

Sports

Lacrosse club building reputation at KSC

By Paul Augeri
Sports Reporter

In these trying times of unpredictable weather and lack of athletic facilities, what could be more discouraging than being a club sport battling its way toward a show of respect in the Keene State sports world?

Ladies and gentlemen, introducing the Keene State lacrosse club and coach Jim Draper.

Keene State will open its season Saturday afternoon at 1 with Bridgewater State in Bridgewater, Mass., and will host North Adams State at Carpenter Field a week from today at 4 p.m.

The Owls are fighting a force more volatile than Mother Nature. You see, Draper is busy building a program that is stocked with talent, numbers, desire and a nine-game schedule. No pressure here.

"We have strong potential this year," Draper said while reflecting upon last season's 6-4 mark. "If we use the talent we have, and it's good again this year, I'll be pleased whether we win or lose."

Special bulletin: Draper is in search of a "clutch player" this season, one he says "has yet to emerge." With the loss of last year's leader, Karl Bjorklund, Draper says the team has not yet jelled and hopes a solid mold will soon form.

"I am cautiously optimistic but still hoping to solidify as a team," Draper

said. "I've narrowed the schedule, as all games are crunched into April. We are playing more quality, organized clubs. The schedule will be much tougher."

For example, the Owls will meet St. Anselm twice this season and

have to deal with the likes of Bradford College and North Adams State, both varsity-level clubs. And Johnson State filled the previously open April 19 date on the schedule and will play the Owls at Carpenter Field. In all, five home matches, four

away, and zero rollovers.

"I'm not dealing with the same team as last season," admitted Draper. "There is more depth on the attack and the defense has more experience."

Draper is not a pessimistic coach,

just one who carefully scrutinizes the talent he has, what the squad is able to do, and whether it will produce the net result. In this case, a more-than-six-wins season.

Draper's philosophy to winning matches, like any other sport, is "good defense. And I want ball control all the time on a lot of plays. If the pass isn't there, I want (the players) to circle around and do it again."

Jeff Philbrick will be looked upon, said Draper, to "cement the defense," along with Ed King. Patrick Cooligan is expected "to lead the team this year" in place of the graduated Bjorklund. Cooligan led the team in assists (12) in '88 and also scored 12 goals.

Joe Fallon will again mind the nets for the Owls. Although Fallon shared time in goal with two other keepers, he will get the nod to start Saturday's opener.

"He was tremendous last year," Draper said.

So, missing from the lacrosse sketch is one badly needed "clutch player," a prolific scorer and a fully jelled squad. After practicing for the past three weeks in the swimming pool, tennis courts or an occasional dry field, Carpenter field is ready to be chewed up.

"This is the fastest game on two feet," Draper said.

The Keene State lacrosse club may finally be standing on two strong legs too.



Bill Bird and Chris Bartlett battle for the ball during a recent lacrosse practice.

Equinox/Dick Brandt

Owl bats quiet in loss to Assumption

By Amy Cahill
Sports Editor

The Keene State baseball team showed quality pitching, a lack of hitting and some flaws in defense as the Owls took a 8-1 beating in its northern season opener at Assumption College on Monday.

"The pitching wasn't the problem yesterday," co-coach John Scheinman said. "Lack of hitting and untimely errors were costly."

Owl freshman Jay Parenteau (1-1) was the starter at Assumption and went 4 2/3 innings.

"Jay pitched great, fantastic," Scheinman said. "He gave up six runs and only one was earned."

After returning from spring training in Florida, the Owls were unable to get outside to play on a field before

Monday's game.

"It's tough being inside after being outside in Florida," Scheinman said. "We spent two weeks inside."

And the shortage of outside playing time showed in both the Owls offense and defense against Assumption now 7-4.

"We made three errors and all of them were costly," Scheinman said. "They led to five runs."

Assumption starter Jeff Gull allowed only one hit and that was to freshman John Stutz. For the day the Owls totaled three hits.

"When we don't hit we're just not going to win," Scheinman said. "We got our one run on a passed ball off their third pitcher. . . We had four walks, a hit batsman and stranded seven on the day."

The Owls next game is at Stonehill

on Friday at 3 p.m. They then play their first conference games in a doubleheader against the University of Bridgeport in Bridgeport. The hitting is going to have to come around if the Owls hope to win any of these matches.

"Stonehill's very good," Scheinman said. "They're a very good hitting club. They pounded us in the fall."

Scheinman said a starter hasn't been determined for Friday's game. Sophomore Rob Yeaw, the Owls number one pitcher, was supposed to start Monday's game but injured an ankle playing basketball.

"Jay will not pitch Friday," Scheinman said. "He'll pitch in the league game. He's been our most impressive. If (Rob) is back he'll pitch Saturday."

Lady Owls begin northern season

The Keene State softball team opens its 1989 season this afternoon at 3 with Assumption College in Worcester, Mass. Freshman Kim Slauenwhite is scheduled to pitch the first game for the Lady Owls while freshman Jayne Galliher got the nod for the second game.

The single game, regularly scheduled for Underwood Field, has been changed to a doubleheader.

Following the opener with Assumption, the Lady Owls will head for Vermont tomorrow for a twinbill with Gordon College at 2:30 p.m.

Coach Charlie Beach has filled an open date, (April 4), in the schedule with Stonehill College. Keene will host Stonehill in a doubleheader beginning at 3 p.m.

--Paul "Corn-shuckin'" Augeri

The Equinox is still accepting letters of intent for the positions of Sports and Features Editors.

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College loses more than \$12,000 in theft

By Scott McPherson
Layout Editor

Keene Police are investigating a weekend break-in at the Student Union which cost the College bookstore and the Pub Club an estimated \$12,000 worth of goods, according to Detective Sgt. Bob Hardy of the Keene Police.

The break-in, which Hardy speculates occurred late Sunday night or early Monday morning, kept the bookstore closed until Monday noon.

Hardy said the individuals gained access to the building in two places. A window in the book store and another in the Student Union were forced

open allowing them easy access to the building, which has no alarm system. Based on the amount of goods stolen, Director of College Relations Ron Parris said the individuals were "obviously in the building for a little while."

Gail Bys, manager of the bookstore, said cash was not taken from the bookstore; however, other items such as clothing, glassware and drafting supplies were taken in great quantities. Also stolen was the bookstore's college ring sample. This, said Bys, accounted for the majority of the stolen goods.

"Then they got hungry," and took a selection of food, candy and soda, Bys said. Vending machines in the Student Union were also broken into,

with the thieves stealing candy, cigarettes and money, Hardy said.

Hardy was on campus Monday morning to investigate the break-in. He was able to lift fingerprints from the bookstore, the Pub and other parts of the building. However, Hardy said they might not lead to any conclusive leads because gloves worn by the individuals masked most of the prints.

As the investigation continues, Hardy feels the financial loss could increase to as much as \$14,000 when the final inventory is taken.

There are no definite suspects at this point; however, Hardy hopes to get on campus and "talk to some people." A "lot of things" happened this weekend Hardy wants to look

into, "including the beginning of Greek Week," he said. "I'm not making any assessment yet. I'm looking at both a local and regional level."

Hardy said the break-in "appears juvenile at first. But the things that were taken lead you to believe it was more than that." He said that should the individual or individuals involved be caught, they could face felony charges.

Bys said the break-in was discovered by the cleaning crew Monday morning, who in turn notified Campus security.

Bys expressed concern that the bookstore might not be able to replace those items stolen before the end of the semester. "It's to bad it had

to happen at this time of the year when our budget is low and we can't replace everything," she said.

By next semester, Bys said, most items stolen will be replaced. Bys also said that the thefts would not have an immediate affect on prices in the store because a liability account, which is used in case of thefts, was already included in the budget.

Parris said theft from the bookstore was more substantial than from the Pub. "They got some stuff from the Pub...but a limited amount was taken," he said.

Interim Director of the Student Union Ellen Lowe was unavailable for comment, as was Kim Lauer, manager of the Pub.



KSC students illustrate the possible elimination of Keene State if the proposed budget cuts are passed.

Scott Mason photo

College eliminated by students White Out a tremendous success

By Scott McPherson
Layout Editor

Despite freezing rain and temperatures in the mid-30s, approximately 600 Keene State students, faculty and staff ventured outside Friday to protest the eight percent budget cut proposed by the New Hampshire State Legislature.

Holding white sheets, students, faculty and staff lined Main Street from Joslin House, north to the corner of Winchester Street and then west on Winchester to Paks convenience store in an attempt to block passing motorists' view of the College.

The White Out was organized to draw attention to the plight of the College in light of the proposed budget cuts. Organized by Save Our Schools and the Greek community, the protest lasted eight minutes; one for each percent proposed to be cut. Reaction among student leaders and the College administration was positive.

Student Body President Eric Wilson felt the White Out was an overwhelming success. "It went very, very well," Wilson said. "Better than we expected, students came out in force, especially the Greeks," he said.

"I think we sent a good message. The legislators know we take the budget cut seriously."

Brett Nolte, chairperson of the student assembly said he thought the White Out was effective, adding that if the weather had been better and it wasn't a Friday, turnout might have been higher.

"It pleased me that on a drizzly, Friday afternoon, as many people showed up as did," Nolte said.

Nolte said that despite the possibly devastating effects the proposed budget cuts will have on the campus, there will be at least one good result. "I think one of the really wonderful things that came out of the White Out is showing how all the constituencies of the campus can come together. This reconfirmed, at least for me, the caring people have for this campus," he said.

Barbara Rich, vice president for student affairs, who worked with the students to organize the White Out also believed it was a success. "I thought it was great," Rich said. "I think it sent a clear message that stu-

dents are concerned about their education at Keene State College."

Despite the poor weather conditions, Rich said she wasn't surprised by student turn-out. Working with S.O.S., Rich said she received an impression of how much the students care about the campus.

Rich also said that the success of the White Out, and the excitement generated by the students is something that the College hasn't seen in a long time. "Students were excited by the fact that they were united."

As students were lining up before the White Out, Robert Mallat, vice president for resource administration, said, "This is great. I haven't seen this in years."

Members of S.O.S met this morning to plan their next move. Admittedly, the success of the White Out will be tough to match, however as Nolte said, the point is not to try to "out-do" the White Out, but to work with it.

Landslides prevail in elections

Landslide victories were the norm for this year's campus-wide elections.

Erik Oparowski took the contest for student body president, capturing over 77 percent of the votes cast last Wednesday. Wendy Leone took the battle for vice president receiv-

ing approximately 72 percent of the votes.

In the quest for the student position on the University System's Board of Trustees, Bill Lessard came out on top, capturing 71 percent of the electorate.

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Native American storyteller visits campus gallery

By Andy Fillault
Features Editor

In an ancient time belonging to an ancient world, magic lives, animals speak and lessons can be learned.

Joe Bruchac, Native American storyteller and author, transformed the packed Library Conference Room into such a world on Saturday. Before a captivated audience of all ages, Bruchac wove his spells and yarns all the while radiating warmth and an easy-going charm. The tall and smiling Bruchac, a native of the

Adirondack Mountains and of Abenaki Indian descent, opened his program with a cheery "Hello, my friends!" So began the 90-minute journey to another time and place.

Accompanying himself on a drum, Bruchac (pronounced Brew-shack) said the beat of the drum "is a sound like the heartbeat... the heartbeat of the Earth." The heartbeat, he continued, is the first music heard by a child in the womb.

Then, with his clear, strong voice, Bruchac sang in Abenaki and invited the audience to join him in a call and

response. Also, to make sure everyone paid attention, he said he would occasionally say "Hey" during a story. The audience, he said, would have to say "Ho" in return, thus proving to him nobody had fallen asleep.

Bruchac began by telling the humorous story of Turtle and his war against the humans. Turtle, sick of humans hunting animals, painted his cheeks with red war paint and tried to gather the other animals together. With some of his recruits, however, he got more than he bargained for, especially with Skunk.

"There can be no secrets between warriors," said Turtle to Skunk, "show me your weapon!" Skunk obliged him and when the dust had cleared from Turtle's hasty retreat, Turtle remarked, "It is a good weapon indeed!" After this experience, Turtle proved to be much the wiser with Rattlesnake and an offer to be shown yet another "sssecret weapon." So, with Skunk and Rattlesnake, Turtle set off to make war against the humans.

Strategically locating themselves around a camp, the animals lay in wait for unsuspecting humans. Rattlesnake went over to a woodpile and disguised himself as a stick. Turtle pulled his legs and head into his shell and disguised himself as a cooking pot near the fire, while Skunk hid near a stream. They soon discovered war to be more difficult than they realized.

A woman gathering firewood encountered Rattlesnake and immediately bashed his head with a rock. This, said Bruchac, is why rattlesnakes have flat heads. He said this is also why rattlesnakes, wishing to avoid being hit with rocks, coil-up and say "I'm not a stick!" Skunk's encounter ended in mutual flight, while Turtle's battle ended up with his being dunked in a river. Turtle, said Bruchac, still carries the red paint on his cheeks from when he made war against the humans.

"These stories were told not only because they are delightful and fun to hear, but also because they told lessons," said Bruchac. Abenaki children, he said, wouldn't get beaten. Instead, they had the lesson stories told to them, he said. At this point, a child in the audience began to cry. At another performance by another artist, this would have meant certain banishment for the child and the mother. However, Bruchac waved it off with a grin and said, "Children crying are a real blessing. It doesn't

bother me and I hope it doesn't bother you."

"Listen to the stories that are all around you," he said. The old stories carry messages and "tell us a lot of things," especially that "women are very important," he said. In Native American cultures, said Bruchac, "women are very important and strong."

"They are the heart of the family," he said. In some of the New England Indian tribes there have been woman chiefs, he said. He went on to talk about Nature's balance and it's direct relationship with people.

"We only work well when we are in balance," he said. Humans "are a part

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--Joe Bruchac, Native American storyteller and author

of everything" and "we are all relatives," he said. Raising his hands in the air, Bruchac then asked the audience to join him in "greeting and thanking our Mother Earth."

He made an eloquent and simple plea to care for the environment. The Earth and its water must be kept clean so that we may live, he said. The water, he said, "flows through the Earth like blood flows through our bodies."

Bruchac told two more stories, each with its own message. One told the story of a little boy who left his harsh uncle and went to live as a bear. After a long time, the boy eventually returned to his changed and kinder uncle. The other story told the tale of a greedy woman and a magical horned water serpent, who gave her what she both wanted and deserved.

Throughout the presentation, Bruchac punctuated his narratives with hand and body gestures and touched the audience with his emotions. Both children and adults laughed and sang along with him and, in the end, applauded him for a job well done. He then made himself available to sign books or just to talk with an appreciative, new-found fan.

In an interview after his performance, Bruchac spoke about himself and the stories he tells. He said he lives with his wife and two sons in the New York Adirondack Mountains, home of his childhood, where his Abenaki grandparents raised him. He said he remembers being "fasci-

nated" as a child hearing stories from other Abenakis.

The 47-year-old Bruchac said he began his career telling his stories to children. After being asked to write down these stories for a book 15 years ago, he said he then went into the schools to share his art.

"The time was right to do it. The stories taught important lessons," he said. The stories spoke, he said, telling him "they wanted to be told."

Bruchac has written seven books of folk stories and poems; some of his works have appeared in magazines such as *American Poetry Review* and *The Paris Review*. He has been writer-in-residence at Columbia University, among other places, and teaches Native American Literature at SUNY-Albany. Also, he has been a featured artist at storytelling festivals in New York, New England and as far away as England. He said he is scheduled to travel to Germany at the end of April.

"A lot of the stories are

just for specific native people and specific settings," he said. The stories he told Saturday can be told only during the traditional Native American storytelling season—from first to last frost. He does not tell these stories from June through August. Furthermore, not everyone is privileged to hear what he has to say.

"Just because you know something, doesn't mean you have to tell it," he said. Although he tells the stories in his own way, Bruchac said, "the message is still the same. The details can't be changed." The tales center around interaction with the natural world, he said, and the "animal people" often "figure into almost all the stories." He said he has been hearing and telling the stories for more than 30 years; from his teens to the present, and carries them all in his head.

"I'm always hearing new stories...the stories are happening all the time," he said.

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Student loan crisis looms on horizon

(CPS)—A California business's mishandling of \$650 million in student loans has set off a chain of events that convinced some of the nation's biggest banks to announce in late March that they would stop making student loans.

Financial aid experts say the moves mean students may have to work harder to get Stafford Loans for next school year, and that "high risk" students—those who go to certain schools—may not be able to get them at all in the future.

"It's moving in that direction," said Stephanie Massay of Florida's Department of Education student aid office. "More and more lenders are eliminating vocational, proprietary and community schools from their list."

Banks consider trade school students at four-year campuses, and because they are generally less well off than students at four-year campuses, and because they graduate into lower-paying jobs, she explained.

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Community and junior college students—a much bigger group—will still be able to get loans, observers said, but they may have to dig harder to find banks who make loans to two-year campus collegians.

The impact, however, on students will be minimal, said Jim Palmer of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges in Washington, D.C.

Only 9 percent of nation's community college students take out Stafford Loans, Palmer said, because "most are part-time, and tuition is comparatively low."

"At least now, the good four-year universities have plenty of sources for student loans," said Fritz Elmen-

dorf of the Virginia-based Consumers Banking Association (CBA). "On the edge is where it's being felt."

At Iowa Western Community College, for example, financial aid director John Rixley "used to get letters at least once a week from big banks in the East wanting to lend to our students. Now I get terse letters from regional banks who say they're no longer offering student loans."

Angered by a March 1 U.S. Department of Education decision not to bail out United Education Software (UES), a California company that had serviced \$650 million in student loans that have not been repaid, Citibank—the biggest Stafford lender in

By Kathy Moran
Equinox Reporter

Honors program introduced at KSC

The two-year planning period for the Keene State College Honors program, directed by Richard Scaramelli, will be ending in June with the school's 1988/89 fiscal year.

According to Scaramelli, the planning process has been successful, in that the needed office equipment and other supplies have been purchased, and more importantly, a specific program proposal has been submitted and passed by the College Senate.

The Honors Program was brought about by former Vice President Richard Gustafson after approximately 20 years of periodic requests from faculty and students. The need for the program, was brought on by the increased enrollment and transfer to Keene State of higher caliber students. There has been an overall academic improvement at KSC, said Scaramelli.

The program, which is affiliated with the National Collegiate Honors Council consisting of approximately

800 institutions across the country, is designed to enhance the curriculum of general education courses for those students who are eligible. A cumulative grade point average of 3.0 for freshmen, and 3.2 for sophomores, juniors, and seniors are the minimum eligibility requirements.

The objectives are educational—to provide challenges and enrichments, and to create a learning community; and institutional—to improve and encourage intellectual and cultural education. Another objective is to enhance the public image of Keene State College.

The curriculum consists of 12-15 credit hours of honors designated courses in general education. The first three courses (2 during the freshman year and at least 1 during the sophomore year) using current interdisciplinary designations, are to be carefully designed courses that will reach across disciplines. This will show the overall view rather than introducing each general education subject one at a time. This, says Scaramelli, should challenge and excite the underclass honors student.

The honors symposium, which is an elective course proposed for the sophomore year, will be designed to lend flexibility to the core curriculum of the program. It will be open to a variety of subjects, possibly including international literature or issues, great books, woman's issues, and others.

The honors Capstone course, open to eligible upper classmen, is a topic based, elective course which will carry general education into the upper level curriculum. It will focus on present or future oriented topics, and according to Scaramelli, could involve a campus wide theme for each semester encouraging common readings, exhibits, and discussion groups for all KSC students.

Honors courses in major disciplines will depend on each department, although Scaramelli said he is confident that student interest after the honors core courses will prompt departments to develop their own honors program. This option for

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EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5-12

Wednesday, April 5.

Baseball: KSC vs. New England College. 2 p.m. at Keene High School Baseball Field, Arch St. Admission is free. For more info., call ext. 333.

Softball: KSC vs. U. of Vermont. 2:30 p.m. at American Legion Softball Field, Court St. Admission is free. For more info., call ext. 333.

Music: KSC Community Orchestra concert at 8 p.m. in the Arts Center.

Art: "Legends in Stone, Bone and Wood." Artifacts and artwork by Abenaki Indians and New Hampshire Native Americans at Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery until April 16. Free admission. For more info., call ext. 382.

Thursday, April 6.

Music: Classical Guitarist Sharon Isbin at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Recital Hall at the Arts Center. For more info., call 357-4041.

Friday, April 7.

Film: "The Revolt of Job." 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. with a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. Putnam Arts Lecture Hall in the Arts Center until April 9. For more info., call ext. 594.

Party: Delta Nu Psi Casino Night in the Mabel Brown Room at 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 8.

Baseball: KSC vs. U. of New Haven. 1 p.m. Keene High School Baseball Field, Arch St. Free admission. For more info., call ext. 333.

Softball: KSC vs. Sacred Heart. 1 p.m. American Legion Softball Field, Court St. Free admission. For more info., call ext. 333.

Party: Eta Gamma Chi Barbecue on Oya Hill at 12 p.m.

Party: Sigma Lambda Chi Mocktail Dance at 9 p.m. in the MBR

Sunday, April 9.

Music: KSC Collegium Musicum at 8 p.m. in Alumni Recital Hall at the Arts Center. Free Admission. For more info., call 357-4041.

Monday, April 10.

Art: Children's Art Show in the Arts Center Lobby from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. until April 20. Free admission. For more info., call 357-4041.

Softball: KSC vs. American International College. 2 p.m. American Legion Softball Field, Court St. Free admission. For more info., call ext. 333.

Tuesday, April 11.

Baseball: KSC vs. St. Anselm College. 3 p.m. Keene High School Baseball Field, Arch St. Free Admission. For more info., call ext. 333.

Forum: "Internationalizing Education." 7:30 p.m. Rhodes Hall, 246 Main St. Free admission. For more info., call Julie Dickson, ext. 270.

Discussion: Open Office Hour with Pres. Sturtevant from 4 - 5 p.m. in the first floor conference room in Hale Building. For more info., call Eliza Leadbetter at ext. 518.

CAMPUS

NEWS AT UNH

Len Bias' mother recently gave a lecture about drugs at the University of New Hampshire. Bias was a basketball player at the University of Maryland when he overdosed on cocaine. He had been drafted by the Celtics three weeks before his death.

The Manchester Union Leader recently printed a front-page editorial about UNH honoring Sexuality Week last month. One way UNH honored the week was by putting an insert in the student newspaper with a free condom stapled to it. According to members of The New Hampshire, the editorial said "the University shouldn't be promoting sex before marriage." The Leader offered cutting the student newspaper's budget as retribution.

CORNERS

NEWS AT PSC

Adrian Croueneur, who inspired the character for *Good Morning Vietnam*, will speak at Plymouth State College in Hyde Hall on April 11th at 8 p.m.

NEWS AT COLBY-SAWYER

According to yesterday's *Boston Globe*, Colby-Sawyer College in New London, N.H. will enroll men in 1990. Officials from the college said it was a decision "vital for the school's survival." Colby-Sawyer is currently the only all-female college in New Hampshire, however the 22-1 vote by trustees to admit men has caused many students to protest. Since January, approximately 150 students have held campus protests against Colby-Sawyer becoming co-ed.

NEWS BRIEFS

Writers union condemns Iran over Rushdie affair

The New Hampshire sub-local of the National Writers Union issued a statement of position on the Salman Rushdie, Satanic Verses Affair. It reads:

"In response to the attacks on Satanic Verses and its author, Salman Rushdie, we condemn all attempts, like that initiated by the Iranian Government, to intimidate and silence free speech and the works of art by calling for the destruction of books or the assassination of authors.

We are compelled to condemn equally the racism and anti-Islamic intolerance stirred up in response, within our society; and to condemn also the destruction of books, records and other artistic products of those who do not share our own outrage. Intellectual freedom is absolute, and its protection must be appropriately uncompromising.

We endorse intellectual freedom and its protection without compromise, and affirm that the New Hampshire sub-local of the National Writers Union is dedicated to the practice of that principle around the world and as well as home."

Peer Educators Group aids Keene State students

Six students have been appointed to the Peer Education Group at Keene State College. The group, whose aim is assisting those battling alcohol or drug related problems, will sponsor a variety of programs in residence halls, classes and other campus settings.

The student participants have been selected through an application and interview process. Each has completed several courses in chemical dependency and has a demonstrated interest in providing information and support to fellow students. Those students participating in the group, for which they will earn academic credit as a practicum, are: Barbara Alibozek of Marlborough; Laura Wilson of Laconia; Robert Henshaw of Ridgefield, Conn.; Wendy Constanza of West Hartford, Conn.; Katherine Perless of Flushing, N.Y., and Michelle Orlowski of Keene.

The group was founded by Dr. Richard DeSantis, professor of human services at Keene State. Dr. DeSantis is also the director of a campus assistance project which was established through the KSC President's Office and funded by the National Grange

Mutual Insurance Company of Keene. He has been assigned to devote half his time to develop programs on campus to assist faculty, staff, and students where alcohol and drugs are an issue.

Equinox holds elections

Elections were held last week for the executive board of *The Equinox* for the 1989-1990 academic year. Junior, Jeffrey M. Chadburn, who served as News Editor for this semester, was unanimously elected to replace Lauren A. Borsa as executive editor of the paper. Junior Amy L. Williams, who this year served as Assistant News Editor, was elected News Editor.

The newly elected editors will take control of *The Equinox* for the last two issues of this semester (April 19 and 26).

Chadburn noted that several positions on the executive board remained vacant, including Sports Editor, Features Editor, Photography Editor, and Editorial Page Editor. Students interested in any of these positions may contact *The Equinox* at extension 388 for more information. Academic credit is available to editors and writers alike.

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Beginning next issue, *The Equinox* will be printing a series of articles reviewing *Playboy's* Playmate-of-the-month, *Penthouse's* Pet-of-the-month and *Hustler's* Honey-of-the-month. The articles will contain hard-hitting facts, figures and measurements of the aforementioned lovelies. Maintaining integrity in journalism, said *Equinox* Features Editor, Randy Andy Filiault, is the reason for the decision to print the expose's.

"We plan to get right down to the bare facts, leave nothing covered and be as offensive as possible in these articles," said Filiault in a recent interview with himself. The interview, conducted in an extremely seedy strip joint, left this reporter with the impression that *Equinox* editors require immediate and intensive psychiatric help. Accompanying the stories will be full-length photos of the centerfold variety, he said.

"This is so our readers, particularly the sexually immature males, will get the picture. Also, I resent the innuendo floating around campus that we are doing this to sell papers," he said. Filiault neglected to mention that the *Equinox* is a free newspaper and that he is controlling partner of the strip bar.

"I think it's a great idea," said John Q. D'Eviart, a 53-year-old freshman. He went on to say, between drooling and paping seizures, that the First Amendment is what makes the U.S. such a great country. Furthermore, he said, freedom of the press is what separates the U.S. from the Eastern bloc countries.

"You've seen those Bulgarian girls at the Olympics, right? Well, their centerfold models aren't too much better," he said, pausing to roll his tongue back in his mouth. Another student, John Q. Trevrep, expressed concern that the articles wouldn't be revealing enough.

"Heh, heh, slurp," said the 22-year-

old fifth semester freshman from behind his trenchcoat.

Equinox Executive Editor, Lauren Borsa, offered her opinion on the decision to go ahead with the series. However, since Filiault has her bound and gagged in a closet, thus rendering her incommunicado, Borsa's statement will be printed at a later date. Amy Williams, assistant News Editor, usurped Borsa's position as Executive Editor and said *Hustler's* contributions to journalism have been exceptionally important.

"Ever since the late 1800s, it has been the standard for magazine journalism. I rank up there with the *New Yorker* and the *Atlantic*. Wait a minute, did you ask me about *Hustler's* Harper's?"

So the *Equinox* can't be accused of only pandering to men's disgusting perversions, *Equinox* News Editor, Jeffrey Chadburn, said the newspaper will offer a reader response column. Plans for the column have yet to be finalized: however, it should be

"all set" for next year's editions of *The Equinox*, he said.

Moreover, due to "overwhelming demand" from the female members of the *Equinox* staff, he said choice excerpts from *Playgirl* magazine will be included in upcoming editions of the paper. This way, he said, "we won't offend those man-hating feminist bitches."

"I think this clearly shows just how responsive we are to current tastes," said Chadburn, "and I think it reflects our willingness to pander to women's baser urges, as well."

Support from the Keene State administration has been "encouraging," said Chadburn. In fact, he said, some male faculty members have expressed "a strong, almost unnatural desire" to help with photo selection. From his desk across the room, a slightly incoherent Scott "The Discerning Eye" McPherson said, "Hey, that's my job!" McPherson is the *Equinox* Layout Editor and is responsible for photo selection. He said he

resents any faculty interference in what he considers a highly sensitive process.

"They can't take that away from me," he screamed hysterically, adding that he "paid Chadburn damn good money" for the job. Later, when informed of *Equinox* advisor Prof. Shirley Keddie's decision to remove him from the chain altogether, he collapsed into a slobbering, quivering heap of human jelly. McPherson is now recovering in a nice, quiet room with nice, soft walls. He said he loves his new jacket "with the really neat sleeves that tie in the back."

The first centerfold model to be featured will be Fawn Hahn, *Hustler's* April Honey. According to Sport and Bondage reporter, Paul Augeri, "she's really got something there, man. Look at those assets!" Augeri said he is in charge of writing the biographies that accompany each centerfold. He went on to talk about his amazement regarding Hahn's unique talents and "how in the world did she manage to do that with... what do you mean I can't say that?"

One thing is for sure, the *Equinox* staffers do not shy away from the tough stories. No matter how seamy or tasteless, you can find the *Equinox* at the bottom of it all. Speaking of bottoms, be sure to catch a special edition of the newspaper featuring Keene State's own "Men of the Computer Science Program." On sale at college bookstores everywhere.

Honors program offered

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major discipline departments has been available since 1977, according to Scaramelli. Presently the only department to take advantage of this type of program has been the Psychology Department.

Implementation of the Honors Program, if passed by the System Academic Planning Committee, will begin immediately with the development of courses, and will be offered to students for the first time during the Spring, 1990 semester.

According to Scaramelli, the program would offer academic and social advancement for those students seeking this type of education, and would be a program beneficial to Keene State College as a whole.



The Keene State College banner marks the mid-point of the White Out line last Friday. Holding the banner is Student Body President Eric Wilson.



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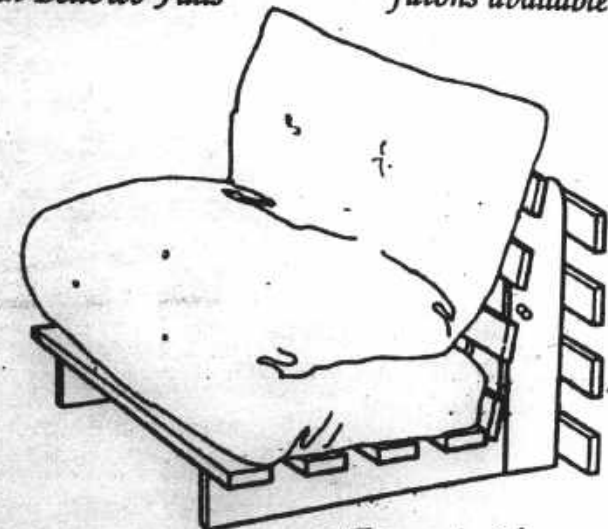
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Opinion Page

U.S. fuels another war

For the past five weeks the city of Jalabad, 90 miles east of Kabul in Afghanistan, has been under fire by Moslem guerrillas who want control of the government located there. The area has been involved with the war since Russia invaded Afghanistan in December 1979. Things looked brighter last February when the last of the Soviet troops retreated from Afghanistan. But now, the guerrillas are ready to overthrow the government, and in the process, are butchering innocent citizens. The growing civilian death toll in Jalabad has prompted the Kabul government to ask the U.S. to join the Soviet Union in a cease fire. What? The U.S.? Yes, that's right. America has involved herself in another foreign dilemma. Unfortunately, many Americans don't even realize it.

Hundreds of civilians are dying and have died in Jalabad and these deaths are being blamed on the U.S. This is with good reason. The U.S. government has been the main arms supplier to the guerrilla forces. Our government is also involved with friendly relations with Pakistan—the middleman delivering the U.S. supplied weapons to the guerrillas.

The United States should comply with the Kabul government's plea to stop supporting the guerrillas. When the Soviet Union retreated in February there were signs of less violence. Afghans held onto their hopes that a peaceful, new country would arise. Why doesn't the U.S. aid in this hope instead of destroying it?

The killings are increasing. Last week 22 people were killed in Jalabad by a rocket fired by the guerrillas. At the time, the victims were at a temple in the city to escape from the rocket and artillery fire shot by the forces. Mass rapes, lootings and massacres of government supporters are also frequent in the area. Even without the fighting, Afghanistan's condition is bleak. At this point, there are no railroads or paved roads. The communication and transportation systems are also poor.

Many citizens, state-controlled newspapers and radio and television stations are condemning the U.S.'s actions. The government is blaming Washington for supplying weapons instead of pushing for peace.

"The Russians have gone," said an Afghan engineer who built roads in Afghanistan during the 1960s. "And now, if there is no effort to stop fighting, the people in the cities will face really terrible things."

The U.S. needs to work with the guerrillas on writing and negotiating a peace accord with the Afghan government. The U.S. could also join with outside forces such as the United Nations or other countries in an effort to limit the fighting and have the government and guerrillas negotiate.

The most important factor here is for the fighting and supply of weaponry to stop. The people of Afghan have been tortured enough. When the Soviets invaded the area they killed people, destroyed crops and used napalm bombs. When the violence stops, only then can the two sides meet. Only then will innocent citizens not be murdered. The ball is now in our court.

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Commentary

Amy L. Williams

Wasting away at Keene State

The old saying "waste not, want not" should apply to Keene State College. Even though New Hampshire is threatening to cut our budget to the bone, KSC continues to waste valuable resources and money.

A prime example of this waste is the heating situation. According to several reliable sources, Keene State heats the campus via a computer. The computer is set for the average temperature on a particular day for the past five years. If you haven't noticed, WE ARE IN THE HEART OF NEW ENGLAND!! The spring months in New Hampshire are completely unpredictable. The average temperature for the last five years may be 20 degrees warmer than this year's temperature. This is a ridiculous waste! When it's 80 degrees outside, the KSC library is a sauna; when it's 20 degrees and raining outside, the library is an icebox. The same goes for all other campus buildings. Does this campus have a clue? Obviously students open their windows when it's hot outside and the heat is blasting in their rooms. How much money is pouring out of those windows? How much money could we be saving in the face of these budget cuts?

Another example of waste is the dining commons. The deli bar is a

specific example of waste. Whenever a student requests lettuce or tomatoes, the person behind the deli gives them enough for three sandwiches. Maybe I'm mistaken but most people do not eat three sandwiches for one meal. The leftovers, as far as I know, are thrown away. And what about the unripened fruit? Yesterday I had to throw away a pear because it was so hard I could have given my boyfriend a concussion if I'd thrown it at his head. How many other students are throwing fruit away because it isn't ripe? Wouldn't it make more sense to ripen the fruit and then serve it? The dining commons, Keene State, and every student on the meal plan could

save a lot of money if this waste wasn't plaguing our campus. I realize that the dining commons is trying to serve the students, but why is it they give us more than enough in the deli line and not enough in the entree line? Wouldn't it be more economical to balance it out?

Electricity is another example. How many of us can say we turn the lights off in our rooms, offices, and classrooms when we are finished? Empty classrooms in Morrison Hall and the Science Center always have the lights on. Why???? And what about the handicapped bathrooms in

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To The Editor

'The Pub has seen better days'

Just when you thought it was safe to enjoy yourself, Big Sister reared her ugly head. I am referring to Ellen Lowe's decision to obstruct a promo to announce the return of Happy Hours at the Pub. The board of directors are hoping to turn the tide of dissent that has hurt attendance by creating a new image. As a long standing Pub Club member, I can tell you that the Pub has seen better days. Ellen Lowe, among others, has steadily chipped away at one of the few luxuries here at KSC.

Also, while continuing a trend, Pub Club members are getting less while paying more. For example, there was a time when the Pub opened at 2 p.m.. The argument that got rid of this was that students were drinking before class. This was an invalid argument for two reasons. First, there is no evidence that the lack of a Pub pre-

vents drinking. Secondly, these students are of legal age and have the right to get "blasted" before class. Though there may be serious consequences, it is their right to make that choice.

Unfortunately, people like Ellen Lowe feel that elimination of choice is better than an open discussion whereby students can make good decisions. Simply, students are responsive to collusion, not coercion.

Let's face facts. Student awareness is on the rise because this institution has pushed and pushed the students around to a point where there is an enormous amount of antagonism between students and the administration. Students are not going to take it anymore. In a free and democratic system, there is strength in numbers. I'm proud to say that the Pub is an excellent example of this.

It was ultimately Ellen Lowe's decision that cancelled Happy Hours. I'm sure she would smile and say the enormous amount of dissent had little to do with her sudden change of heart. This is just the beginning. Happy Hour will make a complete return once students, especially the ones who don't remember the old days, get a taste of this new freedom, they will continue to demand more.

Finally, students will get the opportunity to show they can run a responsible and safe Pub. The Pub is a student organization. It's paid for by us. We are sending a message to Ellen Lowe that we students now have the knowledge and the will to demand more of a say in decisions that will have an affect on us.

ERIC WEINRAUB

Prof. Lory shares 'frustration'

In your March 29, 1989 editorial (Minority Observances Merely Condescending), you state to "set aside a single month" to honor a minority group is "demeaning" to that group. I share your frustration in wondering why we still need to pay special attention to minority or underclass groups. But the time has not yet come to forego these recognition days. I would like to address my comments specifically to Women's History Month, a yearly event when women's issues are highlighted on campus, in

schools and in the media. When both men and women are paid a comparable salary; when our society values quality child care; when men and women equally share child care responsibility; when the Equal Rights Amendment is passed; when women are no longer victims of sexual harassment, acquaintance rape and stranger rape; when history books reflect the important role of both men and women; when we can look to other countries and find women treated with respect; when

success is not judged by traditional male standards, then and only then, will we rejoice throughout the year and will not need Women's History Month.

DR. NANCY S. LORY
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Letters Policy

Letters to the editor are due by noon on the Friday prior to publication. *The Equinox* reserves the right to refuse any letter which is not in good taste or in line with journalistic ethics. Letters must be submitted typed, double-spaced, and signed.

Security questions parking complaint

This letter is an open letter to Paul Augeri who last week wrote to *The Equinox* complaining about his friends car being towed.

The first thing to do is apologize to your friend, as a student at KSC you should know that you are allowed to park in the commuter lot without a sticker from 4:30 pm on Friday afternoon to 11:00 pm on Sunday night on all weekends as long as it isn't snowing. Was it snowing when your friend got towed?

As a college student you should also be able to read the rather large "NO PARKING" signs at the entrance to the lot behind the Owl's Nest. You know the ones that say, "VIOLATORS TOWED!" I'm not

even going to ask you, as you asked me, "ARE YOU NEGLIGENT OR DEAF, DUMB, AND BLIND?"

The way I see this situation, you admit the vehicles involved were in the wrong, but they should have been ignored because they were "your" friends!

You should tell your story to the residents of the Owl's Nests who have stickers and permits. Many of them call us, security, because someone's friend is in their space. Welcome to the real world.

Thank you for your amusing letter. Maybe you could find a real problem to write about next time.
TED KILTON
Security Officer

Checking rules may help

This letter is in response to Paul Augeri's letter in the March 29th *Equinox*. In his letter he states that "approximately 13 cars were towed from campus during the wee hours of Sunday morning, especially in the area of Owl's Nest 3 parking lot" and that, "I possess a parking ticket that was placed on a car illegally parked in the same Owl's Nest 3 lot. The ticket was issued on March 19, at 3:15 am, and the Security officer charged this person with a NO DECAL violation." I would now like to set the record straight. It is true that a large number of cars were towed from campus that night. They were towed because the people who paid \$50 to park there could not find legal spaces and were forced to park in fire lanes and on grass. As for the ticket, I for one would like to see it. According to our records there were no tickets given out on March 18, 19, or 20th between the hours of 12:00 am and 8:00 am. As a matter of fact, the last

time a ticket was given out at 3:15 am was back in February.

Now, I want to ask you some questions. Did you or your friend see the 4 foot by 4 foot sign at the entrance of the lot that says "violators towed...Resident Parking Only?" Or maybe you have not read the KSC Rules & Regulations for the 1988-1989 year. If you did you would know that on page 15 it states, "Vehicles without an appropriate 'H' parking permit will be ticketed and TOWED immediately." You would also know that "No parking is allowed on campus after 11pm except vehicles that clearly display either a valid KSC decal or a valid 'visitors permit'."

In closing I would like to say that Security here at Keene State is not the problem, it's people like you and your friends who have no respect for the rules and regulations of this community.

ROBERT BROWN
Security Officer

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More Letters

Fiscal responsibility, intelligence can cure budget woes

Last Thursday afternoon a number of Keene State College students took advantage of the agreeable turn of weather to rally on Appian Way in protest of the proposed budget cuts. Student leaders filed to the microphone, one after another, and exhorted their classmates to write their legislators and to otherwise voice their displeasure at the possibility of an 8 percent reduction in the school's biennial budget. This display of unity and student action was, in its own way, inspiring, but at the same time, disturbing: as students approached the podium, one by one, to speak out against the potential reductions, not

one soul seemed inclined to stand up and propose an alternative to cutting educational spending as a means of dealing with the state's deficit. Throughout the campus the focus seems to be myopically fixed on the effects of New Hampshire's financial crisis rather than the cause.

The unpleasant fact we need to face realistically is that the state of New Hampshire desperately has to find a way of offsetting a deficit that may soon reach \$40 million. Whether through budget cuts or increased revenue, this money must come from somewhere. We certainly have the right to disagree with the state's decision to reduce funding for education;

however if we wish to deny them these funds, we are under obligation, at the very least, to suggest other means of acquiring the money. Cutting support to education cannot possibly be a pleasant task, but we, the voters of New Hampshire have left our legislators few options. We are presently forced to face the consequences of New Hampshire's nearly libertarian voting habits: the representatives that we have elected to office are, by and large, opposed to the collection of state revenue through taxation on sales items or income. Without funding from the state's citizens we cannot expect out educational system to do anything other than continue to deteriorate.

This aversion to taxation, which has long been characteristic of the Granite State, lately appears to be symptomatic of a national trend—the refusal to take responsibility for our financial problems in a constructive fashion. This reprehensible attitude has found expression in a President who, if I read his lips correctly, promises the American people absolution from fiscal responsibility. Facing the largest deficit in our nation's history, George Bush still managed to be elected on the promise of no new taxes; in chilling contrast, the 1984 campaign of Walter Mondale rode its proposal of responsible financial management through increased taxation to a devastating defeat. In the 1988 Presidential primaries, with the characteristic candor that accompanies so many lost causes, former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt vowed to raise taxes in a nationally televised debate, and enjoined his Democratic rivals to stand with him on this issue: needless to say, Babbitt was left standing alone with his tactless vision.

Prior to last November's elections, the campus was inundated with Judd Gregg's chartreuse, campaigning signs; support for Charles Douglas also ran high, judging from the proliferation of his propaganda found around the school: neither of these candidates, to the best of my knowledge, have ever been accused of wishing to implement new methods of taxation. Keeping with tradition, the people of New Hampshire once again filled the statehouse with tight-fisted, "live free or die" Republicans, who, it seems, would rather do away with considerable portions of social services and education programs than risk political ostracization by supporting

the imposition of new taxes to raise state revenues. The pinch that we're feeling now is just the beginning of the high cost of "living free." Setting party politics aside and dealing with the candidates as individuals, most of them were quite clear during the elections regarding their positions on taxation. It is my feeling that those students who voted for candidates that were pledging lower taxes have no right to complain about the potential cuts.

The final difficulty which we presently face is quite obviously not the problem in itself; it is merely a symptom of the greater problem which we must begin to deal with as residents of a financially depleted state which is opposed to raising revenue through new taxes. I applaud the dedication and effort of those students who are

active in opposing the budget cuts. To complain, however, of these reductions without attempting to deal with the deficit itself seems to me to be both a selfish and irresponsible action. I too plan to write to the Legislature's Ways and Means Committee and voice my displeasure concerning the cuts, but this is only the beginning. To deal with the real problems behind these current symptoms is to work for the election of representatives with the vision and the common sense to be financially responsible. It is time, in New Hampshire, to tax something besides property and business. It is my sincere hope that by the time the 1990 election rolls around, this painful lesson will not have been forgotten.

LAIRD EVAN CHRISTENSEN

Toth has 'no legal basis' to oppose 'Lions Song'

We would like to add our support to "The Lion's Song," the only Christian program WKNH broadcasts. "The Lion's Song" broadcasts Christian music on Sunday mornings from 10 to 1.

It has been brought to our attention that Professor Toth is extremely offended by this broadcast. There is no legal basis to ban this broadcast. Mr. Toth would like to have the legal recourse to have this show removed from the air. However, it seems obvious that he is committed to ensuring that the "Lion's Song" be terminated, due to his personal preference.

Also Professor Toth generalized that no students wanted this broadcast. Obviously this is not the case, as this is at least the second Letter to the Editor supporting the program.

Is KSC throwing it all away?

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the Owls Nests, which as far as I can tell, do not have light switches? What kind of idiot made lights which can't be turned off? These bathrooms are rarely used, wouldn't it make more sense to install a light switch so that those lights could be shut off when no one needs them? My what a brilliant idea!! Keene State could save a lot of money on its

Currently, WKNH broadcasts for 105 hours per week. Only three of these are contemporary Christian music. In fact, this is the only contemporary Christian music broadcast in the Monadnock region. This is hardly supporting a religion as Mr. Toth has argued. Since the purpose of WKNH is to provide alternative broadcasting, we hope to continue to have the opportunity to enjoy this program.

We pay tuition and are entitled to enjoy a few hours of our choice, like all students. Many of the broadcast hours we do not listen to. Some we don't like at all, but if we don't, we change the station.

We look forward to reading more from others who want to support our basic auditory rights.

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Students may face the prospect of tight locks on loans

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the country—said March 19 it would make it harder for students to qualify for loans.

At the same time, Chase Manhattan Bank in New York announced it would no longer loan money to trade school students. In Nebraska, Commercial Federal Savings & Loan decided to scrap its student loan program. In California, the Bank of America may give up Stafford Loans if the Education Department lowers the loan's profitability, marketing executive Grant Cuellar confirmed.

Many smaller banks, Elmendorf reported, also have stopped making student loans.

The reason is that they have become less profitable for banks, and now, thanks to the Education Dept. decision, riskier.

the Education Dept., which oversees most federal college programs, has been waging a vigorous campaign to decrease the default rate on Stafford Loans—formerly called Guaranteed Student Loans—for years, as the amount of money in default rose from \$530 million in

1983 to \$1.7 billion in 1989.

Money spent to reimburse banks for uncollected loans, of course, is money that otherwise would be loaned out to students to pay for

college.

In 1986, frustrated government loan officials suggested forbidding banks from making loans to students who attended schools at which the

default rate was higher than 20 percent.

The suggestion, which Congress is still weighing, was aimed mostly at trade schools—for-profit beauty,

truck repair, business and technical two-year community and junior colleges.

UES's extraordinary high default problem was one of the first to draw Washington's attention, and, according to its own guidelines, the Education Dept. announced in February that it would not reimburse banks the \$650 million in loans students failed to repay.

Despite an appeal by American Japanese banks to make an exception in UES's case—they argued that failure to "guarantee" the loans would convince banks to stop making Stafford Loans—the department decided in early March it would stick to policy.

Banks have been announcing tougher student loan policies since, culminating in the Citibank and Chase Manhattan retreats in March.

"We are confident that source: loans will continue," said M Crawford of the Dept. of Education. Elmendorf sees it differently. likely will be tougher (for student qualify for loans). It's already tougher in a lot of categories."

Iowa Western students ultimately haven't had trouble getting loans, Pixley reported, although lenders "a lot more cautious."

Dallas Martin, president of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators in Washington, D.C., said the recent events won't have much impact, at least initially, on the availability of student loans nationwide. However, it is "one more nail in the coffin," pointing out the weakness in the system.

A certain number of defaults are to be expected, says Elmendorf. "The loans are meant to guarantee access to higher education. The goals of reducing defaults and of providing loans for all are contradictory."

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Student remembers destruction in San Salvador

(CPS) — Shortly after midnight on January 13, I was awakened in my room in San Salvador by a powerful explosion that set the bed shaking. It was the destruction of the home of Catalina Machuca de Merino, a dean at the University of El Salvador (UES), by a bomb set by the death squad ARDE. Her sleeping children were buried in glass and debris, but no one was killed.

The next morning, university authorities held a press conference in a campus auditorium to denounce the attack and a campaign waged against them by the government and armed forces. But UES's rector's description of the bombing was drowned out as military helicopters buzzed the auditorium six times.

Nine years of civil war have hit hard at the University of San Salvador.

The nation's lone public institution of higher learning, UES is the only campus open to students from poor families. Eighty percent of UES's 35,000 students come from lower-income homes, many of them working for the minimum wage of \$3 a day before starting four hours of classes each evening.

The university also has long been a center of criticism of the small clique of families that has ruled El Salvador for more than a hundred years. So, as El Salvador's political situation has deteriorated into civil war, it's also hosted student, faculty member, administrator and UES workers' dissent from the war and continuing violations of human rights.

There's been a high cost in repression.

Especially as the civil war intensified and the FMLN guerrillas, who pledge to redistribute wealth in the nation, proved powerful foes, frustrated army commanders came to vent their anger on the university community. They call it a "sanctuary for subversion."

During the time I spent at UES, the campus was heavily militarized. Soldiers guarded each entrance, and searched students for weapons and subversive literature. They maintained a cordon around the periphery of the campus to "protect" it.

At midnight on December 23, about 30 well-armed men, some in uniform, cut the fence surrounding the university, killed a night watchman and blew up the Biology building.

Shock waves from the blast could be felt all over the capital, and the building was gutted.

On January 10, a campus auditorium was destroyed by an explosion. The newly formed death squad ARDE, which stands for "Revolu-

tionary Anti-communist Extermination Action," took responsibility.

On January 20 uniformed soldiers arrested Victor Manuel Sanchez, a clerk in the Economics department, on his way to campus. He was taken to the Infantry Brigade garrison, beaten and detained for several days. In the meantime, other soldiers ransacked his house, told his 2- and 4-year-old daughters their father was a

subversive, and they'd never see him again.

On February 2, Economics student Mario Flores Cubas was taken from his San Salvador home by uniformed soldiers of the National Guard. His bullet-riddled body, showing signs of torture, turned up the next day in Sonsoate province.

When news of Cubas's death reached the campus, students hit the

streets in fierce demonstrations.

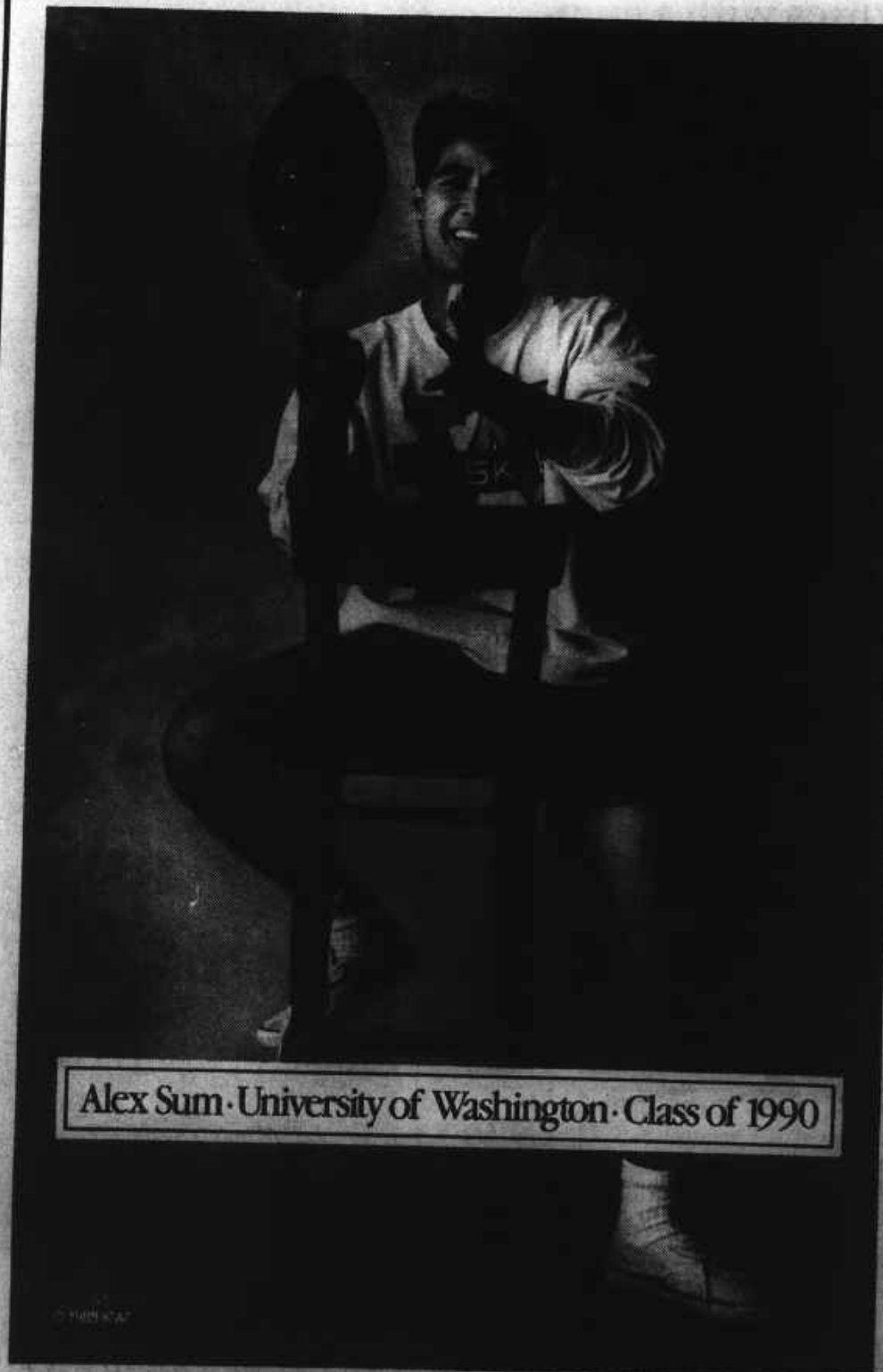
Violence against UES is not new. In June, 1980, the army put down student demonstrations by invading with weapons firing. They attacked professors in their classrooms. They looted the buildings. Several students were raped.

The campus was closed, and stayed closed until 1984, when its students, teachers and staffers began trying to

reconstruct it from scratch.

"When we returned to campus, we found that they had burned every book with a red cover, even the bible," remembered Roberto (a pseudonym). "We had to laugh. They stole everything, down to the window shades."

"I wasn't rubbing it in—I just wanted Eddie to know the score of last night's game."



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Sports

Lacrosse club: No place to play

By Paul Augeri
Sports Writer

Not even the most gifted psychic could visualize when this miserable weatherfront will let up. Until then, all hopes the Keene State lacrosse club has of playing a match before the week ends are under water.

However, the Owls have a more bitter problem than the weather. You see, the weather can change, at least for now, for the better. But when access to playing fields is so limited as is the case at Keene State College, lacrosse club coach Jim Draper is stuck in the mud.

The Owls home opener today with North Adams State at Carpenter Field in Keene will not happen. The city does not want the lacrosse team to play on the marshy field. Let Draper give you a hands-on explanation.

"The guys have to protect Carpenter," the third-year coach said. "We've been practicing on the sidelines during the week because not many fields are open these days because of the rain."

"If we cut up the field on Wednesday, I have to worry about whether we'll be able to use it (in the future)."

The city's prime concerns lie with the consequences of playing on a

soggy Carpenter Field. Draper said the city feels if the grass is ripped up and the surface so badly blemished, the Owls may not get a curtain call for future home matches.

Draper attributed the North Adams postponement to the winter freeze, which he says has frozen up to six feet of the ground. The delayed thaw has not allowed the rain water to seep through the surface and be absorbed. Thus, no dry ground.

The Owls schedule follows a Wednesday-Saturday repetition, with all home matches being played each Wednesday in April. But as each match is canceled, chances are the less likely they will be made up.

"I can't have more than three canceled," Draper said. "All Wednesday games are home, all Saturdays' are away; it's an arrangement with the school."

"We're ready to go; we just have to find a field. We are ready to play Assumption on Saturday (Worcester, Mass., 1:30 p.m.) and I don't care if we play in a parking lot. We can play in any kind of weather, we just need a field."

And now the lacrosse club has been denied use of Carpenter Field until dry weather settles in on central New Hampshire? Forget any use of the

athletic fields behind Spaulding Gymnasium. Robert Mallat, vice president of resource administration, refused Draper any use of the playing areas.

However, Draper said he may be able to use a field at Dublin School, one on which the Owls played during the 1987 season. But Draper received word yesterday that he has been denied use of that field.

Although the campus doesn't look like the Underwater City of Atlantis as it did in the flooded spring of 1987, the weather still could wreak havoc like it did in that soaked spring. Four of the nine scheduled contests were rained out that year.

Therefore, Draper considers his options.

"I can do one of two things; hopefully get Carpenter for Wednesday, or really scramble for another field," Draper said.

The final option: A roster of over 25, a nine-game schedule, but winless in their contests against the weather and potential fields.

Time is running out for Draper and his search for a reliable source that will allow him to play lacrosse matches on a designated field. Yes folks, the forecast is bleak.

Lady Owls sweep Stonehill College

Give Keene State softball coach Charlie Beach a rake and unbeaten pitcher Kim Slauenwhite the ball and the Lady Owls will do just fine.

Along with our own maintenance crew, Beach raked the fields in preparation for the Lady Owls sweep yesterday of Stonehill College, 9-0, and 4-1.

Slauenwhite shut out Stonehill in the opener while Jayne Galliher tossed six innings in the 4-1 nightcap. Slauenwhite, now 4-0 with a sub-1.00 ERA, threw the seventh for her second save.

The one-two punch of Slauenwhite and Galliher are scheduled to pitch today's doubleheader, 2:30 p.m. at Hanna Field, against Division I Vermont.

Right fielder Kim Bergeron broke open yesterday's home opener with a three-run double in the Lady Owls five-run third inning.

"I told the women yesterday that they can't let the elements upset them," said a very pleased Beach.

"The marvelous thing about the women is that they've bitten the bullet through this cold and wet weather. It's their attitude that has enabled them to get it done."

The 7-3 Lady Owls, now 4-0 since their return from Miami, will travel tomorrow to Lowell, Mass., for their New England Collegiate Conference opener with the Chiefs. "They have a good softball tradition, and they could either fold or play out of their minds," Beach said.

Of course, none of the 10 games played will match the caliber of Saturday's twinbill with Sacred Heart. The Pioneers, visitors to the NCAA playoffs last year and holders of the top billing in New England, will post as the worst threat to blemishing the Lady Owls' current unbeaten streak.

"It's good to have this kind of momentum because we have been playing winning softball," explained Beach. "The women will just have to suck it up and get on it."

—By Paul Augeri

Lax to open at Assumption

By Paul Augeri
Sports Writer

Mother Nature 2, the Keene State lacrosse club, 0.

All hopes of opening the lacrosse season were dashed not only early Friday afternoon, but yesterday as well, when coach Jim Draper received word that today's match with North Adams State has been postponed.

Saturday's contest at Bridgewater, Mass., was also washed away.

Part of the reason for these cancellations is because Draper has yet to find a field to play on. An unavailable field leads to the control that April showers have on lacrosse matches. But wouldn't Bridgewater officials like to know, according to Draper, that lacrosse is played despite rain, sleet and snow?

"The guys were visibly upset," Draper said on Monday after notifying his club Friday. "They've practiced five weeks in a swimming pool, the snow, rain, and then

I have to tell them there is no game. We're really held hostage to weather in April."

Draper said both postponements will probably be rescheduled for later dates, possibly Sundays. That way the Owls "will be able to walk on Monday, win on a Wednesday, and play away on a Saturday, hopefully (against) a patsy."

Now Draper has his sights set on Saturday afternoon's confrontation with Assumption College in Worcester, Mass. The third game of the season has now been labeled the opener.

"Assumption is a good club this year, and we're ready to play them," Draper said. "They've got some ballplayers this year."

Assumption fell to Dean Junior College over the weekend, 11-8. Draper said Dean is "a real powerhouse" in its league, and not only did Dean JC "shell Assumption twice last year, it shelled us last year too."

It's tourney time for Rec. Sports

By Paulie Augeri
Sports Writer

If you think all basketball championship play is over and done with, then you probably aren't tuned in to the Keene State rec sports channel.

March Madness 1989 is history. Just look out for April Anxiety tonight and Thursday at Spaulding Gymnasium.

The men's and women's hoop playoffs will conclude tomorrow night when the men's finalists meet at 7:30 and the women's at 8:30.

R.J. Sports, which finished 7-1 in league play and has an additional three wins during playoff action, will meet the "Alpha A" squad for the men's crown. Alpha has brought its championship act indoors since winning the softball title this past fall.

"Our attitude is to persevere," said R.J. captain, Chris Siggers. "This game means more to us because it gives us an opportunity to be better

than the Greeks" at this level of competition.

Siggers is aware of Alpha's big guns under the boards, especially after R.J.'s five-point win over the Kamikazes in the semi-finals.

"I can make a definite comparison of height after playing the Kamikazes," Siggers said. "The Kazis were taller but we had the quickness and speed over them. It will be to our advantage to spread out on defense on the bigger court."

Both the men's and women's championship games will be played on the main gym floor.

In women's Final Four action tonight, the Mudslides take on the

Schmoldars while Koko's Angels meet Kappa Gamma. The winners vie for the title Thursday night at 8:30.

Volleyball playoff rounds got underway last night, where the field of eight was whittled down to four. The championship match will be played Tuesday night at 8:30, following the 7:30 semifinals.

The Just for Fun division of the rec hoop leagues will put on an All-Star game tonight at 8:30, following the women's semifinals. With two players representing each of the seven league teams, East meets West in the first-ever showdown.

Owl baseball home opener against New England College today at 2 p.m. at Keene High School



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Students and staff join thousands in abortion rally

By Lauren Borsa
Executive Editor

Sixty Keene State students and staff left the Monadnock Region at 10 p.m. last Saturday to begin a long trek to Washington D.C., where they joined thousands of pro-choicers in a national abortion rights rally.

One bus and a van carried the KSC abortion rights activists to the nation's capital where, after a 10-hour drive, they participated in a three-hour walk from the Washington Monument to the Capitol.

Amanda Skow, a part-time KSC student, and a secretary at cooperative education, was among the

College's marchers.

"We did make a difference," she said. "When I first got there I was really surprised at the immense amount of people."

Skow said the Keene State participants dressed in red and white, and during the two-mile walk chanted: "What do you want? Free Choice!"

When do you want it? NOW!"

While traveling to Washington, Skow said her primary goal was to sleep—not to think intently about the march. But, on the return drive early Monday morning, Skow said her thoughts turned to the results of the rally.

"I was really thinking about the results of illegal abortion on the lives of American women." And, although Skow doesn't entirely support abortion, she said other women should be given the chance to make their own decision. "They have to be protected," she said. By the end of the march, Skow also said she felt stronger than ever that illegal abortion is wrong, and must be prevented.

Men, as well as women, also participated in Sunday's march, reported Skow. "It was mostly women, but there were quite a few men there." Many men also carried banners with

slogans supporting women's pro-choice rights.

It was the desire to make a difference which instigated senior Jude Cronin to attend the rally. "The reason I went was so I felt like I'd done something," Cronin was also amazed at the amount of people who ventured to the nation's capital.

"The people came from all over the nation. People came from Alaska and Hawaii. I think that's what overwhelmed me the most," she said. "I felt like I was reliving the '60s."

The diversity of people—ranging from mothers to punk rockers—in the march also shocked Cronin. "I didn't think people would be so together in this thing."

"I had no concept of what people would be feeling," she said. "I was so amazed to see so many people fighting for one thing."

Keene bank grants \$7500 to program

By Amy L. Williams
Assistant News Editor

Keene State's Cooperative Education Program recently received a \$7500 grant from First Northern Bank located on Main Street as a result of the College's capital campaign drive.

The grant for this fiscal year, was presented by the bank's president, Jonathan Heffron, "to help support the cooperative education program at Keene State," said Patricia Campbell, director of Career Services and Cooperative Education.

The grant will be used for many different purposes, according to Campbell.

The grant has already funded an "employer recognition breakfast" on April 6th in the Library Conference Room. The breakfast was held so that co-op employers could talk with Keene State students about the program and their co-op experiences.

In addition to the breakfast, the grant will fund the design of a promotional brochure about Keene State's co-op program. The brochure will market the program to potential employers in the Monadnock region

and to co-op employers all over the United States said Campbell.

"We are looking for organizations that match the students' interests," she said about the brochure.

The grant will also help support training workshops and several programs for members of the Career Services and Cooperative Education Advisory Boards.

Two training workshops will be given at Keene State to bring potential employers here to learn about co-op and what it can do for them said Campbell.

This year's grant will also provide funds for "committee development" of members on the Career Services and Cooperative Education Advisory Board. The advisory board includes faculty, students, and staff, who will be trained to be more effective in teaching others about the program, said Campbell.

Currently Career Services aids more than 700 students through career counseling, SIGI (a career guidance computer system), an alumni network, resume critiquing, on-cam-

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Signs of spring begin to show over the lakes of New England

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CORRECTION

There was an error in last week's story concerning elections. Four students tied for the position of Junior Class secretary. Those people are Cindy Parks, Deb Bellier, Mona Norfleed and Bill Ross. The Equinox regrets the error.