brickyard Pond  
\$4 with validated KSC ID  
**Lisa McCormick**  
Acoustic Music Series  
7:30 p.m. @ Nite Owl Cafe - Free

## The Black Rebels

reggae music  
10 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall  
20 Center St., Northampton  
\$5 adv/door - (413)584-0610

## Monday, November 13

**Lisa Thorsen**  
Framingham State College  
100 State Street, Farmington  
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Free  
**Smoke**  
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Brickyard Pond  
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## Wednesday, November 15

**"A Servant of Two Masters"**  
Tim Davies and Julie Flanagan  
8 p.m.; thru Nov. 18  
@ Brickyard Pond

\$7 for public, \$5 for KSC facul-  
ty, staff, and students  
**Smoke**

7 & 9 p.m. @ Putnam Theatre  
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# ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

## Crossing the cultural bridge

Play centers around Jewish and African-American relationships

**Toby J. Henry**  
**The Equinox**

For many decades there has been an assumed prejudice between members of the Jewish and African-American communities.

"Crossing the Broken Bridge" is a profound and often emotional performance that succeeds in cutting through the stereotypes often depicted in these two ethnic groups. The theme of the two-hour performance is a single climactic message: In our struggle, we are united.

This two-person play is the result of a collaboration between performers John O'Neal, Naomi Newman and director Sieve Kent.

The performance Saturday at 8 p.m. began appropriately with a moment of silence for Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was slain only hours earlier. The death of this charismatic and peaceful leader seemed to cast a pall over the evening, but did not detract from the performance. This tragedy seemed to add a sense of urgency to the actors' plea for an end to hatred.

Central to the message of the play was a sense of isolation between the two groups. In character, Naomi tells of her upbringing

in Detroit where her close-knit Hebrew community led her to think that "the whole world was Jewish." Following this, John's character relates his limited knowledge of Jews.

From his church attendance, he was aware of a link between Christians and Jews through the Old Testament. Other than this, his concept of Judaism was negligible.

From a sparse set of four wooden chairs, two sheets and a single hand drum, John and Naomi create an entire universe. As they take turns addressing the audience from a makeshift podium, the two hurl ethnic and political issues at one another—a single minded attempt to prove that one race is more persecuted than the other.

For example, John observes that there is more emphasis on Jews (such as Einstein and Freud) in the educational system than there is on African-American figures. Naomi counters these remarks by mentioning that a blatant form of anti-Semitism—"Holocaust revision"—is gaining wider acceptance.

The arguments grow more accusatory, culminating with John's exclamation "The only problem with Hitler is he didn't finish the job he started!"

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COURTESY PHOTO  
**RELATIONSHIPS - John O'Neal and Naomi Newman performed in "Crossing The Broken Bridge," last week. The play centered around racism and anti-Semitism.**

## This is Our Music

## The true new country of indie rock

**Brendan P. Murray**  
**The Equinox**

Over a case of Rolling Rocks the other evening, a friend of mine was gracious enough to offer me a new critical term to describe a type of music that is gaining a sizable audience in the popular listening community.

Music that, at first listen, resembles country and folk music but embraces an independent aesthetic.

Unlike most indie rock outfits, these bands embrace songs over sound, similar to the designs of Woody Guthrie, Hank Williams and Bob Dylan. But for some reason, these bands appeal to rock audi-

ences. You won't hear this stuff on your local country station or see it being played on the Nashville Network, while people older than your parents two-step the night away.

No, this new "IndieAmericana," as my friend described it, is coming from people our age making music that could have been made 50 years ago but has a freshness most "modern rock" seems to lack. Confused? Good. Let's move on.

The leader of this trend is clearly Will Oldham, a twenty-ish songwriter from Louisville, Kentucky who performs and releases records under the enigmatic moniker of Palace (which varies from record to record, i.e. Palace Brothers, Palace Music Palace Songs, etc.). In any,

case, Oldham has been at this for a good five years, constantly changing lineups and producers to fit his tunes.

The first of these albums, "There Is No One Will What Take Care Of You," is a down-home tearjerker recorded with various members of Slint, another band whose contribution to the Louisville music community is immeasurable.

Two years lapsed until Oldham appeared again, this time on a solo disc entitled "Days In The Wake," which is simply Will and a battered six-string, playing an odd mixture of Appalachian folk and traditional country.

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- TOP 10 DISCS AS OF OCTOBER**  
-Courtesy of Strawberries Records
1. Cypress Hill  
"Cypress Hill III"
  2. Smashing Pumpkins  
"Mellon Collie"
  3. Alanis Morissette  
"Jagged Little Pill"
  4. The Dogpound  
"Dogfood"
  5. Hootie & The Blowfish  
"Cracked Rear View Mirror"
  6. Presidents of America  
"Self-titled"
  7. Natalie Merchant  
"Tigerlily"
  8. Red Hot Chili Peppers  
"One Hot Minute"
  9. Bush  
"16 Stones"
  10. Soundtrack  
"Dangerous Minds"

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## Arts &amp; Entertainment



For Your Viewing Pleasure

## An Awful Movie Guide and Contest for Slackers

James Steelman  
The Equinox

If you're anything like me, you're probably just about ready for this semester to be over. Work, work, work and no fun makes John (or Jane) Q. Student a dull unit—so this week I'm offering my readers a fun little game which will hopefully help you forget about all of your overdue school work.

Here's how it works: what follows is a list of 10 awful, (hopefully) forgotten movies, one of which is a complete fake of my own creation—that's right! I made it up! (Hey, I've got overdue work I'm trying to forget about, too) If you can spot the phony, send in your guess, and you could win big! Sounds easy, right? Well, here goes...

"Billy the Kid Vs. Dracula"(1966) 60-year-old John Carradine plays Dracula in this horribly inept horror-western. Unintentional comedy with too many boring stretches between yucks makes this a good one to avoid. One of the last of 175 bad films made by classic bad director William "One-Shot" Beaudine.

"Blackenstein"(1973) The black exploitation craze of the early '70s reached its zenith with this unbelievable sleaze-fest, which was probably inevitable after

the surprise success of "Blackula"(1972). American International Pictures had big plans for a series of "Blackenstein" films, all of which were abandoned after the box-office death of this, their 100th film. And yes, it's worse than "Dolemite."

"The Corpse Grinders"(1971) Ted V. Mikels is known for his ultra-low-budget films—this one was reportedly made for under \$1000 (and it shows)! A cat-food company uses human meat in their product, which turns house cats into blood-thirsty killers. One of the funniest movies I've ever seen, you just haven't lived until you see the attack of the killer pussycats...and the ultra-cheesy cardboard box which is the "corpse grinder" of the title. Wow.

"Fiend of Dope Island"(1961) Not as bad as "Reefer Madness"(1936), but almost as silly. An arms dealer who dabbles in the marijuana trade imports a white female slave to his island paradise, and she proves to be his undoing. Too dull to be entertaining, this is worth watching only for the painfully naive, unrealistic portrayal of the dread menace ganja. Harsh takes for all involved...

"The Nazi Zombies"(1969) Gore-meister H.G. Lewis probably over-stepped his bounds with this tasteless, gross answer to the successful "Night of the Living Dead"(1968). A crazy German scientist

(you know the type) experiments with unwitting subjects, creating hollow-eyed sleepwalkers who occasionally remove someone's favorite limb. Surprisingly tame for Lewis, who normally goes over-the-top with blood and gore. By the way, it's the scientist who's a Nazi, not the zombies. Stoo-pid.

"The Rats Are Coming. The Werewolves Are Here!" (1972) Should have won an award for most awkward title—this one was just a werewolf picture until the unexpected success of "Willard"(1971) prompted the filmmakers to add lots of juicy rat footage. What a mess. The sensational ad campaign actually read "Win a live rat for your mother-in-law!" Well, it's better than a dead rat.

"Rat Plink A Boo Boo"(1966) Schlock filmmaker Ray Dennis Steckler (AKA Cash Flagg) made this one in an attempt to cash in on the Batman craze. Unfortunately, Ray only had a couple of bucks for his prop department, and the "superhero" gadgets look like they're from the "Everything's a Buck" store. In fact, everything about this film sucks, except a standout performance from Kogar, the Swinging Ape. How about that title, folks...

"Terror of Tiny Town"(1938) Yes, it's the world's first, and (God help us) only all-midget musical western. Was this pos-

sibly the inspiration for "The Wizard of Oz"(1939)? Naahhh, could be! Awfully unpolitically correct "short" jokes abound, including a painful sight gag of an ornery gunslinger walking under the swinging saloon doors. Have your bicarbonate of soda ready, folks, this one'll make you ill...

"They Saved Hitler's Brain!"(1963) Also known as "Madmen of Mandoras," this is pure trash no matter what you call it. Not even Spielberg's brain could save this convoluted tale of aging Nazis taking orders from the still-living head of Der Fuhrer. An incredibly incoherent plot is the result of footage added from another, unfinished film with a different cast!

"Werewolves on Wheels"(1969) Bittersweet tale of misunderstood devil-worshippers who turn two bikers into werewolves. Why? Nobody knows, because they disappear early on in the film. Is it a biker film? Is it a monster film? Is it a foul, reeking waste of time. It's all of the above and more—folks, it just doesn't get much worse than this.

That's it, film fans. Pick the right film, and you could win a real, live rat for your mother!

Send your response and/or death threats to me, c/o The Equinox. The right answer and the winner will appear in an upcoming column...Good luck!

## Play

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lame.

Very classy, personal music.

A lot of to-do has been made over the past few years over Uncle Tupelo, who recorded four fine albums of rock flavored country (or is that the other way around?) before calling it quits in 1991.

Tupelo split into two bands, Wilco and Son Volt, who embrace the rock and the country in the same indivisible fashion. Many Tupelo/Wilco-Son Volt fans tend to be downright obsessive, but that shouldn't keep you away from this great music.

Other outfits of mention are Tarnation from San Francisco and The Geraldine Fibbers from Los Angeles, both touting female singers in the Patsy Cline vein, and Freakwater, whose lead singer J.B. Bean can be seen in the Michael Galinsky film "Half-Cocked," singing her little heart out.

The band that cannot go without mention in the realm of IndieAmericana is actually from England.

The Mekons, who in their vast 15 year history, have embraced American Country in various forms.

The mekons currently reside in Chicago and continue to influence and indoctrinate American musicians. Even Will Oldham wrote the Mekons an ode that appears on the "Hey Drag City" compilation.

So the next time you are inundated by the hideous images of corporate fabrications like Garth Brooks and Billy Ray Cyrus, turn to the true country of IndieAmericana.

## Music

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This stands as one of IndieAmericana's most powerful documents, a sad man and his sad guitar. Several lineup changes and singles resulted from this record (along with a period where Oldham referred to himself as Push on the record sleeve).

In August of this year, Palace produced "Viva Last Blues", easily one of 1995's best LP's. with producer (excuse me, mixer) Steve Albini at the boards and a band consisting of some of Will's brothers and a drummer's seat filled confidently by Sebadoh's Jason Loenstein (is there anything he can't do?), "Viva Last Blues" crisscrosses from standard tear-in-my-beer twang to Velvet Underground style rave-ups.

I can't recommend this record enough. Another high roller in the the IndieAmericana sweepstakes is Northampton's Steve Westfield and his Slow Band, whose recent "Reject Me First" CD is the rainy-night-in-the-back-seat-of-a-car-heading-home-and-I'm-so-sad masterpiece. Granted, these are the conditions I first heard the record under, so the image sticks.

Apart from his expertly crafted songs, Westfield has assembled one of New England's best live bands: a ten-piece monster with a full horn section (including euphonium) dressed to the nines in silver



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Soundtrack-Casino(MCA)  
Aziza-Dance of fire(Columbia)  
5th Ward Boyz-Rated G(Virgin)  
Raw Stylus-Pushing Against the Flow(Geffen)  
Terry Ellis-Southern Gal (EastWest)

has united them.

## Arts &amp; Entertainment

## Review

## Candlebox leaves Seattle behind with second album 'Lucy'

Candlebox-Lucy  
Maverick/Warner Bros. RecordsDanielle Hayford  
The Equinox

Candlebox left their first CD far behind with their latest release, "Lucy." This CD is definitely a step up for the band.

Their sound hasn't changed that signifi-

cantly, but it's more refined and directed. It is also a little lighter.

Their overall look as a band has changed, though. Three out of the four band members chopped off the heavy metal hair opting for more of a Seattle look.

The first release off the CD "Simple Lessons," is one of the best songs. It has a very upbeat tempo and an addicting quality. You will be singing this song for hours after you hear it.

The bass line is very important here, it is actually a part of the melody rather than just background. There are some classic Candlebox techniques used in this song.

The use of a slower section to begin the verse, then a run across the drum set and the speed slowly increases into the chorus. This song was the perfect choice to start the CD with, because you're hooked and can't wait to hear more.

The title track, "Lucy," is a lighter song for Candlebox. The guitar stays pretty light and when the song gets fast, the drums hold it back. There are parts where the drums don't even play, then they sud-

denly come in and bring the chorus in with them. Their is an awesome guitar solo in the end. The guitarist goes nuts, he brings the song to a fast end, or so you think. Then he drops out and the singer slows it down and ends it quietly, fading down to nothing.

The song "Understanding," is the "Far Behind" of this CD. It's one of the slower tracks, but it's got that sound that all become so familiar with. It's a really beautiful song that uses the drums to bring the beat up.

They don't use the whole set though, only the bass and the toms. The rhythm is very focused on the off beat, an interesting sound that works great here. The guitar is used to bring the song back down in each slow section. It is low and quiet, but all that is needed here.

When the song goes from fast to slow, there is a break, sort of a pause. This is a good transition because it really accents the change in tempo. This song is well put together and definitely one you can get into.

Another great song is, "Bothered," This

song would be great in concert. You can just see everyone moshing to it. Slamming into each other and just going crazy. The beat is fast and furious and there is a great guitar solo in the middle.

The solo sounds like the guitarist just went crazy on an improv and it fits well. Peter Dinklage, the guitarist, is amazing. He can play just about anything. He's very technical and his riffs are complicated sounding.

One of the songs, "Butterfly," has really powerful lyrics. It is about a person who overcomes the problems of life and decides that they don't care. They come to terms with the fact that things won't change.

They shed the problems of life like a cocoon and spread their wings to accept the fact that they're dying. It's a beautiful song that is reprised at the end of the CD.

Overall, this CD is great. If you liked Candlebox's first CD, this one is definitely worth buying. The songs sound like classic Candlebox and are the kind that you can't stop listening to.

Buy it and listen to it, you'll love it.

## A WISH FOR LEADERS

I sincerely wish you will have the experience of thinking up a new idea, planning it, organizing it, and following it to completion, and then have it be magnificently successful. I also hope you will go through the same process and have something "homb-out"

I wish that you could achieve some great good for mankind, but have nobody to know about it except you.

I wish you could find something so worthwhile that you deem it worthy of investing your life within it. I hope you become frustrated and challenged enough to begin to push back the very barriers of your own personal limitations.

I hope you make a stupid mistake and get caught red-handed and are big enough to say those magic words: "I was wrong."

I hope you give so much of yourself that some days you wonder if it's worth all the effort.

I wish for you a magnificent obsession that will give you reason for living and purpose and direction and life.

I wish for you that you the worst kind of criticism for everything you do because that makes you fight to achieve beyond what you normally would.

I wish for you the experience of leadership.

-- Earl Reum

## BE A LEADER!

## Meeting Dates:

November 14, 28 and  
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Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Room 309 in the  
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## Commentary

### Summer School

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faculty member gave me some positive feed-back and sat at my table for dinner. I was so awed that I was momentarily, only momentarily!, speechless.

*Insight:* I realized how much it means to sit and talk to students and take a moment to take a personal interest in them -- an important lesson.

As a culminating activity of week two, we had a private elegant reception and dinner at the Kennedy Library which is in the wonderful, if a bit inconvenient, location of Columbia Point.

We were informed that it was a somewhat formal event, shirts and ties for the men, etc. I think we were awed to see each other in our administrative clothes.

As the evening wore on, I noticed that a friend of mine was in some distress. He had a very powerful, emotional reaction to the exhibit.

I found myself walking and talking to him about Kennedy's leadership, what he meant to the country, the hope he provided, and his style of engagement. Another important reminder that learning takes place between students having a shared experience to talk about.

Week Three:

Our last evening together was an informal cook-out with funny awards and entertainment by very talented members of the class. One very shy African-American man, whom I sat next to in class for a whole week, and who only talked once in class when a faculty member bent down and in a very gentle way asked him what he thought of a particular comment, answered (his voice shaking a bit) with an extremely well-thought out response.

On our last night together Russ stood up and sang for us. He has an incredible voice that could knock your socks off!

*Insight:* just because a student doesn't speak up in class, meetings, etc., doesn't mean they aren't learning, and that same quiet student may, in other environments outside of the classroom, really shine.

Last Day:

We graduated in a formal ceremony -- each one was called up to the front to receive his/her diploma. I couldn't believe it, I was nervous.

Now I know why our students have such trouble standing to get hooded, have their pictures taken, etc. Some of my classmates were having difficulty as well.

We hugged, exchanged final good-byes, and promised to keep in touch by E-mail (this indeed is happening).

So, what did I learn in big league administrator school??

•Academic Affairs and Student Affairs need to be inextricably integrated to best support the student's academic success.

•Leadership requires authenticity, a certain amount of humility, and an understanding that we accomplish goals through a team effort.

•To take problems seriously, but not yourself

•To value others and their work

•To think beyond the boxes

•To take risks, make mistakes, it is even better if you can learn from your mistakes

•To sometimes say you are sorry

•To have a clearly articulated sense of purpose

-Delina Hickey is the vice president of Student Affairs at Keene State College.

## The Newman Student Organization's



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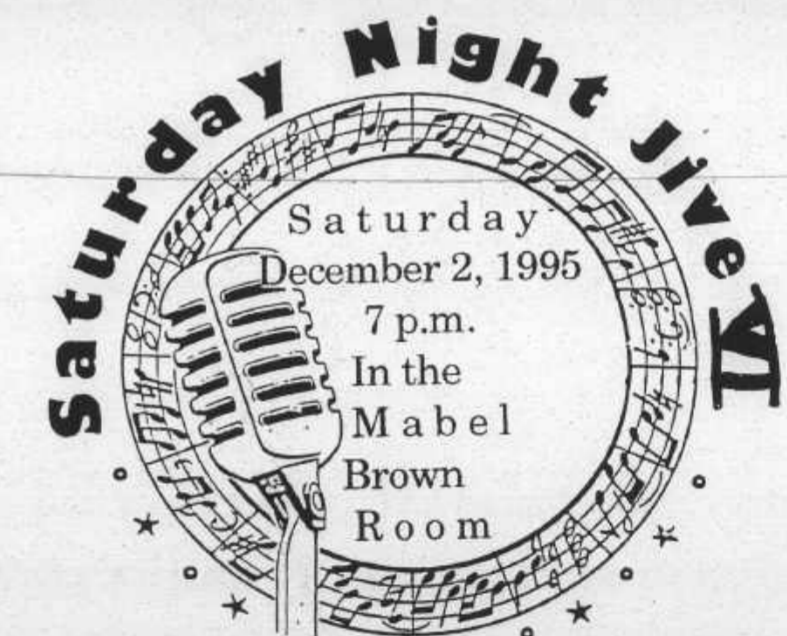
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## News

## WKNH Update

## Station planning for move to student center

New antenna will more than double broadcast power

Keith Moriarty  
The Equinox

In recent weeks, Keene State College's radio station, WKNH, has overcome the problems that plagued it in the past, and the executive board has begun planning the move to the Student Center.

General Manager Bryan Conklin said that the station will begin moving in the next two weeks.

Conklin said the station is ready to begin moving, and will make the effort to do so in as short a time as possible, to avoid prolonged down time.

"We're going to start moving our (production and news) studios over," Conklin said. He added "We have found a way to (minimize) the time that we'll be off the air, and we're looking at...two days."

After moving, WKNH will have an upgraded transmitter, which will allow them to broadcast 250 watts instead of their current 100. Conklin said WKNH is not able to broadcast any higher than 250 watts be-

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- Bryan Conklin  
General Manager - WKNH

cause of FCC regulations.

"With so much money that (WKNH) pays the FCC, (we) can only upgrade so much," Conklin said. The reason for this is that "there may be another station nearby on the same frequency, and if we go over a certain limit, then we go into their airspace, and that violates FCC regulations."

Conklin said that the turmoil WKNH experienced at the beginning of the semester is over.

"There is no more turmoil at WKNH," he said.

Program Director Stephen Chupaska agreed, stating that any problems the station has are "mostly small internal matters that don't really affect the campus, and

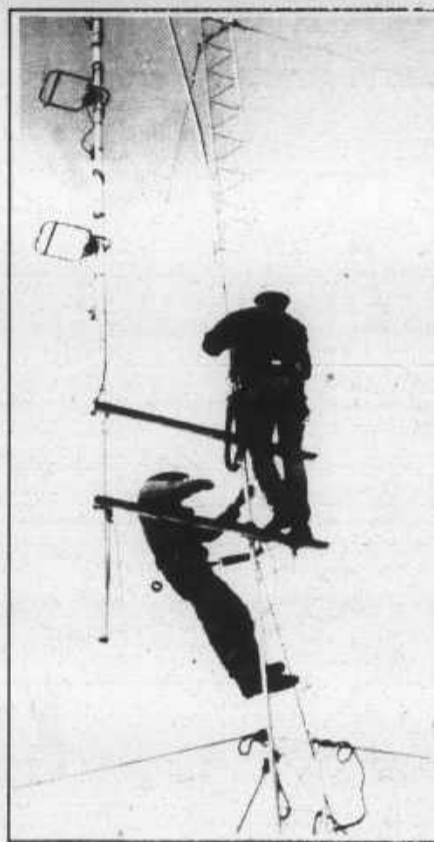
even that's very low."

"Really things are moving quite smoothly, especially on the executive board, and I guess that hasn't happened in a while," he said.

The increase in wattage may be one solution to WKNH's problem of having a relatively small listening audience.

"I don't think that (the increased wattage) is bad, since we can't get any radio stations in the dorms. Anything's better than nothing," said freshman Ali Sinel.

Freshman Colleen Clarke disagreed, saying that "I don't think most people (would) listen to WKNH because they don't play enough (of a) variety of music for the campus to listen to."



Hi Fi - Tim Aho (r) and Bob Lantz of Soundpower install WKNH's new antenna.

## Campus Alcohol and Other Drug Policy

November 9, 1995  
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.  
Student Union Room 307

The current Keene State College Alcohol and Other Drug Policy is under review. Any students, faculty, or staff who would like information about the policy or who would like to provide suggestions for improvement are invited to a open forum conducted by Jim Matthews, Special Assistant to the Vice President for Alcohol and Other Drug Programs. Suggestion for revision and improvements submitted by you will be taken into consideration before sending the final revised version to the President for final approval.

## News Briefs



## Campus News

## Thomas honored with 1995 parent award

Sara Barker Thomas, Exeter, was honored with Keene State College's 1995 Le Vine Mellon Parent Award at Fall Honors Convocation on October 15.

The award is presented annually by the Keene State Parents Association to the parent or parents of a Keene State student in recognition of their support, love, commitment, and encouragement given toward their son or daughter's education.

Students nominate by submitting an essay to a committee or representatives of the Keene State Parents Association, Keene State administrators, and students, who review the essay nominations to select each year's recipient.

"Without my mom's encouragement I would not be here," wrote Jennifer Domoracki, a Keene State student and daughter of Barker Thomas.

"Without her love, confidence, support and sacrifices I would not have been able to do this and do this well."

Domoracki, a non-traditional student at Keene State, is a sophomore seeking a degree in political science. She credits her mother with helping her throughout the challenges of being an adult learner. She is married and has two children.

In her winning essay, Domoracki wrote, "At the age of 30, when I came for my admissions interview I was nervous but my mother was at my side. When I got my letter of acceptance she celebrated with me. When I was making the final decision among three schools she reminded me of my family history at Keene and urged me to come here."

Domoracki is a third generation Keene State student. Her mother took graduate courses, her uncle graduated, and her grandfather, Sheldon Barker Sr., was one of the first two men to graduate from Keene Normal School in 1921.

The Le Vine Mellon Parent Award was established in 1982, and is named for the first recipients, Dr. Gilbert Le Vine Mellon and his wife Ruth Berman Mellon.

## KSC Enrollment shows modest increase in '95

The official enrollment of Keene State College for the 1995-96 academic year shows a figure of 4,958, representing a rise in total enrollment, well in line with college expectations. The figure includes the number of credit and

non-credit students enrolled thirty days after the start of classes.

In the fall of 1992, the record high for total enrollment was 4,924. This year's enrollment exceeds the 1992 high by 34 students, less than one percent. Due to the entrance of an extremely large first-year student class this fall, this year's total enrollment head-count shows an increase of two percent, over last year's numbers. This year's freshmen class has a combined average SAT score that is nine points above last year.

Most of this year's enrollment increase can be attributed to matriculated undergraduates, whose numbers have increased over three percent than last fall.

The most significant change in Keene State's enrollment status is the shift in the college's mix of in-state and out-of-state student's in this year's freshmen class. Sixty-two point five percent of in-state students comprise the overall student body, which is similar to the in-state percentage at other college's in the University System, where the mix is usually 60 percent in-state and 40 percent for out-of-state student enrollment.

## '95 student directories available this week

The 1995-96 student directory was made available to campus on Friday, November 3, and distributed early this week to all residential students, faculty and staff, and off-campus students who have mailboxes at the Student Center.

Off-campus students who do not have a Student Center mailbox may pick up a copy of the directory at the Student Center information desk in the atrium.

## Faculty attend conference on higher ed.

Faculty and staff from Keene State College attended the New Hampshire College and University Council's (NHCUC) conference, titled "Higher Education in New Hampshire: The State of the Art," at New Hampshire College's North Campus in Hooksett, NH, in September.

The focus of the conference was on resource sharing to strengthen teaching and learning at New Hampshire's college campuses.

A total of 252 faculty and staff from public and private colleges in New Hampshire attended this year's conference. Other colleges participating in the NHCUC included: Colby Sawyer College, College for Lifelong Learning, Daniel Webster College, Dartmouth College, Franklin Pierce College, New England College, New Hampshire College, Notre Dame College, Plymouth State

College, Rivier College, Saint Anselm College, and the University of New Hampshire.

The host of the event was Dr. Richard Gustafson, former vice president for academic affairs at KSC and current president of New Hampshire College. The keynote speaker was Dr. L. Lee Knefelkamp, professor and chair of Higher and Adult Education at Teacher's College Columbia University.

## Lugar finishes strong in Maine straw poll

## Straw Poll finish:

Gramm 602	Buchanan 41
Lugar 303	Collins 29
Dole 144	Forbes 9
Specter 118	Keyes 7
Dorman 84	Alexander 6
Taylor 73	

Bangor, Me.— Senator Dick Lugar's second place finish today in the Maine Straw Poll has kicked off his New England campaign.

"This proves that a positive and constructive message is a winning formula for the general election," Lugar said, in front of a banner reading "Thank You Maine for a Great New England Victory."

A decisive second place victory boosts my campaign in New England," Lugar said. "I will continue my message of economic progress, security in the world and trust in the presidency."

Mark Lubbers, Lugar campaign manager said the finish "...puts our campaign solidly in the first tier." "Lugar is the only major GOP candidate with an upward momentum," Lubbers continued. "All other campaigns have stalled and are losing support."

"Gramm and Dole had substantial organizations in Maine. It was a very competitive vote. It was the only poll to date that was not fixed or could be bought. Voters were likely primary voters, and a true indicator of Republican support. No votes were bought, no supporters were bussed in from other states and no stuffing of ballot boxes occurred," Lubbers said.

**Campus News Briefs are compiled by Equinox staff members Anthony B. Vogl and Katy Cummings**

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## News



**HEMP GUY** - Mark Lanthrop has to import all of his hemp because it is against the law to grow it.

## Hemp

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According to an article published in the May 1995 issue of *Natural Foods Merchandiser*, the regulation came about after the Marijuana Tax Act was passed in 1937.

Hemp is related to the strain of *Cannabis sativa* that produces marijuana, though *Natural Foods Merchandiser* states that the two plants are not the same. Hemp grows in temperate climates, is highly fibrous and contains almost no tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). THC is the chemical that causes the "high" feeling that users get from smoking marijuana. Marijuana's flowering buds contain THC and the plant needs to be grown in tropical climates.

Lanthrop said he has 15 acres where he would like to be able to grow commercial hemp rather than importing the product.

Importing hemp material is costly, Lanthrop said, and if he were able to grow his own hemp, he could offer an affordable price to a quality product with many uses.

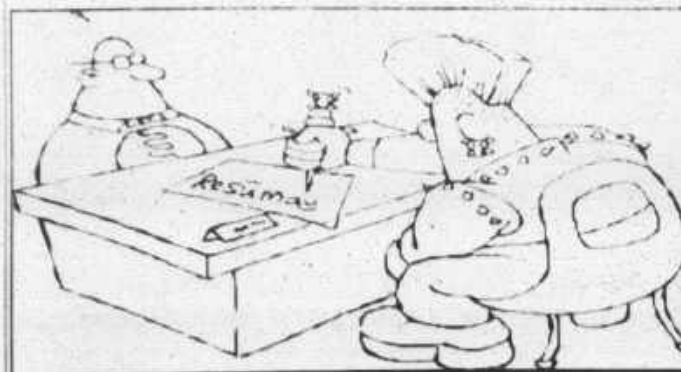
Lanthrop said so far, business at the Hemporium has been slow. "Everyone thinks it is a head shop," he said. "But educated people will help the store survive."

"Probably, the most important reason (I opened the store) is that I need to educate people, change mindsets and eventually change laws, as well as earn a living," said Lanthrop. "Many people asked why I didn't go to Brattleboro. I wanted to be on Main St. where it can't be ignored."

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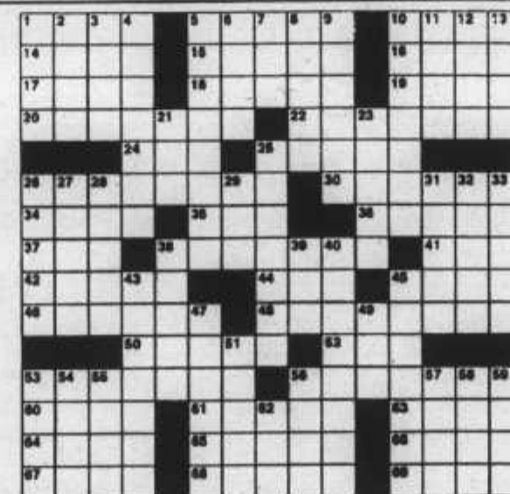
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Thursday's SAC meeting has been cancelled this week.

**THE EQUINOX** has a general staff meeting at 9:30 p.m. Thursday in room 309 of the Student Union.

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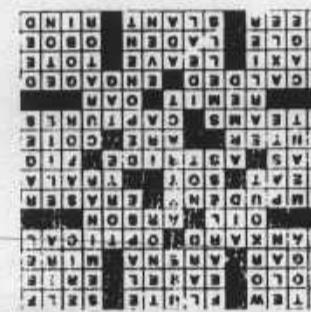
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ANSWERS



## Professional Football

# Bledsoe and Patriots are back on track; win 20-7

Jacob Mical  
The Equinox

The Patriots entered Giants Stadium Sunday as the biggest bust of the 1995 season. Their 2-6 record was the worst among last season's playoff teams.

On this day, it was a different team that showed up for the game, a team that looked and played like a playoff team in a 20-7 victory over the New York Jets.

The biggest surprise was rookie running back Curtis Martin. Although he had shown traces of brilliance before Sunday he was at best an average running back. With some help from a terrific Jets defense, Martin played like a pro-bowler, rushing for 170 yards and scoring two touchdowns. The 170 yards was the highest rushing total from a Patriot back since 1983.

Drew Bledsoe had another good performance for New England throwing for 173 yards.

A key factor in the win was that he didn't throw an interception in 27 attempts.

Glen Foley of the Jets was also a surprise when he came in to replace an impotent Bubba Brister. The second-year player from Boston College made his first NFL appearance and was welcomed with a standing ovation, in limited action, his 16-29 for 138 yard performance was one of the best that the Jets have had this season.

New England started early scoring on the first possession of the game. A 41-yard field goal by Matt Bahr broke the ice.

The Patriots defense stuffed everything the New York offense tried, forcing them to punt on a consistent basis.

The second quarter began with the teams trading possessions. New England started to look good when Bledsoe found Will Moore wide open for a touchdown. The score was called back on a penalty called against Vincent Brisby, forcing them to punt.

On the next New England possession, Martin started to show his brilliance. A 29-yard run set up his one yard dive for the score and a 10-0 lead.

The Patriots defense then began to rattle the young Foley by mixing up defensive sets. A Foley pass was deflected by Myron Guyton and picked off by Vincent Brown.

Curtis Martin took off for 50 yards on New England's first play after regaining possession. The Patriots however, couldn't pound the ball in to the end zone and settled for 29-yard Bahr field goal.

The second half started with a dominating New England defense taking center stage.

With only three minutes remaining in the third quarter the Patriots offense struck again. After moving down to the Jet nine yard line, Martin took the ball on the ground for his second touchdown of the game and a 20-0 lead.

On the kickoff Dexter Carter fumbled the ball and the Patriots

recovered. Martin pounded the ball down to the one yard line. On a dive play Martin was stripped of the ball, and the Jets recovered as time ran out in the third.

Foley started the offense from the one yard line and marched them downfield as he was finally able to solve the Patriots defense. Brad Baxter scored the Jets first rushing touchdown of the season with a one yard scamper, cutting the Patriots lead to 13.

The defenses then held their ground, not allowing any sustained drives. When the Jets received the ball, Foley was knocked to the ground. He received a sprained shoulder in the collision. Initial reports say he may miss the remainder of the season.

The Patriots ran out the clock, preserving the victory.

Next Sunday New England (3-6) travels to the beaches of Miami to face Dan Marino and the division leading Dolphins (6-3).

## Qualify

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On Saturday, the Owls finished off their season with a 4-0 loss to Albany College.

Albany, playing its first season in the NECC, scored four times on the Keene State defense.

Keene State was unable to put one in the net despite outshooting the Great Danes.

The hero for Albany was goaltender Jon Jacobs who made 14 saves to preserve the shutout. Keene State keeper John Griffin had seven in the effort.

The game again Dowling College will be played in Oakdale, N.Y. on Saturday. Game time is 2 p.m.

The championship game is scheduled for Sunday at 1 p.m.

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### Cross Country

## Cross Country team going to NCAA's

Kocyba, Beyer and Sullivan lead the way

Henry Lee  
Sports Editor

While a move to Division III has caused other Keene State College teams to slip, the Cross Country team continues to defy odds.

On Saturday, the Harriers qualified as one of two teams selected to represent the region in the NCAA tournament.

Matt Kocyba, the team's fourth runner, finished seventh overall with a time of 32:18.23. Kocyba (West Monroe, N.Y.) was the difference in Keene State's qualification. The sophomore was selected as the number four runner and ran his best race when it really counted.

Kocyba hardly did it alone however. Chris Beyer, Jeff Sullivan, and Andy Bengston, who have carried the team all season long, finished ninth, 10th and 16th respectively.

"We knew what was at stake and everybody pulled together to get the job done," said Sullivan after the race.

Ken Flynn brought up the rear for the Harriers, finishing a very respectable 57th in a monstrous

field.

"They picked the perfect time to peak," said head coach Peter Thomas. "I had an idea where everyone could finish with a good effort, and they went out and executed the plan."

Thomas, who has already been to the Nationals seven times in 12 years with the Owls, was selected as Coach of the Year in both the ECAC and New England Collegiate Conference.

"It's always great to be recognized by your peers," said Thomas. "Your only as good as your runners, and everyone did a great job all year."

Thomas wasn't the only one to receive recognition following the event. The Owls top three finishers, Kocyba, Beyer, and Sullivan were all named to All-region and All-ECAC teams for finishing in the top 10. Bengston was also selected to the All-ECAC squad.

The team will travel to Spartansburg, N.C. on Sat., November 18 to compete in the NCAA Div. II Championship. Their last appearance in the tourney was in 1992.



CELEBRATION - The Harriers celebrate after Saturday's regional tournament. Keene State has qualified for the NCAA tournament for the seventh time in 12 years under head coach Peter Thomas

### Men's Soccer

## Owls qualify for ECAC's

Henry Lee  
Sports Editor

Despite a poor finish, Keene State College has managed to qualify for the ECAC tournament. The Owls (12-5-2) started off the season winning 11 of 12, only to lose five of their last seven.

Keene State is no stranger to post season. The Owls won the ECAC tourney in 1987 and 1990 and this is their sixth

appearance overall (the last being in 1992).

"We've been experiencing the second half blues our last few games, so hopefully we can turn things around," said head coach Ron Butcher. "We would certainly like to win the tournament and carry it over with us to the next season."

Keene State enters the tournament as the number four seed. They will square off against the top seed, Dowling College (12-5-3).

see QUALIFY, page 19



BLAST - Josh Houle is one senior who hopes to win the ECAC tournament on Saturday in Oakdale

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Keene State College film student Skyler Casey gives a first hand account of the crisis in Bosnia. Casey has recently returned from a trip to the war-torn country.

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## Hazing allegations filed against Greeks

Administrator says situation cannot be ignored; Campus judicial investigation underway

Jonathan E. Cooper  
Executive Editor  
&  
Joel Kastner  
News Editor

Members of the Keene State College administration have confirmed that an investigation into alleged hazing violations against at least one, and possibly as many as three, Greek organizations has begun.

Administrators say that as many as three individuals, one of which has confirmed these allegations in an interview with *The Equinox*, have come forward with complaints.

A memo, which is printed on letterhead from the office vice president of student affairs, dated November 9, 1995 which was given to *The Equinox* by the Director of the Student Center Paul Strifolino states:

"During this pledging period there have been more references made to 'Hell Week' by students and several students have stated to me and other staff members serious concerns about some of the pledging activities. We believe that hazing, as defined in our policy and NH state law, has occurred during this pledging period. The allegations have been forwarded to the judicial office and, as prescribed by law, to the local police department and an investi-

gation will take place."

The memo also stated that advisors of Greek organizations, and those involved in Greek Life, were to meet with their respective organization to "go over the hazing policy and positive pledging models" as stated in the Greek Life Handbook. It also stated that "it is important that (the advisors) are confident in (their) organization's ability to implement a positive pledging model with appropriate activities."

Kristin Cleveland, staff writer and editor for college relations, said Vice President of Student Affairs Delina Hickey is attending the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) Regional Conference in Hyannis, Mass.

Hickey was unavailable for comment. Assistant Director of Programs Patrice Strifert, who also oversees Greek Life, said "several students" filed complaints regarding hazing and "made reference to Hell Week."

According to the 1995-96 Keene State College Student Handbook, hazing is defined as "any public or private inducement that causes a pledge mental or physical humiliation, harm, embarrassment, or ridicule."

Hell Week is known throughout campus as the most intense part of the pledging process.

see HAZING, page 23

### Exclusive

## Ex-pledge: KSC ignores problem

Student tells why she left organization after "Hell Week"

Joel Kastner  
News Editor

A former member of the fall 1995 pledge class says she was required to take part in various illegal hazing rituals, which led to her decision to de-pledge and report the incidents to the Keene State College administration.

The ex-pledge, who asked to remain anonymous for fear of retribution, told *The Equinox* Monday that she had been put in situations by sisters in the Greek organization that she was pledging, which she considered hazing.

"I'm not going to reveal what happened," said the woman. "But the aspect I felt most uncomfortable with is a thing known to the entire student body..." said the ex-pledge, referring to the practice known as "Hell Week."

During "Hell Week," she said, pledges are forced to learn elaborate histories of the organization that they are pledging.

"Everybody on this campus is very much aware of hazing and they think it's normal, and it's not normal."  
- Former Pledge

This, on top of regular school work, did not permit the pledges more than 24 hours of sleep in the entire week, she said.

The ex-pledge said when she questioned the sisters about particulars of "Hell Week," she was told by them, "it's all done for a reason, we went through it, it's all done for a reason, you'll find out the reason in the end."

"I was tired of hearing that," she said. "I wanted to know why. I didn't understand why this was happening."

Before she began the pledging process, the ex-pledge said she had always wanted to be a member of a sorority.

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## Student says college radio station insulted her over the air

Keith Moriarty  
The Equinox

Before last week, freshman Colleen Clarke didn't have a problem with WKNH, she just didn't listen to the college radio station.

Now, Clarke feels members of the station have personally attacked her for comments she made in *The Equinox* last week.

Clarke's comment implied that WKNH does not play the type of music the majority of Keene State College students listen to.

After that article appeared in *The Equinox* last week, Bryan Conklin, general manager of WKNH, and Stephen Chupaska, program director, sent letters to the newspaper defending the station's format.

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Brian Conklin, WKNH General Manager

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