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Men's Basketball

Owls rolling through Little East



Fred Fieldhouse attempts the short jumper.

JASON CAMPBELL
The Equinox

The Keene State College Men's basketball team has been rolling through the ranks of the Little East Conference of late.

Since their disappointing loss to Rhode Island College just before winter break, the team has had to face six Little East rivals in a row. These opponents included top LEC contenders U-Mass Dartmouth and Western Connecticut.

Despite that many conference games, and the fact that 4 in a row were road trips, the Owls only lost 2 of their nine games during the break and took control of the top slot in the LEC.

After regaining their confidence in a 129-107 blowout of Newbury College, Keene State next turned to face the Little East and didn't back down. Their first matchup put them against U-Mass Dartmouth, who at that time had early control of the conference.

Keene took an early lead and forced Dartmouth to play catch-up for the rest of the game. Although the Owls led 51-45 at the half the lead was never safe as UMD kept things closer and more interesting than the Owl's would have liked.

After a missed lay-up by Keene, the Corsairs marched down the court and hit a basket to make it 98-96 with 10 seconds on the clock. In the end, Fred Fieldhouse hit two free throws for the Owls with about 7 seconds to play to cushion the lead and clinch the 100-96 victory.

Chris Coates led the Owls, scoring 32 points and pulling down 11 rebounds.

Dave Stantial, Chris Coates and Alphonse Michalski led Keene State College to a double-overtime 110-107 victory over Western Connecticut State.

The game provided many lead changes as WCSU sent the game into overtime at 87-87 with 3.1 seconds to play in regulation.

The Owls had a chance to win the game at the end of the first overtime, but Coates hit only one of two free throws, sending the game into a second extra session.

Jack Reardon was the man in the second and final overtime. He hit the go ahead shot at the 2-minute mark that gave Keene the lead they needed.

Coates and Michalski both connected on shots to give KSC a 108-103 lead. Western was able to pull within two with 18 seconds left, but was not able to get any closer as Reardon hit a foul-shot and Fred Fieldhouse blocked a shot to clinch the win for the Owls.

Stantial had 26 points and 15 rebounds in the victory while Coates scored 25 points and eight rebounds. Michalski added 13 points and a KSC record 14 assists to lead the Owls.

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The Keene men captured 12 of the 16 events, led by Steven Kvalheim and

(Chris Coates scores a team-high 36 points with eight rebounds), the men turned their attention to their archrival Plymouth State College.

The Panthers men led at halftime, 50-41, but couldn't keep the Owls down. PSC led by 11 with nine minutes to play, but Keene State rallied behind their scoring leader, Chris Coates.

The Owls tied the game at 94-94 with one minute left in the game. Things looked grim as PSC hit a jump shot at 30-second mark to give the Panthers a two-point advantage.

But the Owls were not done yet as KSC sophomore David Stantial sunk what would turn out to be the clinching three-point 9 seconds later. After two questionable non-calls by the officials, Plymouth took one last effort but fell short as the ball rolled around and off the back of the rim.

The Owls stole the game from Plymouth with a 97-96 win, which was also their only lead of the game.

After the physical game in Plymouth, the Owl's went on a two game slide losing to Southern Maine and Eastern Connecticut.

Chris Coates led KSC with 25 points in the Southern Maine loss and Coates and Fred Fieldhouse scored 19 points each in the loss to Eastern.

Although no excuses should be made for the losses, one could point to the bad luck with the schedule. Going on a 2-3 hour road trip every two days can be exhausting, even to professional athletes.

At any rate, it's been shown time and time again that nothing can pick a team up than a big win at home.

A home stand proved to be just what the team needed as they beat up on Lasell College and then got their revenge on Rhode Island College.

Fred Fieldhouse scored a career-high 36 points including 10 three-point shots to crush Lasell 120-80 last Thursday.

Fieldhouse was seven of eight from beyond the arc in the first half, scoring 25 points as Keene State took a 67-32 lead at the break and didn't look back, winning the game by 40 points.

Fieldhouse went 10-for-11 from the arc which was 2 shy of a school record for number of threes in a game, but was the highest three-point shooting percentage in the contest (.909), as well as his season-high.

Dave Stantial dropped 26 points while Fred Fieldhouse and Chris Coates each scored 24 as the Owls beat RIC and got revenge for the earlier, disappointing loss.

The win gives the Owls a 13-5 total record and a 6-3 record in the Little East. Keene is currently tied in the top spot with Southern Maine and is one half a game ahead of U-Mass Dartmouth. Keene State's next home game is Tuesday at 7:30 versus Plymouth State.

Jason Eastman, who had a pair of wins apiece.

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Last Saturday at the Bentley Invitational, the men continued their winning ways 167-132, but the women

lost a heartbreaker 152-146.

Rory Coleman was the only Owl to finish first in multiple events for the men, winning the 50-yard backstroke and the 50-yard freestyle.

Other first place finishes for KSC were Rob Kane (1000 yard freestyle), and Heneghan (200 yard freestyle).

Bentley's victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay was the difference in the hotly contested women's meet. In the event, the Falcon's time of 1:52.51

Patriots get new coach, hopefully new attitude

JOHN TIERNEY
The Equinox

What the hell happened! A season which started out with so much promise ended in turmoil and disarray.

If you don't know what I'm talking about yet, then you either not a fan or have been locked up in an empty room.

The Patriots started out going 6-2, and could've easily been 8-0 at the midway point of the season.

Then the Pats played the hated New York Jets and lost a close, heart wrenching game 24-17 at home.

Well, that loss opened the floodgates so to speak, and the Patriots went on to lose three in a row.

They would only win two of their last five games, ending the season with a win over the Baltimore Ravens 20-3.

They finished out the season with a very disappointing 8-8 record, last place in the AFC East.

Next the Patriots fired head coach Pete Carroll and hired former Jets assistant coach (and head coach for a day) Bill Belichick.

Belichick now has to try to be the savior for a team who was considered one of the best just a couple of seasons ago.

"I'm tremendously excited to be here and part of this organization, it's a first-class operation," said Belichick about the hiring. "I had a great experience when I was here in '96 and am thrilled to lead this team."

Can he do it? Will he command and receive the respect that he deserves from his players? Will the team quit on him, like they did Carroll? These are all questions that will be answered next season.

The players seem very happy and excited of the news of his hiring. Take that for whatever you want, but the last time the team was happy with the hiring of a new coach, they quit and turned on him when they started to sink like the Titanic.

That coaches name? Ah yes, the one and only Pete Carroll. Drew Bledsoe seems excited about playing under Belichick.

"He's consistently provided problems for our offense," said Bledsoe. "It's a great relief he's not going to be doing that anymore."

"He's extremely difficult to get anything done against," Bledsoe added. "Belichick was well respected by his team, so that's a good sign. Look at what he's done together with Bill Parcells."

Bledsoe is not the only Patriot that is praising their new coach, as New England standouts Lawyer Milloy and Shawn Jefferson are also excited about Belichick's hiring.

"It's great for the Patriots," said Jefferson. "It puts them right at the top of the division again. You won't have any more discipline problems or guys making excuses. He'll demand that guys work hard every day."

So, now the Patriots have a new coach that hopefully will help them return to the AFC powerhouse status that they once had.

But still that does not answer my original question, which was "What the hell happened?" Simple, the Pats quit, with the exception of Bledsoe, who proved once again he is their leader.

One more thing! Good luck Belichick-your going to need it.

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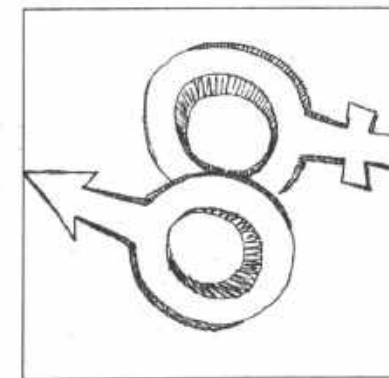
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Students frustrated over bookstore prices

On-line service at bookstore may lighten the load for students

Danielle Rampino
The Equinox

It's a common sight at the start of each new semester at Keene State College. Students leave the college bookstore, with empty wallets and full bags. But few are smiling.

As students may have figured out already The Bookstore is not a low cost book and supply provider. According to Dan Demmons, a manager at The Bookstore, it maintains a focus on service and convenience.

One convenience The Bookstore has recently offered to students is online book ordering.

Demmons is still working out the kinks in the new system. Some faculty, however, still don't feel comfortable with the new technology.

This forces The Bookstore to maintain both the old and the

new system. Students experienced some confusion with their bills when they went to pick up their on-line text orders.

With some books, The Bookstore could not accurately predict what the prices of the texts would be. Some students expecting to pick up a forty-dollar book ended up paying over sixty for it.

Also, on-line orders offered a used book option. The Bookstore would substitute new books for used books if the used books were not available.

Demmons is considering on going inventory of used books for next semester to let more students know if they are getting a new or used text.

The Bookstore is offering on-line ordering for faculty as well. A reorder of last semester's texts is as easy as one click and ordering new books is also simplified.

A faculty member no longer needs to complete lengthy paperwork to order texts. Now, they submit a shorter, online form on a page also created by Demmons.

Faculty no longer have to enter The Bookstore or even wait on the phone to speak with a manager.

This allows for speedier ordering by The Bookstore, which translates into lower costs. It lessens the likelihood that premium shipping prices will have to be paid to get the books in before the class starts.

The Bookstore is able to buy back books from students with the knowledge of how many texts will be needed for the next



Controversy over KSC bookstore prices cause some students to rely on web services.

Equinox file photo

semester. Kraig Allen also expects online ordering to be available soon at the Book Exchange, on Main Street. While the Book Exchange is a privately owned business, according to manager Kraig Allen, the Keene State Bookstore is the last college-owned bookstore in New Hampshire. This allows The Bookstore to offer students several advantages that may be clouded by high prices.

Keene State students can take advantage of the Bookstore Educational Accounts or BECAs, which act as interest-free loans through the bursar's office.

For a student who uses credit cards on bookstore purchases a BECA can save that student hundreds of dollars in interest payments each semester.

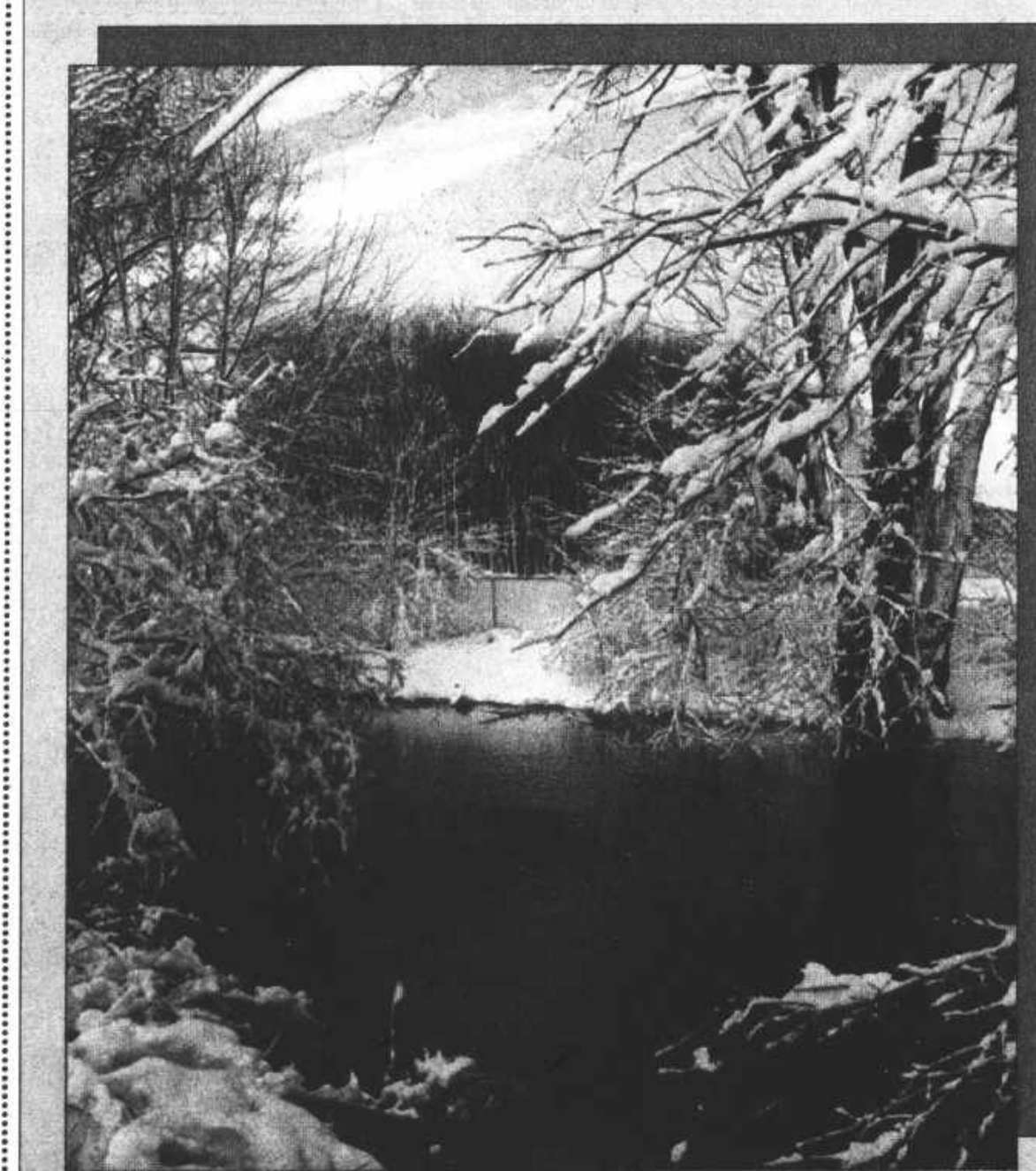
Students can also maximize on-campus convenience by purchasing computers at Computer

Connection (which is affiliated with The Bookstore) with student loans.

Another service recently publicized by The Bookstore in affiliation with Computer Connection, is on-line textbook ordering. This allows students to find their textbooks before the rush of the

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Behold....the beauty of winter



The Ashuelot River was lined with snow in the latest blast of winter weather.

Equinox photo

Art students hope to lengthen Redfern hours

JEFF BALL
The Equinox

Keene State art, theater, and music students who are frustrated with limited accessibility to the Redfern Arts Center, are petitioning for extended hours of access to the building.

Seniors Heidi Cramer, Nicole Paris, and Courtney Fortin have drafted a petition to expand the Redfern Arts Center hours for students who want more access to the equipment, supplies, and atmosphere to fulfill the requirements of classes.

A common student complaint is that the Redfern Arts Center hours don't provide enough time to complete lengthy, complex projects.

"By extending the building hours students will be able to provide a higher quality of work. It's also an important issue for music and theater students who may also like more access to the building," Cramer said.

Student protest that they only have access to the studios from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 9:50 p.m. to Midnight, during the week when there are no classes in progress, and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 6 p.m. to Midnight.

The petition is asking to change the accessible building hours to 11 a.m. to Midnight on both Saturday and Sunday.

Students are now voicing the need for more time to complete

intricate assignments, without having to bring it back to their cramped dorm room or apartment miles from campus.

"Most art classes expect you to spend an average of four to six hours a week on projects outside of class time, which are used for lectures and critiques; three or four art classes can add up to a lot of time," Fortin said.

Peter Roos, head of the art department is supporting the petition and the extension of hours.

Acknowledging that creative inspiration can spark at any time, Roos wants his students to have more accessibility to the studios and equipment.

He does, however, realize that building security and liability is the primary hurdle in passing the petition.

"We need the chairmen of the departments, academic affairs, and campus security to come together for a solution," Roos said.

Cramer and the other students hope that all students from the art, music, and theater programs will contribute and inform the administration how important this is to the affected students.

Those who wish to sign the petition, can do so next Tuesday and Wednesday in the student center from 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. Heidi Cramer can be contacted for more information or help at hmc1@keene.edu.

BEN COLE
The Equinox

The Keene State College Men and Women's Swim teams have been performing excellent all season long, and have even seemed to step it up a little of late, just in time for the upcoming New England Championships.

This season the women have posted an 11-3 record, while the men have jumped to 10-2 after a three meet win streak.

On Jan. 2, the Owls convincingly swept St. Michael's at home in the Spaulding Gym Pool.

The men dunked the Purple Nights 150-109, behind first place finishes in 11 of 16 events.

Jeff Sullivan qualified for the New England Championships in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 23.21.

Justin Bernatchez also had a New England qualifying performance with his second place showing in the one-meter diving event.

Brian Heneghan swam to first place

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Campus Safety Log

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Tuesday February 1

12:11 A.M.
The RA on duty and the night attendant of Huntress Hall reported a bat flying around in the lobby. They requested assistance in getting it removed.

10:25 A.M.
A Resident at 83/85 Blake Street was locked out of their room and left the iron on. Their roommate arrived.

8:07 P.M.
The RD of Holloway Hall reported that several rooms in the building were without hot water or had lukewarm water.

Wednesday February 2

1:42 A.M.
An officer spoke to two individuals that were kicking each other as they went down Appian Way.

The officer found out that they were only playing with each other at the time. Both person's names were taken down.

10:03 A.M.
An officer reported bee-bees all over a room in the Redfern Arts Center.

2:58 P.M.
Students reported iceicles on the roof of 83/85 Blake Street leaking onto the steps and freezing.

3:38 P.M.
Officers reported that a student's card was stuck inside of the first floor laundry at Pondsides.

4:09 P.M.
The RD reported possible Marijuana use on 3C of Carle Hall. Two arrests were made.

Thursday February 3

2:33 A.M.
There was a malicious pull at one of the fire alarm stations in Randall Hall.

3:08 P.M.
A student called to report her car missing. Just as an officer arrived at the scene, the student called back to say she found her car and had parked in a different spot and forgot.

7:50 P.M.
A pizza delivery person reported a damaged callbox at the rear of Holloway Hall.

8:12 P.M.
Residents at Holloway hall were yelling obscenities from their window.

9:25 P.M.
The RA of Fiske Hall reported Possible Marijuana use. A student was arrested for under-age possession of alcohol.

Friday February 4

9:01 A.M.
The Randall RD reported theft of a TV.

4:11 P.M.
Campus Safety recieved a call advising that there was a patch of ice in front of the fire door of Rhodes Hall facing Elliot Hall. Grounds was not in, so an officer put some salt on it.

9:50 P.M.
A feces cleanup was needed on the first floor A side of Carle Hall. WFF was dispatched to the scene.

Saturday February 5

4:49 A.M.
There was a call from a room in Randall Hall regarding a subject trying to gain entry to the room. The RA and an officer responded.

The KPD responded per the officer's request for a suspicious subject found in the bathroom with a vague ID. The subject was placed under arrest for criminal trespass.

5:09 P.M.
An individual was stopped attempting to bring alcohol into Owl's Nest 3. The subject was of age, and the quantity was allowable.

6:25 P.M.
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Monday February 7

8:52 P.M.
A young child called to report that he was trapped in an elevator in the Spaulding Gym. The officer was able to release him.

12:40 A.M.
The RA of Carle Hall reported possible underage drinking in a room.

2:18 A.M.
The RA of Carle Hall indicates that the subjects from the previous incident have moved to another room. She advised that she would like an officer, but did not need the RD.

3:42 A.M.
Campus Safety recieved a call from Carle Hall. The subject made a moaning sound once, then disconnected. Campus Safety sent an officer to check the welfare of the subject.

5:14 P.M.
The RD of Fiske Hall reported that a resident had an unwanted subject in her room early Saturday morning.

6:58 P.M.
A resident of Owl's Nest 4 reported a green pail of vomit on the second floor.

called to report that the missing TV had been "returned to the kitchen."

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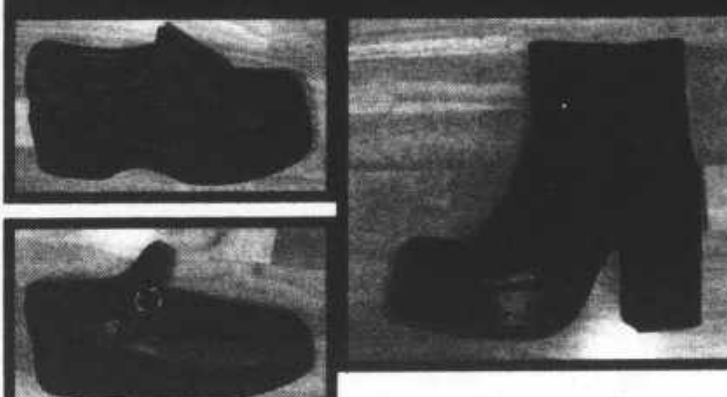
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KSC concensus: What primary?

RICHARD SURRETTE AND
COLIN REILLY
The Equinox

With Granite State voters flocking to the polls in record numbers last week, one would think the numbers would carry over onto New Hampshire college campuses.

Not the case, according to the student population of Keene State College.

The Equinox interviewed students at random to ascertain the impact of last Tuesday's first-in-the-nation primary on the campus.

Overall, 14 percent of the students interviewed voted in the New Hampshire primary while 21 percent more said they are planning to vote in their home state's primaries.

Although a small percentage of those polled bothered to cast a vote in the primary, 64 percent intend to vote in the November

election.

Unfortunately, 64 percent of those polled said they had paid little or no attention to the candidates and the election.

As individual candidates go, 36 percent of those polled said they planned to vote for McCain in November, 14 percent plan to vote for Bradley and 7 percent said Bush.

14 percent made it clear that they had no intention of voting and one person said they would not vote if they could not cast their vote for a woman.

The remaining 22 percent were unsure as to whether or not



they would vote in November.

As for the most important issues concerning Keene State students, education was the most frequent response with campaign finance reform and the budget each receiving one mention.

Mickey Russel, a senior, independent voter from New Hampshire likes John McCain's views on the income tax, however, "I honestly think that Gore will win."

Amber Coughlin, another senior independent voter from New Hampshire said she intends

to vote in November.

When asked who she believes will be the nation's next president: "My kid brother."

Larry Desilva, a junior independent voter from Connecticut is going to vote for McCain because of his stance on campaign finance reform.

"That's got to get straightened out before anything else does," he said.

Jackie Zibrat, a sophomore independent voter from Massachusetts said that education is one of the most important issues to her.

She is interested in "anything that will improve education and not take anything away from it."

Martin Hansen, a freshman from New Hampshire said he will wait to see who's still around come November before he can make a decision.

"I'd like to see restructuring of the two party system," he said. "I don't think it's effective anymore."

Keene State News Briefs



• Nominations for Outstanding Women of NH due Feb. 11

The 1999 President's Outstanding Women of New Hampshire award, in conjunction with the campus' celebration of Women's History, will be presented Thursday, March 23. However, first the KSC President's Commission on the Status of Women requests your nominations for this award.

All nominations must be submitted by tomorrow, February 11. This award is presented to a woman of the campus community who has made outstanding leadership contributions to the campus, community, and the state.

The award will be presented at the annual Women's History

Month banquet.

Women from four categories are considered for the award: KSC students, KSC faculty or staff (excluding current Commission members), women from the Monadnock Region, and women from the state or region.

Tomorrow is the final day to submit nominations, so contact a member of the nominating committee presently with any nominations or questions: Katie Featherston at x2060 or kfeather@keene.edu, Deanna Kreisel at x2692 or dkreisel@keene.edu, and Mona Anderson at x2437 or manderso@keene.edu.

• Jonathan Daniels documentary to air on Odyssey

Here Am I: Send Me, a documentary on civil rights martyr and Keene native Jonathan Daniels,

will air on the Odyssey Channel, channel 48 on the Time Warner Cable system in Keene.

The film is the work of Keene State faculty members Larry Benquist, professor of film studies, and Bill Sullivan, professor emeritus of English.

The documentary will air at 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 13 and again at 1 a.m., Monday, Feb. 14.

• Mason Library lecturer to appear in April

Tracy Kidder, Pulitzer Prize winner and author of Soul of a New Machine, House, Among Schoolchildren, and Home Town will speak at the Mason Library Annual Lecture, scheduled for Thursday, April 20. His speech will discuss an influential teacher of his and the art of nonfiction narrative.

• KSC celebrates Black History Month

Papa Bunka Susso, a West African griot (a trained Manding praise-singer) will perform at 4:30 p.m., Feb. 14, in the Mountain View Room. Papa Susso is returning to Keene State after a lively performance in 1998. The performance was arranged by Francella Clark of the English Department.

Gregory Knouff, assistant professor of history, is scheduled to hold a discussion of slave resistance during the American Revolution at 3 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 23, in room 309 of the Young Student Center. Knouff wrote his dissertation about the lives of ordinary citizens during the American Revolution.

Columbia student killed in murder-suicide

MAKI BECKER, MIKE
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Knight-Ridder Tribune

NEW YORK -- In a chilling and bloody murder-suicide, an athletic Columbia University sophomore was slashed to death in her dorm room on Saturday by her drug-addled boyfriend, who hours later hurled himself under a subway train, police and sources said.

The naked, blood-spattered body of Kathleen Roskot, 19, was found lying on the floor of her room, a kitchen knife nearby and her face covered by a literary magazine with Beat author Jack Kerouac on its cover, police said.

Cops immediately knew whom they were looking for: Roskot's dropout boyfriend, Tom Nelford, who friends said combined a rare artistic talent with a mean streak.

They found Nelford when he dove in front of a No. 1 train in upper Manhattan about 3 p.m., police said.

"It seems like when something bad happens here, it's really bad," said Columbia student Joe Cook, 21. "I just don't know what to think."

Cops say the magazine may have been a twisted final message to Roskot, a brainy honors student and lacrosse team member from Bay Shore, L.I., who decorated her tiny room in Ruggles Hall on W. 114th St. with handwritten excerpts of Kerouac's work.

Nelford, 22, came to Columbia as a laid-back high school wrestling star from Oxnard, Calif. He also was a gifted artist and guitarist but threw away his promise on a substance-abuse problem in recent months, friends said.

"He kind of just faded away," said Rich Luthmann, 20, president of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, where Nelford sometimes slept. "He stopped wrestling and he stopped going to school."

When Nelford wasn't painting murals and jamming rockabilly tunes with buddies, he was blowing his last few dollars on drugs, some of his ex-classmates said.

He was kicked out of his frat house last summer for using drugs and not paying rent, Luthmann said. In recent months, he moved from one friend's place to another, crashing wherever he could find a bed.

"He always had an uncanny knack for surviving," a distraught friend said last night. "He played that game really well."

The game ended yesterday for Nelford and his promising girlfriend.

The couple apparently went out Friday night and returned to her tiny room on the fifth floor after midnight.

Suitmates heard the couple arguing loudly about 1:30 a.m., said William Taylor, chief of Manhattan detectives.

An hour later, the quarrel seemed to have died down and Roskot's suitmates, many of whom also were lacrosse teammates, went back to sleep.

Pals said they spotted a disoriented Nelford walking past fraternity row on W. 114th St. before dawn.

Nelford later showed up at an ex-girlfriend's room in the East Campus dorm, where he snatched \$40 and fled around 2 p.m., friends said.

He may have been headed uptown to catch a bus from the George Washington Bridge bus terminal, pals said.

Police were called to the dorm about the same time after Roskot's lacrosse coach became worried when she didn't show up for practice.

Cops immediately launched a manhunt for Nelford when Roskot's friends told them that the pair had a rocky relationship.

The mystery and manhunt were short-lived.

Thirty minutes after Roskot's body was found, witnesses saw Nelford leap in front of an uptown No. 1 train at the 181st St. station. When police searched Roskot's body, they found Roskot's wallet and identification.

The brutal slaying of Roskot - the second Columbia student murder in two years - plunged students into grief and panic as word spread.

Lacrosse team members gathered in counseling sessions as the close-knit squad tried to come to grips with the murder.

"I'm going through a rough time right now," said one of Roskot's teammates.

At Roskot's home in suburban Bay Shore, relatives were too upset to speak to reporters.

Neighbors said Kathleen was one of three athletic, bright children.

"I don't think there can be anything worse than the loss of a child," said Aulene Gardner, neighbor and president of the South Pentecost Civic Association. "I can't even fathom the pain they're going through."

Roskot was an honors student at Bay Shore High School who came to Columbia as a freshman in September 1998.

A slim midfielder, she scored a game-winning overtime goal last season in a game against the University of Connecticut.

"She was a very wonderful little kid," said Marty Sievers, a friend of the Roskot family.

At 5 p.m. today, a Mass in the memory of Roskot and Nelford will be said at St. Paul's Chapel on the Columbia campus.

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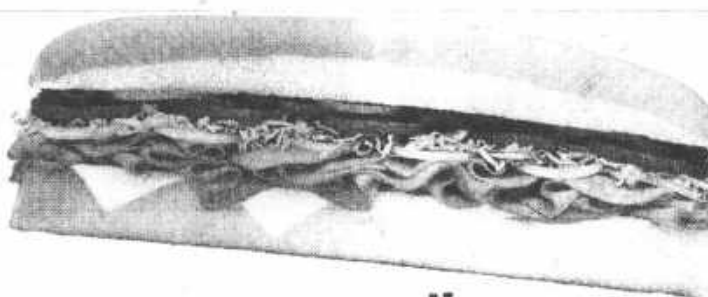
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Opinion

Only you can prevent strangers in the dorms

Recently, the Keene Police Department had to remove a stranger from Randall Hall. He had attempted to enter a resident's room, and was found, unarmed but drunk, in a bathroom.

We have been lucky here at Keene State. There have not been many reported cases of major crimes, such as assault or rape, resulting in injury here in a long time. This can be partially attributed to the relative peace and low crime found in Keene in general. However, another reason is the attention to safety on the part of students and the Residential Life staff.

Yet in some cases, students' vigilance is waning. Many students, trying to be polite, hold residence hall doors open for people they do not know. Many exterior doors are propped 24 hours a day. This is just asking for trouble.

We are taking quite a risk by letting strangers into the residence halls. Even if 99 times of 100 the person is perfectly harmless, it only takes one person to cause serious trouble. And we do know that these people do exist in Keene and environs. So follow the advice of Residential Life. Don't prop exterior doors. Keep your room doors locked. Don't let strangers in the building. This is all simply common sense. And if you sense there is trouble afoot, call campus safety or your RA or RD. They are trained to handle these situations. But try and avoid these situations. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Rewriting History

You can't make the past politically correct. As if there are not enough contemporary issues in the world to be concerned about, we now have to concern ourselves with issues of the past. The Confederate flag continues to fly over the state capital in Columbia, South Carolina. White Carolinians, justifiably, say that it symbolizes the bravery and fortitude of their ancestors, Black Carolinians, just as justifiably, argue it is a racist symbol. Of course, we Northerners have to ask ourselves, "We did win this one, right? The war is over, correct?" Yet issues like this die hard in the South. Scientists have recently shown that Thomas Jefferson probably had children with one of his slaves. Many people seized on this news to remind us all how awful slave owners were, and raised the possibility of Thomas Jefferson, father of American liberty, forcing himself on a slave. Yet those scholars who have studied the man contend that he truly loved this slave, and that the feeling was mutual. To cap this all off, a Welsh author has written a book in which she contends that Abraham Lincoln was homosexual, based on a story in which he shared a bed with another man. She neglects to mention that it was common custom when there was only one mattress available to two tired people. But it sure sells books.

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Think Different Stop discriminating against Macs



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Staff Commentary

Keene State College discriminates against users of Macintosh computers. Just a few years ago, the Macintosh computer looked as if it would go the way of the Ford Model T. Burma-Shave ads, and the barbershop quartet - cherished bits of Americana that were useful at one point but outdated today. Yet the Apple Corporation has made a remarkable comeback, and more people are using them than ever before.

This news, however, has not yet reached Keene State. Keene State College has a vendetta against Macintosh computers. At least, that is how it seems to those of us who use Macs. The powers-that-be are trying to force Keene State into becoming an exclusively Windows-based campus. They have used our money to buy seemingly hundreds of Dell computers (and I use the term "computer" loosely, because I know of toaster ovens that work better).

If some of the powers-that-be in the numerous information technology committees (and I certainly can't keep them all straight) had their way, every piece of machinery on campus with an Apple logo would be dumped into Brickyard Pond. Why are they doing this? As usual, it all boils down to money. They claim that it would be too expensive to support both platforms. We would have to have two copies of Microsoft Word, two copies of virus software, and so on. We would have to hire technical support personnel who know about Macs. All in all, a small college like Keene State isn't able to support them both. This sounds rational, but it's a load of hogwash. Don't believe it for a minute. Keene State has plenty of money, and whenever they need more they just send us the bill. I don't think, after everything Keene State spends money on, that they suddenly felt a need to keep costs down. The real reason? Well, it's partially to blame on the arrogance and cockiness of certain PC-people. They feel a little bit like James Cameron felt when his movie,

Titanic, managed to win every award known to man (including 18 Oscars, 15 Golden Globes, the Congressional Medal of Honor, and the Nobel Prize for Chemistry). Remember how stuck on himself Cameron was? That level of smug pules in comparison to that found in certain Microsoft Windows-philies. Macs are considered juvenile to them. Apparently, since Macs are so easy to use and require no technical expertise, they must be beneath these so-called computer experts. So they don't want to dirty their hands touching such trash.

It's sort of like how the French nobility had nothing but contempt for the commoners back in the 1700s. And you remember what happened to King Louis.

By not having Macintosh computers on campus, Keene State is denying many students the opportunity to learn skills they will need in the future. Consider all of the people who are studying education (elementary and secondary), which is (and always has been) one of the most popular majors at the college. Education majors need to know how to use Macs. The Macintosh is the computer of choice for the vast majority of schools. The Keene School District almost exclusively uses Macs. Brattleboro schools use Macs. Macs are found throughout Monadnock Regional and Jaffrey-Rindge School Districts, to name a few in the area. Yet Keene State has no Mac lab available to education majors. The computers in the education lab are all useless Dells.

The Mac is also the computer of choice in the world of publishing and graphic design. Virtually every magazine and newspaper in America is designed on a Mac. Yet when we at the Equinox wanted to buy new Macs, they tried to talk us out of it, saying PCs would be much more useful, and they couldn't guarantee we could receive tech support if we got the Macs.

It took us months to get the computers. Had we requested Dells, I am convinced

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Academic Dishonesty Know when, and how, to cite your sources



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Most students at Keene State are more or less aware that the College has a policy on academic dishonesty, but many seem to be unaware of the ultimate consequences of the decision to cheat.

The current policy on academic honesty is covered in the Catalog and the Student Handbook, with a slightly fuller version in the latter. The policy explains the consequences of any acts of dishonesty.

The first reported incidence, if it is not overturned on appeal to the appropriate dean, is filed by the dean with the vice president for academic affairs. If a student ever commits a second reported offense, which the dean will discover when the report is filed, the student is subject to dismissal from the College.

Now, about four years after the institution of this policy, we have had our first cases of students with second offenses. Although these students have an automatic consideration by an appeals committee, it is clear that their careers at Keene State are in jeopardy. All students at Keene State need to know what can happen if they commit any act of academic dishonesty, and they need to know what constitutes such an act (see the Catalog or Handbook). The most common kind of offense, however, is undoubtedly plagiarism, which, in its simplest definition, is the use of someone else's material (another writer's words, ideas, or even the structure or logic of the argument presented in the original paper) without giving proper credit.

Simply paraphrasing what someone else said (putting the author's words into your words) and not giving a note citing your source is not OK.

And, I should emphasize, merely listing the source in the "Works Cited" page at the end is not sufficient; you must identify in the context of the paper each piece you have used from your source with appropriate footnotes or parenthetical notes. These days, many students seem to be improperly using material off the internet, perhaps because it is so accessible or possibly because they think they will not be found out (or to be generous) because they are ignorant of the fact that such sources must be cited. (Students should understand that ignorance is

not an acceptable excuse.)

While there are sites where students can even download whole papers, there are also about a half dozen sites for faculty to trace sources of papers submitted to them.

(There was a period when students, in general, had the edge over many faculty in searching the web, but faculty and the technology have caught up, making it much easier to "catch" cheaters.) The College is considering the purchase of software that would allow the "scanning" of papers for potential cases of plagiarism.

In addition, Keene State is currently participating in a national survey run by the Center for Academic Integrity (at Duke University), and as part of this survey, many faculty and students here filled out questionnaires. We are just beginning to analyze the results of those surveys and to compare them with the results from the other eleven schools (we're the only state college in the group).

One of the most interesting things I have discovered in the initial examination of this material is that Keene State students run the gamut from "Of course I wouldn't cheat because I

would only be cheating myself" to "Of course I cheat because the administration cheats me," and everything in between. None of us at the College should be so sanguine as to think cheating is not a problem here.

For those students who are tempted to cheat—because they're lazy, because they have put off an assignment until the last minute, or because they are cynical about what they consider a "game"—they should be forewarned: the Keene State faculty and administration have better means to find them out, are more determined than ever to do so, and will for a first offense impose a sanction which can be as severe as failing the course.

Most of all, such students should know that a second conviction can effectively end their college careers. It's a high price to pay for an act that is simply not necessary.

What is the safest procedure whenever you're in doubt? Ask. You can always consult your instructor about what you need to do in specific cases, or you can consult with the Writing Center about how to handle your sources. As the Handbook says, it is always "better to be safe than sorry."

Third Parties

Sick of the Republicans and Democrats? Try someone else...



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The primaries have come and gone once again, and not much has changed. It has been pretty much the same deal for as far back as any of us can remember.

We have a few candidates, and they're not incredibly different from each other in any incredible way. Even across party lines, they are all talking about pretty much the same things.

So what if you don't really relate to any of the candidates, or care what is they're all talking about? What if you can't even tell the difference between the candidates?

Well, I guess you would do pretty much what everyone else does. Nothing. You don't vote, or participate in any way.

Now, there seem to be quite a few people who feel there are only two main political parties, because there really isn't anybody who doesn't identify with one or the other of the two parties. If that is true, however, I wonder why voter turnout is so low?

The truth of the matter is there are actually a wide array of political parties in the United States, but they don't receive a lot of attention. There are a number of factors as to why this is, and I can almost hear some of you automatically blaming the media. I mean, it's their job to bring these things to your attention, isn't it? Never mind the fact that you would quickly turn off the T.V. or flip to the next page of the newspaper if they actually tried to do just that.

Besides, there is one major advantage the Republicans and Democrats have over any third party. They are on the ballot. No amount of money spent on advertising or media coverage can equal the simple fact of having a candidate's name on the ballot.

And besides, if this is a true democracy, there shouldn't be any reason to restrict ballot access, now should there?

In 1992, four Libertarians (the nation's third largest party) were elected to the New Hampshire State House. This was a record for

the party, and part of their success was due to New Hampshire's practice at the time of multiple party nominations, in which a candidate could be nominated by more than one party, and would appear on the ballot under each party's label.

Three of the Libertarians were cross-nominated by the Republican Party and one by the Democratic Party. In response to Libertarian success, the New Hampshire legislature raised the hurdles for third parties. Instead of listing multiple-nominated candidates under each party heading, each candidate appears only under the candidate's party, with a small-print mention of cross-nominations under that column.

In addition, there simply are no third party candidates in New Hampshire that are allowed ballot access, and in order to gain access, those parties would have to gain five thousand signatures from registered voters.

Now, if the politicians who decided to

restrict the ballots believed in a voter's right to choose whomever they wanted to vote for, why would they try to discourage any candidate? Any restriction or abridgement of a voter's right to choose a candidate is nothing more than a restriction of the democratic process. And who ever heard of a partial democracy?

So if you see anyone with a petition asking for ballot access for any third party, what this petition represents is simply your own right to vote for whomever you choose, and also the right of others to do the same. You do not have to agree with the things the party stands for, you simply have to believe in people's right to be represented, in order to sign this petition.

Besides, if you gave some serious thought about third parties, you might find there's one out there that actually comes pretty close to representing the ideals you personally believe in. At least, they might come a lot closer than any of the other candidates.

So Keene State needs to stop discriminating against Macs. We already can't buy a Coke on campus. Soon we won't be able to use a Mac. What's next? Keene State, it's time to think different.

"Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."
-Thomas Jefferson, 1787

Macintosh

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we would have had them the very next day.

We are also virtually the only college to be so anti-Macintosh. Plymouth State fully supports the Macintosh and their website even has advice on using Macs in a Windows world. Keene State offers no such assistance. The University of New Hampshire uses iMacs in their student computer labs. Harvard and MIT use Macintoshes extensively. And Dartmouth

College's website might as well come out and tell students to simply buy Macintoshes.

I'm not saying Keene State's computer people are not qualified, but I'm sure UNH, Dartmouth and Harvard know what they are doing. Even if we didn't absolutely need Macs, they are a better quality computer anyway. The operating system is stable and much more secure than anything Microsoft has ever come up with.

Don't believe me? Recently the United States Army dumped its Windows NT servers in favor of Macintosh computers, because the Macs were much more

secure. (Picture, if you will, a platoon of soldiers in fatigues in front of a bank of multicolored iMacs!)

This is not the first time the military has run into problems with Windows - in 1998 the USS Yorktown, a guided missile cruiser, had to be towed into Norfolk Naval Base because the onboard Windows NT computer crashed, causing the ship to be rendered completely useless. You didn't hear about that on MSNBC.

Finally, Macs are more cost-efficient (which will put to rest the argument that we can't afford Macs). The Queensland, Australia police switched over to a

Macintosh platform and estimate they save almost \$30 million a year in expenses. Also in Queensland, teachers voted to go on strike if the schools purchased Windows computers due to the high cost.

The reason for the savings? Macs need virtually no technical support. There are very few Mac viruses in comparison with Windows viruses. Plus, the same company makes both the hardware and the software, so they actually work well together. Recent reports (and, on request, I'll give you the website) have shown that to upgrade existing computers to Windows 2000 will cost an estimated \$1500 per desktop. You can buy a brand new iMac

for less than that. So Keene State needs to stop discriminating against Macs. We already can't buy a Coke on campus. Soon we won't be able to use a Mac. What's next? Keene State, it's time to think different.

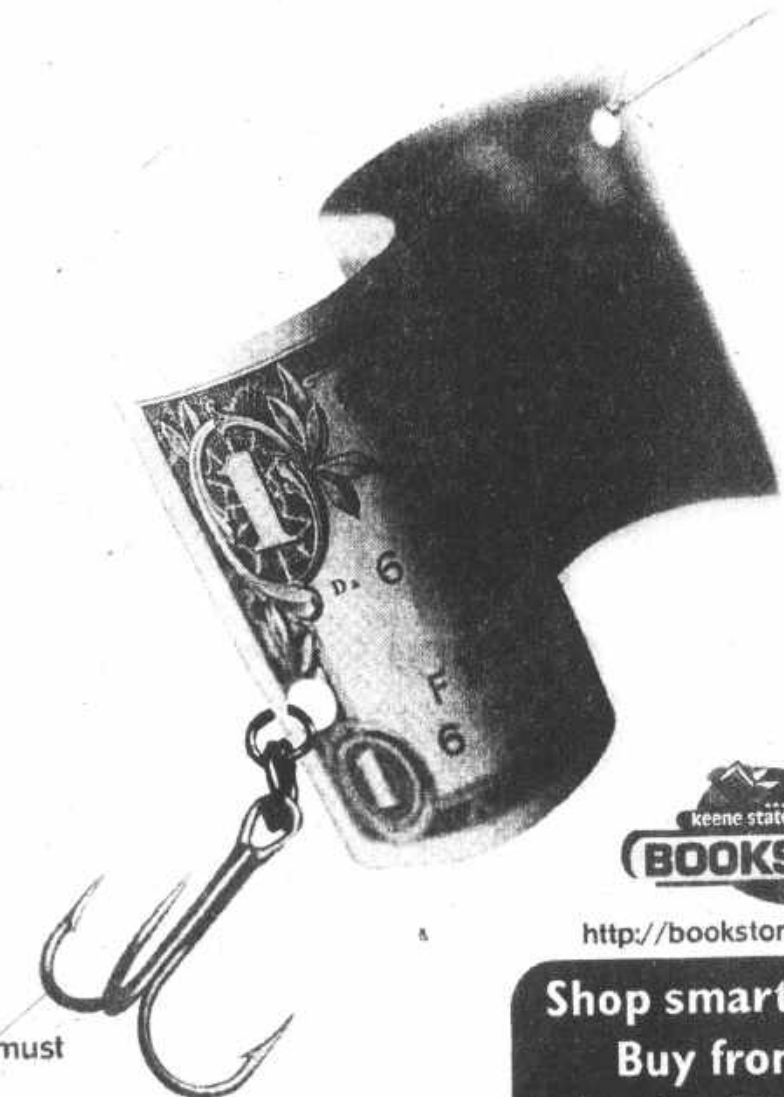
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World News

First Lady declares candidacy for U.S. Senate

SUSAN FEENEY
Knight-Ridder Tribune

PURCHASE, N.Y. -- First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, telling New Yorkers that she may be new to the neighborhood but "not new to your concerns," made history Sunday by formally declaring her candidacy for the U.S. Senate from New York.

Appearing before a giant "Hillary" banner with President Clinton and daughter Chelsea, Clinton told an adoring crowd, "I care about the same issues you do. I understand them, and I know how to make progress on them. That's why, my friends, I want to be your senator."

Her announcement made Clinton, an Illinois native who has never held public office, the first presidential spouse ever to run for office.

After almost a year of rocky preliminary campaigning, she is in a virtual dead heat with her likely opponent, Republican New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani.

"She's trying to reintroduce herself and take a second try to make a first impression," said Lee Miringoff, a poll taker at the Marist Institute in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

The famously verbose president said not a word Sunday, so the spotlight could shine on his wife. He instead sat behind the first lady, clapping and nodding with spousal approval.

As a part of that effort, Cabinet officials in the audience were not acknowledged, while virtually every state and local lawmaker in attendance was.

New York Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, who is retiring from the Senate, said during his introduction of Clinton that he also knew former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt, who is Clinton's idol and role model.

"Hillary, Eleanor Roosevelt would love you," he said.

Clinton, seeking to reassure New Yorkers and to answer critics who have questioned her candidacy in New York, said: "Some people may ask why I'm doing this and now, that's a fair question," she said.

"I may be new to your neighborhood, but I am not new to your concerns."

She suggested she is a centrist Democrat who has been fighting for issues such as education, children, health care, gun control and women since long before her husband was elected president.

"I'll be on your side," she said again and again.

Miringoff, the poll taker, said the number of New Yorkers bothered by the first lady's status dipped below 50 percent for the first time in his most recent survey. But Bruce Teitelbaum, Giuliani's campaign manager, said that, given what Teitelbaum called the mayor's strong record of rejuvenating New York City, Clinton's candidacy "is going to be a tough sell."

Referring to what is expected to be a fierce race -- and probably the most expensive in U.S. Senate history -- Clinton said, "I know it's not going to be an easy campaign. But hey, this is New York."

Clinton and her advisers sought, through her speech and a biographical video on Sunday, to remove and soften her sometimes controversial public image.

"I make a mean tossed salad and a great omelet," Clinton said at one point in the video crafted by Hollywood producer Linda

Bloodworth-Thomason. Saturday night, the Clintons attended a potluck supper in their honor in their new neighborhood of Chappaqua, N.Y. The campaign let it be known that Clinton walked in carrying a chicken casserole.

"What I have found is that people don't know anything really about the work that I did before Bill was elected president. And they know very little -- except about health care -- about the work that I've done in the White House," she said.

Clinton, who led the administration's failed health overhaul in 1993, said, "It became so apparent to me that in order to introduce myself to the voters of New York, I was going to have to go back and really share a lot of my lifestyle."

There was no mention during the exuberant kickoff of the scandal-plagued Clinton administration or how Clinton, while her husband was governor, once parlayed a \$1,000 investment into \$100,000 on the cattle futures market.

But at the White Plains Coach Restaurant and Diner, in another nearby suburb, opinion about the race was as passionate and deeply divided as the public opinion polls suggest.

"Can't stand her," said John Phelan, a retired real estate manager and registered independent.

"I don't care for her principles," his wife, Carolyn Phelan, added. "I don't think she has any."

Suzie Zweig, an office supply saleswoman and Democrat,



First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton stands on a marble planter as she addresses supporters on her arrival at a private air terminal in Buffalo, NY, February 7, 2000. She kicked off her campaign for the US Senate at Purchase College.

praised Clinton's concern for education and health care and said it is important to put more women in the U.S. Senate.

"I don't think it matters where they're from. Bobby Kennedy also was not from New York," she said. Businessman Ray Fernandez

said bluntly he was backing Clinton because, "I don't like Giuliani. As far as I'm concerned, he can drop dead."

Study says origin of AIDS virus was 1930

JEREMY MANIER
Chicago Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO -- As researchers on Tuesday officially presented the details of a study that pushes the origin of the AIDS pandemic back to around 1930, their results gave new ammunition to an obscure yet often emotional scientific dispute over recent claims that the virus first entered humans during tests of an early oral polio vaccine derived from primates.

Most HIV experts at the Seventh Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections praised the meticulous work that went into the new date estimate, calculated by running a massive database of HIV genetic sequences through one of the most powerful supercomputers in the world.

Researchers from Northwestern University contributed to the study, which is summarized in the current issue of Science magazine and was

reported by the Chicago Tribune on Monday.

Such work may give crucial insights into HIV's long-term evolution and future vaccines for the virus.

Yet some of the world's top AIDS authorities at the conference were just as interested that the new date of 1930 seemed to weaken the controversial thesis, advanced in a book last year by British science writer Edward Hooper, that the virus spread to humans through accidental contamination of an oral polio vaccine tested in central Africa during the late 1950s.

Many researchers doubt Hooper's argument, saying it is more plausible that HIV spread from chimpanzees to people who hunted the animals for food.

Moreover, they say, the polio vaccine theory could have a destructive effect, especially in Africa where some people have a distrust of Western researchers and may draw the incorrect conclusion that polio vaccines are

dangerous.

One conference attendee with a personal stake in the debate is Dr. Stanley Plotkin, a professor emeritus of immunology at the University of Pennsylvania.

In the 1950s Plotkin was a research fellow at the Philadelphia-based Wistar Institute, which conducted the African polio vaccine tests.

Plotkin said Tuesday that he believes the new estimate gives fresh evidence that HIV entered people decades before the vaccine tests took place.

"I am more than ever convinced that the book is completely wrong," Plotkin said, referring to Hooper's book, "The River: A Journey to the Source of HIV and AIDS."

Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said Tuesday that the new estimate of HIV's origins damages the argument that HIV came from a polio vaccine.

"It's important because of all the publicity 'The River' is getting," Fauci said.

The lead author of Tuesday's study, Bette Korber of the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, took a relatively balanced view in assessing the significance of her work.

"My work doesn't disprove Hooper," Korber said. "It just makes (his thesis) less likely."

Teen's death sheds light on a volatile party drug

Four teenagers charged in nation's first manslaughter trial for poisoning by drug gamma hydroxybutyrate

SUE ELLEN CHRISTIAN
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

DETROIT--Fifteen-year-old Samantha Reid, nicknamed "Hummy Sammy" for her love of the camera, and two girlfriends left for a Saturday night out on Jan. 16, 1999. They said they were going to a movie with two boys from their high school.

But in a movie typical of many adolescents, the group skipped the movie, cruised around in a van, got peach Slurpees at a 7-Eleven and ended up in an apartment belonging to a friend of the boys. Some smoked pot, some drank alcohol. They watched "Saturday Night Live" and the movies "Jackie Brown" and "Superfly," according to court documents.

At one point, Samantha asked for a Mountain Dew, and even though she remarked it tasted

"gross," she drank it. Within minutes, the 9th-grader was asleep on the sofa. A while later, she began vomiting. The others put her on the bathroom floor alongside her friend Melanie Sindone, then 14, who had gotten ill after sipping a cocktail made for her.

The last thing Melanie recalls of the evening was "being numb." When Melanie regained consciousness hours later, she was in a suburban Detroit hospital bed. As for Samantha, she never came out of a coma; she died of poisoning from a volatile party drug called GHB, or gamma hydroxybutyrate.

Opening arguments begin Monday in what prosecutors say to their knowledge is the nation's first manslaughter trial for poisoning by GHB. Four young men, all of whom have pleaded not guilty, are charged with manslaughter and poisoning and could face life in prison. One defendant will have a separate jury because he confessed to putting GHB in the drinks and has implicated other defendants.

The case and Samantha's death put a face-in-this case, a young face with an infectious smile--on the problem of GHB use. A fast-acting depressant of the central nervous system, it is a colorless, odorless liquid with a salty taste. It is illegal but is no longer relegated to all-night "raves" and the underground party scene. Instead the drug is growing in popularity among white, suburban adoles-

cents and college students, some of whom are addicted to its quick effect of euphoria.

Authorities fear that users don't realize the danger of the compound, which contains the same ingredients as floor stripper and industrial cleaner. According to Drug Enforcement Administration figures, GHB has been linked to at least 58 deaths since 1990 and more than 5,700 overdoses.

Monday's trial opens amid a host of legislative and federal initiatives to educate teens and parents about the dangers of GHB and other so-called club drugs. President Clinton is expected to sign legislation passed by the House last week that puts GHB in the most tightly regulated category of drugs with the strongest penalties for misuse.

The National Institute on Drug Abuse recently boosted research funding and joined other organizations to launch a public education campaign about club drugs such as GHB and Rohypnol, which often are characterized as "date-rape" drugs because they can produce amnesia and incapacitate people, leaving women susceptible to sexual assault.

"There isn't much awareness about these club drugs," said Dr. Alan Leshner, the institute's director. "It's a tough population to reach because they are kids and young adults."

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Leaders of student strike held without bail

TRACEY EATON
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

MEXICO CITY -- The leaders of a strike that shut down Mexico's oldest and largest university for nearly 10 months were ordered held without bail Monday as authorities debated what to do with more than 700 jailed protesters.

To Mexican authorities, many of them are hoodlums, accused of such serious crimes as "terrorism" and "sabotage."

But to supporters, they're "political prisoners," angry urban rebels in a less than democratic nation run by the same political machine since 1929.

"Let our rage explode in the hands of our oppressors!" one strike supporter declared in a message posted on the World Wide Web.

The strikers occupied Mexico City's National Autonomous University of

Mexico, or UNAM, in April after university officials proposed raising the yearly tuition from a few cents to about \$140.

The dispute simmered for months. Then at dawn Sunday, 2,662 federal police officers swept in and re-took the campus, arresting hundreds of strikers.

By Monday, Mexico's attorney general's office was reporting that it would formally charge 745 people, including 83 minors.

Some officials continued calling for leniency as authorities set up a hotline for relatives wanting to know the status of those arrested.

Three top leaders of the protest, Alejandro "El Mosh" Echavarria, Alberto "The Devil" Pacheco and Mario "The Cal" Flavio Benitez were ordered held without bail on Monday.

Their supporters said the charges against them -- ranging from terrorism

and inciting a riot to sabotage and destruction of public property -- were "invented" and groundless accusations.

"Is it terrorism to defend free public education in a country with 100 million poor?" read a statement posted on the strikers' Internet site.

"Please, don't believe what the media say. Take to the streets and raise your voice."

Few heeded that call Monday in Mexico City.

The streets were quiet as about 200 strike supporters met privately to decide what to do next.

There was no immediate word on when the university would re-open. Authorities began cleaning up the campus Monday and assessing the damage.

Mexican newspapers showed photos of classrooms and hallways littered with broken chairs, equipment and stray

“ Is it terrorism to defend free public education in a country with 100 million poor? ”

• Student Strikers •

dogs.

Cuauhtemoc Cardenas, who is vying for the presidency in Mexico's July 2 election, criticized Sunday's raid of the campus, saying authorities ought to be addressing the root causes of such conflicts.

Cardenas and other left-leaning politicians contend that as long as power is so heavily concentrated in one party -- the governing Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI -- there will be political tension and the potential for violence in Mexico.

For the strikers, the dispute may have begun over the proposed tuition increase, but it quickly grew larger than that.

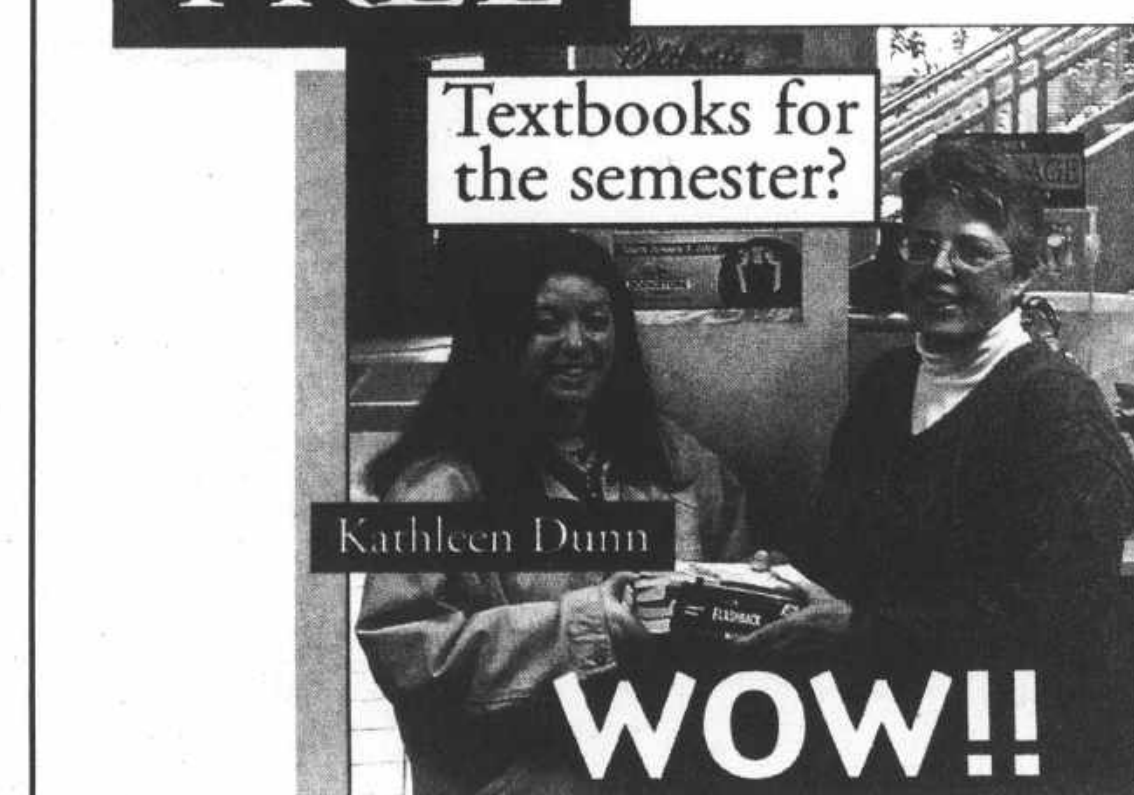
It became a protest against the PRI, free markets and political corruption.

Yet the strike never had widespread public support.

University officials in January held a straw poll to test the support for a plan to negotiate with the strikers and re-open the school.

More than 90 percent of about 150,000 students who voted in the poll backed the plan.

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things to do this week

Feb 10-17th

Thursday, 10th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The Limey" 7pm
Go see it, this is the Limey's last night!!!!!!

7pm Modern Dance Concert, 7pm
at the Redfern Arts Center
Come on down and see three of your fellow students perform 7 dances they choreographed as part of an independent study.

off campus:

Ladies night at Kilkenny's
Mystery Hour at Penuche's

7pm The Black Rebels, 7pm
Iron Horse Music Hall Northampton, Mass
1-800-THE-TICK

8:30pm Pat McGee Band, 8:30pm
Pearl Street Night Club, Northampton, Mass
1-413-586-8686

Friday, 11th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough" 7pm/9:15pm

7pm Modern Dance Concert, 7pm
at the Redfern Arts Center
Come on down and see three of your fellow students perform 7 dances they choreographed as part of an independent study.

Comedy Show, 7pm
Mabel Brown Room

off campus:

Ladies Night at Penuche's

9pm Blue Force Four, rock
9pm, Mole's Eye Cafe, Brattleboro,
Vt. 802-257-0771

Saturday, 12th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough"
2pm Matinee...7pm/9:15pm

8pm Semi Formal
Valentine Dance, 8pm
Mabel Brown Room
Dress up, go out, dance around!!

off campus:

Kilkenny's \$7.5 Bud
Penuche's Rolling Rock Night 9-1

9am Feeling ambitious?
Ski and hike, strenuous five to seven
miles at High Ridge Tree Farm, sponsored
by the Harris Center for Conservation
Education, meet leaders Ben Allison and
Host Tom Christenson at the South
Lyndeborough village store on Route 31 at
9 a.m., return at 2 p.m. 525-3394.

7pm It's a long way to go, but isn't
it worth it?
An Evening of Belly Dance, featuring
Anatolia and guest artist Nouhran, 7 p.m.,
Iron Horse Music Hall, Northampton, Mass.
1-800-THE-TICK.

9:15pm Keene Latin Dance Night,
9:15 p.m.-1 a.m., Papagallo's Restaurant,
Keene. 352-1749.
Althaea's going, why don't you?

10pm Zen Tricksters, Grateful Dead
influenced, 10 p.m., Iron Horse Music Hall,
Northampton, Mass. 1-800-THE-TICK

Sunday, 13th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough"
2pm/7pm

3pm Mandala Folk Dance
Ensemble, 3pm

Winter Weekend

30 dancers, 15 countries, free workshop
after the performance, you can't go wrong.

off campus:

Kick The Keg at Penuche's
Vote Your Own Promo at Kilkenny's

8:30pm Lee "Scratch" Perry and the
Mad Professor, reggae, 8:30 p.m., Pearl
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Monday, 14th

Valentine's Day, in case
you forgot, is the second
best time of the year to
gorge on candy.

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough" 7pm

4:30pm A Black History Month Event:
Mountain View Room, 4:30
Papa Bunko Susso, a Manding Praise
Singer.

9pm "Monday Night Raw", 9pm
eat pizza and watch wrestling with some-
one you love, on this very special
Valentine's day!

10pm Promo Night at Kilkenny's
Discount Night at Penuche's

Tuesday, 15th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough" 7pm

5:30pm Women's Basketball
vs. Eastern Conn. State University

5:30, Spaulding Gym

7:30pm Men's Basketball
vs. Eastern Conn. State University
8:30, Spaulding Gym

8:30pm Movie Night: "Lake Placid"
Night Owl Cafe

off campus:

Beat the clock at Penuche's
Wheel Night at Kilkenny's

7pm "Lindisfarne" 7pm
Classic British folk rock
Iron Horse Music Hall
Northampton, MA
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Wednesday, 16th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough" 7pm

8pm LIVE MUSIC!
Night Owl Cafe Concert
Series, 8pm

off campus:

Open Mike at Kilkenny's
Promo night at Penuche's

10pm Mentos and the New Horizon
Band, 10pm
Ethnic/World/Reggae/Ska
Iron Horse Music Hall, 413-586-8686
Northampton, MA

Thursday, 17th

on campus:

Putnam Movie:
"The World is Not Enough" 7pm

10-3 JOB FAIR 2000
call elliot center for details.

off campus:

NEW: ladies night at Kilkenny's
Mystery Hour at Penuche's

Thursday, February 10, 2000

On-line

• from page 1

semester's first week and even
shop around other on-line stores
if they choose.

Demmons, the program supervisor,
determined that enough
students now have web access to
take advantage of the service.

Demmons is not concerned
with the competition, citing many
students will still choose The
Bookstore's texts because of the
ease of pick-up, the guarantee of
getting the correct book, and ability
to return the book quickly and easily.

In fact, prices at The Bookstore
don't vary much from the on-line
stores. For example, a text for the
fundamentals of speech class, The
Art of Public Speaking costs
\$48.25 at The Bookstore.

It costs more at eFOLETT.com
but BIGWORDS.com charges

\$44.25 plus shipping. The lowest
price available was found at
eCAMPUS.com for \$42.97.

While the difference is a little
over \$5, students must factor in
the necessity for a quick return or
a possible faculty change in edi-
tions.

Also, only through The
Bookstore can students receive a
free gift with every order (a
handy survival kit).

Further, each on-line order is
entered into a drawing held this
week.

One student will win free
books for the spring semester.

However, the majority of stu-
dents are simply unimpressed
with The Bookstore's prices.

"I don't understand. Why do
they charge \$6 for a tube of paint
I can get in an art store for \$3?"
Nate Bundy, a film major, said.

So, where do those extra dollars
go that The Bookstore collects on
texts that the Book Exchange
does not, or the extra three dollars

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for a tube of paint I
can get in an art store
for \$3?"

• Nate Bundy

from that tube of paint? Contrary
to popular belief, no one is getting
rich at The Bookstore.

The Owl's Roost, the Computer
Store and The Bookstore are
completely non-profit. All the
profits generated from The
Bookstore go back into the
school.

The Winchester Street parking
lot was built entirely with book-
store funds.

Many students don't realize

Equinox

that by shopping at The
Bookstore they are actually help-
ing to keep tuition and other costs
down.

Currently, the extra money
goes into a general accounting
fund with other sources of capi-
tal.

The Bookstore is considering
setting up a fund named after
The Bookstore so students can
see where their money is being
spent.

This may lower the frustration
and animosity that so many stu-
dents feel toward The Bookstore.

"I think a fiction section in the
library would be an appropriate
use of the money," Caitlyn
Chabot, a management major,
said.

Others suggest that the college
offer a venue for students to sug-
gest possible uses for surplus
bookstore funds, giving them a
sense of control over the
immense investment required for
texts.

GHB

• from page 6

"The use rates are going up. . .
We're trying to get in the path of
the plague to stop it," Leshner
said.

Recipes for GHB and gamma
butyrolactone, which metabolizes
into GHB when ingested, are
available on the Internet.

GHB has been sold in health
food stores as a dietary supple-
ment and used as a steroid alter-
native by body builders.

In 1990 the Food and Drug
Administration began investigat-
ing the drug after numerous cases
of illness were reported. The
agency, however, has approved
the use of GHB in the study of
treating narcolepsy, a sleeping
disorder. Particularly frightening
to public health experts is that the
same dosage of GHB can affect
people in wildly different ways.

The drug can cause vomiting,
dizziness, tremors and seizures.
Because it is short-lived in the
body, the drug is difficult for doc-
tors to detect. Federal figures
report that emergency room visits
resulting from GHB use
increased to 762 in 1997 from 20
in 1992, with a total of more than
1,600 episodes.

"Samantha Reid and her friend
woke a lot of people up," said
Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.), who
sponsored GHB legislation
named after Reid.

In Samantha's case, the em-
ergency room physician suspected
GHB, but it took two months for
a toxicology lab to return results
confirming ingestion. When Dr.
Harlan Mast saw Reid at 4:45
a.m. on Jan. 17, 1999, at Seaway
Hospital of Trenton, "she looked
dead," he testified.

"I found her without any vital
signs, without any signs of life. . .
There were no heart tones, no
breath sounds," Mast said.
"I felt it was very consistent
with GHB."

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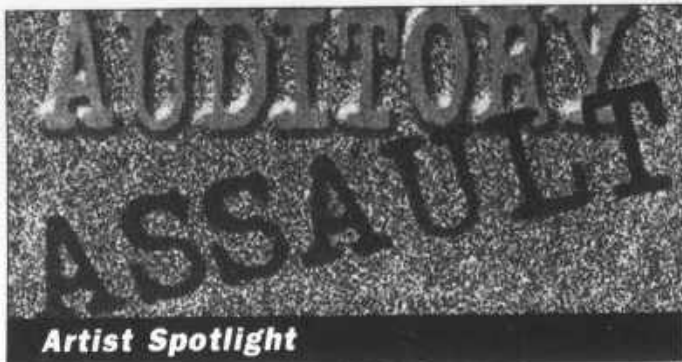
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This Kittie has bite!



Artist Spotlight

TOM D'ERRICO
The Equinox

A full length album, opening spots on tours with Slipknot and Sevendust, and the first band to be officially added to this year's Ozzfest. Not bad for four teenagers from Canada.



Kittie's debut album, Spit, is now available on Artemis Records.

Kittie's biography on their official website spotlights the following list: "Refreshing facts about Kittie: None of them were Mousketeers, they don't dance down the halls of their high school half-naked, and they're not about to buy into the American dream of record sales through plastic surgery."

Drummer Mercedes Lander met guitarist Fallon Bowman in a gymnastics class and the two began to play Nirvana and Silverchair covers with Mercedes sister Morgan.

The band's lineup is completed with Talena Atfield on bass. Each member (except Mercedes) lends vocals to the songs. Kittie's debut album available on Artemis Records, Spit, was to be released to relatively little fanfare, however, a last minute surge of exposure led to the under-ordered album selling out in many stores.

Every song on Spit is sung with the attitude meter all the way up; their sound is a mix of death metal, spoken-word, speed metal, tuned down bass riffs and thundering drum licks. It's no wonder Kittie was opening up for Slipknot on the tail end of Slipknot's North American tour.

Songs like "Spit", "Suck", and "Get Off (You can eat a dick)" are an in-your-face exposure to the "Kittie-sound," yet the band does manage to create an eclectic group of songs. "Brackish" is more of a tuned down track until the chorus slams into speedy vocal blasts, and "Paperdoll" is the mellowest track on the album with vocals reminiscent of Tracy Bonham. "Immortal," the album's closing track is an instrumental that puts the listener into a trance before abruptly ending and leaving you wanting just that little bit more.

The foursome are quick to show they aren't just another link in the chain that has become the ever expanding teeny-bopper scene.

"I'm not up there singing, 'Hi me baby, one more time!' We're a lot more mature than that," says frontwoman Morgan. Does this mean Kittie has a personal vendetta against one of the figureheads of the most recent "teen-scene" movement?

"Hey, we didn't say anything bad about her!" clarifies Mercedes. "We didn't slag her, and we respect her... We just don't want to be her!"

Morgan adds, "Comparing us to her is like comparing black to



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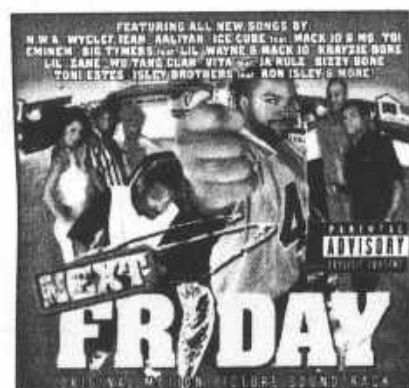
Photo courtesy of Artemis Records

white... We'll just stick to the metal!"

With their summer clearly plotted out, it'll be interesting to see where Kittie will be headed. Their debut album is already available in North America, but it is yet to be released in their homeland of Canada. The future is definitely looking bright for Kittie.

(Note: quotes were obtained off Kittie's official website. For more information visit Kittie's official website at www.kittie.net)

More "beat" for your buck...



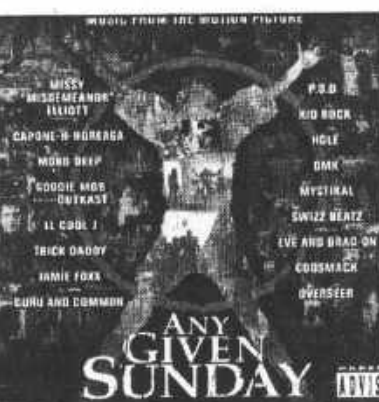
DJ Skribble:
Traffic Jams 2000
Warlock Records

DJ Skribble's new album titled Traffic Jams 2000 will live up to your expectations. The DJ that has become popular on MTV has presented an album with 22 tracks filled with great melodies, rhythms, and lyrics. Skribble and Slynke show off their scratching and mixing skills right away with a killer intro and carry on throughout the album. They partner up with some rap artists like Sporty Thievz, Grand Puba, Dirt Mob, Boot Camp Click, Three 6 Mafia, and Gang Starr. For those people looking for some new tracks for the party mix, check out songs "187", "No Competition", "East Coast Girls & West Coast Girls", "Russian Poulette", "Slow Down 2000", and "Pass the P". To see more before you buy it check warlock-records.com.

— Jeff Ball



— Jeff Ball



DMX: ...And Then
There Was X
Def Jam 2000/Ruff Ryders

With the release of his new album before the new year, DMX has put another hard-hitting soundtrack to the streets. This new album is the third release in three years for this New York rapper and is a must have for all DMX and hip-hop fans.

With his bold lyrics and unique perspectives on situations, DMX creates music that can be enjoyed on many levels. He is also one of the few recording artists in the hip-hop industry that doesn't use a lot of collaborations with other artists to sell his records. Other than a couple of tracks with other performers like the Lox, this CD focuses on the skills of DMX. Those skills have taken hip-hop to another level on this album.

— Dan Scalese



— Dan Scalese

Various Artists:
Any Given
Sunday
Atlantic Records

Big names like DMX, Missy Elliot, and Kid Rock are supposed to make this soundtrack sell. However, this soundtrack has been as disappointing as the movie itself.

Both have high-priced talent, but neither live up to their endorsements. There are a few interesting loops in some of the hip-hop tracks like "Jump" performed by Mystikal, but none deliver the knock-out punch that would make this a worthwhile purchase. In the future it may be beneficial to avoid any album that has Jamie Foxx singing on two tracks.

Pop Culture 101

EMMA PEELE
CPNet Columnist

And Baby Makes Three

Well, well, well! The beautiful Catherine Zeta-Jones is pregnant with Michael Douglas' baby! Her publicist, Cece Yorke, announced the news to the world but gave few details like when the kid is due. So the English tabloids went to work to dig up a little something for all of us to chew on... Zeta-Jones, 30, is three months along, and is already experiencing morning sickness, which is why she couldn't attend the Golden Globe awards, squeals The English Sun.

"The pregnancy wasn't planned but it's come at a great time in both their lives. They're both thrilled," a so-called friend blabs to The Sun. Douglas, 55, proposed to Zeta-Jones on New Year's Eve. They plan to make it legal this year, once he is officially unhitched from his wife, Diandra Douglas, who's expected to be well compensated (in the bazillions) for her years of servitude to Michael.

Zeta-Jones' pregnancy may affect the multimillion-dollar deal her company, Zeta Films, inked with Initial Entertainment Group recently. The two-year contract included 12 film projects with Zeta-Jones starring in all of them.

Anyhoo, the baby will be the first child for the Welsh dish. Let's hope the bambino or bambina doesn't turn out like 20-year-old Cameron Douglas - Michael's only son who was busted in November for allegedly buying two grams of coke. But Friday, the Manhattan district attorney's office announced the young lad -- a DJ by trade -- will not be indicted for cocaine possession. Criminal Court Judge Paul Fineman says several treatment programs were available for Douglas, who's due back in court March 9. He should be a free man by the time his pop's wedding rolls around - most likely in September -- in Majorca, Spain, where the actor owns a villa.

One more thing... Zeta-Jones is considering converting to Judaism before the big wedding. The Sunday Mail reports the actress is "fascinated" by her future hubby's Jewish faith, and has spoken to a rabbi about converting.

Whoa... Mama!

Songbird Mariah Carey lets it ALL hang out on the cover of the current Rolling Stone. Photog David LaChapelle shot her in a leopard bikini for the front, and in a lacy bra, fishnets and hot pants for the inside story. There's also a shot of her skinny pre-pubescent bod in a bikini. It's all for a piece describing the life of one "busy diva."

But let's get to the REAL issue, shall we? Rumor is that her bosom, which she barely kept harnessed at the American Music Awards, has been enhanced through -- you know... S-u-g-e-r-y. That's bull, according to her publicist, Cindi Berger. "She's just lost a lot of weight." Huh? Losing weight made her boobs bigger? Pul-eze! Berger also dismisses a National Enquirer claim that the singer lost the weight through lipos.

The real deal, Carey tells RS, is that it was a snippy joke by Joan Rivers at the Oscars last year that pushed her into shedding pounds.

Carey may be on the critics' dartboards, but the fans are crazy about the girl. Carey was nearly crushed last week at a record-store appearance in Belgium when more than 10,000 fans showed up at a CD signing. The eager Belgians pressed against the store, shattering one of its windows, and the weight of fans who climbed up to get a good look at Carey damaged two cars. Police had to form a human shield around the diva to get her to her limo. "She was scared," publicist Berger says. "She was really scared."

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Odds and Ends...

Actress Brooke Shields has been terrorized by the same stalker for 15 years, says a Los Angeles police officer, who testified to that fact on Thursday. A New York Post report says 41-year old Mark Ronald Bailey has been obsessing over Shields since 1985, when the actress began her studies at Princeton. Police reports say Bailey, who is now in jail, has sent the "Suddenly Susan" star more than 50 nude pictures of himself and 100 graphic letters. In the letters, Bailey would compare Shields to a prostitute or a "mail order bride." He faces three criminal charges: Stalking, illegally possessing a gun as a convicted felon and having a gun with its serial number filed off.

That was quick! Claudia Schiffer, who split with illusionist David Copperfield after six long years of engagement, is engaged again! Brit Tim Jeffries is the lucky dog. He's ex-hubby to Koo Stark and has a habit of dating models, like Elle Macpherson.

Party of... Three? Word is, two of the stars of Fox's "Party of Five" - Neve Campbell and Scott Wolf are not willing to return for a seventh season of the hit series. Network execs admit this is true. Problem is, the network's contract with producer Columbia TriStar Television obligates it to air the show for one more year. Fox says no way. The only compromise... Columbia says Fox will have to give a full-season renewal (22 episodes) to "Party of Five" spin-off, "Time of Your Life." God help us all! This means we'll all be forced to endure more of Jennifer Love Hewitt's so-called "talent."

And that's what's passing for pop culture these days!

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CYNTHIA ROSE
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

SEATTLE -- Seattle is one of the least likely places to sit down with coffee and hear a paean to low technology. But in the universe of the three-woman Typing Explosion, that's exactly where conversations often head.

Talking typewriters with these artists is like discussing wheels with hot-rodgers. Names are spoken in loving whispers: the 1948 Remington Rand! the midnight-blue Royal Deluxe! The contour, finish and touch of every species is dissected, hailed for its singular qualities and its fascinations.

"Let's get sentimental," says Explosion founder Sarah Ocampo. "The writing world lost poetry when it switched over to digital tools! Remember the delicious smell of warm typewriter ribbon? That thrill when you sank your fingers into an old card catalog?"

Sitting beside her, petite Sierra Nelson gives a sigh. "As a child, I really loved to play on the typewriter. My mom's a lawyer and her Olivetti filled me with awe."

New mother Rachel Kessler rocks her tiny daughter, Ruby. "I think we each have our own typewriter fetish. There were years and years when I could only write on my old Underwood."

Pet machines are slowly revealed: an IBM Selectric equipped with an early "golf ball," a white Brother Opus, a Hermes 3000 portable. Such equipment, with its hums and clicks and personality, forms an essential part of the Typing Explosion's mission.

The Typing Explosion is composed of writers who collaborate to create poetry on-the-spot.

In operation, their meter sounds hilarious: Rapidly clicking keys are punctuated by burping horns, a constant chiming of bells and the periodic shriek of whistles. But their whole aim, says Ocampo, is to generate an assembly line of sound, one whose secret center is the actual production of serious writing.

They do so surrounded by ink pads, antique paper holders and a randomly filled jar of pencils -- dressed in secretarial gear with cups of coffee next to each of them. Working together, they offer the viewer "personal" poems for the price of one dollar.

The process of composition is staged as a performance, beginning when a "client" chooses the title for his or her elegy. Titles may be plucked from a vintage, four-drawer card catalog, or written out on one of the blank cards the Explosion provides.

A client must then walk from typist to typist as the poem evolves, verse-by-verse, among them. But Explosion members do not speak as they sit creating. Instead, they signal finished stanzas with their bells and whistles. As each writer completes a verse, she plucks the poem from her typewriter, hands it off and takes up another. When a piece is finished, the trio sounds three bicycle horns.

Every poem is then signed and dated, rubber-stamped "ORIGINAL," and presented to the waiting customer.

Ocampo chose to bill the group's debut appearances as performance art, carefully omitting any mentions whatsoever of poetry. "As my boyfriend says, 'The worst three things a woman can admit to are being a mime, a model or a poet.' So I resorted to a little bit of trickery." It was by carefully rehearsing their marriage of noise and logistics that they soon evolved what Kessler calls "our typing language."

Although they choose the titles of poems, their purchasers play a minimal role. They must remain obedient to those "rules" projected onto the wall.

These include standing at least a foot away from the typists' action, and a prohibition of any comments or suggestions. "Typists Reserve the Right to Begin and End Each Poem" reads one rule. Others include: "No Biting," "No Spitting," "No Horseplay" and "Do Not Touch the Typist."

Every 35 minutes, Kessler sounds a silver whistle. Then, the wall projection proclaims "UNION BREAK." The typists rise, and proceed to depart from the scene -- sipping the coffee each pours into her delicate demitasse.

All these little strategies, says Ocampo, have their targets. "We want our audience to help create the whole event. So, they have to stand in line and figure out the poems' titles. We don't talk to them, so they have to start talking together. One will start explaining how things work to someone else. Or a bunch of people will confer over a title."

"Very quickly we become authority figures," says Kessler. "People are respectful; it's like they're getting their fortunes told."

But co-authoring 50 poems at maximum speed takes a definite toll. "That's why it's easy to maintain the poker faces," she adds. "By the end of the evening, we're wrung-out from concentrating."

More than 300 titles for potential poems are in their file, typed on index cards the waiting clients may peruse. Currently, selections include "You Were Never My Favorite," "The Shiny Pink Blanket," "Three People Kissing" and "Why Children Eat Dirt." There are also more fanciful titles, like "As We Are Not in Love, Let Us Go Out and Look at the Stars." Every poem the typists write, however, is original. For once a title has been used, it is then retired for good.

So far, the Explosion has produced around 500 poems. They have performed at First Thursdays, ArtsEdge, poetry festivals, private parties and even a wedding. They have written poems for titles in French, Spanish and Swahili. Says Ocampo, "We've even gotten formulas and equations as titles."

Two separate publishers have also approached them, each proposing to collate their collected works. At first, there was inter-Explosion talk about the merits of this. Then, Kessler heard a radio piece about online self-publishing. Now, the Explosion may be doing the book themselves.

For this endeavor, they would make another transformation: to become staffers at the "Dear Diane Press." The title is taken, says Ocampo, from their "inter-office memos."

"Dear Dianas," she laughs, "are all the messages we type to each other. We send them back and forth while we're sitting there -- we're always typing." She shoots a glance at Kessler, who is trying to repress a grin.

The "memos," it transpires, are often comments on the crowd. A cute boy who's waiting in line or a potentially difficult customer. The typists all use "Dear Diane," so every memo remains anonymous.

Their joint enterprise, by contrast, is becoming well-known. During the Christmas season, the Explosion had to turn away bookings. "But," confesses Kessler, "we're tired of all those holiday metaphors. Now we're reaching the heart of winter, we can expect the existential crowd!"

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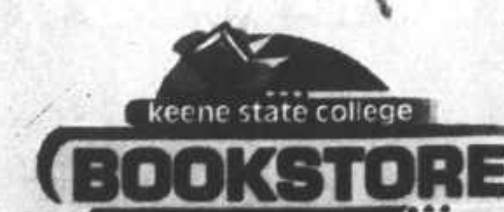
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The temperature outside during the winter months can deceive you. Thermometers can only measure the cold, not the wind. The combined effect of the winter cold and wind speed is called wind chill.

Although this sounds quite harmless, it is in fact quite dangerous, and even deadly. Heat is carried away faster from the skin, driving down body temperature. This can lead to frostbite or hypothermia.

Hypothermia: Low body temperature
Warning signs: Uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness, and apparent exhaustion.
Detection: Take the person's body temperature. If it is below 95 F (35 C), immediately seek medical care.

To avoid these and many other horrible affects of the cold, try to stay warm and dry. Layering clothes helps you prepare for different conditions and activities. Use three essential layers: underwear, insulation, and an outer shell.

Underwear

•Provides basic insulation and moves moisture away from skin, preventing chill when activity stops.
•Choose long underwear, or thin, snug-fitting pants with a long-sleeved T-shirt or turtleneck.

Insulation

•Use one or more layers, depending on conditions.
•Sweaters, sweatshirts and other similar garments are good insulators. Some newer insulating pieces are also suitable as an outer shell in milder weather.

Outer Shell

•Choose garments that are windproof, and preferably waterproof, such as those made of coated nylon or polyester. Many shells-- such as ski-style jackets or parkas-- combine the outer and insulating layers.

•Good fit is crucial. If the shell is too big, heat loss can occur rapidly. If it is too small, you may want to have enough room for insulating layers.

Plan from head to toe. Wear a hat, which can save half your body heat loss. If needed, wear layers of pants to keep your legs warm. Gloves and warm socks help protect fingers and toes, where you can first feel the effects of cold temperatures.

•The information used in this article was taken from the "Safe Steps for Winter Weather" brochure produced by the American Red Cross.

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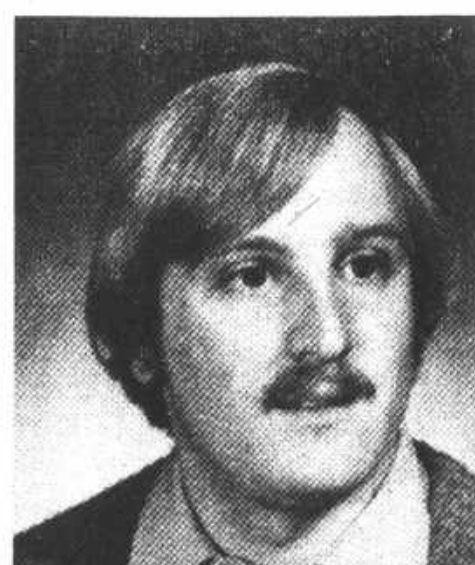
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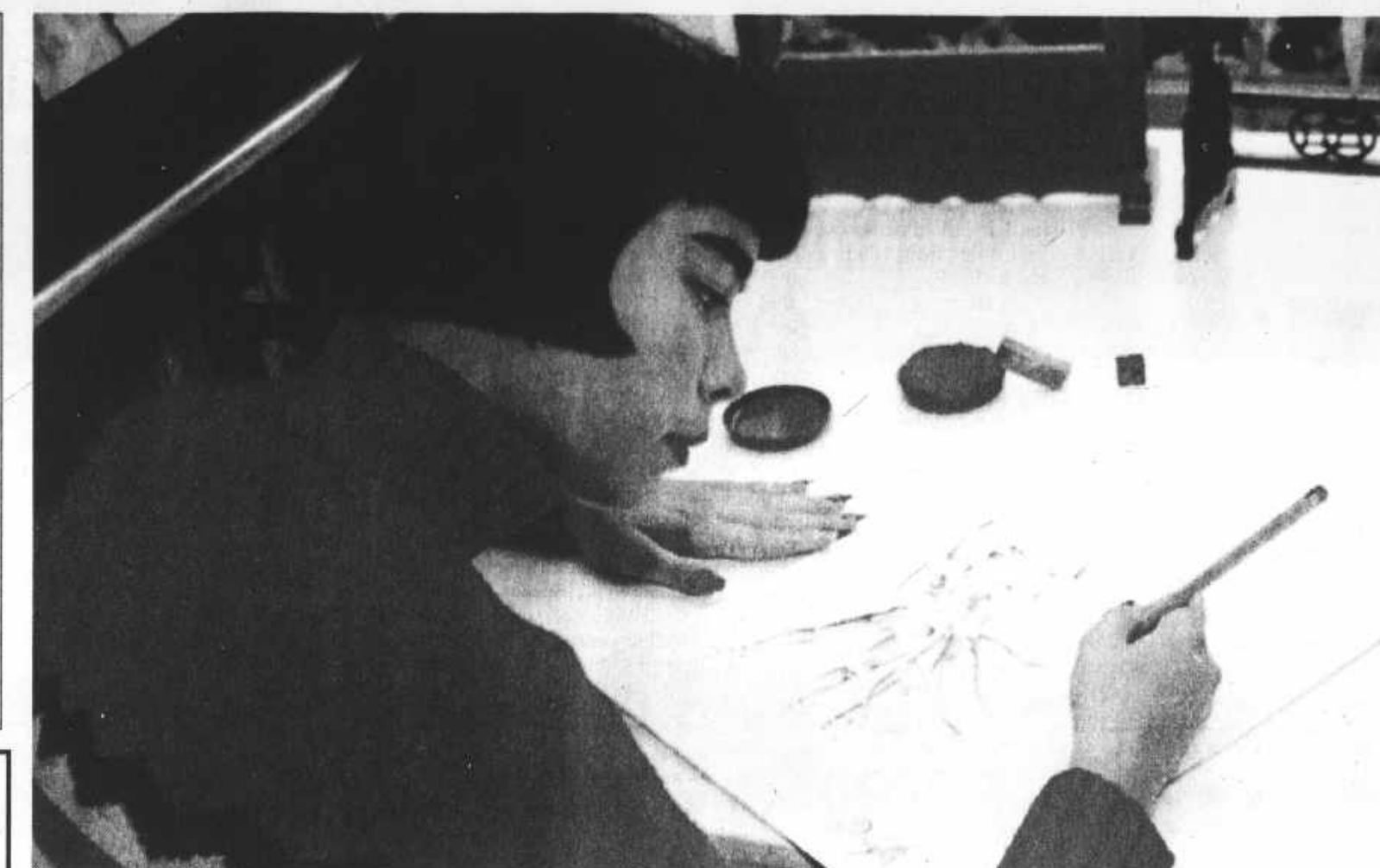
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Drue Kataoka, a student at Stanford University, is an expert in "sumi-e," a 2,000-year-old Japanese art technique that strives to capture an image with as few brush strokes as possible.

Stanford student strives to put modern twist on ancient art

MARI MATSUMOTO
Campus Correspondent - San
Jose State University

PALO ALTO, Calif. (TMS) — An athlete's power, a jazz player's smooth technique and a politician's commanding presence are frozen in time by Drue Kataoka, a student at Stanford University who uses an ancient form of Japanese art to get at the essence of her contemporary subjects.

"It is a challenge to speak an ancient language with a modern tongue," said Kataoka, a Stanford University senior whose art, "sumi-e," has received national and international acclaim.

"I'm taking an art form that's rich with tradition and creating a new way of seeing it."

Kataoka, who was born in Tokyo, has worked to master the medium since she was 5 years old. After putting in thousands of hours of practice, she attained the title of professional sumi-e artist

at the age of 17 when she received her "Han," a stamp that recognizes her mastery of the technique's brush strokes and appears on each of her paintings.

Kataoka said the motion and power of sumi-e's strokes are what attracted her to it. Sumi-e is a 2,000-year-old Japanese art technique that strives to capture an image with as few brush strokes as possible.

It is painstaking and tedious. One misplaced stroke and an artist must begin a piece again.

"You can't remove or take anything back," Kataoka said. Sumi-e artists work with black or brown ink on a white rice paper surface called "wasushi," to create graceful, but powerful, images.

Sumi-e artists are less concerned with the physical aspects of their subjects, preferring instead to focus on the feelings they exude.

For example, a sumi-e artist painting a countryside would be

less likely to fret over the finer details of every flower and rolling hill, choosing instead to convey an image that radiates stillness, peace, delicacy and motion.

But you're not likely to find many traditional landscapes in Kataoka's portfolio because she'd rather paint sports and musicians. Her work includes a myriad of promotional posters featuring a variety of athletes.

"I paint what excites me," she said. "And I look to the past and present — to reflect on a rich history while simultaneously looking toward a bright and promising future."

Her renowned talent has helped her attain commissions both on and off the Stanford campus.

Kataoka's sumi-e painting of two dancers appears on the cover of jazz musician Wynton Marsalis' CD "Swinging into the 21st Century."

Last year, Stanford commissioned her to produce a few paint-

ings, including one that promoted the 100th anniversary of the university's "Big Game" against the University of California at Berkeley.

Officials of the Hoover Institution bought Kataoka's painting of former President Herbert Hoover and presented it to his grandson as he stepped down as chairman of the institution's board of overseers.

"I was moved to hear that this grandson of a great political icon said the painting reminded him of his grandfather and captured another dimension of his personality — not only (President) Hoover's compassion, but also his sense of humor," Kataoka said.

Among Kataoka's latest projects is the creation of a panoramic wall titled "Cardinal Champions" that will adorn the university's family sports center.

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Radar may reveal piece falling from Alaska Airlines plane

J. LYNN LUNSFORD
Knight-Ridder Tribune

Radar that tracked Alaska Airlines Flight 261 may show a piece of the aircraft falling from the plane shortly before it crashed, sources say.

National Transportation Safety Board officials were analyzing preliminary radar information late Monday, but sources said that at least two Southern California radar sites had detected a small "target" that separated from the main image of the McDonnell Douglas MD-83 in the seconds before the crash.

It was impossible to tell the size of the piece. Radar is sensitive enough to pick up objects as small

as a briefcase.

The radar tracked the object until it fell into the ocean about four miles from where Flight 261 crashed.

Investigators suspect that it came from the tail section of the aircraft just before it flipped and tumbled 17,000 feet into the Pacific Ocean on Jan. 31, killing all 88 people on board.

The airplane was being prepared for an emergency landing in Los Angeles after the crew reported the horizontal stabilizer was jammed.

It had departed from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and was scheduled to stop in San Francisco and Seattle.

The horizontal stabilizer on an

MD-80 series aircraft is a movable 40-foot wing atop the tail that controls the up and down stability of the plane.

By making small adjustments to the stabilizer using switches on the pilot's control wheel, the plane can be trimmed in such a way that it is easier to fly.

Experts say that if the horizontal stabilizer — or some part of it — failed, the resulting changes in aerodynamic forces could easily cause the airplane to become uncontrollable.

"The eyewitnesses said the airplane was tumbling and spinning, which would indicate a loss of tail effectiveness of some kind," said aviation consultant C.O. Miller, a former senior safety board investi-

gator.

Flight 261 had been cruising at 31,000 feet when it went into a 90-second dive that took it to 23,700 feet before the crew regained control.

After that, a flight attendant told the pilots that she had heard a loud noise in the rear of the aircraft. The pilots said they had heard it too.

A second noise, which could have been a piece of the airplane breaking away, occurred just before the airplane plunged out of control.

If a splash site for the piece that fell off the airplane is pinpointed, officials will send U.S. Navy vessels in search of it.

Over the last few years, the

Navy has been able to find and retrieve key pieces of airplanes that fell into the ocean, including the cargo door that ripped away from a United Airlines Boeing 747 that later landed in Honolulu with a gaping hole in its side.

Even if officials do not find whatever fell from the plane, it could be possible to determine what happened from looking at the main wreckage.

Safety board Chairman Jim Hall is scheduled to give an update on the investigation Tuesday afternoon.

Most of the wreckage is in small pieces that are strewn along the hard sandy bottom in an area the size of a football field.

A source familiar with the

investigation said the aircraft "is so broken up that it is impossible to tell whether it is all there or not."

Several pieces of the tail section have been identified on videotapes taken by remote-control submarines, but few are larger than 3 feet long.

The parts of the tail that have been identified include a 5-foot section of the leading edge of the horizontal stabilizer and a 3- to 4-foot piece of the spar that provides the structural backbone of the stabilizer.

Other parts identified include a 5- to 7-foot piece of skin from the outside of the vertical stabilizer on which the company's logo, a smiling Eskimo, is painted.

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March 21-April 19

Your social life should be great this week, but you may be introverted this weekend. Monday's a busy day with long errands to run. Get friends to help with shopping over the weekend. Stick to your budget, or you could get an awful case of buyers' remorse.

Taurus
(April 20-May 20)

You've been forced to reassess your forward motion during the past few weeks, but life will get easier soon. Take care of business on Monday and increase your income. You're learning quickly on Tuesday and Wednesday. Make big decisions Thursday and Friday after you've studied the issues. Party to the max over the weekend.

Gemini
(May 21-June 21)

You may have had trouble with travel over the past few weeks, but it should be easier on Monday. Focus on ways to make money on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday are good for studying, so pay attention. Stay close to home over the weekend. Respect an older person's opinions, too. You can learn a lot that way.

Cancer
(June 22-July 22)

Take care of old business on Monday. Clear off your desk. You'll be ready to start a new project on Tuesday or Wednesday, even if the money isn't there yet. On Thursday and Friday, you'll have difficulty concluding a deal or getting the check that was promised. Travel this weekend, especially

with or to visit siblings.

Leo
(July 23-Aug. 22)

Resolve partnership or legal matters this week so you can get on to the next phase. Plan your agenda with the team on Monday. Take care of something that's overdue on Tuesday and Wednesday. You'll feel stronger on Thursday and Friday, but you still have to be diplomatic. Be careful when shopping over the weekend. Stick to your budget, or you could get an awful case of buyers' remorse.

Virgo
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You're still busy this week, but you'll be able to share the load with a partner soon. Monday could be hectic and nerve-rattling. Take it slowly. Tuesday and Wednesday should be a lot easier, especially if you gather a team around yourself. There's more pressure on Thursday and Friday, so be prepared by then. Ask for what you want, and you'll get the help you need over the weekend. The hard part will be over by then.

Libra
(Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Monday should be a lot of fun and a good day to start a writing project. Your nerves could be on edge Tuesday and Wednesday. Take care not to snap. Your biggest problem Thursday and Friday is setting priorities in your social calendar. You'll be a perfectionist this weekend. Don't be frustrated; just keep at it 'til you get it right.

Scorpio
(Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

You're still focusing on things that are happening at home. Monday's good for shopping to replace something that's worn out. Plan a romantic excursion for Tuesday or Wednesday. The boss may ask you for an accounting on Thursday or Friday. Be pre-

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Sagittarius
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Learn something you can apply at home this week. Listen and take notes on Monday, even if you don't always agree. Go out and get stuff that'll be good for your family on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday or Friday will be best for an athletic excursion, so get your exercise then. Stay home over the weekend.

Capricorn
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You could find a nice way to increase your income on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Should be good for planning a major purchase. Then, go out and get it on Thursday or Friday. Your weekend's about education. If something interesting is happening within a few hundred miles, go there.

Aquarius
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Monday is your best day this week. You have a clear shot, so take it. You'll have to put in more effort on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday are good for resolving an old difficulty with a partner. Shop for something you need over the weekend. Watch out; you're feeling extra generous.

Pisces
(Feb. 19-March 20)

You've been pondering, possibly worrying, for a few weeks. Outgrow the old traditions and get on to the next phase. On Monday, you'll get tired of an outdated issue. Romance looks excellent on Tuesday and Wednesday. You'll be busy with business on Thursday and Friday. Over the weekend, the sun goes into your sign. You'll get more confident and more creative. Replace an old habit with one that saves you money.

Rich Moyer



off the mark by Mark Parisi



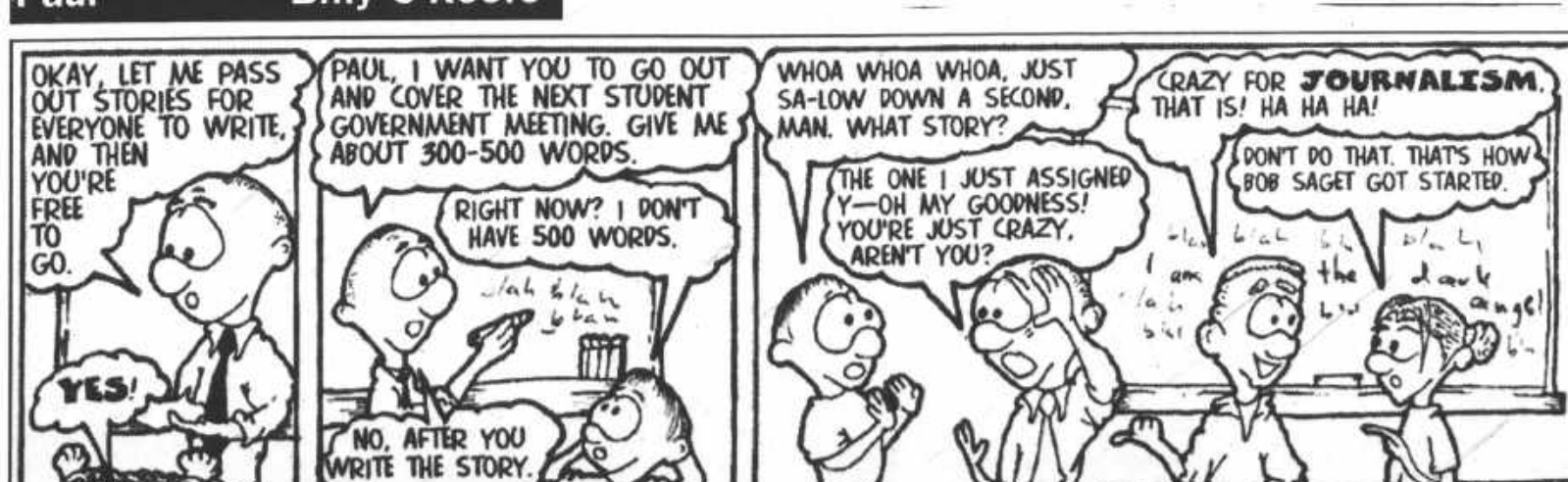
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2. Poem of praise
3. Movie, dir. by John Dahl
4. Well-known word
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Football

Derrick Thomas dead at 33

TMS Campus

Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Derrick Thomas died Tuesday at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami from an apparent heart attack. The NFL star had been hospitalized and treated for injuries from a Jan. 23 car crash that left him paralyzed from the chest down.

The nine-time Pro Bowl player was injured last month when the speeding car he was driving flipped on an icy road. As a result of the crash, Michael Telles, 49, a friend of Thomas', died. Thomas broke his spine and neck and wound up semiconscious with no feeling in his legs.

Kansas City Chiefs president Carl Peterson, who was with Thomas on Monday, said, "He was upbeat, he was positive, he was Derrick." Peterson, wearing a button with Thomas' No. 58, spoke in tears from Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City.

"He was in a wheelchair. ... I said 'Son, you're mobile.' He said, 'Father, I am. I've got wheels.' It is a devastating tragedy," Peterson said.



Derrick Thomas- nine time pro-bowler.

Answer to this weeks trivia:

Teemu Selanne of the Anaheim Mighty Ducks in 1998

Attention KSC students!!

Are you interested in serving on the Counseling Center Student Advisory Board?

The KSC Counseling Center is looking for new student advisory board members. The board was formed in October 1996, and we would like to invite you to join us for the spring 2000 semester. Meetings are held in the "Stress Less Zone", Huntress basement, on Tuesdays from 12:30 - 1:20 p.m.

The board actively seeks and promotes the development of a collaborative working relationship between students and the Counseling Center. We have reached one of our goals and have established a "Stress Less" room on campus.

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MIKE MACIEL
The Equinox

The KSC Indoor Track Team used Saturday's Dartmouth Indoor Invitational as both a workout and a practice for the conference championships that are coming up this weekend.

The team began the day without two of its best distance runners, Matt St. Germaine and Scott Jensen.

However, picking up the slack was old reliable Wilson Perez, who recently qualified for nationals.

Perez took home a first place finish with a time of 4:20.09 in the 1-mile run while Godfrey Berger (4:28.37) placed sixth.

Oksana Anohina also placed first in the 55-meter hurdles with a NCAA provisional time of 8.51 seconds.

Mary Proulx, with a time of 18:06.13, set a school record and a New England Qualifying time with her fourth place finish in the 5,000-meter run.

"With a month to go we'll be working on getting her (Proulx) into the NCAA's with an indoor time," said KSC coach Peter Thomas. "If it were to end this weekend she'd be in."

A school record was also set by Mark Miller with his fourth place, 1:06.73 finish in the 500-meter run.

Steve Callahan set a personal best in the 55-meter dash preliminaries with a time of 6.96 seconds.

"We'll be at full force... as we look to defend our conference championship"

* Peter Thomas, KSC coach

The Owls held their own at the meet and more than a few team members turned in notable performances.

In the men's weight throw, Jeff Roberts (10.99m) and Josh Lyford (9.84m) placed ninth and eleventh respectively.

Coach Thomas said that the pair worked hard in practice all week and did well against some division one opponents.

Melissa Coffey set a school record in the weight throw (10.44m), and earned herself a seventh place finish in that event.

Christine Leggett ended up in ninth place with a throw of 9.4 meters.

Thomas was happy with the performance of his team, as the Owls headed into the day just looking to work on some things for the upcoming championships.

"Essentially it was their speed workout day. We have to use some meets for workouts," he said.

Thomas is looking forward to the big meet this Sunday at the Reggie Lewis Center in Roxbury where he will have the use of all his weapons.

He added, "We'll be at full force this weekend as we look to defend our conference championship."

As far as predictions for this weekend go, the main competition will be between KSC and Westfield State.

Keene hopes to defend its title in middle distance and with things looking well going in, it seems that they have a good chance to do accomplish that goal.

Women's Basketball

BENJAMIN COLE
The Equinox

On Tuesday, the Keene State College women's basketball team defeated rival Plymouth State 60-49 in a matchup at Spaulding Gymnasium.

Keene State was led by Julie Tardif who had a game high 15 points. Meghan Jalbert and Hayley Alaimo added 10 points apiece, and while Margot Fleming was shut down scoring wise, she did manage to pull down nine rebounds.

The Owls led 30-17 at halftime, and were up by as many as fifteen at one point.

However, in something that has become a trend of late KSC let their opponent back into it in the second half.

Plymouth cut the KSC lead to six with 2:10 remaining, but that would be

the closest the Panthers would get. On Saturday, the Owls defeated UMass Dartmouth 54-41 behind Alaimo's game high 16 points.

The Owls controlled the game with their defense, and began to pull away from Dartmouth at about the midway point of the first half when the Owls put together a 13-5 run to take a 39-23 lead.

U M a s s Dartmouth made a comeback late in the second half, pulling to within eight in the final minutes.

However, Alaimo came through in the clutch and nailed her fourth three

pointer of the game with 49 seconds left to seal the win.

"We could have easily scored 70 points today," said coach Boucher. "We missed a lot of good shots."

Although upset with his team's offensive performance, Boucher was impressed with their defensive effort.

"When you give up just 41 points and three of them are desperation shots, I think that's a good thing," he said.

Alaimo, a freshman from Ellington, Connecticut, was rewarded for her play last week by being named the Little East Conference's Rookie of the Week.

She averaged 11 points and 3.5 rebounds in KSC's two games last week.

The Owls next game will be on Saturday when they travel to Western Connecticut State University for a 1p.m. matchup.

"We missed a lot of good shots."

* Keith Boucher
KSC head coach

College Basketball

KEVIN T. CZERWINSKI
Knight-Ridder Tribune

SYRACUSE, N.Y. -- Stamp Seton Hall legitimate.

The Pirates put to rest all the questions about whether they are worthy of NCAA tournament consideration with one mighty effort Monday night at the Carrier Dome.

The Hall withstood charge after charge from No. 4 Syracuse and showed the mettle that most thought they were lacking, holding on for a stunning 69-67 victory over the previously undefeated Orangemen.

The victory ended Syracuse's season long, 19-game winning streak while extending the Pirates' mastery over Jim Boeheim's club in its own building.

And in silencing the 23,735 fans that formed a screaming,

eled to upstate New York as a huge underdog, and for the third consecutive trip it pulled out a victory.

This time, the win almost assuredly will put the Pirates in next week's Top 25 and virtually secured their position in the NCAA tournament. It also pulled the Hall to within a game of the first-place Orangemen (19-1, 9-1) in the Big East.

"For us to come in here, against a terrific team in this environment, and win... I'm just proud of the way we pulled together in a tough time," Seton Hall coach Tommy Amaker said. "Very rarely is a team going to go undefeated. The law of averages says its tough to do that. So I told our guys: Why not us? Why not our team? Why can't we come in here and win a game?"

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Tough loss on home floor



Jack Reardon goes up for a deuce.

JASON CAMPBELL
The Equinox

Keene State College fell silent as the news of Chris Coates' season ending injury spread throughout the campus. How will the team perform without their leading scorer? was the question on the minds of all Keene State College basketball fans.

Although the fans were worried, the team was ready to show that their depth is the key to their success and that players will step up to fill the void.

On Tuesday they got their chance versus arch rival Plymouth State College in front of a sold-out stadium with 2000 screaming fans.

This game proved to be an intense grudge match between the two. Keene State fell behind quickly in the first half, but wouldn't let it get to them as they never let Plymouth State run away with it. At the half Keene was down by 5, 53 to 48.

One minute into the second half things looked grim as Plymouth was up 11 points with 19 minutes left in the half.

Keene State fell top as much as 12 when Mark Dunham of Plymouth hit a three point shot with about 14 and a half minutes left in the game.

But Keene would crack the lead and tie the game with a lay-up by David Stantal with 53 seconds left in regulation.

The score would see-saw back and forth with Plymouth State College taking the lead and Keene State coming back. Neither team could claim victory as both fell one shy of 100 points.

Stantal had the shot at the end of regulation but couldn't get it to fall as the game went into overtime with the score tied 99-99.

With 49 seconds left in overtime Keene State College finally took their first lead since midway through the second half.

It just wasn't meant to be as the Owls faced a one point deficit in the final 10 seconds of overtime.

The Owls had many chances to finish the Panthers off but could not convert as Keene State missed 4 attempts to win the game.

Derek Swenson was the one to step up in the absence of Coates, scoring 26 points and nabbing 4 steals to lead the team.

Stantal scored 23 points and grabbed 9 rebounds, Alphonse Michalski racked 19 points and dished out 10 assists, and Fred Fieldhouse scored 20 points.

It was a special game for Fieldhouse. With about 2 minutes left in overtime he scored his 1000th point to be only the fifth player in Keene State history to reach this milestone in his junior year.

Also, in the overtime frame a streak ended as Fieldhouse finally missed a free throw.

Prior to the miss, he had made an awe-some 37 straight free throws in a row to set a new school record.

The Keene State men's basketball team needs to look ahead. The rest of their games on their schedule are versus Little East teams.

The Owls have already qualified for the post season tournament, and they need to ready the younger players for the intensity of tournament action.

They next face top ranked Western Connecticut down in Dirty Danbury before returning home to face Eastern Connecticut on the 15th and then UMass Boston Saturday the 19th.

The Little East Conference Tournament will begin on Tuesday, February 22.

Commentary

The Joe Murphy era ends. Will it help the team?

BEN ROY
The Equinox

Remember a few years back when those 'Coed Naked' shirts were big? Well one of them, I believe it was 'Coed Naked' Tennis, had the saying "it's in, it's out, it's over." That is a perfect way to describe Joe Murphy's career with the Boston Bruins, "he's in, he's out, it's over."

Joe was suspended by us...until further notice," Mike O'Connell, Bruins Vice President of Hockey Operations/Assistant General Manager said. "The reason was a violation of his contract which we determined to be 'conduct detrimental to the best interests of the club' in the form of insubordination toward the coach."

This is just another bump in the road for a Bruins team that has struggled mightily all season. After the team's horrible start, Murphy was signed as a free agent.

He had been practicing with the New York Rangers and was expected to sign with them, so when Boston landed him it appeared to be a big steal.

Some steal. Murphy was brought aboard to spark the ailing offense, but 14 points in 26 games is hardly the spark the Bruins' front office paid him \$1 million to bring.

To add to his disappointing totals, Murphy decided it was a good idea to had mouth Coach Pat Burns. And if that was not bad enough, he did it where other Bruins players could hear it.

The Bruins brass had no other choice but to give Murphy the boot. In a week that team owner Jeremy Jacobs questioned Burns in the Boston Globe, the team could not afford to have its coach belittled by a third-line winger too. It would have caused a chain reaction of insubordination towards the coach, and we all know what happens to a team when it doesn't respect its coach (see New England Patriots vs. Pete Carroll 1999).

The players seemed to agree with the decision to ax Murphy from Beantown. "I didn't like it," said Kyle McLaren. "You can't condone it. No one in the league can disrespect the coach, no matter who it is - Pat Burns, Pat Quinn, whoever. You have to respect your peers and your coaches. That's what I didn't like. It's almost like disrespecting Ray [Bourque]. Both guys have accomplished so much. You just don't do it."

The management and the players alike have been very vocal in their backing of Coach Burns. That is a good thing, if for no other reason because it eliminates one of the major reasons being thrown around for the Bruins' lackluster play as of late.

The sad part of this entire saga is that the Bruins finally spent some of their almost limitless cash to improve the team and got nothing. It takes an act of God to get Harry Stenson and O'Connell to pay a player more than minimum wage, and every few years they do it and get zero return on their commitment. In the early 1990s it was Kevin Stevens and now nearly a decade later it's Joe Murphy. Both came to the Hub having achieved success in their previous cities of employment and were a total bust when they arrived.

It may now be another decade before the Boston Bruins regain the courage to test the free agent market, but the team made the right decision in firing Murphy. It may be just the kick in the ass the team needs to jump-start its season in the drive for the post-season.

Twisters kill 22 in Georgia

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The Student Lifestyles will not be appearing this week. The Equinox apologizes for any inconvenience.

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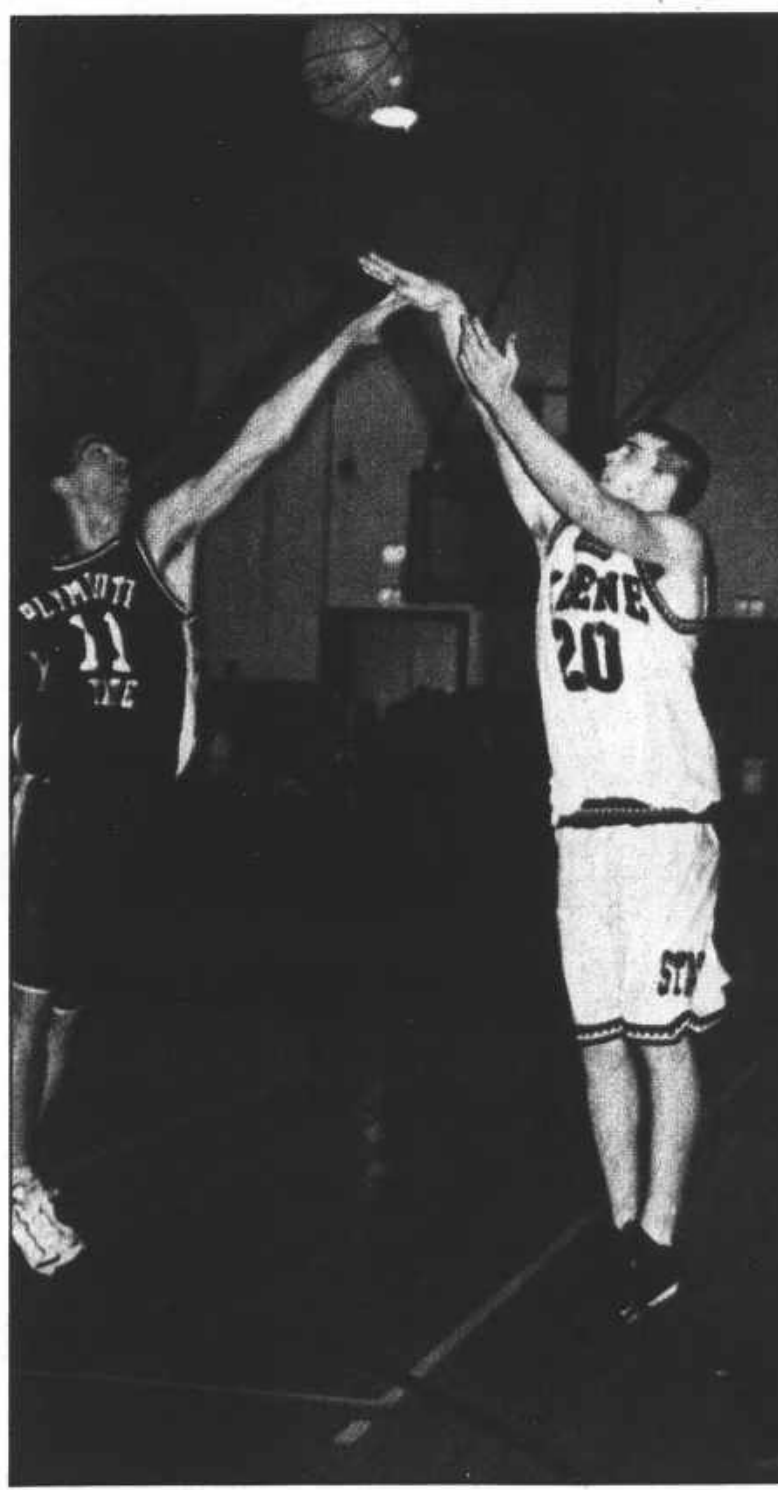
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The Equinox seeks to maintain a high level of journalistic standards. If you find an error in the stories, let us know so we can issue a correction.

Look for the answer to this week's trivia question inside on page 18



The Owls will be without Coates' sweet jumper for the LEC tournament.

men's basketball

Broken foot ends Coates' stellar season

COURTESY OF THE KSC SPORTS INFORMATION OFFICE

On Saturday, the Keene State College men's basketball team not only lost a close game to UMass Dartmouth 99-96, but they also lost the services of their leading scorer and rebounder, Chris Coates. Coates broke the fifth metatarsal in his foot, the bone that runs along the outside of the foot from the heel to the ankle.

Coates' fracture occurred closer to the heel, and according to Nancy Bleam, clinical supervisor of athletic training at Keene State, it is common for the bone not to heal properly and require surgery.

"I knew the minute it happened something was wrong," said Coates. "I heard something snap and the pain was relentless."

Keene State team physician Dr. Cherie Holmes confirmed the fracture on Sunday, and determined that there was no chance that Coates would be in action at any time this season.

"I think we were hoping for a more positive prognosis," said KSC head coach Rob Colbert. "But in the back of our minds we knew that wasn't going to be the case." Earlier this year Coates became only the fourth junior in the program's history to score 1000 career points, and his absence will leave a major hole in the Owls' lineup.

In addition to leading the team in scoring (23.5 ppg.) and rebounding (8.9 rpg.), he is also first in steals and second in assists.

"I feel horrible about it," said Coates. "I'm very proud of my accomplishments this season, but now all I can do is come to the games and root on my teammates. I'm shocked and disappointed."

"We're obviously going to need other people to step it up," stated Colbert. "At least at this stage of the season, we will have a few games to get accustomed to being without him before the start of the Little East tournament. Fortunately we have some depth. It just means changing the way we allocate minutes."

Derek Swenson, a freshman from Attleboro, Mass. who scored a season-high 15 points against UMass Dartmouth could be a prime recipient of those additional minutes.

"He played some key minutes for us on Saturday," said Coates. "Hopefully he can help fill in."

"I'm just going to try to be a positive role model," added Coates. "There is a pretty down feeling on the team right now, and I'm going to do everything I can to help rally the team and pick up their spirits."

Coates' injury came the day before he was named to the Little East Conference Honor Roll for his play in the past week.

He had 28 points, 12 rebounds, and five assists against Tufts University last week, and had 23 points and seven assists against Dartmouth before suffering the devastating injury.

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Five librarians gain faculty status

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Before students returned to campus at the beginning of the new year, there were some new faculty members added to Keene State College's ranks. However, they had been here for quite a while.

Five members of the Mason Library staff have had their status changed from Professional Administrative Technical (PAT) to faculty to keep up with the rest of the staff.

The five new faculty are Peggie Partello, Anne Ames, Judith Hildebrandt, Beth Bloomquist, and Lois Merry.

Partello has become an associate professor, and the others have all been named assistant professors.

David Pinto, director of the Library and Instructional Technologies, is the only Mason Library employee who is not currently a member of the faculty.

This is due to the fact that he is considered management by the college, and that is under a different status ranking.

"Last year we had some librarians that were faculty, and some PAT," Pinto said, causing a sense of inequality among the staff. Prior to the five new faculty members, only the reference librarians Peg Barrett, Patrick O'Brien, and Robert Madden were faculty.

According to Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Golden the negotiations for this alteration began last spring.

"The PAT librarians wanted to be included so they talked to the union and worked it out," Pinto said.

Although much of all the librarians will remain practically the same, they now have the ability to participate in faculty functions.

Professional librarians will function completely as a group of peers," Pinto said.

With an increased responsibility comes increased responsibility, one that Pinto believes will help the library work quicker and more efficiently for the faculty.

"This should add to more collegiality. We'll work better together as a team."

• Robert Madden

One of the most visible advantages to the Keene State student will be a higher level of interaction in a class setting with the new faculty.

Librarians will often teach one or more classes for Computer Science 101 and English 101, according to Robert Madden, one of the long-time reference librarians and Keene State community member for 23 years.

"This should lead to more collegiality," Madden said. "We'll work better together as a team. This is all a part of the development of critical thinking."

Hildebrandt believes that the institutional change is a step in the right direction.

"As of 1990, new librarians would be hired as PAT faculty, but if we were to hire a new librarian today, they would be considered faculty," she said.

"I believe [the change] will really improve things here in the library," Pinto said.

"Everyone's hope is that it is a benefit to students."

McCain campaign challenged by Bush's recent win, new strategy

Photo by Richard B. Levine

Presidential candidate Senator John McCain addresses the crowd at a news conference in New York City on February 11, 2000. After McCain pummeled him in New Hampshire, Bush re-emerged in South Carolina last week with a new style and strategy that focuses almost entirely on winning South Carolina. McCain, meanwhile, is so energized by his 19-point New Hampshire victory and his enthusiastic reception in South Carolina that his bus tour of the state has become something of a rolling celebration. - Courtesy of TMS Campus.com

Official explains Holloway pipe burst

ANGELA WATSON
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The clean-up in Holloway Hall is complete, but the financial mess is still a mystery.

The total cost of the damages incurred in the January 23 pipe burst are still unknown, but the incident's cause has now come to light.

The cost has not yet been calculated due to the fact that some of the bills have not come to the college for the services needed to clean the rooms and to dry the carpets, said Anne Miller, Associate Dean for Student Affairs/Student Life.

The cost of the damages is mostly for the cleaning services and not actual damage to the building.

Because the college does not carry insurance to replace the personal property of students, the students affected by the flood were forced to foot the bill for most of the damage done to personal items.

The college's insurance policy is a decision made by the University System of New Hampshire.

"We make it a point in Orientation in telling people they need to get renter's insurance," Miller said.

Though they may not be able to replace personal property, Residential Life did help students by giving them laundry cards to wash their clothes and bed sheets and also they offered to pay for any necessary dry cleaning.

Frank Mazzola, Director of the Physical Plant, described the circumstances why the pipe froze and burst.

Every summer the sprinkler pipes are tested to make sure that they are in working order, Mazzola said.

The pipes are then flooded and drained. Mazzola explained that some of the water from the test this summer was left in the pipes inadvertently.

With the temperatures below freezing in the attic of the hall the water froze causing the pipe to burst.

Students have mixed reactions as to how the school handled the situation.

Melissa Currier, a sophomore affected by the flooding, commented, "I was shocked that I was able to move back in the next day."

She also appreciated the laundry card she was given to get her laundry done.

One thing Currier was not pleased with was that it took over 10 days to regain full use of her bathroom.

"They came in, cleaned the carpet, sucked out all the water, sprayed it so it wouldn't get all mildewy and put the furniture on block to let the carpet dry," Amanda Quick, a sophomore, said.

"They handled getting the rug dried very fast; it took them no time," Jennifer Tobin, also a sophomore, added.

The affected students did comment that a mix-up leaving them without front door keys, and heating level complications were some of the more common problems after the flood, but that they were also taken care of promptly.