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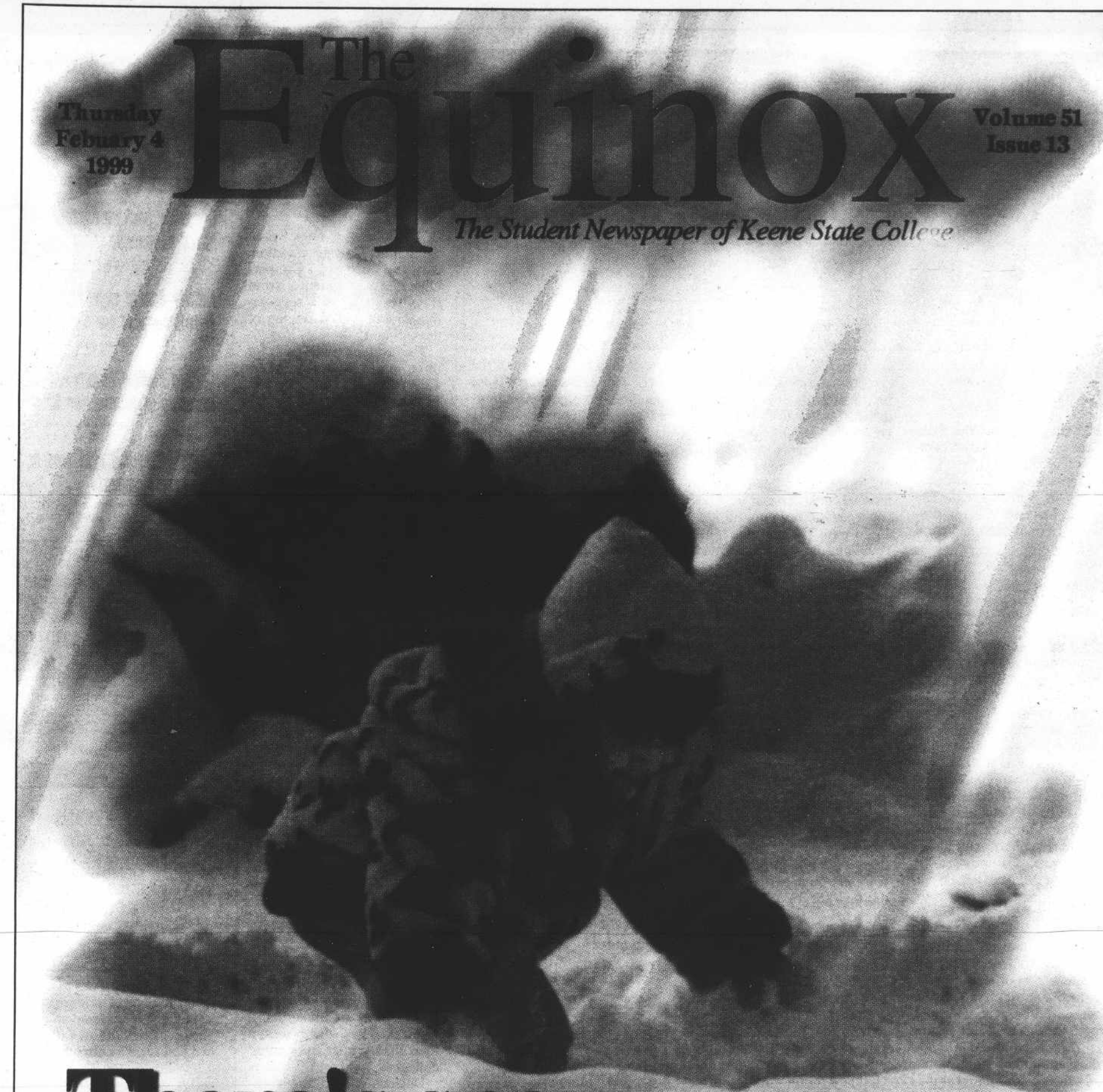
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**There's snow
place like KSC**

■ Grounds crew clears away icy weather

Tiffany Every enjoys the
wintery weather outside.

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Campus Safety Log

Jan. 20
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Jan. 30

Wednesday, January 20

11:25 p.m. A New York State Police officer spoke with campus safety about a Keene State College student who normally resides in Randall Hall. The student was arrested for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.

Monday, January 25

3:39 a.m. A student asked for entrance into Fiske Hall but didn't know his room number. The RA on duty was contacted and the student was informed that he was not to stay in the building. A report was filed.

4:43 p.m. There was a fire alarm in Owl's Nest 3 caused by a smoke detector activation on the second floor. There was a possible smell of marijuana.

10:35 p.m. Campus Safety received a call from a male resident of apartment 21 complaining that someone was in his parking space. He refused to identify himself and was rude to the student worker and dispatcher. An officer responded to issue tickets. Campus Safety received another call from the resident requesting that the car be towed. He was informed of the campus policy and informed that campus safety had done all they could. They received a call later from the RD and informed her they had done all they could.

Tuesday, January 26

1:28 p.m. There was a theft of a green shoulder bag from the bookstore in the student center.

Wednesday, January 27

3:05 p.m. A disorderly male

contacted dispatch to see if campus safety was responsible for towing his vehicle. When dispatch tried to explain the policy, he became extremely irate and began to use offensive language. Shortly after, his mother called and politely listened to where and why her son's car had been towed.

11:24 p.m. There was a noise complaint on the Fiske Quad. The students were asked to move on.

Thursday, January 28

1:38 p.m. A female from 83/85 Blake Street reported her hand was stuck in her bed. Upon the arrival of campus safety, her hand was no longer stuck.

Friday, January 29

3:16 a.m. The Carle Hall RA reported loud people outside the building by the C/D side. Also, campus safety got another report from a student of the same people (about 10) who were in a circle yelling. The crowd was dispersed and gone back inside.

10:40 p.m. The John Armstrong, the Randall Hall RD, called campus safety to report there was a car, a pale blue Honda Accord, parked on the B-side of Randall Hall. Armstrong witnessed several Keene State students with a 12-pack of Rolling Rock beer. He took the beer from the students. The other occupants of the car were under 21. Armstrong said he would handle the incident on the students side in house.

Saturday, January 30

12:35 a.m. An RA in Pondsider reported an odor coming from the third floor and a towel

KSC mourns student lost over break

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Following a new Keene State College tradition, the life of Douglas Oland, a student from Bayville, N.J., will be commemorated with a ringing of the carillon.

The chimes will peal for three minutes beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, February 5.

Oland is presumed dead following a weather-related boating accident that occurred Monday, January 18.

He was employed as a clammer on the clamboat "Adriatic," which was lost off the New Jersey coast.

Authorities called off a search for the vessel on Wednesday, Jan. 20. Three other men on board the boats are also presumed dead.

Oland transferred to Keene State in January 1998 with the intention of becoming an environmental policy manager.

During the fall semester, Oland resided in Pondsider Hall.

Got a story idea?

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Crime doesn't pay for 2 students

College Press Exchange

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — Two college students allegedly robbed two businesses at gunpoint with hopes that they could steal enough money to support them through college.

Anthony Louis Cristofani, a senior majoring in philosophy, and freshman Emma Rose Freeman, were arrested and could be expelled from the University of California at Santa Cruz.

The duo is charged with robbing a local hair salon on Jan. 16 and a warehouse store five days later. An elementary school teacher's aide, Craig Dickson, is accused of driving the get-away car.

"I'm devastated," Linda Freeman, Emma Rose Freeman's mother, told the

Santa Cruz Sentinel. "This is a girl who was a national merit scholar. Her only offense was to brake for a squirrel. Then there was a total change after she went to college."

Detectives said they suspected UC-Santa Cruz students pulled off the heists because witnesses described the thieves as young, nicely groomed and nicely dressed.

In the first robbery, a young man and woman walked into a hair salon. As he whistled, she pointed a gun at a stylist.

"Tell her what you want, honey," the man reportedly said to his female companion. They fled with less than \$100.

Dickson and Cristofani, both 23, posted bail. Freeman, 18, are being held on a \$25,000 bond.

Under the cover

Computer hacking causes havoc nationwide

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Men's basketball continues to roll over opponents

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A new national study shows that college females are exhibiting more stress than males. Get all the facts in the next issue.

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Weather

Winter takes its toll on KSC

ANTHONY B. VOGL
The Equinox

If you thought shoveling your driveway was bad, you thought wrong.

Imagine trying to break a layer of about four inches of ice off every path of traffic on campus.

Add on layers of snow, freezing rain, sleet and more snow, and you've got a monumental task.

Keene State College's Grounds Crew has been working almost non-stop since January 2 to keep the campus safe.

Bud Winsor, director of grounds who has been working here for six years, said this has been one of the worst winters he has seen since 1994.

"It's taken a long time to feel like we've recovered from (the weather)," Winsor said.

He said the winter weather started January 2 and hasn't given the grounds crew much of a break since.

Some of the workers have worked every day from that point to January 31.

The weather didn't give them much encouragement either.

"You could work and work and work and the next day, it looked like you hadn't even been there," he said.

What made it particularly

hard this year was the amount of wet precipitation and the odd weather currents which have been cutting across New England.

"We usually expect two ice events in the winter time. This year, we've had three or four already," Winsor said.

When the weather is extremely cold one day, the ground freezes.

When the atmosphere above is warm and the precipitation comes down as rain the next, it instantly freezes on the ground, making clearing it very difficult.

He said it was particularly difficult on Civil Rights Day when it rained nearly the entire day.

One of the grounds crew workers was out all day sanding the campus but to no avail because the rain would wash the sand away and instantly freeze on the ground.

The worker even had to wear ice shoes just to escort people around so they wouldn't slip.

Eric Capron was one of the students working on the grounds crew over break.

"All we did all break was chop ice for four weeks straight. Some spots were up to five inches thick," he said.

Capron said that while some students may not have thought they were working to their potential, "we did the best we



Students carefully walk along Appian Way. The college has used 3,000 to 4,000 pounds of calcium chloride, 100 pounds of sand and about two tons of road salt to keep the campus safe.

could with the manpower and equipment we had."

Winsor said he was worried about the handicap accessibility of the campus as well.

"If the school had opened earlier, it would have been very difficult to (get around)," he said.

But it's not that the grounds crew hasn't been doing their job.

In fact, they even had to call in some outside contractors just to haul the piled up snow away to 86 Appleton Street where there is a mountain of snow.

Winsor said they had to con-

tract for three ten-wheelers and two bucket loaders and even with those vehicles, it still took five days to get rid of all the wet snow.

"It's been a tough stretch of weather," he said. "It's not easy to deal with at all."

Not even the most daring planner could have bought prepared to have enough salt and sand as the grounds crew has used.

Winsor said they have gone through 3,000 to 4,000

pounds of calcium chloride, and about 2 tons of potassium chloride, both forms of salt.

In addition, they've used about 100 tons of sand.

"That is normally what we go through in our entire season," Winsor said.

At one point, Winsor was afraid of a salt shortage and had to send his own trucks to Massachusetts for more.

However, the grounds crew weren't the only ones working hard during the ice storms in the early days of the new year.

The Keene Fire Department were called to the college on January 3 at 1:40 p.m. when a pipe froze and burst, flooding

Owl's Nest 7.

Their master key did not work since the electrical locks had been turned off during the winter break, and had to climb into the building through a second-floor ramp.

Michael Williams, associate director of residential life; housing services, said the firefighters were able to shut off the water quickly and the damage done to the rooms was minimal.

However, The Keene Sentinel reported there was between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

Chet Rousseau, a senior who resides in Owl's Nest 9, was called in to take a look at his room after the mess had been cleaned up.

The damage was minimal. We lost a couple of books and paper towels, but that it," Rousseau said.

His roommate, Chris Stout, said the water had seeped into their room, and the only damage was the pungent smell of wet carpet.

It's been a tough stretch of weather. It's not easy to deal with.

Bud Winsor

A sign posted near Brickyard Pond warns students to keep off the ice.

Equinox photo by Sarah Hardiman

Digital Menace

ANTHONY B. VOGL
The Equinox

Take a minute and turn on your web browser. It doesn't matter which one, Netscape or Internet Explorer. Find a search engine like Altavista or Excite and type in the following words: "computer hacking software." You typed the quotes didn't you?
Hit return.
The information you just typed is being sent through a computer database of millions of web sites, and seconds later, it will find a match. If the computer isn't loading, give it a second. Soon, a list of more than 500 web sites appears on the monitor. Scroll down five or six listings and you may find an interesting site — a personal site with a list of several hacking programs. Click on the link and you're about to learn just how much protection your computer really has.

With just a few mouse clicks and a couple of taps of the keyboard, anyone in the world can have access to a seemingly infinite amount of information. Just as Angela Bennett had her personal identity deleted in the hit movie "The Net," private information is being hacked into at an alarming rate.

Hackers are causing damage all over the world at an alarming rate. A study released by the Computer Security Institute and the FBI's International Crime Squad found that 64 percent of more than 500 organizations reported a computer security breach within the past 12 months. This was an increase from the 48 percent of one year ago and 22 percent the year before.

Even the nation's universities and colleges are not safe from the hackers. Dwight Fischer, director of administrative information services at Keene State College, manages the College's network and said hacking is a pervasive threat, but those who hack are not necessarily bad. Some are just computer science majors trying to put their computer knowledge to use or people who see electronic breaking and entering as a sport.

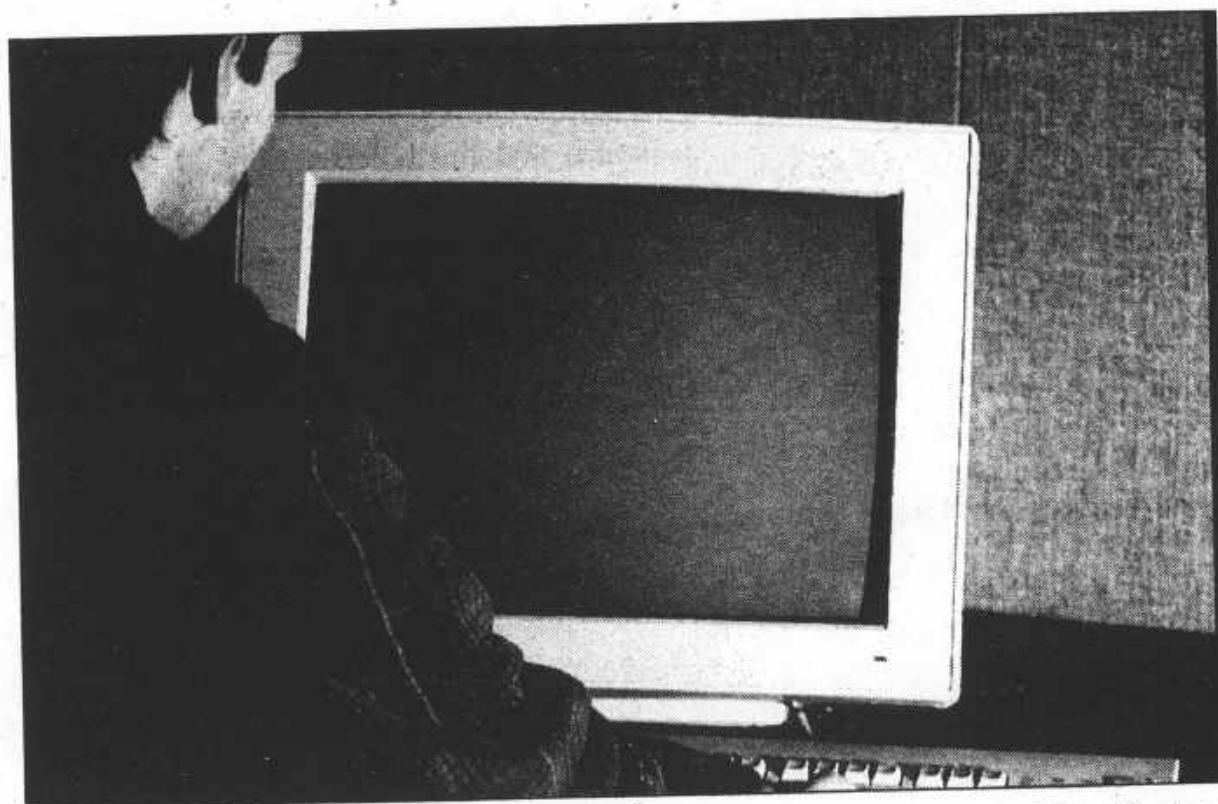
Imagine this scenario: Two 20-something university students sit in a room lit only by the neon glow of the computer screen. One leans back in his chair, anxiously typing away with one hand and playing with the telephone cord with the other. The other student sits with her back straight, eyes squinting in the light, and a smirk coming across her face as she sees what she's just broken into.

They have just entered the main personnel database of a large corporation they believe is corrupt. A few more mouse clicks and a few keys pressed and they're into the vice presidents' salary account. With a few more strokes on the keyboard, his salary is brought down to zero and a group e-mail is sent to all members of the corporation telling them of his pay. Scenes like this don't just appear on television, and it's quite possible someone right now is hacking away at an account. It really does happen.

There's an analogy about how much money is actually involved in hacking. According to Jerry Joyce, a computer science professor at Keene State College, if a gas station is robbed, the robbers may make off with about \$50. If they rob a bank, they'll get about \$5,000. If an accountant robs a corporation, the cost can be upwards of \$500,000. However, if someone breaks into a computer, the rewards could be enormous, Joyce said, sometimes reaching as high as \$5 million. Despite the large amount of money involved, he said it's not all that easy to get it.

But, according to Joyce, hacking alone has cost banks and other businesses over \$1 billion. He said he knew of several hacked businesses that

As the rest of the world wrestles with the impending Y2K problem, national and college officials are faced with a potentially greater threat: hackers



Hackers have found their way into college, national, business and military computers, causing havoc nationwide.

resulted in multi-million dollar losses and those only account for a fraction of the corporations that suffered losses at the hands of hackers.

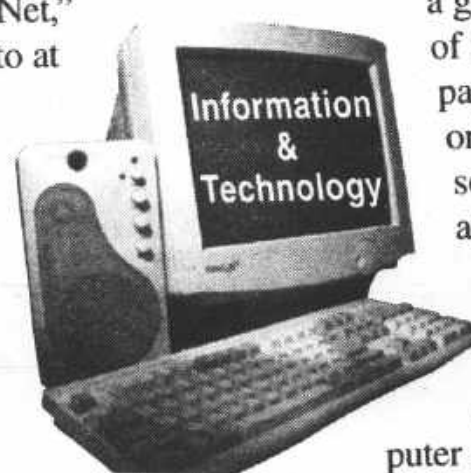
According to the Computer Security Institute study, 72 percent of the hacked companies acknowledged financial losses, but only 46 percent could estimate their loss to be about \$136 million total.

This would be a prime example of what is known as "black hat" hacking, or hacking with the purpose to cause damage to an unauthorized system. There are basically two types of hacking: "white" and "black hat." Michael Warhola, a Keene State College senior majoring in computer science, said, "White hat" hackers break into a system but not for destructive means or personal gain. For example, a hacker may infiltrate a system and tell the administrator where the holes are.

In this rapidly changing computer world of ones and zeros, even the terminology is confusing. Chris, an on-line self-professed "hacker" who chose not to give his last name, was quick to assert that the correct term is "cracker," not "hacker."

"Hacking is not about breaking into things and ruining other people's information or access to it, or about encoding and trading pirated music. Those things are lame," Chris said.

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Student Safety

Winchester Street crossing slated for improvement

ANTHONY B. VOGL
The Equinox

Students may find it easier to cross Winchester Street in the future now that Keene State College and the city of Keene are working to make it better.

Shawn Curtis, University System of New Hampshire Trustee, is concerned about the safety of the crosswalks. Lack of lighting and excessive speed make the area hazardous to students, he said.

Last year, Curtis wrote a letter to Keene Mayor Patricia Russell detailing his concern and calling the crossing zones on Winchester Street high risk zones.

Curtis, who uses the crosswalk daily, said Keene State community members risk being hit every time they cross Winchester Street.

"My biggest concern is it's a recurring problem," Curtis said.

John MacLean, Keene city manager, said the safety of pedestrians on Winchester Street is of "paramount concern" and is something the city and college need to deal with.

He also noted that it was not always the fault of the drivers. He said he's noticed some students stepping off the curb or crossing without looking.

Jay Kahn, vice president for finance and planning, said the college and the city are discussing what type of actions could be taken to improve the safety on Winchester Street.

"One issue is designating sections of Winchester Street as a school safety zone," Kahn said.

This has been discussed and the college administration is doing some follow-up work to provide information on how to make this happen, Kahn said. Designating the area a school safety zone would replicate a model used in other parts of the city such as the elementary and middle school.

"It does require an investment and we need to make sure that if we seek the city's investment, it responds well to the needs of the campus," he said.

Meghan Sculley, a first year student living in Randall Hall, said she felt Winchester Street was safe enough to cross but that making it a school zone would help to make it safer. Sculley has to cross the street seven or eight times a day.

"I've heard stories of my friends who have gotten hit. It should also be marked better so motorists have to stop," Sculley, who has to cross the street seven or eight times a day, said.

Adam Paul, a first year student living in Randall, said sometimes it's very dangerous to cross Winchester Street. Some of the cars don't stop and you just have to wait," Paul said.

He said he felt the college should slow the speed limit down because some of the cars go too fast. "I've almost been hit three times. One was about a foot

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Washington, D.C.

Most KSC students favor leaving Clinton in office

ANGIE ROBIE
The Equinox

Sixty percent of Keene State College students don't feel President Bill Clinton's actions should result in his being removed from office according to an informal student poll.

In a poll of 100 students in three different classes, many students answered that Clinton's affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky hasn't affected the country in any way.

The poll was taken in a communication, a history, and a

journalism class.

The students were asked to comment on the impeachment trial and if President Clinton should have been impeached or not.

Many students answered that Clinton's affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky hasn't affected the country in any way.

However, several felt the country was suffering because of all the resources being put into the trial.

"Every dollar spent on this is another tissue used to wipe the nose of our childlike, unreliable

Schedule changes

New time block schedule passed; will be implemented for spring 2000

MELISSA TCHIRKOW
The Equinox

A new time block schedule will be implemented in the spring of 2000 which will accommodate the growing demand for 80 minute classes.

The Keene State College Senate approved the proposal on December 9, 1998, six weeks after the original proposal was defeated.

The time block schedule, amended by Rita Miller, professor of communication, will have four blocks of 80 minute classes from noon until 4:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The schedule also created an 80 minute class block at noon on Fridays as well as a three hour block beginning at 1:30 p.m. on Fridays.

Fifty minute morning classes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays will remain, as will the current 80 minute schedule on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The increase in 80 minute time blocks reflects the needs of students.

The most popular time block is the 11:12:20 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays which had 1,634 students enrolled for 61 different classes, according to a March 1998 study of Keene State time block enrollments. However, the addition in 80 minute time blocks on Mondays and Wednesdays stems from the high enrollment numbers for the 3-4:20 classes.

"People were not using all of the time blocks," Miller said. "There are very few classes taken in the early morning and

late evening and a lot are taken in the middle of the day."

The 80 minute time blocks from noon until 4:30 on Mondays and Wednesdays are flexible, said Ockle Johnson, professor of mathematics and chair of the college senate.

While the time block allows for longer classes, three day a week 50 minute classes can be scheduled instead.

"I think it's a great way to

accommodate students and faculty that work better in three 50 minute periods per week and those that find that their classes work better in 80 minute time blocks," he said.

There are also benefits of having longer classes, Tom Hoskinson, senior class representative said.

"Having more space for 80 minute classes opens a window for teachers who want time for a

Time Block Proposal

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weekend classes

law," one student wrote. Michael McCarthy, adjunct professor of communication,

who presented the idea to poll Keene State students, said he was surprised no other professors at Keene State had thought of it before.

"It's an historic event,"

McCarthy said.

This is only the second time in history that a president has been

impeached, but now the matter at hand is his removal from office.

The U.S. Senate is currently trying Clinton for perjury and obstruction of justice.

Four percent of the student responses said they were tired of the trial and could care less if Clinton was impeached or not.

Some students felt the feeding frenzy the media has been on since the scandal went public a year ago has damaged how other countries perceive the United States.



Bill Clinton
president of the
United States

Opinion

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Grounds crew keeps campus safe, clean

Our View

Let's face it, folks. As much as we love Jack Frost nipping at our noses, he's nipped just enough for this winter. In fact, he's probably overstepped his boundaries.

But just as the sun will always rise in the East and set in the West, students, faculty and administration can be assured that the walkways will be cleared and the campus will be safe to move, and all due to the tremendous efforts of the men and women who work behind the scenes to keep the campus beautiful.

You probably haven't seen them lately though. If we had our way, the members of the campus grounds crew would be on their way to Hawaii with a straw hat on their head and a nap in the sand. They deserve it. Just think of all the hardship they have put up with just to keep this campus shining.

Starting on January 2, the weather turned lousy and that's an understatement. For those of you not from New England, imagine a typical snowstorm, triple it and instead of snow, add rain, sleet, ice

and snow, all at the same time. It's a big mess.

But, the campus grounds crew was there to save the day. Out came the fleet of plows and bucket loaders, showering the campus with a dirty load of salt and sand.

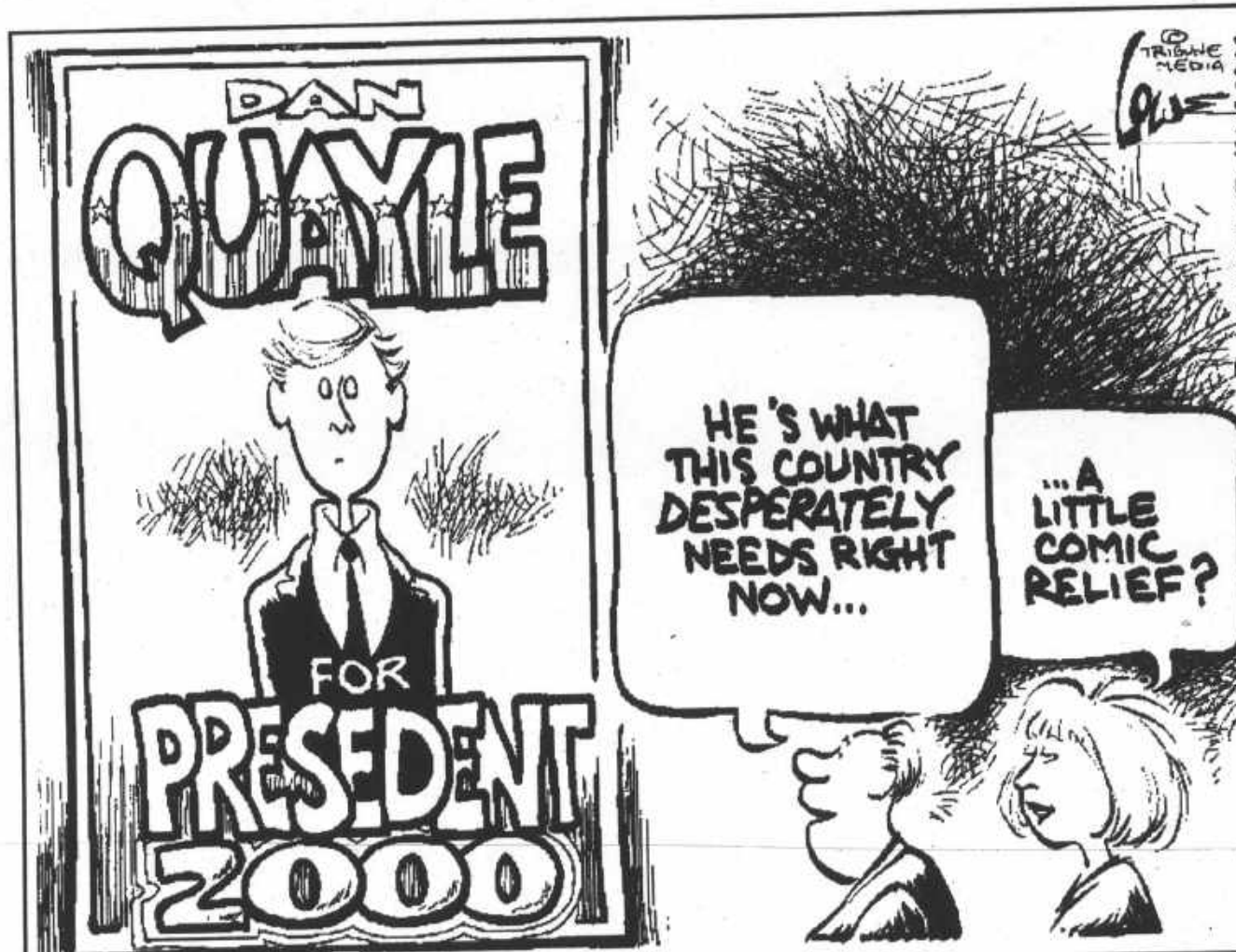
Just imagine what a monumental task it is to spread about 100 tons of sand over the campus. It's good to know that the campus is always in good hands when we leave and will

be safe when we return.

Are you aware that some of the workers in the grounds crew hadn't had a break since January 2? Almost makes us want to volunteer to shovel some snow.

The next time you see a grounds crew member, give them a pat on the back and tell them what a great job they're doing.

They're the guys in the red flannel shirts.



Photos and interviews by Sarah Hardiman & Melissa Tchirkow

Soundoff

"Are higher cigarette prices going to cause you to quit smoking?"



"I'd like to say yes, but it's pretty doubtful."

• Farrah Pomeroy
senior
economics



"No, I love cigarettes."

• Matthew Crusius
freshman
communications



"No, I'm too addicted to quit because of a minor increase."

• Gail Williams
senior
psychology



"Just the fact that they're messing up my lungs is going to make me quit."

• Joe Miller
junior
computer science



"Probably. It's a good excuse to quit."

• Pat Boyd
sophomore
undecided

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Guard your heart Lessons can be learned from tragedy

Guest Commentary

First, I wish to express my disappointment with KSC Pride for the "Memorial Service" held in honor of Matthew Shepard. I attended, hoping that it would be a pleasant service for Matt, my friend.

Matt and I grew up together, attended the same high school, were involved in shared activities and you can imagine my distress when I heard of his accident and then of his death.

Pride advertised the meeting as a memorial but instead, it was just a gay-rights activism campaign platform, using Matt as a murdered martyr for their cause. I can hardly believe that Matt would have wished for his photo and story to be plastered all over the campus, or the world. You disrespect both his life and his death in doing so and it sickens me to see the extremes to which this case has been

brought. In the future, please be more honest in the advertising of your meetings.

There has been much presumed by various people concerning this case and, personally knowing Matt, I feel compelled to bring to light my thoughts, which have yet to be heard. First the background of the case for those not familiar with the story of Matt's death: Media have made it sound like Matt was in a bar, met several other men in that bar, and was lured to their truck by the offer of sex. They took him out of town, robbed him, beat him and left him to die, tied to a fence in the freezing night. Lovely.

The media focus on this as a hate

crime against gays. There is no doubt that Matt was a practicing homosexual, but does that alone determine cause for the crime? I don't believe it. One must openly observe all the other factors that play into this scenario.

Otherwise, the label of "hate-crime" will all too quickly be added to describe any untimely death.

We know Matt was from a wealthy family, had plenty of money and always dressed to show it. The other people involved in this murder came from a poorer part of town and if the cause of this crime was primarily robbery, there would be substantial evidence to back it.

It was just a few guys out at the bar with their girls looking for some

money for a drink. Which brings me to another point, this took place at a bar. Now maybe everyone involved was just drinking water and eating peanuts, but what are the chances? No, they were drinking alcohol. (I have yet to hear what their blood alcohol levels were). If two ugly men, along with their girlfriends, lured Matt into a truck on the offer of sex, he must have been very drunk.

Matt was no idiot and I am positive that alcohol played a huge role in his decision. If he was out for cheap, quick, gay sex, why would he go with guys that he didn't know and who already had girlfriends? Something should have clicked to tell him that this was not a legitimate offer. But, he stupidly followed followed them into the truck. (Didn't your mother tell you not to ride with strangers even if they

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Sharon Jensen

She is a junior majoring in environmental studies and is a friend of Matthew Shepard.

Letters to the Editor

Writer charged with plagiarism

Upon sifting through this week's (December 10) Equinox, I felt a touch of deja-vu as I read Peter Lambert's article on New England speech patterns. There seems to be something eerily familiar about some of the definitions he used.

The hit me; I HAD read some of it before, over a year ago, on a website, www.boston-online.com/glossary.html. In particular, the whole bit about the Hub definition and headline reading "2 Hub Men Killed, New York Also Destroyed" was lifted almost entirely from this site. This is blatant plagiarism, and I demand that the Equinox take action. If a student, while writing a paper, copied directly from the Internet without citing the source and then passed it off

as his/her own work, one would expect that the person be charged with plagiarism. This newspaper must seriously consider this issue, and deal with it properly.

Ian M. Judge
senior
Keene State College

Editor's Note: The Equinox has looked into the matter and has found that none of the information needed to be attributed; thus no plagiarism occurred. Mr. Lambert will continue to write his weekly columns.

Cuban enjoys reading Equinox

I will introduce myself. My name is Judith Arvesú and I am 26-years-old. I am a young poet, who is calling for your kind of attention.

Only [a] few days ago I had the chance to read a number of your newspapers and I was very impressed by the excellent design and interesting photographs, but above all for it is free publish and press. Personally, I think it is a marvelous work. CONGRATULATIONS.

Not having any other matter, I still want to thank you for your kindness in reading my letter and to tell you I would be very happy to wear a t-shirt and cap with the logo or name of your newspaper. Of course, it is in your hands to satisfy my request.

Finally, consider me your friend to do what you need and excuse my poor English and mistakes. God bless you.

Judith Arvesú
Havana, Cuba

Editor's Notes

Don't blame the media for the frenzy

You'd never believe how difficult it is to write one of these staff commentaries.

For a brief moment in my life, my brain has to churn out something totally inspiring or at least intelligent enough to convince the students that I have some knowledge of what I am talking about.

And for the first time, I've decided not to write about The Equinox. Yup, that's right.

Even though we are short a few reliable photographers and writers, and could always do with a few story ideas every now and then, I'm not going to ask you to join or be patriotic to the college.

But I am going to talk about something which I have come to respect over the past years working for The Equinox.

To tell you the truth, as I believe I've stated before, newspapers were nothing more than wrapping paper for the comics. But they do serve a very important function in our society.

As you may have seen mentioned in some textbooks, the media is sometimes referred to

as the fourth estate.

The other three and the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government.

We've got important jobs to do, such as keeping the government in check and looking out for the best interest of the country.

Now lately, the media has come under fire for its coverage of the Clinton scandal, as well as for putting their own interests first and foremost.

Well, I can't quite come up with a defense for the latter.

If Michael Eisner, the head of Disney, wants to censor a story on ABC then there really isn't much I can do about that.

These days, everything is about money and to put it frankly, it's going to be about money a hundred years from now.

But I can speak on the coverage of Mr. Clinton and all the other occasions people have blamed the media because we presented too much "information."

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New Hampshire v. Vermont

The 200-year-old battle continues

My Two Cents

This column is the first in a three-part series regarding New Hampshire's squabbles with its neighbors. This installment will look at the Granite State's battle with its western neighbor, Vermont.

To an outsider, New Hampshire and Vermont are about as identical as two states could possibly be. Yet, like the plot of so many made-for-TV movies, these twins were separated at birth. New Hampshire and Vermont really can't agree on anything, and relations between the states have been so strained that in the past disagreements have almost led to armed conflict.

Many of the writings that have added fuel to the fire have been collected in author Lisa Shaw's book *New Hampshire vs. Vermont*. In it are articles written by natives of each state firing broadsides at the other. For example, New Hampshire's poet laureate Donald Hall takes aim in his *Reasons for Hating Vermont*: "In Vermont, deer are required to have shots. In Vermont people keep flocks of spayed sheep to decorate their

lawns. In Vermont when inch-long trout are released into streams, a state law requires that they be prebioned and stuffed with wild rice delicately flavored with garlic and thyme."

Even the people seem different in each state. Ask a New Hampshireer about the typical Vermonter, and he'll conjure up visions of granola-eating, Volvo-driving ex-hippies with tie-dyed T-shirts, sandals, wool socks and a half-gallon of Ben & Jerry's. Or, he'll just think of cows.

The roots of these squabbles go back hundreds of years, when New Hampshire owned Vermont. Mind you, this can never be absolutely proven. I have several acquaintances from Vermont who take great exception to the idea and shudder at the thought.

In the early 1700s the colony of New Hampshire was ruled by Benning Wentworth, a much beloved but extremely chubby governor who suf-

fered from gout. Wentworth realized that, as governor, he could not only charter new towns, but could reserve the best land in those towns for himself. Needless to say, he started chartering all the towns he could, and when New Hampshire was filled up he jumped the river and chartered what was then known as the "New Hampshire Grants."

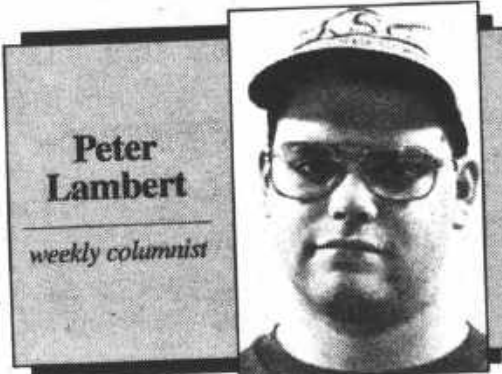
Here he ran into a snag. The colony of New York believed that its eastern boundary was the Connecticut River, and that any New Hampshire grant on the west bank of the river was in New York territory. New York demanded that Wentworth stop; the plucky governor responded by chartering a town just a few miles away from Albany and calling it Bennington.

Wentworth had a case: The New York charter defined the eastern boundary of the state as the western edge of "ye Connecticut." New York figured this meant the Connecticut River. New Hampshire contended that it meant the

colony of Connecticut, pointing out that Massachusetts had successfully made the same case years before. The case went before the King, who was unwilling to upset the powerful New York landowners and ruled in New York's favor. To appease Wentworth, the King gave New Hampshire control of the river, thinking that someday the mighty Connecticut would rival the Hudson river as a highway for trade and goods. Judging by the number of port facilities located along the Upper Valley, you can see that New Hampshire got the short end of the stick.

After Vermont had declared independence from New York, then became a state, problems were just beginning for New Hampshire. Vermont persuaded many towns in western New Hampshire to secede and join the Green Mountain State. The rationale was that towns such as Hanover, Walpole, and Charlestown had more in common with Rutland and Burlington than they did with Portsmouth and Exeter. The New

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Peter Lambert
weekly columnist

The cost of books

Students get ripped off as bookstores make off

My View

Well, here we are at school again. Everybody have a good break?

Mine was about normal. Puttered around, did some things, had a very strange New Year's (don't ask), and now all that's over with and now we're all back at school again. It's been two weeks now since arriving, and I am hoping that sometime before the spring the heater in my room will start working again. I can always hope at least.

So I went to the bookstore to get my books. I had a lot of books for this English class I'm taking, which is not surprising, considering it's an English class. At least all those books will be read and will be actually used fully. And then there's the whopping bunch of crap I had to get for the art class. Almost a hundred-fifty on that class alone. At least I got off easy on two of my classes, one which I didn't need anything new for and the other I had to get only one book. That was good. It made me happy.

Then there's this one class, which shall remain nameless. I went to the bookstore with my class schedule in hand to get the books I'd need to read, (hypothetically read, that is) to get

along in the class. Again, this class only called for one book, so I thought I was getting off easy. Wonders never cease.

It was a fairly thin book, as textbooks go, and most of them were used. Which I thought was good, because I wanted to get a used book, because all the important parts that I'd have to read would already be underlined, and it saves so much time when you don't actually have to find out what is needed to be learned in each section, because some schmuck who owned the book before you has already underlined or highlighted all the parts that are worth knowing. Which saves me from having to actually pay attention to what I am reading.

Besides, it'd be used. So cheaper, right? This slim little book, dog eared, and written in by countless other people, complete with stains of coffee, beer, and other unthinkable substances, this little textbook that is older than I am actually cost me forty nine dollars. Which is, as I see it, about three times what it should cost, four times what it is worth, and

five times what I'll get for it when it comes time to sell it back to the bookstore.

Anybody else feel like they're lightly getting screwed?

All books are overpriced, and not just at school. I hang out at Barnes and Noble back home enough that I know this. It's just a fact these days. I can remember when a soft cover book of any kind never would run you more than six bucks at best. Now you'd be lucky to find the cheapest sleaziest little pulp novel for that much.

The book business has found this as the only way to stay alive in a world where fewer people are reading at all every day. Hey, TV's too good for most people to pick up a good book. Less effort involved. Ever since the advent of remote controls, that is.

But even with that taken into consideration, does anyone else feel that the prices at the school bookstore are way too high? I'm not going to accuse them of anything, specifically, but you gotta wonder how they can charge so much for a used textbook with a straight face. Or how they can make you dole out tons

of cash for some science book for a hundred level class, and then not buy it back at the end of the year because it's all of the sudden out of date.

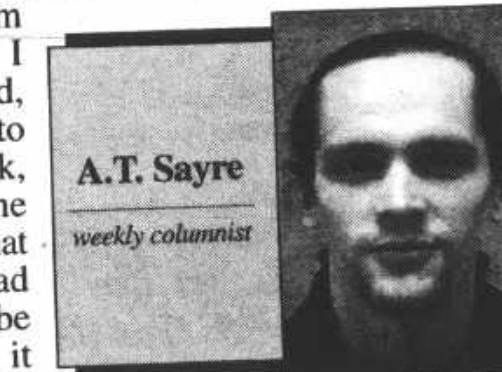
Of course we all know that half the time the only real update the newer version that'll be sold for way too much next semester for the very same class will have is that the test tube rack on the cover will be replaced with a microscope.

And then there's the buy back. Last semester I had this one book, a work of fiction. I can remember trying to sell that book back to the bookstore. They offered me seventy five cents.

Even though the book is a staple of certain classes and almost like a bible for particular professors I know. I sold the book anyway; I didn't want it, and at least it'd be good for a soda.

So today I'm sitting up in one of cracks reading away, and I look over, and low and behold, I saw somebody reading the very same book, complete with that yellow used sticker on the binding. And they paid over twenty bucks for it. Giving the book store a tidy little profit they made off of me. God I love capitalism.

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A.T. Sayre
weekly columnist

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Shepard

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offer you candy or, in this case, sex).

Another point to make - sex in the wrong context will only hurt you, especially in these disease ridden times.

Guard your heart and keep your pants zipped. It's safest that way.

Not to paint a negative picture of Matt, rest his soul, but who is to know if the boys that killed him were not provoked?

Matt always had a quick wit and a sharp tongue, which in combination got him into trouble more than once.

He had a great list of snappy remarks and liked to rile people when he knew he could. He was a little guy.

He tried to make up for it with talk. I don't doubt that the inebriated Matt let fly with more than a few of his normal remarks.

This, I'm sure, would have flustered and irritated the boys and they, being of very little brain, decided on a scheme in which to use their brawn instead of brain.

This led to the tragic ending on that cold, Wyoming fence

on the expanse of open prairie. Nothing said will bring Matt back - he wasn't home at Christmas this year.

But if he was, I would have given him a good slap back to reality for some stupid decisions on his part, and then a hug because he was a friend. I hope for a speedy trial for the boys that killed him, but I am not an advocate for hate-crime legislation.

I still believe in our country people should have equal protection under the law and that no one deserves any special privileges because of race, sex, sexual orientation, etc.

If any other friend of mine had been killed in the same manner as Matt, I would expect the case to be handled exactly the same.

We can learn from Matt's death several important life lessons.

The rush for sex is really a dive over a cliff. Don't ride with strangers. Don't drink alone or in excess.

Love your friends and family and tell them so on a regular basis - they will not always be around to hear.

Don't flaunt your wealth. People may lie to take advantage of you - carefully reason offers presented to you. Guard your heart.

Media

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Would you rather have every little slicing detail of the man whom you trusted your lives to when you elected him president, or a story about trout making it back up the stream to spawn?

You see, the fact of the matter is, everyone's got a job to do.

Whether it's covering a train crash or the crash of the executive branch of the government, our job is to provide people with enough information to make decisions for themselves.

If that means sticking a camera into someone's face to get the story, well, it's a dirty job and someone's got to do it.

If you don't want to read about it, you can always just sit back and watch the Discovery Channel.

I've got some faith in the system. I find it interesting to know what's going on.

But maybe that's just me.

- Anthony B. Vogl is a senior majoring in journalism and the executive editor of *The Equinox*.

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Fear Factory brought their heavy-core style of rock to St. Johns Gym on Friday, January 22. Courtesy photo

Fear Factory conduct their own mass

TOM D'ERRICO
The Equinox

What better place for a thrash metal band to play than a church-owned gymnasium. Fear Factory gave their fans a night to remember January, 22 at St. Johns Gym in Clinton, Mass.

While the band provided their fans with a relatively simple stage show, they more than made up for it with an aggressive 2 hour set including songs spanning their illustrious 8 year career.

The stage consisted of two mike stands adorned with brain and spinal cord decorations from the cover of their latest album, "Obsolete," a drum kit that sat at the back of the stage lit by various colored spotlights, and a huge Fear Factory banner acted as the backdrop to the set.

"All right Clinton, are you ready for shock!?" lead singer Burton Bell screamed as the band opened the show with *Shock*, the first song from their latest album.

Raymond Herrera played his drums like a man possessed, as the entire gym erupted into a huge mosh pit.

Immediately following the opening song a warning from Obsolete was played over the P.A. system; "Due to the graphic nature of this program, listener discretion is advised."

Christian Wolbers then broke into the opening bass-riffs of *Edgecrusher*. As he furiously played his bass, Dino Cazares (on guitars) played off his aggression to round out the sound. After that, the bands intensity never let up.

They tore through older songs like *Hunter-Killer*, *Pisschrist*, *Demanufacture*, *Big God/Raped Souls*, and *Leechmaster* much to the delight of long-time fans.

"I've been waiting so long for these guys to come back around here," one fan said. "I have all of their albums."

Fear Factory also added a twist to their newer songs like *Obsolete*, *Descent*, and *Resurrection*.

"This next song is for anyone out there who lost faith," Bell told the crowd. "This is our latest single. We just finished the video for it. You're bound to see it somewhere."

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Peep Show

Movie listings for February 4-10

Colonial Theatre

"Gods and Monsters" (NR/105 min)
Last show is Thursday at 7

"Waking Ned Devine" (PG/91 min)
Friday, Feb. 5-Thursday Feb. 18
Friday at 7 & 9, Saturday at 2, 7 & 9, Sunday at 2 & 7,
Monday at 7:30, and Tuesday-Thursday at 7

Hoyts

"A Bug's Life" (G/110 min)
Monday-Friday at 6:45; Saturday and Sunday at 1:40

"Payback" (R/110 min)
Monday-Friday at 7 & 9:30; Saturday and Sunday at 1:50 & 4:20

"Stepmom" (PG-13/135 min)
Monday-Friday at 6:30 & 9:10; Saturday and Sunday at 1 & 3:40

"A Civil Action" (PG-13/125 min)
Monday-Friday at 6:40 & 9:20; Saturday and Sunday at 1:10 & 3:30

"Patch Adams" (PG-13/125 min)
Monday-Friday at 6:50 & 9:25; Saturday and Sunday at 1:20 & 3:50

"Varsity Blues" (R/115)
Monday-Friday at 7:10 & 9:40; Saturday and Sunday at 1:30 & 4:10

"You've Got Mail" (PG/125 min)
Monday-Friday at 9; Saturday and Sunday at 4

Putnam

"Rush Hour" (PG-13)
Thursday at 7

"Apt Pupil" (R)
Friday at 7 & 9, Monday-Thursday at 7, and Saturday and Sunday at 2



"Words from the Exit Wound"

TOM D'ERRICO
The Equinox

Every year is a surprise, '99 should be no exception for the metal industry. There will be new bands, old bands, tours, and plenty of shocks.

Napalm Death should have a new album out any day now.

The Black Crows have a new disc out there, and have a complete North American tour all mapped out in support.

Trent Reznor and the rest of his band, Nine Inch Nails, are working on their follow up to 1994's "Downward Spiral." It's been almost five years since we've had an album from them so it will be interesting to see what direction they will take.

Limp Bizkit, riding high on the success of their first album and last year's Family Values Tour, are in the studio right now working on a new album. Johnathan Davis (of Korn) and Scott Weiland (of the Stone Temple Pilots) both lend their

vocals to new tracks. Bizkit already have about 14 tracks laid out for the record.

Eighties rockers like Poison, Guns N' Roses, and Warrant are all headed into the studio for work on new albums as well.

Thrashers Fear Factory have finished up the soundtrack for a new Sony Playstation game, "Messiah." The game, due out in March, will have almost ten songs from the band featured during game-play.

As a result, Fear Factory is re-releasing "Obsolete" as a digi-pack in March containing five new songs from the game.

Fellow Roadrunner Records label-mates Biohazard will see their 1992 album "Urban Discipline" re-issued.

Also look for new music from Filter, Red Hot Chili Peppers, and Coal Chamber.

And keep your eyes open for a local Boston band named Reveille. They are in the studio right now recording a debut album for Elektra records.

Korn should be putting together a live disc, either of their own music or from the Family Values tour. Along with a live album, they're putting a live video together.

Snot also has some live material ready for release. With the death of their lead singer in December of last year, the band decided not to continue without him, but didn't rule out the release of a live album.

I'm sure Snot and Korn won't be alone in releasing live albums with the amount of touring that goes on.

Speaking of touring, there are quite a few shows hitting the area soon.

B I A C K

Sabbath (with

openers the

Deftones and

Pantera) will

be at the Fleet

Center in a few

weeks. I'm sure

tickets are sold

out but, you can

probably still

get your hands

on a couple

somehow.

Korn and

Rob Zombie

are on the road

together.

Unfortunately,

the closest they

are planning on

coming so far is

the Providence

Rhode Island Civic

Center (March 20th).

The Flys will be

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Boston on the 12th of February.

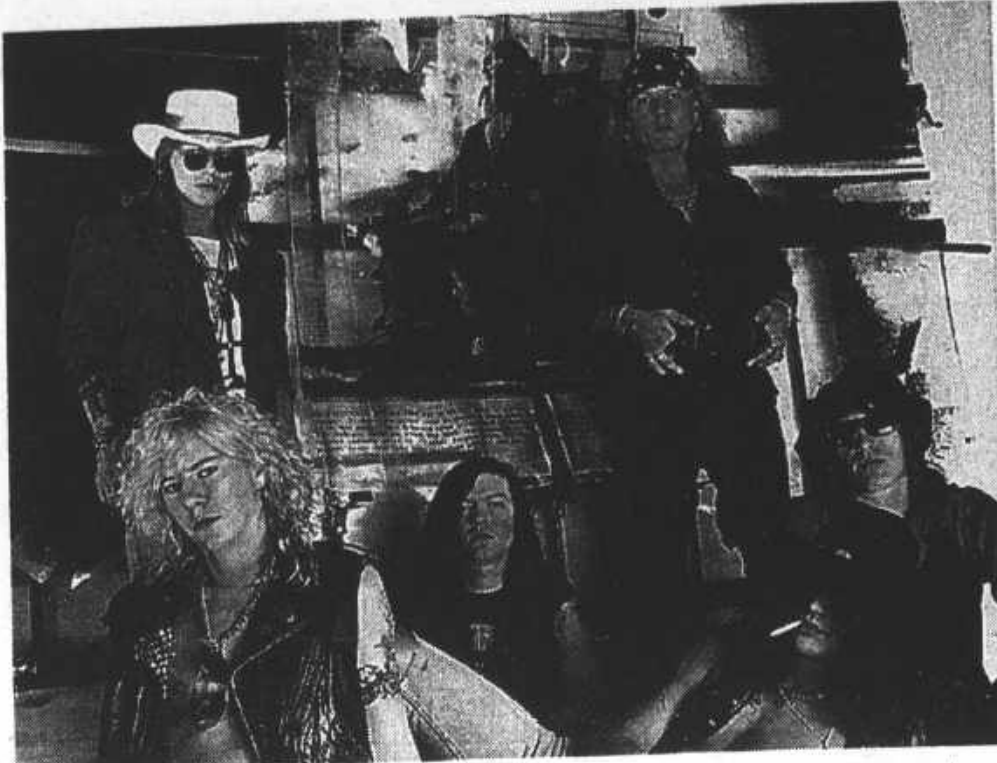
Hatebreed will be in Brockton, Mass.

on the 19th of February, and won't be

back in the area until May.

Tree, Nothingface, and Hate all have

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Will Axl Rose and company be reuniting for Lollapalooza 99?

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lowing months.

Zebrahead will be opening for Reel

Big Fish on the 6th of March.

Ozzfest got sponsorship for another

five years, and I'm sure Ozzy Osbourne

will organize a great lineup for this sum-

mer extravaganza.

Perry Farrell is also trying to get

Lollapalooza back on track. Last year it

was canceled due to a lack of acts willing

to sign up for the tour.

The Offspring have already turned

down the headliner spot in order to go out

on their own.

Rumors are flying that Guns N' Roses

have been approached for the coveted

spot. At first this seems unlikely, but lets

not forget a few years ago when Metallica

took lead stage at the show.

The Offspring will start their North

American tour on February 24th.

Boston bad-boys Godsmack are also on

tour (with Pushmonkey). Look for them

to be heading to the area later in the year.

All this, and it's only February.

Keep an eye out here in the coming

weeks for more information. Until then,

in the words of Fear Factory: "Reach for

the sky, touch the sky, revive a hope, for

mankind."

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and a reviewer for The Equinox.

Factory

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The band finished their set earlier than their fans would have liked, but returned to the stage after an almost two minute continuous chant for an encore.

"Well, we can play up to three more songs, depending on how loud you guys get," Bell told the crowd.

They finished off the night with *Body Hammer* and two songs from their first album, *Martyr* and *Scapegoat*.

"The fans out here are great," Bell said after the show. "We'll be back out here in the spring."

A group of eight representatives from "Damned in Flames," the bands official fan club, were at the show trying to recruit new members by passing out pam-

phlets for the fan club, before, during, and after the show.

"Man, I'd definitely see these guys again. They put on one hell of a show," one fan said outside of the gym.

Overall, the audience was treated to an excellent show.

Fear Factory finished off '98 with a bang by touring with Rob Zombie, and hope '99 will prove to be as successful as they make their way to Japan and Australia after they finish their North American tour.

Local Massachusetts band, Shadow Falls, started the night off.

Fellow thrash metal bands Nothingface and System of a Down both played aggressive 40 minute sets pumping the audience up for the headliner.

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-roger ebert, siskel & ebert

waking
ned Devine

Friday, February 5 — Thursday, February 18
At The Colonial Theatre

The Irish culinary delights of "Waking Ned Devine," starring Ian Bannen, David Kelly, and Fionnula Flannagan, can be experienced during the run of the film, Feb. 5-18, at The Stage Restaurant, at the head of the Square in Keene.

Winsome photography (the film was shot on the Isle of Man) complements this brisk, comic fable.

As the 52 elderly members of the Irish community of Tulaigh Morh (Tullymore) plot to pull the wool over the Irish Lottery Commission's eyes they bribe fellow resi-

dents, with food, into revealing the identity of the lucky winner.

The untimely demise of Ned Devine and his good fortune at winning the lottery results in a once-in-a-lifetime chance for his neighbors to live in the manner they so richly deserve.

The Stage will feature a special menu that offers such delights as Mrs. Kennedy's Steak & Mushroom Pie, Annie's Roast Chicken dinner, Fionnula Flanagan's Mean Potatoes, and a variety of other dishes that appeal to the Irish Owner, Joan Benik.

Monkey around with Curious George at The Colonial Theatre

Everybody's favorite monkey, brought to life by Theatreworks/USA, is full of mischief straight from the pages of H.A. and Margret E. Rey's classic and delightful books.

After the Man in the Yellow Hat, George's friend and roommate, meets Marie, the sparks fly.

Afraid that there is not enough room in the man's heart, George runs away.

Through his journeys George finds the world a strange and wonderful place, but his adventures at an Italian restaurant, and with the many people he meets, land him in plenty of hot water. Curious George will play at 2p.m. on Saturday, February 6. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for youth.

The Colonial Theatre NEWS

Flutist to perform with Keene

Internationally renowned flutist Bonnie Insull will perform as a soloist with the Keene Chamber Orchestra at 7p.m. on Sunday, February 7 at the Colonial Theatre.

Insull will perform Katherine Hoover's "Medieval Suite" for flute and orchestra.

The remainder of the program, under the baton of Music Director and Conductor Eric Stumacher, will contain Mozart's "Overture to the Magic Flute" and Tchaikovsky's "Symphony No. 2."

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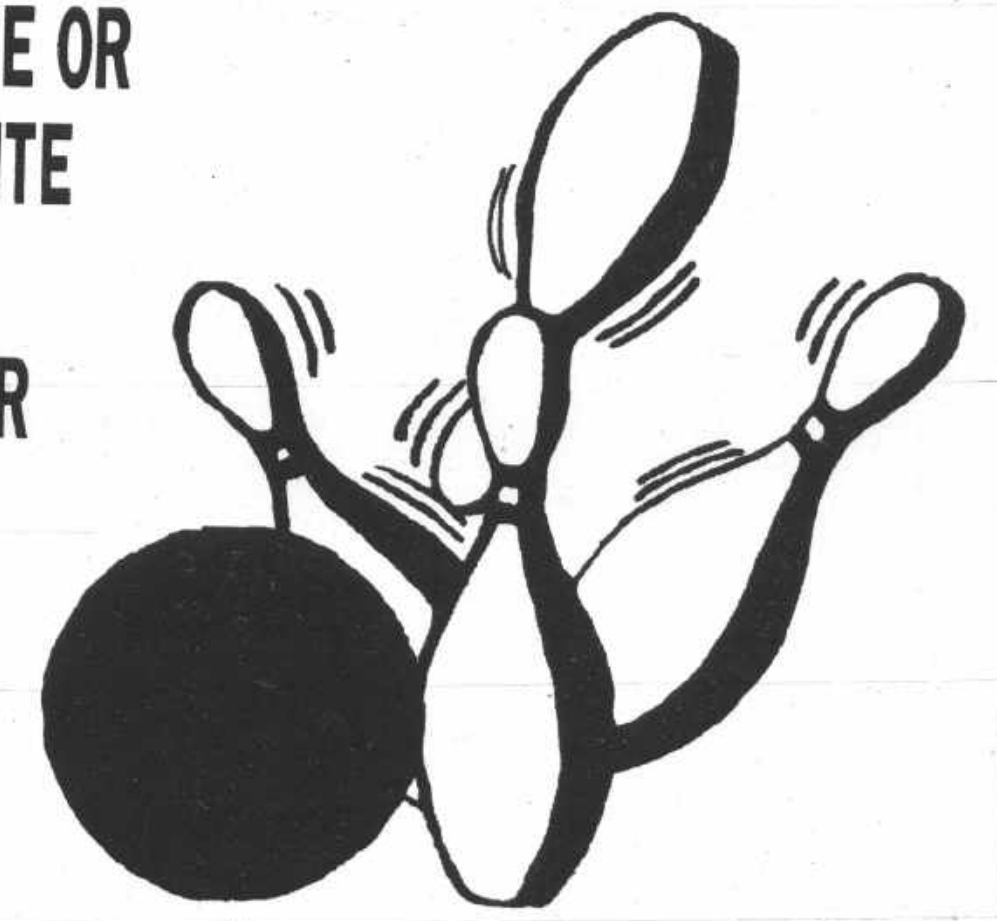


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Movies mom wouldn't want you watching

MARK HOLT
The Equinox

Fire

Deepa Mehta's third film, "Fire," will either shock and force the immaculate Dining Commons food back out or amaze.

"Fire" gently tells the beautiful story of an Indian family torn apart because of religious differences and love. Who would have thought love could burn bridges? But in this film it starts bon fires.

Movie Review

OUR RATING:

****1/2

"Poor

"Good

***Very Good

****Excellent

Radha, Shabana Azmi, married to Ashok, a confused and impotent man played by Kulbushan Kharbanda, finds herself drawn to her sister-in-law, Sita, Nandita Das, who is married to an infidelious and immature man, after she is forced to work with her in Ashok's restaurant

all day while the husbands are away enlightening themselves.

After spending numerous hours together, the two form a bond unlike any they found through marriage, the "most sacred bond."

Radha finds herself compelled to Sita's care-free philosophy of life, while Sita finds true brilliance and amazing beauty in Radha.

The cerebral aspect of the film that most critics would latch onto lies within the ancient Indian fable about a woman forced to test her purity for the king by walking through fire.

The movie uses this story not only as a way to reveal a slice of India's culture to the viewer, but also to communicate the dramatic messages the director attempts to convey.

Through Mehta's brilliant storytelling and direction, and the spectacular yet sometimes bawdy backdrop of India, "Fire" chips away at the stereotypes found tightly chained to homosexuality.

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Equinox poll reveals split in student opinion

DEIRDRE WALSH
The Equinox

Thursday, February 4

"Jungle Fever"
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"Salif Keita & the Wanda
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"Curious George"

2 p.m. @ The Colonial

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"Smoke Signals"
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College
Girls Choir of Harlem
8 p.m. @ Arts Center

Sunday, February 7

Flutist Bonnie Insull and the
Keene Chamber Orchestra
4 p.m. @ The Colonial The-
atre

Tuesday, February 9

"Rounders"
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Wednesday, February 10

Abbey Lincoln
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students revealed they
are split as to whether Presi-
dent Bill Clinton should be
taken out of office.

The poll found that many
students didn't completely
understand the point of the
trial.

Many feel he is going on
trial for his personal life and
don't realize the trial is about
Clinton's alleged lying under
oath.

Half interviewed said they
felt Clinton should remain in
office and that the trial was
annoying but necessary.

She said she'd agree to cen-
sure if Clinton admitted what

he did.

Tina Schwaegerl, an inde-
pendent, said she felt he has
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Most students interviewed

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Hacking

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True hacking is about getting things to work differently than they were designed to work, or coming up with a neat trick on a computer before someone else does it, he said. "It's about solving problems, not creating them. System security crackers are just that -- crackers. Not hackers at all usually, and often know just enough to get themselves in trouble," he said.

Chris usually deals mostly in repairing, securing and programming systems, however, even he has been lured into doing some anti-security work on his own and clients' systems and gaining access to information he wasn't supposed to.

Most of the time, hackers are disgruntled employees trying to get back at their employers, he said. Others do it just to prove to their friends they infiltrated tough system to crack. Still others hack for the "perverse pleasure" of breaking and entering without a clue. "I've never met someone online or in person who didn't at least pay lip service to some grander, nobler purpose behind it," Chris said.

"[It's] not about breaking into things and ruining other people's information ... those things are lame."

• Chris
anonymous hacker

A diverse array of serious attacks were reported to the Computer Security Institute for their study. About 44 percent reported unauthorized access by employees; 25 percent reported denial of service attacks; 24 percent reported system penetration from the outside; 18 percent reported theft of proprietary information; 15 percent reported incidents of financial fraud; and 14 percent reported sabotage of data or networks.

However, according to the study which had 18 respondents, most security attacks came from within for losses of \$50 million. A total of about \$33 million was stolen by the theft of proprietary information

Next week:

Is Keene State College's network safe from the continual presence of hackers? How about on a global level where organizations' web sites are being hacked into for "patriotic" causes.

according to 20 respondents, and 32 respondents reported the loss of \$17 million through telephone fraud. The loss of \$11 million was attributed to financial fraud by 29 respondents.

Patrice Rapalus, director of the Computer Security Institute, suggested that organizations pay more attention to information security staffing and training.

"While companies may think that they are spending the requisite amount on information security, the dramatic increase in quantified dollar losses indicates otherwise. In addition to hardware and software (for example, firewalls), organizations must ensure that training staffing levels are adequate and that end users are made aware of the seriousness of the situation," Rapalus said in a recent press release.

Robert Walsh, special agent

in charge of the FBI's San Francisco office, agreed the dollar losses are a matter of grave concern.

"But what is of equal concern is the seeming reluctance of organizations, for the third year in a row, to report computer intrusions to law enforcement," he said in the press release. He said businesses are often reluctant because of negative publicity. "However, the FBI has successfully investigated, and resolved, many cases in which computer crimes are alleged with either minimal or no public exposure to the victim company."

Joyce agreed that hacking could, in some instances, be a good thing. He points to hackers who broke into Iraqi computers during the Gulf War disabling their electronics and saving many lives. There is even a whole section of the

military dedicated to hacking into "undesirable" computers, he said.

A large number of people are actually paid to find weaknesses in computers, he said. "[They] test the security of many companies on a regular basis, just like fire alarms are tested regularly," Joyce said.

Just how hard is it to hack? In five minutes of searching, a program to crash remote computers, a program to hack into password files on UNIX servers, a password generator for Windows, a tool to decode Windows' passwords behind asterisks and a keystroke recorder for Windows 95 were all found using Altavista.

Even better, visit a site called www.hack.cc. Want a password cracker? An e-mail flood-er? A program that will "nuke" another computer? It's all waiting to be downloaded.

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A good password is easily remembered but hard to guess. Do not choose passwords that have any personal reference to yourself, for example, your nickname, or a hobby. Do not choose a word that is in a dictionary, your password will be checked against the system dictionary. Nonsense words, unusual acronyms, and deliberate misspellings are good passwords.

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Vermont

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Hampshire legislature immediately condemned the move, warned that it would send in troops to enforce its rule, and dispatched a letter to George Washington asking him to keep Vermont in line.

Washington told the Vermont leaders, in very specific terms, exactly what he thought of the whole thing, coming as close as Washington could to threatening bodily harm.

A blushing Vermont apologized and gave the towns back to an understandably ticked-off New Hampshire.

So why does New Hampshire continue to hate Vermont?

For one thing, New Hampshire's control of the Connecticut River sounded good until 1934, when the Supreme Court ruled that Vermont didn't have to pay a red cent to maintain the bridges over the Connecticut. Score one for Vermont.

But more importantly, New Hampshire resents Vermont's "quintessential New England" image. Put the label "Vermont" on anything and it sells, because people think that it must be more pure, organic, and old-fashioned.

When people think of rural New England, they lump everything together and call it Vermont.

Them's fightin' words for a New Hampshireite.

I remember last year I went to the Glenn Miller Orchestra concert at the Redfern Arts Center.

The singer said he loved the scenery around here and loved every trip he took to New Hampshire.

It reminded him of a song, he said, and he started belting out "Moonlight in Vermont."

I distinctly remember hearing quite a bit of discussion in the audience, none of which I could get away with printing here.

New Hampshire resents Vermont's image: Vermont ski resorts are better. Vermont maple syrup is better. Vermont dairy products are better.

Take two identical cheeses, jugs of maple syrup, or anything else, slap the name Vermont on one of them, and I guarantee you it will sell before the other does.

Robert Frost, America's greatest 20th century poet (it's my column, I can say what I want) is a Vermonter to people in 49 states.

New Hampshireites know the truth.

New Hampshire and Vermont, on the surface identi-

cal, couldn't be more different ideologically. Vermont is too politically correct for New Hampshire. New Hampshire would never ban roadside billboards, like Vermont did.

New Hampshire would never elect a Socialist to Congress like Vermont. Vermont is too regulatory: New Hampshire has double the population than Vermont, but the Vermont government's phone book listings are twice as long as New Hampshire's.

Finally, the Vermont mystique is phony.

A fake.

A fraud.

Go up to Woodstock, Vermont, to see what I mean.

"The Quintessential New England Village."

Yet, the whole thing is made up of gas lights installed for "effect," stores that add too many e's to their name: "Ye Olde Countrie Shoppe" or "Ye Olde Sunocoe Station."

The whole town is subsidized by the Rockefeller family, to keep this "traditional village" away from "progress."

As Judson Hale wrote, yes, Vermont is lovely. A lovely state to visit. Quaint, too.

-Peter Lambert is a Keene State junior majoring in history and a weekly columnist for The Equinox.

Books

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The bookstore shouldn't be allowed to get away with that. If they're going to sell books for such a ridiculous price, then they have to give at least some kind of parity when buying them back.

Buying back a book for less than ten bucks, and then turning around and selling it for fifteen to twenty times what they bought it for is amazingly unfair and unscrupulous. Not even antique collectors have a racket like that. It just stinks, and I've always been annoyed and amazed at how much they get away with.

The book exchange across the street is their only competition, and they aren't all that much better. A little better, but both places really do the same thing.

It just shouldn't be, that's all. I mean, these textbooks are

integral to education, and somehow I think that the people at both bookstores are to a certain extent taking advantage of students with their prices.

I don't expect my books for free, that would be a little too much, but at least I would like to think that I'm not being overcharged for something I really have little choice but to buy.

Okay, that's about all the venting I feel like right now. I don't have an answer for all this, because I know nobody'd listen to me anyway. It's just that getting ripped off at the bookstore is a pretty common gripe I hear about, and I've always felt that someone should complain more than just to their friends about it. So I figured I'd take the time and do it myself. Not like I have anything better to do. I've got no money.

-A.T. Sayre is a Keene State senior majoring in film and a weekly columnist for The Equinox.

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World News

Researchers track virus that causes AIDS

JEREMY MANIER AND
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CHICAGO — In a finding that helps resolve the longstanding mystery of how the virus that causes AIDS made its way into humans, a team of researchers announced on Sunday that the major strain of the virus almost certainly came from a sub-species of African chimpanzees.

The results, unveiled at the 6th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections being held at the Chicago Sheraton, may one day yield insight into why chimpanzees do not get ill from the simian form of the virus, while the human strains are deadly.

In addition, the findings should help scientists understand how HIV developed and continues to mutate in infected people. Such knowledge is a necessary step toward the elusive goal of fashioning vaccines for the ever-changing virus, experts said.

"If we know where we've been, we can tell where we're going," said Steven Wolinsky, an AIDS researcher at Northwestern University Medical School.

Although many scientists have suggested that the virus was passed to humans from animals, until now there was no convincing proof that chimpanzees were the source, according to Dr. Beatrice Hahn, a researcher at the University of Alabama at Birmingham who led the team.

"There was an alternate theory—that chimps were infected by a third, unidentified species," Hahn said. "We never knew for sure whether (the source) was chimps or

another species. Now we know it was the chimps."

Exactly how the virus jumped species remains a mystery, though Hahn proposes that humans originally were infected while hunting chimps for food.

Hahn's discovery of HIV's primate origins began with a chimp named Marilyn.

A research animal taken from an unknown location in Africa in 1959, Marilyn died in 1985 after giving birth to stillborn twins. She tested positive for the simian form of HIV — one of a handful of chimpanzees ever to show signs of contracting the virus naturally.

But laboratory techniques available at the time could not isolate Marilyn's virus, Hahn said. So parts of Marilyn's body were frozen and sent to Dr. Larry Arthur, a researcher at the National Cancer Institute Laboratory at Fort Detrick, Md.

"He stuffed it in his freezer and it sat there for 10 years," Hahn said. "Then one day he had to clean out his freezer, and he found this big bag of chimpanzee parts. He knew about my research, so he called me."

"On occasion you get lucky," she said.

Using polymerase chain reaction (PCR), a method of amplifying genetic material that became widespread only after 1985, Hahn's team was able to isolate Marilyn's virus and compare it with three other samples of SIVcpz, the HIV-like virus that infects chimpanzees.

The results, also published in this week's issue of the journal *Nature*, showed that Marilyn's virus was closely

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Freshmen survey indicates decline in support for casual sex, abortion

CHRISTINE TATUM
College Press Exchange

CHICAGO — Freshmen who entered college in 1998 are more likely to lie in bed stroking the keys of a laptop computer than someone who's willing to give them casual sex.

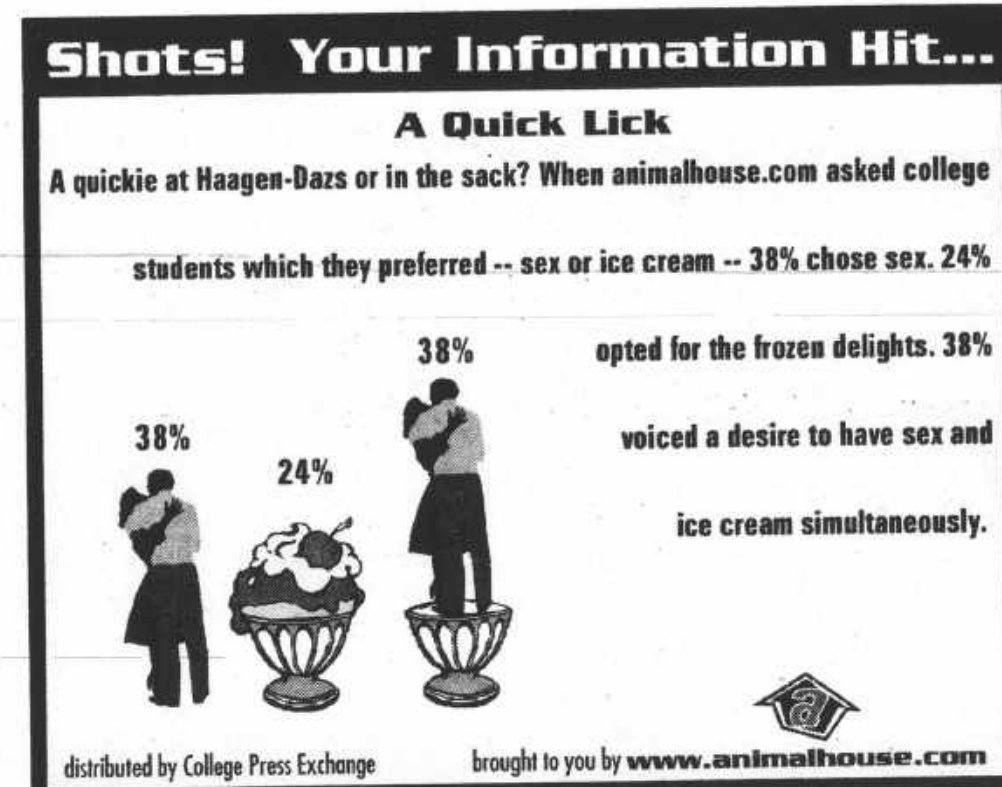
Or so suggests a long-standing study of first-year college students conducted by researchers at the University of California at Los Angeles. The study, considered the nation's most comprehensive assessment of student attitudes and plans, surveyed more than 275,000 entering freshmen at 469 two-and-four-year schools nationwide. Its findings represent the views of 1.6 million students who started school last fall.

The study doesn't exactly paint a flattering picture of the graduating class of 2002, but it does have its bright spots: beer drinking among members of this underage crowd has fallen to its lowest level in the survey's 33-year history. (Slightly more than half of students,

51.6 percent, say they drink beer frequently or occasionally, compared with 52.7 percent in 1997 and an all-time high of 75.2 percent in 1981.) and more students are integrating computer technology with their daily routines than ever.

But apparently, first-year students are so disinterested in academics, government and social activism that they're more likely to show up late to class (an all-time high of 60.3 percent) than to keep up with political affairs (a record low of 25.9 percent) or participate in community service work while in college (18.9 percent).

Perhaps that explains the motivation most students gave for even going to college at all: a whopping 76.9 percent said they pursued higher education



"to be able to get a better job" and "to be able to make more money" (74.6 percent) than "to gain a general education and appreciation of ideas" (62 percent).

"Sounds pretty accurate to me," said 19-year-old Jennifer Jones, a self-described goody-two-shoes at Indiana University who said she studies hard for the As and Bs she makes.

"People want more things but are less willing to work for them because they just expect them to happen. And a lot of people I know are really good at faking it. If they do something, it's because

it'll pay off for them somewhere else."

When it comes to sex, Mom and Dad might be happy to know that fewer first-year students want to get it on with folks they've known only a short time. An all-time low — only 39.6 percent — agreed that it's OK for people who don't know each other very well, but like each other an awful lot, to have sex, compared with 42.2 percent in 1997 and 51.9 percent in 1987.

"That stat reflects an attitude that I hope catches on in the

world," said John Castiglione, a freshman at the College of William & Mary. "Nothing good — (including) unwanted pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and incredible amounts of stress both during and after the relationship — ever comes out of premarital sex."

In a related question, freshman support for legalized abortion declined for the sixth straight year to a record low of 50.9 percent, compared with 53.5 percent in 1997 and 64.9 percent in 1990.

"Abortion should only be legal in cases of incest, rape and to save a mother's life," said Deborah Justice, another first-year student at the College of William & Mary. "Abortion as a form of birth control is disgusting."

Students' views about abortion and sex don't necessarily indicate that they're becoming more conservative, researchers say. In fact, the proportion of freshmen who identified themselves as "conservative" or "far right" dropped 20 percent to its lowest point in 11 years. At the same time, only 24 percent called themselves "liberal" or "far left," the smallest proportion in 14 years. Instead, students were most likely to consider their political views "middle of the road" — at a 14-year high of 57 percent.

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Students learn tricks of trade from the pros

RICHARD WISE
Campus Correspondent
College Press Exchange

ATHENS, Ga. — The competition in this classroom is fierce. Students save their smiles and jokes for after class and quickly form five teams that huddle in different spots around the room.

It's time to get down to business. Students call it Web Wars.

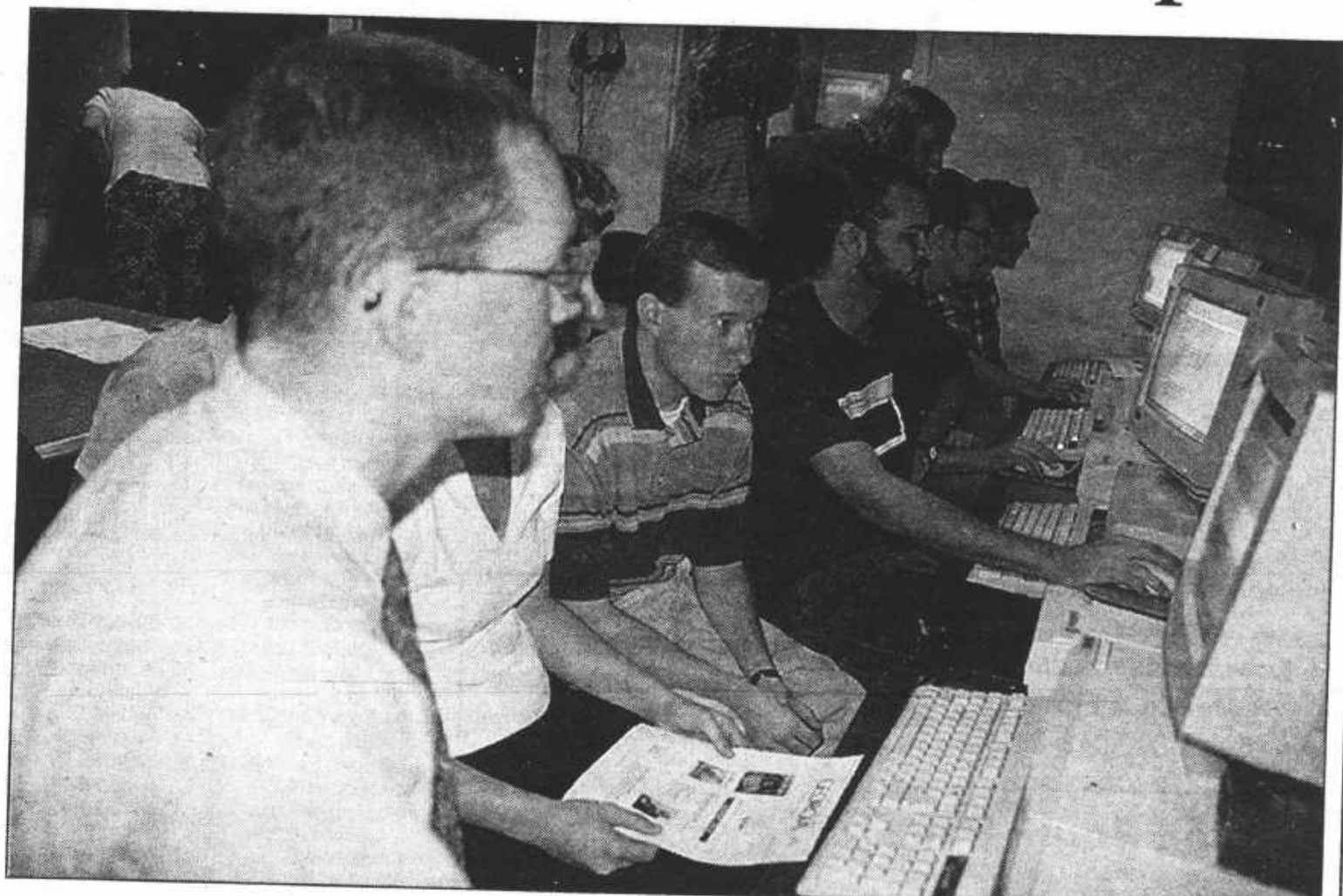
With help from professionals working in Web publishing, the teams whisper about game plans and plot strategy for the mission that lies ahead: they must repair three Web pages within a two-hour time limit. The team that works most successfully and most efficiently wins.

It's a game that has students raving about the Digital Media Production class in the Dowden Center for New Media Studies at the University of Georgia.

"This is my favorite class," said David Maynard, a senior advertising major from Marietta, Ga. "What makes it so great is that it's not for just one kind of person. Everyone has their own specific talents, so we learn from each other."

Thought to be the only classroom exercise of its kind, Web Wars has been a vital part of the course for two years.

"This format is a great teaching tool because it has many of the same pressures as the real world," said Professor Scott Shamp, director of the Dowden Center.



Brent Sweitzer (left), of Turner Entertainment directs students Courtney Loadholt, David Studdard, and Paul Marchant in the frantic attempt to fix a Georgia Magazine Web page layout within the time limit.

"It's one thing to work in a room by yourself, and it is something else entirely to produce work in a group that has a client and a time limit."

This year, for the first time, industry pros are participating by serving as project managers for each team of students.

Those enrolled in the course are benefiting from instruction and advice offered by five Dowden Center alumni who now work for Web companies such as IBM, IXL, Turner Communications, Webtone

and What's Up Inc. "It is just as much a challenge for the industry professionals as it is for the students," Shamp said. "They are representing their company in a competition. It is good-natured competition, but it is still a competition."

"In addition, it is a way for each of these (industry pros) to see how other companies operate and to prospect new talent."

Web Wars is just one unusual portion of an unusual program. The Dowden Center functions much like a private

Web production firm. Students work under contract to produce Web sites for a variety of businesses and organizations.

The money paid for their work is used to buy more computer equipment and to cover the costs associated with offering even more classes. Students collect grades, not salaries, for their work.

"This is awesome because we get to interact with people in the business in a project setting," Maynard said. "I like the idea of being on the cutting edge."

Couple hopes to overturn ban on co-ed residency

College Press Exchange

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Two first-year students at George Washington University have sought help from the American Civil Liberties Union with hopes of overturning a university policy that prohibits them from living together.

Clark Harding and Kathy Rooney are bucking school rules that prevent co-ed couples from cohabitating because they say they're old enough to make their own decisions.

University guidelines specifically state that "private and/or intimate behavior is not acceptable in a group living situation, which is necessarily

semi-public. Cohabitation is not permitted."

Rooney and Harding told the campus newspaper, *The Hatchet*, that the university shouldn't worry about them engaging in intimate contact because Harding is homosexual.

"Because of our sexual orientation, that just wouldn't happen," Rooney said. "It didn't have to apply to our situation."

According to *The Hatchet*, financial and personal reasons prevent the pair from looking for housing off campus.

Rooney and Harding are the first students to challenge the university's residential policy in five years.

AIDS

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related to strains found in two primates belonging to the chimpanzee subspecies *Pan troglodytes troglodytes*, which were taken from the Central African country of Gabon.

That strain was also similar to HIV-1, the major strain of the virus that afflicts humans. HIV-1 is thought to have originated among humans in the same region of Africa that forms the natural range of Marilyn's subspecies.

The fourth infected chimp, which had a very different form of SIVcpz, belonged to a different chimpanzee subspecies native to East Africa.

Statistical tests indicated that Marilyn's form of the virus and the two samples taken from the Gabon chimps formed a single genetic lin-

"She filled in the blanks, the missing links."

• Douglas Richman
researcher at the University of California at San Diego

age with HIV-1. Those strains of chimp virus are more similar to the human virus than they are to virus taken from the East African chimp subspecies.

Previous research by Hahn and others already had shown that the less common human strain of HIV-2 had its source in sooty mangabays, a kind of monkey often kept as a pet in West Africa.

Additional genetic tests convinced Hahn that humans living in Central Africa contracted HIV-1 from Marilyn's chimp subspecies.

Sex

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"Students are forming their opinions on a case-by-case basis," Castiglione said. "The less we follow the prescribed ideology of political entities, and the more we start following our own consciences, the better off we will be."

For the first time, the annual survey included questions about Internet and e-mail use. Among the findings:

■ Four out of five students used the Internet for research or homework during their last year of high school.

■ Nearly two-thirds of freshmen communicate regularly using e-mail.

■ More than half of freshmen reported that they chat online.

■ Eighty percent of students said they played computer games at least occasionally.

Money still appears to be a factor standing between many students and computer use. Institutions enrolling a disproportionate number of students from middle and upper-middle-income families had the greatest proportion of first-year students who used the Internet and e-mail.

Eighty percent of freshmen at private institutions used e-mail, compared with 57 percent of students at public two-year colleges and 41 percent at historically black colleges. Similar disparities showed up among Internet use.

"She filled in the blanks, the missing links," said Douglas Richman, a researcher at the University of California at San Diego and chair of the retrovirus conference where Hahn gave her paper Sunday.

Northwestern's Wolinsky co-authored an article in the journal *Science* last year that used genetic clock techniques to conclude that HIV first entered the human population sometime between 1927 and 1942.

It's possible that chimps passed on the virus during that window, though Wolinsky said the connection cannot yet be proven.

Because simian virus taken from the two chimp subspecies is so different, Hahn thinks it may have been present in chimpanzees even before the groups diverged, several hundred thousand years ago.

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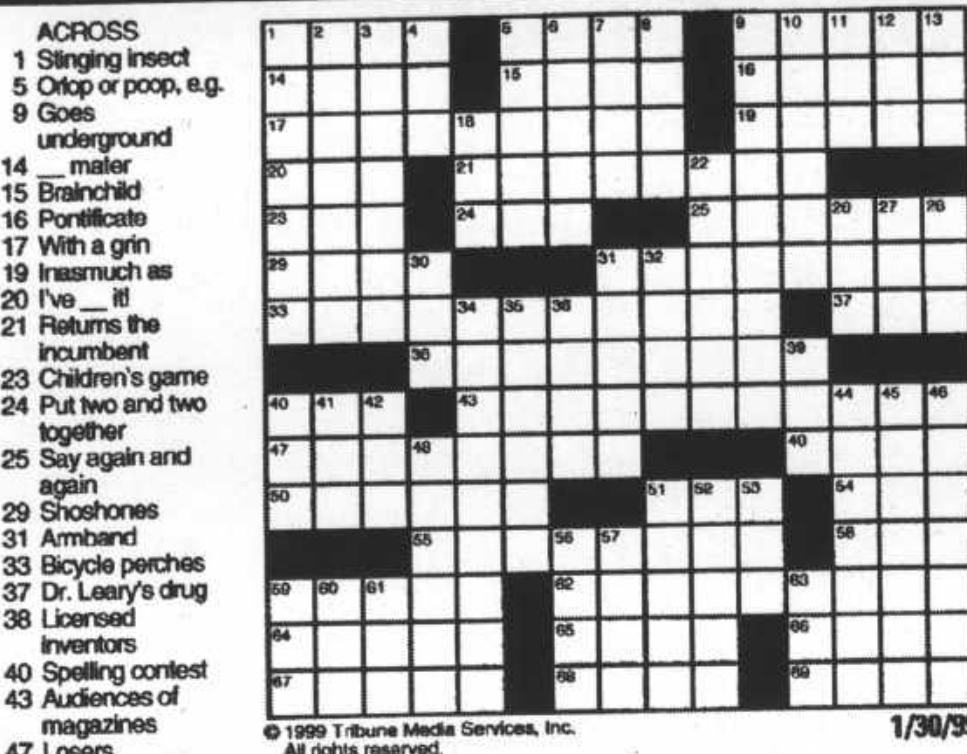
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Winchester

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away from my knee — enough to shake me up a bit," he said.

However, other students, like Scott Gallo, also a first year student living in Randall, haven't felt it's too dangerous. "I've never really had a problem with it," he said.

In the letter to the city, Curtis offered four suggestions to make crossing the street safer:

■ have the Keene Police Department increase speed enforcement efforts;

■ place pedestrian crossing signs in the middle of the road at each crossing zone;

■ install lights every fifteen feet from Blake Street to Main Street;

■ make the Blake Street to Main Street section of Winchester Street a designated 20 mile per hour zone.

MacLean said he thought the suggestion for more signs and flashing lights was particularly good.

"I've asked Kahn to send a letter saying they would like the city to put that recommendation into the budget," MacLean said. "With regard to a higher pres-

ence on the street by police cruisers, we're down there a lot. I don't know how we could be there any more."

He said the city was already up to standards with the amount of lighting for the street but the college could look into more.

Kahn said the college has already provided additional lighting along Winchester Street and between Blake and Main Street. There is also lighting from Madison Street to Butler Court with the addition of the new parking lot. "We're going to explore additional lighting between Blake and Madison though the college has limited property holdings," Kahn said.

Additional lighting may help, but some of the most dangerous conditions occur during daylight hours when pedestrian and automobile traffic is at its greatest. To make crossing safer, the

city has provided the college with cones or crossing signs to be placed in the crosswalks.

These are maintained by the department of campus safety.

However, Vern Baisden, director of campus safety, said between seven and eight cones have been stolen.

"They are being placed for everyone's safety and having people rip them off doesn't help the problem," Baisden said.

Kahn said it was "disappointing" that someone would do this.

"It helps illustrate that safety on Winchester Street is everyone's responsibility and if we take it seriously, we can all make improvements," he said.

Kahn said the best way to improve safety around the campus is to continue the dialogue between the city, the college and the students.

"The college is a great asset to the community. We need to work together with the city," Curtis said.

Believe it or not: It's actually getting warmer

ANA K. FORD
The Equinox

Unfortunately, there's no relief in sight for your grounds crew.

The fluffy snowfalls that covered the New England countryside turning it into scenes from Currier and Ives are becoming a thing of the past.

The gray, wet, icy weather that we have had lately will become more common. Now there's something to look forward to.

According to Duncan McKee, director of climate research at the Mount Washington Observatory, what we're experiencing is not just an odd winter.

This weather is the result of climate changes in the region caused by global warming.

"This is not a new thing, it's been occurring over several decades," he said. "About 62 or 63 years ago you could ski Tuckerman's Ravine year-round."

McKee said the warming trend is a direct result of the pollutants that we discharge into the atmosphere. Greenhouse gases, as they are called, trap heat in our atmosphere.

The biggest culprit is carbon dioxide which comes from our ever-increasing use of fossil fuels, and the runner-up is methane which comes from cattle and sheep ranching, landfills, and the extraction of oil and coal from the ground.

The Environmental Protection Agency predicts that along with rising temperatures, New Hampshire will see a 10 percent increase in rainfall from June to November, and an increase in precipitation during the winter months of 25-60 percent.

After that dismal bit of news, here's some good news: Punxsutawney Phil, the famous Pennsylvania groundhog, didn't see his shadow. So spring is six weeks away.

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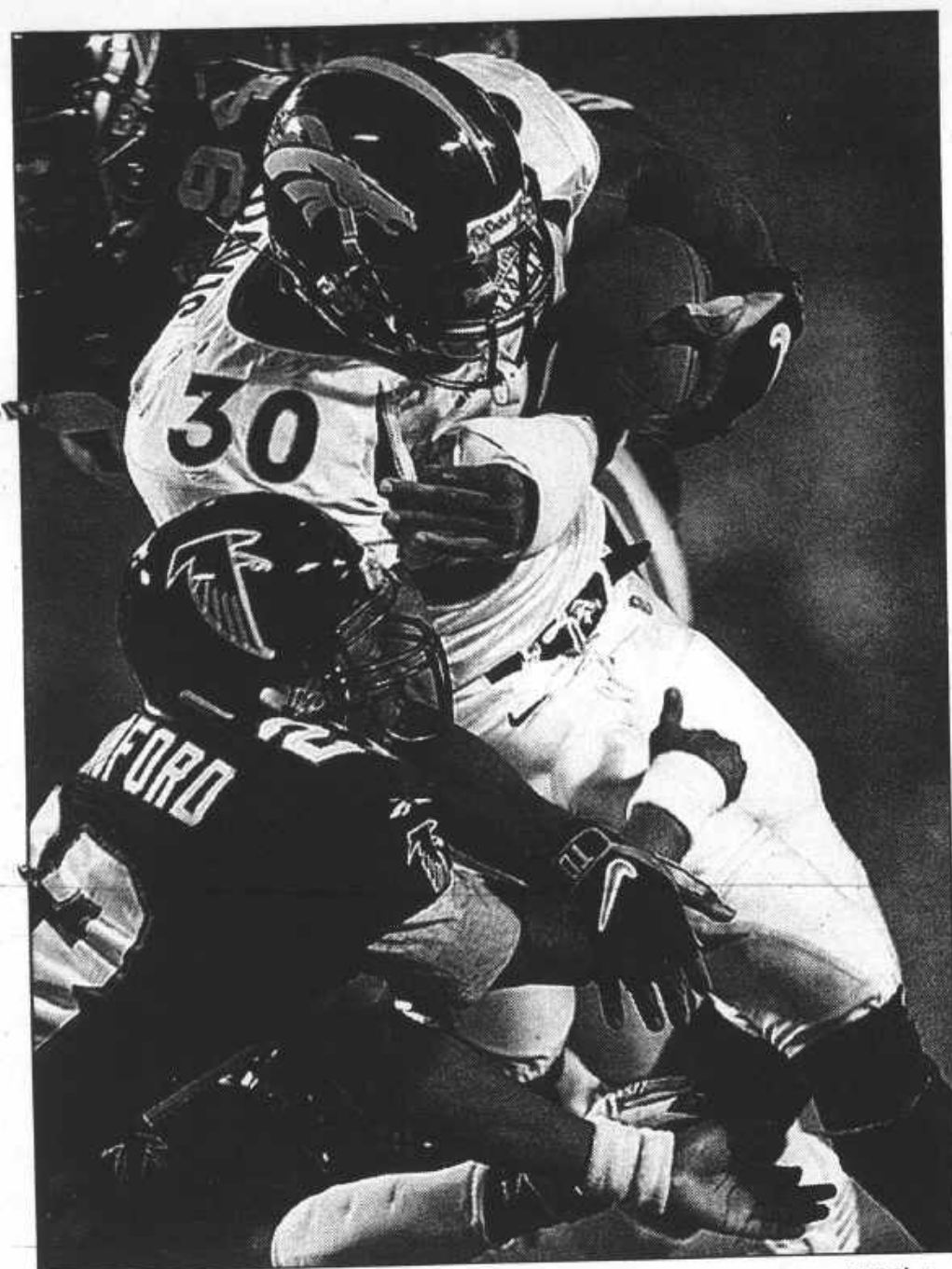
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Terrell Davis running his way to a repeat Super Bowl victory Sunday.

Commentary

Upsets reign supreme in the college hoops world

ANDREW CHAPMAN
The Equinox

It was bound to happen and it finally did.

Twenty games into the season, UConn suffered its first loss. On Monday, they succumbed to a very tough Syracuse team, 59-42, at home, nonetheless.

What happened? You've got to take into account that two of UConn's key players, Jake Voshkul and Richard Hamilton, a solid candidate for player of the year, were out due to injury. Syracuse, led by freshman Damon Brown's fourteen points, played solid defense, holding UConn to a mere 36 percent shooting. They'll likely move up significantly from their ranking of sixteenth if they continue with such outstanding play.

Meanwhile, top-ranked UConn stands to lose that title pending the outcome of Duke's showdown with Maryland Wednesday night.

Elsewhere in the Top 25, 20th-ranked Utah remained undefeated in its conference after a surprising 57-39 shel-

lacking of New Mexico on their home court.

Newcomer to the poll College of Charleston improved to 19-2 with an easy win over Georgia Southern. On Tuesday, No. 8 Michigan St. survived a scare from Penn St., squeezing out a two point victory.

With the NCAA Tournament a little over a month away, it's time to start taking it into perspective. Though the Big Ten has seven teams representing in the Top 25, none seem to be legitimate contenders for the title. Instead, Duke, UConn, Stanford, Maryland, and Kentucky appear to be the front-runners. Each of these teams possess a strong starting five and have unmatched depth on their benches, making them obvious choices as early favorites. Watch for UCLA, Auburn, Wisconsin, and Syracuse to make a late push and enter the tournament on a strong note. I'd really like to see Temple, Miami (FL), and Princeton to emerge as sleepers and shock a few top dogs in the first and second rounds. That is, of course, if the selection committee gives them an invitation to the big dance.

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Commentary

Super Bowl, a super disappointment

PAUL SILVERFARB
The Equinox

For weeks I was looking forward to the big game. As the days got closer, the anticipation grew. The Broncos versus the "Dirty Bird" Falcons. T.D. versus Jamaal. NFC versus AFC.

As I was watching the Super Bowl, I saw a super disappointment. This game was not fun to watch at all. From beginning to end, I was upset and frustrated at the game.

Hey, the best part of the game was the commercials. The Budweiser frogs actually talk, the HAL computer came back from the dead and the Yahoo commercials that have a guy looking for a job, just to name a few.

From kick-off, the Falcons came out confident, but way too cocky. The Broncos came out of the locker rooms confident also.

The best part of the game

came on the first series for both teams. The Falcons came out on fire. They ran up down the field.

They had some great passes and Jamaal Anderson had a couple of runs.

The outcome, a field goal. Then it was the Broncos turn. Denver marched down the field with nifty running by Terrell Davis and a nice catches. Their outcome was a touchdown.

After that play, the Super Bowl went downhill fast. There were missed field goals, one by Morten Andersen and two by Jason Elam.

Jamaal Anderson could not run the ball and was taken out of his game, which in turn took the Falcons out of their game.

The Broncos, once they took the Falcons out of their style of play, took advantage and lit up the scoreboard.

The Falcons defense was all messed up, as the Broncos caught it off guard and scored

at will.

That was not that was all messed up with the Falcons. How about the scoring. I thought that in order to get to the Super Bowl, you had to score once in a while.

Atlanta was able to march down the field whenever they wanted to.

Once they got inside the 20 yard line, they could not do anything good.

Fumbles, interceptions, missed opportunities and missed field goals shot the "Birds" right back to Atlanta.

And what made the Super Bowl even more of a super bore was the halftime show. That was pathetic.

I mean, it was cool to see Stevie Wonder and all, but enough was enough.

It was really boring and I found myself doing something I promised myself I would never do, turn the channel to the MTV Celebrity Deathmatch.

Commentary

Boston Bruins need to get help quick

BEN ROY
The Equinox

The time has come for the Bruins management to realize that the team is not just in a slump, it's lacking talent.

The Bruins have not won a game since January 18. They are a dismal 0-4-1 in their last five games. The front office has tried to blame it on injuries, while all the while the problem has remained the same, not enough talent to remain in contention for an entire season.

The Bruins' top line of Dmitri Khristich, Jason Allison, and Sergei Samsonov is good, but it's not enough. The team has become too dependent on the production of the top line.

The Bruins' current skid is directly related to the horrid numbers put up by their main trio. Khristich, the team's leading scorer, is having a good season.

He has 20 goals on the through 47 games, but none in the last four games. He also has not registered a single assist in the last four games, and has managed only five

shots on net in the last five games.

Samsonov, last year's Calder Trophy winner for rookie of the year, has just two assists in his last nine games, while Allison, the team's leading scorer last season, has just nine goals all season, and only one in his last 20 games.

A good team, capable of winning the Stanley Cup, would look to its second line to carry

them through the few

slumps that a top line would

go through.

This is not something the 1998-99 Bruins

have the luxury of doing.

Since the beginning of training camp it was obvious they didn't have a legitimate second line player beyond Steve Heinze. This has become blatantly obvious in the last two weeks.

Last month their prayers were answered when a player who could have solved their depth problem became avail-

able on the trade market for almost nothing. As usual, General Manager Harry Sinden was asleep at the wheel and missed the steal of the season.

The New York Islanders snatched Craig Janney for a sixth round pick faster than Sinden can tell a Bobby Orr story.

This leaves only one real cheap fix left for the Bruins, Wendel Clark.

Clark is having a great season, coming into the second half of the season with 19 goals. He is a tough winger and a favorite of Bruins coach Pat Burns from their days together with the Toronto Maple Leafs.

According to the iBoston Globe and the iBoston Herald Clark can be had for a young forward of some value. The Bruins have just that in, under-achieving winger Anson Carter. The Tampa Bay Lightning would almost surely agree to that deal, thus adding to the Bruins depth and ridding them of an overpriced third line winger.

The question now is will Sinden be quick enough to figure it out this time before he gets beat to the punch.



Basketball

Men's b-ball on fast track to tourney

JASON CAMPBELL
The Equinox

Since the end of last semester the Keene State men's basketball team has been on the fast track to hosting the Little East Tournament come the end of February.

The team has gone 8-2 since the last issue of The Equinox was printed. A couple big wins were posted within this span which includes beating last year's Little East champions U-Mass Dartmouth by at least twenty points, twice.

"It feels good," said Stacey Massiah. "Last year they stumped us three times. It's only right that we let them the favor and pay them back."

The only bump among the way was a three-point loss to conference and in state rival Plymouth State. The loss ended a six game winning streak for the Owls and is their only loss to a division three team.

Their only other loss came to NAIA division II Southern Warner in Central Florida again by three points. "It (Florida) was a great experience," stated Jeff Matuszko. "The Warner Southern game was the best I've played in since I've been here."

After the teams trip to Florida, in which they split their two games 1-1 some new faces appeared to strengthen an already talented team. Alex Howard, a six foot four inch junior from New Haven, Connecticut has made the biggest impact, scoring an average of six points two rebounds per game. From Worcester Massachusetts, six foot one inch Jima Ofori-atta is a talented point guard who, as a freshman, has a lot of potential to keep this team going strong in the years to come.

Finally the Owls welcome the return of six foot nine inch center Eric von der Linden. A member of the team for two years returns following a shoulder injury to become a presence in the post.

The heart of the team looks good as the starting five is healthy and getting stronger as the end of the season approaches.

Senior Stacey Massiah Leads the team and is fifth in the conference in rebounds with 132 total 7.3 per game. He also leads the team and conference in shooting percentage making 64 percent

"Every night we have to come ready to play because every team is aiming for us. We like our situation and only we control our destiny."

* Jamie Smith
senior forward

from the field and leads the team in blocks with 14.

Kareem Porter has been a defensive threat all year. He is constantly a pest to the ball handler and has recorded 36 steals this season, a team high which is shared with Massiah.

Senior Jamie Smith is a powerhouse on the baseline. His move is to drive towards the basket and dare the other team to step in his way. He freight trains himself to the basket and then finesses the ball into the hoop. He has also come along as a three-point threat knocking them down in critical moments.

Sophomore J.T. Torra has improved his game at the point guard position. He currently owns a spot in the little east in assists with 59 (3.3 per game).

Sophomore Chris Coates has really proven himself this year. He currently leads the team in many categories including three-point percentage (44%), total points (345) and points per game (19.2).

He is currently on the Little East Honor Roll and was last weeks Channel 9 hometown hero. When asked about his individual performance he said, "I went into the off season to improve on my three point percentage and it has paid off." Coates also currently leads the Little East in that category.

The team feels pretty optimistic about the home stretch into the post season. "We feel strong and have a high confidence level sitting number one in the conference," said Massiah. "We have to take this one game at a time instead of looking too far ahead."

"I think the loss to Plymouth woke everybody up," stated Jamie Smith when asked about the remainder of the season. "Every night we have to come ready to play because every team is aiming for us. We like our situation and only we control our destiny."

Keene State is first in the Little East and third in the entire Northeast division. Their next home game is February 13th versus conference rival Western Connecticut.

Even plagued with injury, Owls still looking strong

PAUL SILVERFARB
The Equinox

It's that time of the year to prepare for the home stretch. A long season has finally come down to about a handful of games remaining.

The Keene State College Women's Basketball Team has a record of 10-9, but don't let that record deceive you. The Owls have played some tough opponents. Southern Maine and Eastern Connecticut are two teams that are on top of their game.

As a matter of fact, the entire Little East Conference is a tough place to play. Everyone is tough and the style of play is very physical.

"Our conference is like a championship fight," said head coach Keith Boucher. "It goes 12 rounds and whoever is standing at the end wins."

Another reason that the 10-9 record is deceiving is that half the team is injured. No joke, three out of the five starters are banged up or gone for the season. With a depleted lineup and bench, you would like that the Owls would look forward to next season. That is not true by any stretch of the imagination.

"They are a special group," said Boucher. "We don't have our team at full strength. With

every setback we have, we always bounce back."

Even with all their players injured and being smaller than most of the teams in the Little East Conference, the Owls still find a way to succeed.

"I want this team to get a taste of the post-season," said Boucher. "It is a collective effort. Our whole is better than some of our parts. That is a credit toward the players because they work together."

The one thing that has never been in doubt is the effort that the Owls put out every game.

"This is one of the best groups that I have worked with," said Boucher. "You see nothing but effort."

This effort went into the game on Tuesday against Hartwick College.

The combination of Judy Izzo and Carrie Trudeau got the ball rolling for the Owls, as they combined for the Owls first 14 points.

The Owls were starting to pull away early on, but back-to-back fouls gave Hartwick College a chance to quickly play catch-up.

With 13:41 remaining in the half, Hartwick nailed a jumper that cut the lead to 16-12. That was the closest Hartwick would come.

Adams drilled a three pointer to extend the lead to 21-12. With 7:44 left in the half, the lead grew more, as Izzo hit what seemed to be a common theme for her on that given night, an easy basket to extend the lead to double digits.

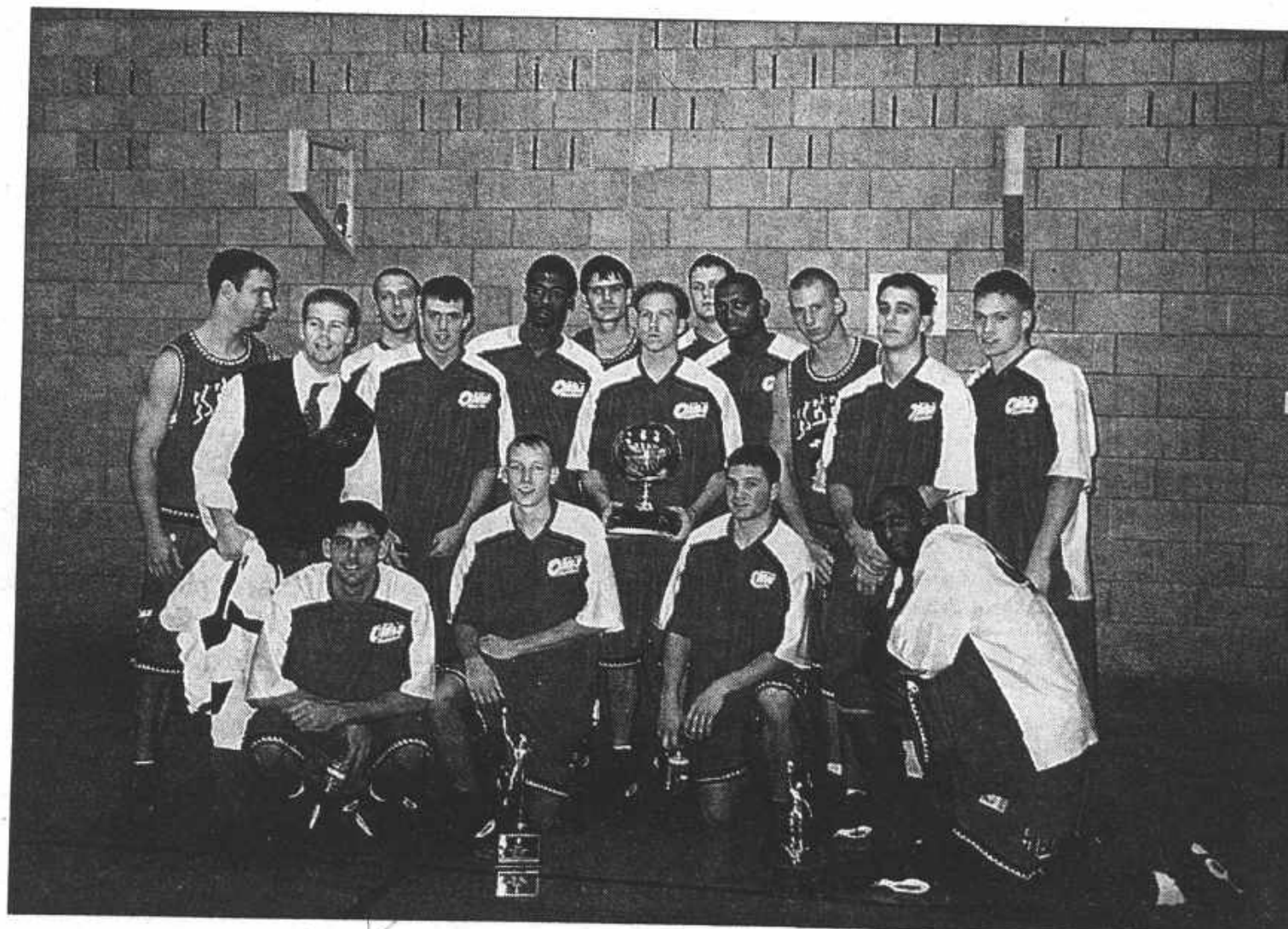
What killed Hartwick College was the pressure defense that the Owls gave them. Hartwick was never able to get a good shot off.

The score at the end of the half was 39-22. In the second half, the Owls did not let up, as blew the game opened with a couple of fast runs and not to mention three pointers by Izzo, Trudeau and Alice Adams.

The key for the Owls in the second half was that they were able to go inside and draw the foul. Also, the defense was still playing great. The Owls ended the game with a 88-60 victory.

Izzo was the star of game, as she got 35 points and was 13 from 14 from the line.

"This win was huge for us," said Janell Burley. "It is the defense that one it for us today."



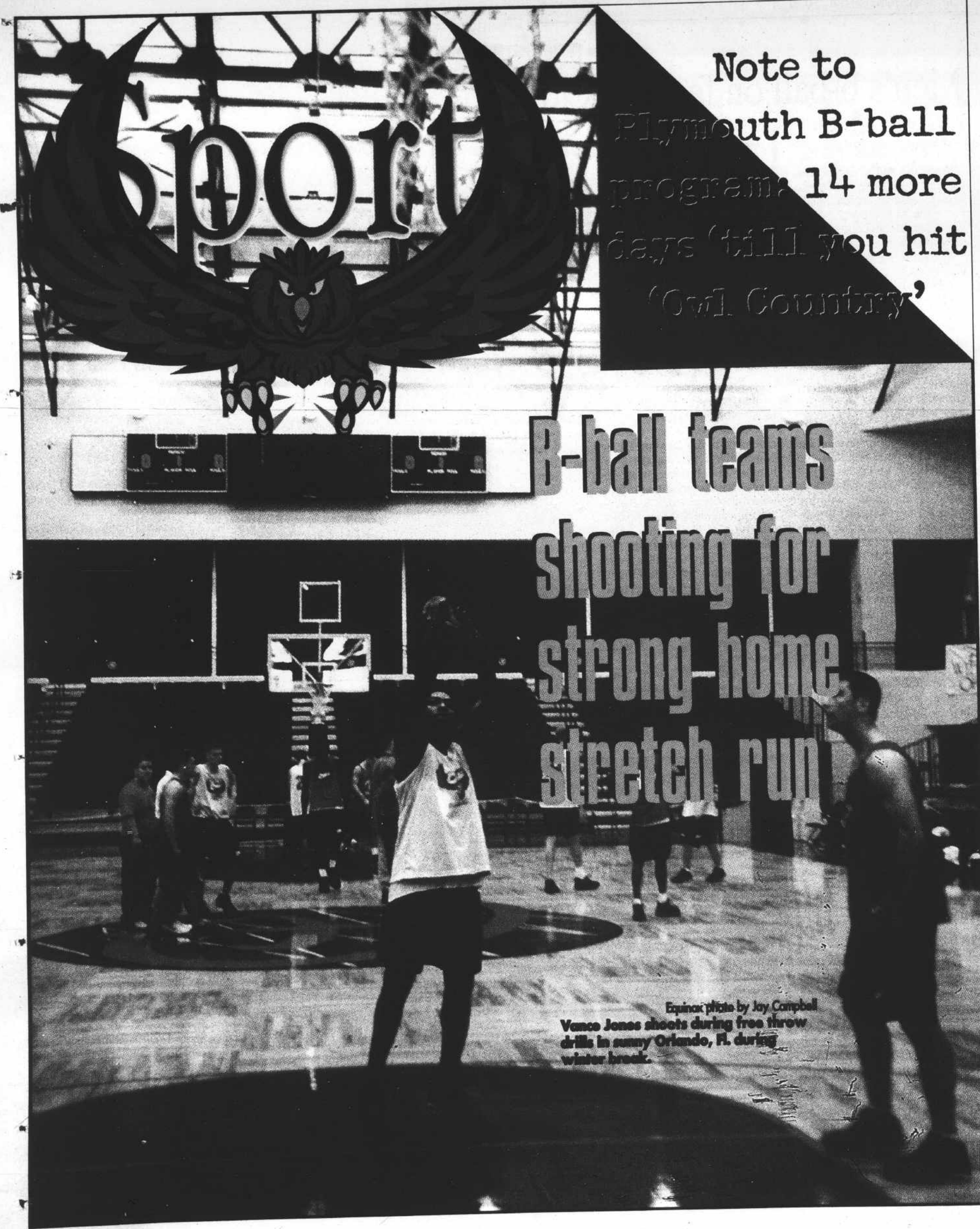
Men show off their well earned hardware during an earlier tournament in the season.

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program: 14 more
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B-ball teams
shooting for
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Equinox photo by Jay Campbell
Vance Jones shoots during free throw
drills in sunny Orlando, FL during
winter break.

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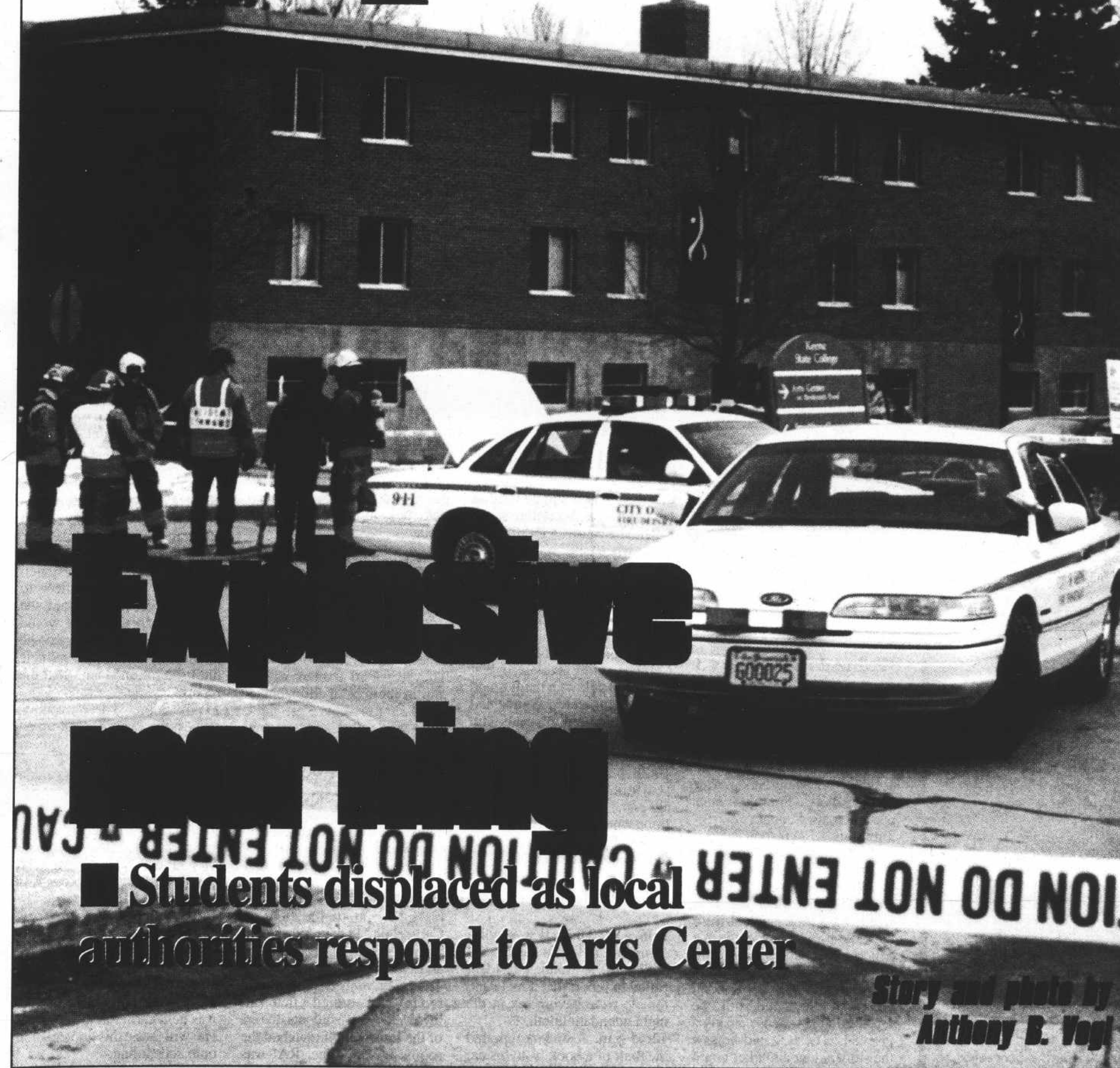
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