

# Sports

## Softball team ready for tough schedule

By Joe Wyman  
Staff Writer

High hopes and expectations of soaring success surround this year's Keene State softball team. After some tough games on the West Coast, the Lady Owls are ready for action in one of the toughest leagues in the country. The NECC has three teams rated in the top five in New England. Bridgeport University, Sacred Heart University, and University New Haven are all ranked in the top five. And the remainder of the NECC teams are capable of being just as dangerous. It can make for a long season.

The season itself will see the Owls play 34 games in 27 days against NECC opponents, two Division I schools and other top rated New England teams. In short, chances are that if a school has a good softball team, Keene is playing them this year.

The Lady Owls had a rough time in the beginning of their stay in California, dropping their first six games. Head Coach Charlie Beach explains, "We got beat twice, we beat ourselves the other four times. Two of the six games we lost were because someone made an error that they shouldn't have made. That lost us ball games."

The trip ended on a winning note however, when the team won three

out of their last four games. "It is my opinion that we have one of the best softball teams in the country," Beach said. "If we want to be nationally recognized, we have to play the best teams in the nation. Traditionally, California has the best teams."

Beach said it was just a matter of coming together and learning. "We feel very good about our trip. We feel positive about our performance and we feel we are very competitive against these people. When you play against that caliber a team, you just can't make mistakes."

Mistakes can be expected in the early going. The team is relatively young with eight freshmen making up the majority of the team. Despite this, Beach is expecting big things from this year's team. "On paper this is the best team Keene State has ever had. These are the finest athletes we have ever had."

Athletic seems to be the best way to describe this year's team. The Lady Owls have one of the top six shortstops in the country, Regional All-American Laura Mackay. According to Beach, "She holds about every record offensively and defensively in the school's history." The Lady Owls also have an All-Conference player at first base, sophomore Janette Schou. "I just can't say enough about the potential of this team," Beach added.

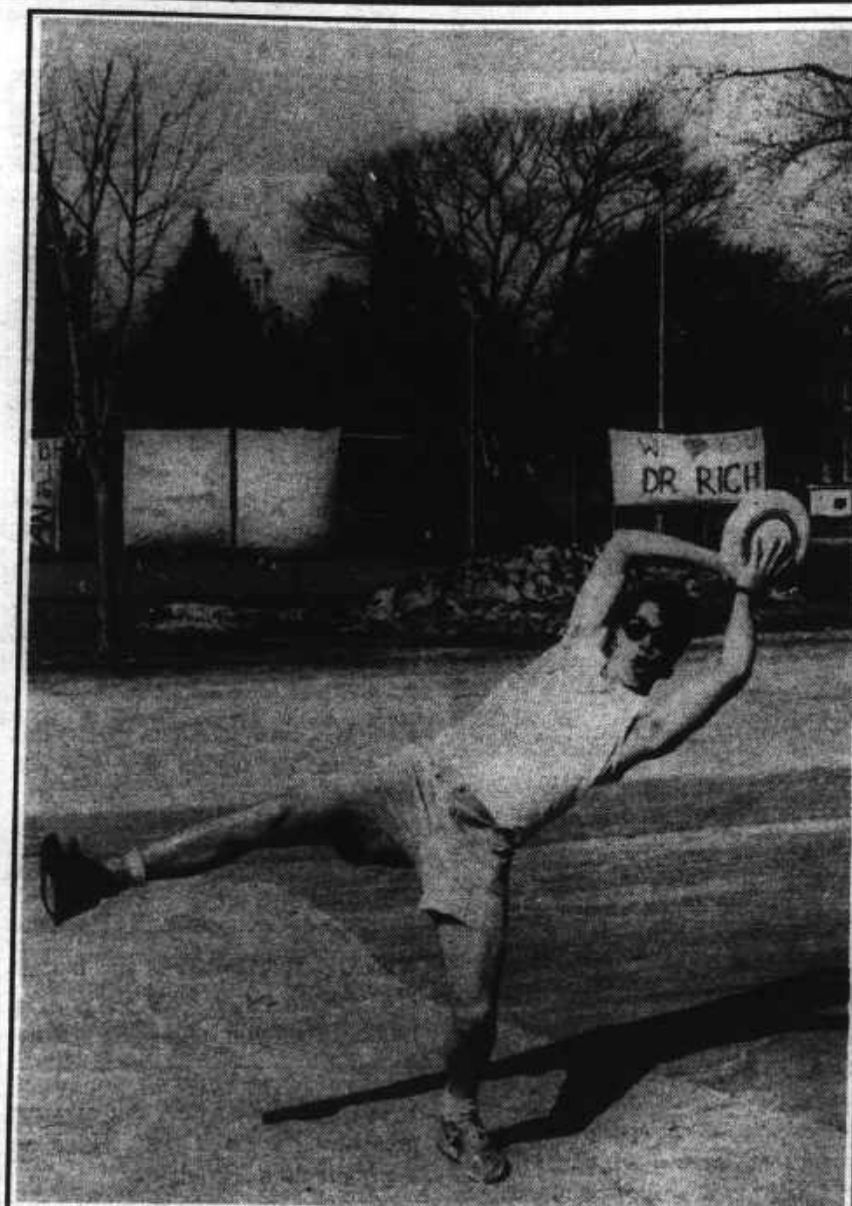
One of the Lady Owls major strengths is their pitching. Sophomore

Kim Slauenwhite is geared for another successful season. "Kim Slauenwhite has won more games than any pitcher in the history of Keene State College," Beach said. "She's very smart, she has an assortment of pitches, and she can pitch under pressure." The Owls other gunslingers on the mound are freshmen Kim MacLean and Stephanie Soper. MacLean won two games in California with an earned run average (ERA) of 1.60. Soper brought back two losses from California which Beach says weren't her doing. Her ERA was an astonishing .888.

With the combination of athletic talents that the Owls have, hopes are high for the team to go far. Though they are not currently ranked in New England, Beach remains confident. "I'm just very optimistic about the outcome of this year. I view not being ranked in two ways, one as an insult and two, nobody's going to know what we've got."

"What people are going to say when they see them play is 'Wow, they play just like guys,'" Beach said with a gleam in his eye. "They are going to see that softball traveling at 70 m.p.h."

The Lady Owls start their regular season today in a non-conference game against Assumption College. Their first conference game is on Saturday against Southern Connecticut State University at 2:00 p.m.



Chris Brady, a member of the Hooters Ultimate Disc team, practices his technique during a recent warm spell.

## Professional teams settle their contracts

(AP)—A Federal Judge in Philadelphia has indicated that the dispute between baseball and major league umpires can be resolved in an out of court settlement. District judge Norma L. Shapard temporarily recessed negotiating.

The umpires are boycotting spring training to protest the way regular season games were rescheduled after the owner's lockout. The umpires said they should have been consulted.

Baseball officials asked for a restraining order to force the umpires back to work. The protesting umpires have said they'll report for regular season openers April 9.

The White House has announced that president Bush will attend an opening day baseball game April 10 in Toronto. The Blue Jays will be hosting the Texas Rangers. The President's oldest son (George Walker Bush) is a part owner of the Rangers. The ballgame will be in conjunction with the President's visit

to Canada for talks with Prime Minister Brian Mulroney. There is no word yet on which head of state will throw out the first ball.

That record of underclassmen heading for the NFL draft keeps rising. Six more were approved for by the league for d-day April 22. That brings the total of underclassmen to 28 since the NFL relaxed it's draft rules. Among the most recently approved players is former Tennessee running back Reggie Cobb. He was thrown off the team last season for failing a drug test for the third time.

The exodus of free agents from the Indianapolis Colts continues. The fourth and fifth players to leave under the plan B free agent system are linebackers Cliff Odum and guard Ben Utt. Odum inked a two year deal with Miami, while Utt signed on for three years with Atlanta.

Pittsburg signed it's first plan B free agent of the year. He's tight end Billy

Griggs, who played five games for the New York Jets last season.



Keene State soccer player Rudy Doliscat has been selected to the ISAA Senior Bowl Soccer Classic to be held in St. Louis April 21. He will be a member of the East Squad. Doliscat, who will be graduating in the fall, hopes to continue his soccer career at the professional level, but is unsure as to exactly where he will play.



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## Withdrawal policy discussed by senate

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A proposal to revise the present course withdrawal procedure has been presented to the KSC Faculty Senate by Thomas Richard, director of academic advising.

The proposal would extend the period to withdraw from a class, without penalty, from six weeks to eight weeks into the semester. Richard said this change is necessary. Currently, students have two weeks in which to add and drop classes and an additional four weeks to withdraw from a class.

"Many students do not have sufficient grade feedback by the end of the sixth week of the semester to make a decision on withdrawal," Richard said.

He added that there have been instances in which professors have not given the first exam until after the end of the withdrawal period. Richard pointed out that these problems have been corrected in most cases, but in some that have only midterms and final exams, the lack of feedback still exists.

The other concern addressed in the proposal is one of privacy. Under the present policy, students may petition for a late withdrawal if they have "extenuating circumstances." The catalog lists these as "1) personal illness or injury....2) serious family problems....or, 3) personal problems...."

All petitions for late withdrawal must be approved by Richard who must investigate each claim of extenuating circumstances. He said he feels this is a violation of the students' right to privacy.

The revision to the current policy would eliminate the need to investigate extenuating circumstances. Students would be allowed to withdraw

from a course until the end of the semester. However, this would not be without the possibility of penalty, Richard said.

If the proposal is accepted, students would receive a W, WP or WF on their transcript.

The W signifies a standard withdrawal. A grade of WP indicates that, at the time of the withdrawal, the student was passing the class but had to withdraw because of extenuating circumstances. A grade of WF indicates that the student withdrew for reasons acceptable to the professor to merit withdrawal, but was not doing adequate work.

The WP or WF designation would be used for students who withdrew from a course after the eight week period.

Under the new policy students would bear the responsibility of withdrawing from a course. Richard says he feels we "should treat students like adults." Part of this, he said, is realizing that students have reached the age when they can be held accountable for their actions and the institution should recognize this.

Students who feel they have extenuating circumstances would contact the professor of the course they wish to withdraw from. The policy would allow professors to grant a withdrawal and issue a WP or WF.

Currently a grade of WF is recorded on the transcript but is not averaged into the final grade. If this proposal is passed the student would have an F averaged into his or her final grade point average.

Some concern has been raised by faculty members about the amount of time this policy would require on their part. Richard said they are afraid the investigative end of the withdrawal would fall on them. However, the investigative portion of the process would be eliminated, according to Richard. If the revision is accepted, the college would simply have to take the students' word that they were withdrawing for acceptable reasons.

Richard said he felt there is enough "dis-incentive" to withdraw and students would not abuse the new system if it is accepted. He cited several

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WEVO acting general manager Trisha Brooks talks with WKNH General Manager Mark Somerset and Program Director Peter Ackarey at the opening broadcast ceremony Monday night.

## Votes needed to approve Constitution

By Jennifer Themel  
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The Keene State Student Assembly will need a two-thirds approval from the entire student body by Sunday night if its new constitution is to be passed.

The administration recommended several changes before they accepted the new constitution, said Monique Goldberg, chairperson of the Student Assembly, at last night's bi-weekly assembly meeting.

Goldberg said, "the administration felt uncomfortable with the vice president of student affairs chairing our executive board, reason being, that that put that person in a political position in our student government."

The administration decided an individual should be elected by the executive board at a later date.

More than 2,800 votes of approval

are needed by Sunday night to pass the new constitution, Goldberg said.

Elections for next year's student government positions are the most important factor in getting the new constitution approved, said Goldberg. "Elections have to be April 26," Goldberg added. If they are not held by then, the last possible date for the final assembly meeting will be during the week of finals. And according to several members, the assembly cannot hold meetings during finals week.

Students can vote in the Dining Commons, in the Student Union, or through proxy ballots (ballots brought to the voter). The voting process will be conducted by assembly members, class officers, Greek leaders, and others.

A controversy concerning the money used to pay for the 3,500 copies of the proposed constitution was also a topic of discussion at last

night's meeting. The \$1,500 used to cover photocopying expenses was spent before it was approved by the entire assembly.

Assembly member Leslie Loverant asked "what happens now, if this is all done, and we don't get the two-thirds vote, we're out \$1,500, we've got a huge pile of constitutions and we haven't really done what we need to do?"

Loverant suggested that in the future the assembly should be "more realistic and less optimistic."

"I have a lot of concerns," said Goldberg. One of her concerns is the lack of attendance and participation by assembly members in efforts to get the two-thirds majority thus far.

Goldberg said two emergency meetings were planned but were canceled due to the lack of a quorum

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### CORRECTION:

In last week's story about the core committee that organized the rally for Vice President Rich, Monique Goldberg was inadvertently omitted from the list. The Equinox regrets the error.

## KSC baseball team has good outing despite loss

By Dave McAlpine  
Staff Writer

The Keene State College baseball team lost 15-11 last Monday afternoon to Assumption College. Edward Morris led the game with a single followed by a home run by Mike Dodge that gave the Owls an early two run lead.

Assumption swiftly came back with a two run homerun, a walk and a single that drove in two more runs. This gave Assumption an lead of 4-2, a lead that they never relinquished.

The Owls did not give up however; John Luopa hit two homeruns and a double, Dan Keliher and Kenny Grecsek got two hits apiece. The team achieved 10 hits this

game.

Coach Ken Howe said, "I was pleased with the pitching and hitting but defensively it was tough because we haven't been outside a lot since Florida and have been in the batting cage." He said it was a tough day to pitch because of the cold weather. Howe stated that it was a good game and it was good to play a game outside again, even though there was some cold and windy weather that both teams had to deal with.

The Owls play their next game at Stone Hill College. On Saturday the Owls play their first home game, and conference game as they play a double header against University Bridgeport at 1:00pm. Hopefully the game will play on the new athletic complex.



# Hickey is ready to begin the 'healing process'

By Scott McPherson  
Features Editor

The walls of the office are blank and the shelves of the bookcase are mostly empty. A few bouquets of flowers are on the fireplace mantle; they are a sign of support from faculty and staff.

The desk, however, is covered with file-folders, papers and pink phone message memos. Delina Hickey, the newly appointed interim-vice president for student affairs sits behind the desk, talking on the phone. Her schedule is busy since she was named

to her new position.

She has spent the first week at her new job talking with students getting to know her newest constituents.

Hickey is eager to meet students and is ready to begin what she calls "the healing process."

"I'm a good listener," Hickey said, after hanging up the phone. "I work well with people and can bring them together."

Hickey has been a member of the Keene State faculty since 1975. Most recently, she was the interim dean of professional studies. She said her varied background at the college will

allow her to represent students well.

"I know I've represented my constituents well on campus," she said. "I feel I'll do a very good job representing the division of student affairs."

Hickey's tenure at Keene State has been varied. She has both taught and served in administration. It was for that reason, President Judith Sturnick appointed Hickey to fill the vacancy left by Barbara Rich.

"During her tenure at Keene State, Dr. Hickey has worked with students in multiple capacities," Sturnick said. "I have complete faith in her administrative abilities and have confidence that she can work effectively and positively with the students."

Following the announcement by Sturnick last week, Hickey said, "Keene State is very much a part of my life."

Part of that life is her husband David Andrews, associate professor of psychology at the college.

Hickey said, although they work together on the same campus, there are times when she does not see her husband until late in the evening when they both return home.

Hickey said they drive to campus in two separate cars and have two separate schedules.

"We think independently and respect each others' point of view," Hickey said.

The two have been married since 1982 and Hickey laughs when explaining how they met.

They were both members of an academic review committee and were sitting across the table from each other.

At one point, when the meeting was less than exciting, they met. "I looked across the table and I rolled my eyes and he rolled his eyes at me."

The two were single parents and



Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Delina Hickey is ready to meet students at the announcement of her appointment last month.

both their children were enrolled in the Child Development Center.

We met on a regular basis and got to know each other when we were picking the children up, she said. "Our children truly became friends before us," she said.

The children—John, now a 19-year-old a freshman at the University of New Hampshire and Ethan, 17, a senior at Keene High School—are much older but are still close friends.

"We think our children brought us together," Hickey said.

In the time since they were members of that first committee together, Hickey said they have only been

members of one other.

"The only committee we've been on together since 1975 was the vice president for academic affairs," she said.

Hickey said very few students, faculty, or staff know she and Andrews are married.

"We had professional identities and lives before we got married," Hickey said, "and we've been able to maintain our own individual identities [since then]."

Since 1988 when she was named interim dean of professional studies, Hickey said she has been able to

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Christopher Herbert, Brendan Stephen and David Neil will be seen in "The Boys Next Door," a comedy about residents of a home for the mentally retarded. The show will be performed tonight at 8 p.m. in the Arts Center. The play is directed by senior Cathrine Streeter as a partial fulfillment for her degree in theatre arts. Tickets are available through the theatre arts department, ext. 427.



## Soviet to read original works

By Karen Dicey  
Assistant News Editor

Soviet writer Tatyana Scherbina will read original poems tomorrow at 8:30 p.m. in the Library Conference Room.

Scherbina will recite her poetry in Russian, followed by an English translation, read by poet and translator, Jim Kates of Fitzwilliam, N.H.

Scherbina said she has been writing for about a decade but her work has only recently been published in official Soviet publications, including "Druzba Narodov," a Soviet poetry journal.

Two of her books, "Still Life With Transformation" and "Null Null," have been published in Samizdat, the Soviet literary underground. Kates said 20 of her poems have been translated into English and published in Ireland and New Zealand in addition to the United States.

She also broadcasts regularly on Radio Liberty, giving what she calls a "cultural commentary."

Kates said her poetry has, "a universal voice rather than a local one."

Scherbina lives with her husband, artist Roman Smirnow, in Moscow. There she is a member of the independent, and until recently, unsanctioned cultural movements of young writers, artists, and performers.

"She is one of the ideological leaders of the literary avant garde," Kates said. "She's part of the new alternative culture."

Kates said he met Scherbina in 1986 when he traveled to the Soviet Union with a group of writers. Since then, he has read and translated many of her poems and articles into English. She is currently touring the United States and has been to New York and Washington, D.C.

In the fall, she will participate in a writer's workshop at the University of Iowa.

Thursday night's poetry reading is sponsored by the KSC English department and is free and open to the public.

## Author relates personal experiences

By Rachel Thibault  
Staff Writer

Ruth Sienkiewicz-Mercer and Steven Kaplan, authors of "I Raise My Eyes to Say Yes," brought Women's History Month to a close Thursday morning. They shared the inspiring story of Sienkiewicz-Mercer's life as a disabled woman with more than 150 people.

Sienkiewicz-Mercer was diagnosed with cerebral palsy when she was just a year old, and is paralyzed. She spent two and a half years at the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center, a private facility in New Hampshire. In 1962, at the age of 11, she was moved to Belchertown State School in Massachusetts, where she stayed until 1979.

Kaplan, who introduced and provided background about Sienkiewicz-Mercer, is an attorney from Hartford, Conn. He met her in 1979 and offered to help her write a book, which she had started two years earlier, about her experiences.

Sienkiewicz-Mercer, although unable to speak, communicates with the help of communication boards. These are word boards, divided into sections for names of people, pro-

nouns, verbs, basic expressions and items of clothing.

"This [communication boards] did not exist 20 years ago," said Kaplan. "When I met Ruth in 1979, after she had been working with people fairly intensively in communication for about seven years or so, there were about 800 words on her board."

Today her boards hold about 1800 words, an amazing jump compared to 10 words back in 1972.

Debra Shepherd, who has been working with Sienkiewicz-Mercer for 11 years, read Ruth's prepared statement.

"Good morning. I have been looking forward to meeting you, because I'm finally getting a chance to talk to professionals in training to help facilitate learning for people with disabilities," Sienkiewicz-Mercer said in the statement.

Sienkiewicz-Mercer related her difficulties in learning due to inadequate care and her communication barrier. Although she needs other technology in order to communicate, Medicaid does not pay for adaptive communication systems. However, there were many who helped her learn at Crotched Mountain.

"I liked when teachers expected a

## Security institutes new policy

By Mark Nicholson  
Staff Writer

Keene State College Security is giving the "boot" to vehicles violating campus parking regulations, according to Russ Capute, a public safety officer.

A boot is a device which can be attached to the wheel of a vehicle, immobilizing it until the boot is removed by security. The cost of removal is \$25.

Capute said the college has recently ordered six additional "boots" to add to the four presently in use and will be installing them on cars more frequently than in the past.

"The reason we're using the 'boot' more is mainly as a deterrent," said Capute. "It has come down through the administration that, by now, the students should know where to park their cars."

The KSC Rules and Regulations Manual states a boot will be placed on a vehicle, "when a vehicle does not clearly display a valid KSC parking decal or a visitor's permit and is left unattended in any parking lot; when a vehicle displays an 'X' Parking Lot decal and is found unattended in an on-campus parking lot; when a vehicle has accumulated three or more unpaid parking tickets; or when a vehicle is left unattended in a marked

restricted area."

Capute said the new emphasis on using the boot is a shift from towing. He said this reduces cost to the student. Students currently pay \$65 for towing and \$25 for boot removal. He said there is less hassle if the vehicle was immobilized by mistake.

Each boot costs approximately \$380 according to John D. Halter, assistant business administrator and member of the KSC parking court. Halter said this money comes from an auxiliary parking account funded by parking fines.

According to Halter, when parking

was directly affiliated with the college, the money collected from parking fines used to go into a KSC scholarship fund. However, parking became an auxiliary fund account July 1, 1989. Currently, the money collected through parking fines is used for such things as maintenance of lots and enforcement of regulations.

To alleviate part of the parking problem, Halter said, the college plans to allow students to purchase "housing lot" parking stickers at room draw. He said this would allow upperclassmen to have first choice of the most popular parking lots.

## CAMPUS CORNERS

A BRIEF LOOK AT THE NEWS ON OTHER NEW HAMPSHIRE CAMPUSES



### University of New Hampshire

According to *The New Hampshire*, four "seemingly unrelated" resignations have recently been submitted at UNH. Associate Dean of Students Emily Moore has declined to comment on the reason for her resignation. James Morrison, vice president for residential administration and research, has resigned and will be taking a position at the University of Iowa.

William Lyons, associate professor of earth science, is leaving to take a position at the University of Nevada. Matt Lamstein, director of the Upward Bound program, has also resigned. Lamstein denied that it was for financial reasons, saying that if the core of the university is strong, any financial problem is just a mere obstacle. The popular Upward Bound program is state funded.

*The New Hampshire* reports that a University of New Hampshire student died in an automobile accident in Dover, N.H. on the first day of UNH's spring break.

Thomas Cash, 18, of Somersworth, N.H., was the passenger in a car driven by Marc Faletra. Faletra's car crossed the center line and collided with a pickup truck at approximately 2 a.m., March 24.

Both drivers, Faletra and Michael Goodwin of Dover were treated and released from Wentworth-Douglas Hospital. Faletra was arrested and charged with negligent homicide. He has been released on personal recognisance and will be arraigned April 16.

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# Editorial Page



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## Who chose Davis?

May 12, 1990. Graduation day for the class of 1990 at Keene State College. With luck there will be no rain. At 11 a.m. hundreds of people will gather on Fiske Lawn and watch a group of students head off into the "real world."

On that day there will be many speeches made. President Sturms, faculty members, and other dignitaries will tell the graduating class it is about to embark on the rest of their lives. This year the commencement speaker will be Clarence B. Davis, the in-coming vice president for academic affairs.

While Davis may be a very eloquent speaker and a new principal administrator on campus, why was he chosen as commencement speaker? The common notion of a commencement speaker is that of someone with prominence outside the college community, who can give the students a few final words of wisdom. While Davis will certainly become prominent on the campus and may in fact be full of wisdom, again the question of why him?

Pat Schroeder was the class of 1989's graduation speaker. Why does one class have a national political figure as speaker and the next an in-coming vice president?

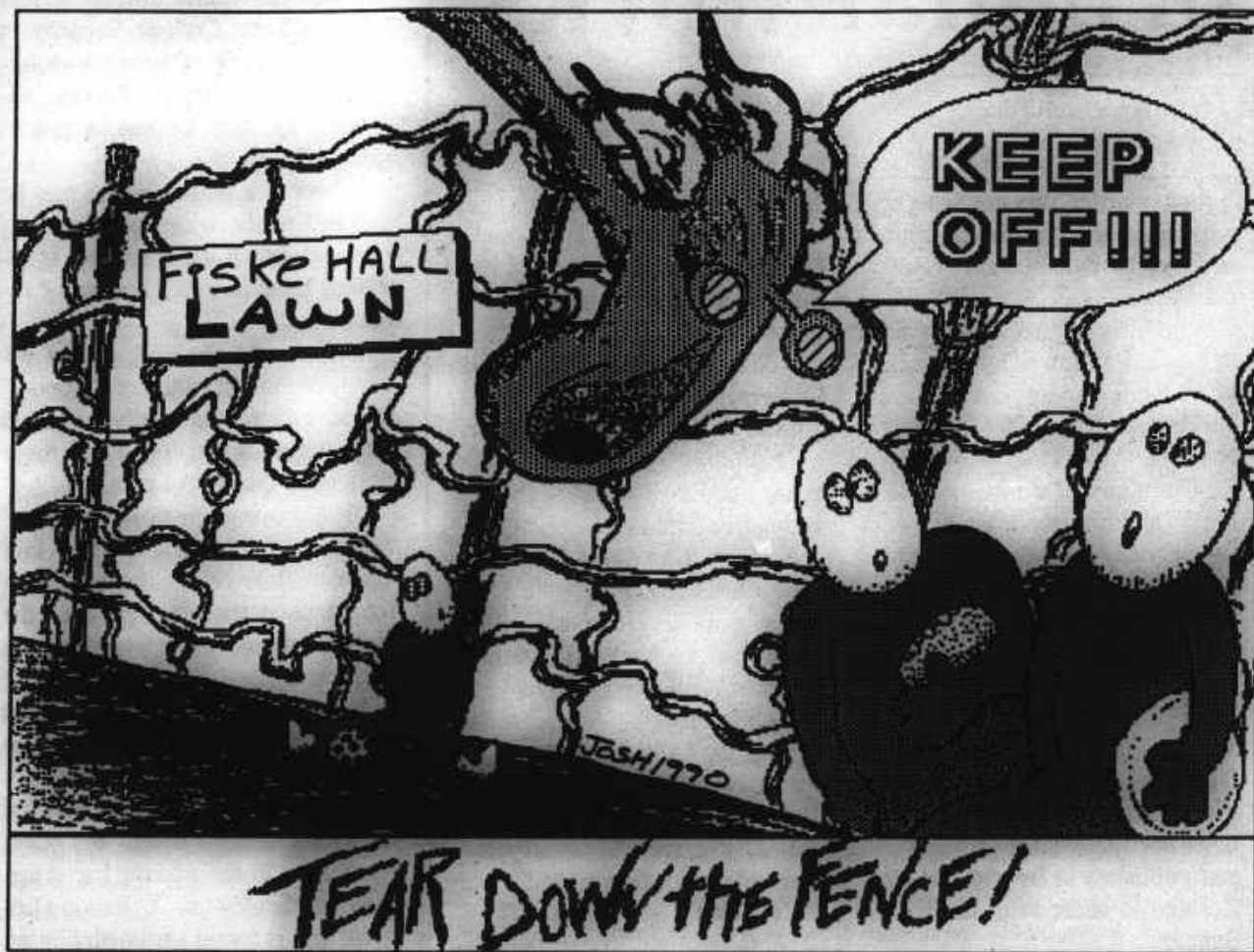
Some have said it is common for a new administrator to address the graduating class. President Sturms served as speaker to a graduating class.

In reality the commencement committee took the easy way out. Davis is convenient, his speaking fee will be quite low, and it eliminates a lot of work for the committee. It is also interesting to note a large number of seniors feel they had little or no input in the selection of the speaker. For a commencement committee to choose a speaker, basically on their own whim, is disgraceful.

While Davis may alter the course of Keene State, he will do so only after the class of 1990 has achieved alumni status.

Don't the people who have labored hard for four, and sometimes many more, years deserve a graduation speaker of the caliber that past classes have had? Again, Davis may be a fine individual with many good ideas, but this is a day to honor the graduates. They should at least have a say in who sends them out into "the real world."

Davis will no doubt do a fine job as speaker and considering the financial difficulties of the senior class, a \$2000 debt, he should be commended for offering to speak. In the future however, commencement committees should ask for more input from the senior class as well as make sure money is available for the speaker the class chooses.



Commentary by Scott McPherson

## Opening day just around the corner

Although the weather outside is frightful, the news is so delightful. April 9 means only one thing—Opening Day 1990.

The Major League Baseball season begins next week after much embarrassment, greed and hoopla.

I say embarrassment because the Red Sox just might have a major case of it if Bill Buckner is their starting first baseman. Bow-legged-Billy crushed the hopes and dreams of millions of New Englanders four years ago and now he wants to do it again. The sad part is the Red Sox are going to let him.

The purpose behind spring training is to create a new sense of optimism. And give the fans a feeling—however short-lived it may be—of this is the year. But with the Red Sox starting Buckner on opening day, we might as well give up now.

Greed, I say, because as anyone who followed the events leading up to, and surrounding, the major league lockout can tell you, it was all about greed.

The major league owners want to make more money and so do the players. Can you blame either side?

The owners put themselves into the situation. If the teams stopped paying

ego's, oh, I mean ballplayers, like Roger Clemens outrageous salaries, they could make more money and not have to stiff the fans with equally outrageous ticket prices.

And finally, hoopla. Spring training was a joke this year. After finally ending the lockout, there was no time for anything resembling competition. Managers and coaches just wanted to get some games underway so the owners could make some money in Florida.

Competition would have prevented Buckner from ever getting a second look in Florida. If teams had the time to have a real spring training, Buckner would be back wherever he came from soaking his legs in ice.

Enough pessimism though. Spring breeds hope eternal or something like that.

When the Red Sox take the field next week in Detroit, it will be the first of 162 games that can make-or-break hearts of many die-hard fans.

I believe if the Sox can get solid pitching from John Dopson and Mike Boddicker they might have a chance to win the AL East. When I say solid, I mean between 13 and 17 wins each. Some nice relief work by Rob Murphy and Jeff Reardon will make

for a nice summer. Lee Smith will be gone by May 1.

The outfield is all set with Mike Greenwell, Ellis Burks and Dwight Evans. If those three can stay healthy through the season, which is already difficult for Burks early in the season, life for Joe Morgan will be a lot simpler.

Wade Boggs is Wade Boggs and I'm sure he'll do fine. Jody Reed and Marty Barrett will also do fine.

Behind the plate, NL veteran Tony Pena will bring stability. Clemens' personal catcher Rich Gedman will hit about .200, but make the pride of Katy, Texas, very content. Maybe Gedman can carry his bags and ask the media to be nice to Rog so Clemens will have another good year.

No matter how much I try, I know there is no avoiding first base. We may have no choice but to go with Buckner. But if you want my vote, Randy Kutcher is the man to go with. He can play every other position so why not? At least he can pick up a ground ball.

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# To The Editor

## Goldberg addresses rally, constitution

In response to some of the letters to the editor in last week's *Equinox* regarding the rallies in support of Dr. Rich, I will preface my comments by saying that the planning group had no intentions of exhibiting a lack of humanity. The group was thoroughly concerned with our conduct as protesters. A handout was made readily available to outline the quality of conduct during the president's address to students outside of Hale Building. Many of the planners made efforts to keep the protesters aware that we were a peaceful and courteous group, trying to avoid any "administrative bashing."

Needless to say, a large group protest is not an easy thing to organize or direct, especially when emotions are running high. I believe I speak for the group when I say we apologize for "incidents in which that humanity was absent." We are not all perfect at all times and individuals who may have not conducted themselves appropriately were not representative of the group.

I can appreciate the letter from faculty and their openness to support the president. Many of the individuals on that list I've known since I've been a student here at Keene State, and I respect their opinions greatly. I would also like to add that many students were aware of the legal significance of how the president had to proceed. However, one of the main issues of debate was the way in which the president handled the situation. Perhaps she did handle some things with integrity. But some things were handled poorly and should be addressed, not to try to prop up a dead horse, but for future reference so that the events will not repeat themselves.

The first thing, I will address as Chairperson of the Student Assembly. The student assembly met the first Tuesday back from vacation. Being that we are the legislative body in student government and that Barbara Rich was our personal advisor, we would have been an excellent group to make a public statement to or to address. The president was requested to attend and she was placed at the top of the agenda. She couldn't make it. Vice President Kahn appeared instead but didn't stay to address the group. Instead the Student Body President made the announcement.

Yes, there was a press conference. And yes there were senators present at that Wednesday's meeting. But I ask, is it the students' job to inform other students of the absence of a vice president of this institution? I say not.

This was a very human concern. Dr. Rich is a human being who had a lot of contact with other human beings. I believe this type of announcement, whether or not it could be informative, deserved more than a vague "third-person" type of announcement. We believe Dr. Barbara Rich deserved more than that and we believe that the Keene State College community deserved better than that.

Whether or not it existed, genuine human concern and caring, not just about Dr. Rich, but also about the feeling of loss from the students, was just not visible from Hale Building. We too are beings with feelings, and not just 4000 McDonald's hamburgers who have just lost their shake machine.

Another concern I have as chairperson was the way in which our purchase order went through for support materials. The student assembly met officially and the student funds were allocated legally. We had the legal right to access those funds and they were held up until a half hour after Dr. Rich resigned. Maybe there is something to question, maybe there is not.

In response to Ms. Louy, Ms. Kelly and Mr. Gendron, yes there are several issues that deserve more attention than they get and are grossly ignored. However, if one does not protest or get involved with issues that one supports or believes in because there are other issues that are more important or relevant, people would never get involved because there would always be something more important. It would always be tomorrow and not today. Besides, if something in our small community can help build student awareness, perhaps that can be a building block for other things.

On the issue of getting involved, I would like to take this opportunity to mention what student government has been up to during the protests that affects you and the community that you should be aware of.

The new Keene State College Student Government Constitution has gone through and it is time for the student body to vote on it. The student assembly as a group decided that if a document is to represent all students, we should get all students to accept it.

Therefore, in order for it to pass, the constitution must be ratified by

two-thirds of the student body. This is a tremendous undertaking and we do more than encourage, we plead with you to take a few moments out of the week to review the document, ask questions and vote. Ballot boxes will be open at the commons and at the union, and there will be people circulating on campus trying to reach others.

This constitution affects the whole student body significantly, and will continue to do so probably for some years to come. We are making a supreme effort to get your input now, and all we ask is that you give it. Please also bear in mind that the document is general and intended to be. A constitution should withstand the test of time, and its by-laws should change with it.

On a final note, due to the lengthy approval process, elections have been pushed back considerably. Whether or not the constitution passes, petitions for all student government positions will be due Friday, April 13 at 4:30 p.m. in the student activities office, upstairs in the stu-

dent union. Petitions will be available Monday, April 9 in the student government office. For those interested in the student assembly, the convening meeting will be Tuesday, May 1. Check the board outside the office for the location. Yes, this is during finals week, and again we apologize for the delay, but there is no other alternative. So students would be advised to try to make arrangements for a final if you can, because during the convening meeting, officers for the next year are elected.

Thanks to all students, faculty and staff who supported Dr. Rich during the protest period. I would also like to thank interim vice president Hickey for having the courage to come forth into that position to work with students during this controversial time.

And finally I would like to thank you Dr. Rich, for the support you've given us, the inspiration, and the role model you provided to student leaders. I miss you and I thank you.

MONIQUE B.I. GOLDBERG  
Chairperson, Student Assembly

## 'Don't let the activist bug die'

In light of last week's student protest and activism, I feel it an appropriate time to address the lack of student involvement in other worthy matters; matters, per say, which do not directly effect the rights of the student.

As was written in *The Keene Sentinel*, an estimated 600 students attended the rally for Dr. Rich...at the last protest in Concord concerning the tuition increase, there were about 25 people from Keene present. Where was everyone?

On Saturday, March 25, 16 students drove eight hours to Washington, D.C. to protest U.S. tax money aiding a government war in Central America. On the same day right here in Keene, there was a protest concerning the same issue where about 15 people showed...where were all the 600 students this day?

I am not diminishing the intensity and worthiness of the Dr. Rich rally, but I think it important to address that student activism is needed now more than ever in concern of U.S. government policies and world affairs. The environment of the earth is depleting and faltering as I write this letter; people in Central America are getting murdered right now via U.S. tax dollars. It is time for students to broaden our vision and show some unselfish

support for the concerns of the world—our collective home!

I'm sure Dr. Rich would commend and support student activism in world matters as quite worthy and justifiable. She would most likely become involved herself. What students need to know is that activism is on the rise and there is a group on campus, Concerned Students Coalition, that needs support from Keene students. Collectively we can make a large difference both on and off the KSC campus; don't let the activist bug die. Become involved!

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reasons why students would not withdraw.

Withdrawing from a course can affect a student's class standing for course selection and room draw, eligibility for financial aid and athletics, and can even, result in additional time spent completing a degree program, Richard said.

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teach a few education classes. However, in her new position as vice president, she knows she will not be able to return to the classroom to teach.

"I do miss the classroom," Hickey said. "I [also] like administration."

Hickey said she is not sure if she will be a candidate for the permanent vice presidency when the search begins in January of 1991. The board of trustees must vote to decide if she

may be a candidate.

"I feel I'm enjoying the opportunity and I will honor and respect the decision made by the board," Hickey said.

In the 15 months she is scheduled to serve as interim-vice president, Hickey said she would like to bring the academic and student affairs divisions closer together.

"I think I have a real understanding

[of both divisions]," Hickey said. "I can speak from two perspectives."

For the immediate future, Hickey said she would like to learn the issues students are concerned with.

"At this point, I want to hear from students what the issues are," Hickey said. "Then I will put all these together to set some goals."

Hickey said the nervousness that she feels now is a natural reaction to a new position and she appreciates the support faculty, staff, and students have given her.

"I'm excited at the opportunity for me and for the institution," she said.

Her schedule calls for her to meet yet another student. Her desk is still piled with an array of notes and memos. As quickly as one student leaves her office, another enters.

"It's a pleasure to meet you," Hickey says as the door closes behind her.

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material in her book comes directly from her word boards.

The book was published in 1985 and has sold approximately 8,500 copies. Nancy Lory, professor of education at Keene State College, uses the book as a didactic tool in her special education classes.

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## CRAYONS NEEDED

The Campus Ministry is collecting boxes of crayons to send to Theresa Straffin who is a 1987 KSC graduate working as a teacher in the Peace Corps. The Campus Ministry is hoping to make a crayon shipment by the end of April. If you would like to donate some crayons, contact Rev. Margaret Clemons at 352-1322

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# To The Editor

## Professor questions union negotiation policies

In a letter to *The Equinox*, March 21, 1990, Professor Homer Stavelly stated that the "student/faculty ratio is not the complete store of educational quality, but when coupled with the large course load carried by KSC faculty and the considerable extra-curricular workload carried by many it points to a serious deficiency." He cited the KSC student/faculty ratio as 26.1 completely agree with Professor Stavelly's assessment of the problematic nature of the high student/faculty ratio. And, I hope that the members of the Program Evaluation Committee pay attention to Professor Stavelly's statement. However I must express my amazement in light of the current union contract, that the Union President is presenting student/faculty ratios as public issue.

The Union negotiating team decided that student/faculty ratios were not relevant in evaluating the workload of coordinators of the various departments. The current contract provided release time for coordinators of departments and the management department which has the highest student/faculty ratio in the college received no additional release time. Currently, the coordinator of the management department receives the least amount of release time (tied with Art and Econ/Pol. Sc.) of all the coordinators on campus. There have been between 105 and 150 graduates of the management department per year for each of the last five years. The department has eight tenure track faculty members responsible for advising students and teaching re-

quired courses. (There is also one faculty in residence person, but he does not have advising responsibilities.) Thus, the faculty/student ratio for management is somewhere between 34 (4 years x 105 students divided by 8 faculty members) and 75 (4 years x 150 students divided by 8 faculty members) students to each faculty member.

I would like to point out that I have requested an explanation from the Union as to why the faculty/student ratio was not considered as a fundamental criteria in the assignment of coordinator release time and why the management department does not receive release time comparable to that of programs with far fewer students. Professor Weed, at Professor Stavelly's request, responded with a

memo stating that the original contract called for an increase in coordinator release time for the management department but that the management department increase was deleted during the negotiating process. Professor Weed tried to persuade me that the administration was responsible for the change. From what I have been able to determine the administration gave the Union negotiating team a specific amount of release time and the Union negotiating team allocated that amount.

Based upon the result of the Union's activity and the unwillingness to consider student/faculty ratio as a significant criteria when the Union was in control of resource allocation, I am surprised by Dr. Stavelly's letter stating that "he felt a

chill" when he heard that "a high official of the University System was described as believing... that public institutions ought to have substantially higher ratios" (than private colleges and universities).

It seems that the external environment of the college provides Dr. Stavelly with a chill, but the Union does not want to recognize the climate on campus. I will be interested to see if the Union president or any member of the negotiating team attempts to cover up from the chill by rationalizing away the discrepancy in the utilization of student/faculty ratios.

NEAL R. PRUCHANSKY  
MEMBER, KSCEA

## Red Cross thanks students

On behalf of the Vermont-New Hampshire Red Cross Blood services and the patients who receive blood, may I extend a note of appreciation for all the time and energy you students gave us in the recent blood drive.

Final records show for two days 268 people presented themselves, resulting in 254 units of lifesaving blood collected. There were 42 first time donors.

Keene State College has every

## Student thanks college staff

I have been meaning to write this thank you letter to Keene State for several years now. I decided to attend KSC in June of 1984, the financial aid people helped me fill out a very late FAF and obtain a GSL in time for the fall semester. They have all been very tolerant, helping me do the paper work, (my number ONE pet peeve) thereby making my life much easier.

I would also like to thank the faculty members who put their best ef-

fort into their work. Despite the rumbling in the distance, a great many serious students appreciate what we are getting for our money. KSC is an institution which serves the community. I will always appreciate having access to it, and hope the administration will continue to improve the caliber of students.

Again, thank you from all of us here at the Blood Center as well as the patients who will benefit as a result of your efforts. You have made a difference.

LINDA KRISCH  
BLOOD SERVICES  
REPRESENTATIVE

ANN DESSERT

## Participants needed for walk

The Good Friday Walk is to share in a "good cause." Of the 300 poorest counties in the United States, 66% are in the rural South. These people lack proper nutrition and proper medical care. Many of these poor people are children. The money raised through this walk will provide food, better education, better nutrition, and better housing.

This is the season and the time for renewal of our spirit a time for re-

newal of life. It is a time for sharing what good fortunes we have with those who desperately need our help.

Please help us by walking on Good Friday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by being a sponsor to the walkers.

For information, or a walk sheet, contact Rev. Margaret Clemons, Elliot 288 or 352-1322.

JOANNE BATTEN

## Lacrosse coach thanked by players

Although this letter does touch upon yet another dilemma at KSC its real purpose is a positive one, to highlight someone who has done more for some students than I feel he is credited for.

Playing a club sport here at KSC is not an easy task. To be very brief I feel there are two reasons for this. First, the playing field situation is pathetic. Second, it is a tedious mess of bureaucracy (insurance, budgets, and paperwork).

As a student one must double as a politician, and maybe if you're good enough with the paperwork your team will exist. From my experiences with lacrosse, men's and women's rugby, and friends on the Ultimate Frisbee team, I feel more like a nuisance than an encouraged asset to this school. In the end we still have to pray we're temporarily allotted a field to play on.

To all those who make the rules, don't get me wrong I suppose just allowing us to exist and have funding (sometimes) is support enough, just don't forget that when you want to advertise to all the prospective applicants about how wonderful the club sports are at KSC, you should also add "but don't expect us to let you play on our fields without a fight."

I guess it all stems from that omnipresent problem we all must face: KSC (and the whole university system nowadays) is very short on resources. Which brings me to the real inspiration of this letter, now that I've painted a dark picture of the

situation.

There is one club team at KSC that has thrived, it's the biggest club sport on campus and is now in its grandest season ever. KSC Lacrosse would not be what it is today if it were not for the efforts of one man, Jim Draper. Although we would exist without him, we would only be a game scrounging bunch of play hungry lacrosse jocks. Instead, and all due to Jim, we are a well equipped, well scheduled, and well organized TEAM.

We are now well on our way to joining the Lacrosse league and becoming a varsity sport someday. I sense some envy from the other club teams with respect to the fact that we have someone "on the inside" who knows how to do the wheelin' and dealin' necessary to actually get something done at KSC, sometimes he really has to put it on the line to get his team what they need. He lets the athletes be athletes, but the real appreciation goes to Jim not for "what" he's done but for "why" he has done it.

Jim Draper has two jobs at KSC, one is the usual 9-5 deal to pay the bills, as purchasing agent for KSC, and the other he does for students because he believes in them. He enjoys coaching and the fact that lacrosse brings together students from all walks of life. He spends two hours a day after every workday and all day on Saturday with his boys and receives nothing from the school for it.

Through his experiences though, he knows that the college lifestyle

just may have ill effects on some individuals' futures. "You're here for a diploma, that should always come first..." he always says at the first meeting of every season, "Lax is fun but your education is your ticket to a good future."

He uses lacrosse as his outlet to provide many young men a cause or direction while in college, and if he can help just one of them (and believe me he has) make it through with just a little more self respect or sense of accomplishment then he knows his job has been done. I feel that the lacrosse team is the biggest club on campus because of his efforts.

In conclusion, I want to thank the school for creating the new fields which, if we ever get to use them fully, will allow the sports at the end of the list (i.e. clubs) to finally have their space too. I think next year we will see lax, men's and women's rugby, disc and all the rest flourish, if we all work together. But for the real purpose of this letter I want to personally thank you Jim Draper for what you have done for us.

For being the one who knocked down all the barriers and allowed the KSC lacrosse team to be a great success. I guess we are just lucky that you played and loved lacrosse in your youth enough to present us with this incredible opportunity. Thank you Jim, for you are a man who knows the real rewards in life.

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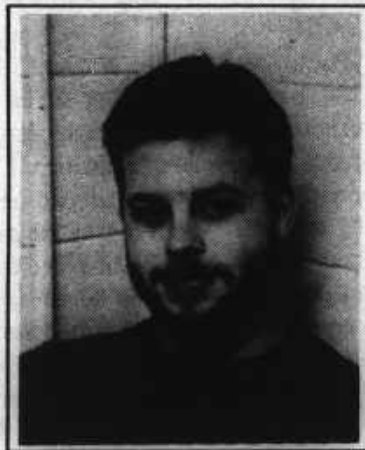
# What's On Your Mind?

Interviews and photos  
by Tonya Dalhaus

How do you feel about the term "Lady Owls?"



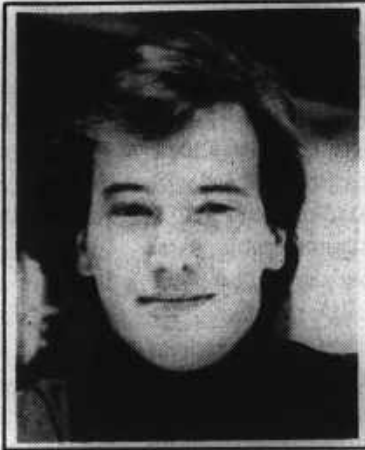
Laurie Nash, Junior, Geology: If it doesn't bother the women then why set up a committee to discuss the issue?



Tracy Dorgan, Junior, Geology: I would hope that this school has more important things to do then set up a committee on the term Lady Owls. It seems like a waste of time.



Pauline Cheng, Senior, Applied Computer Science/Mathematics: I feel really good. I'm proud of that term and I think people who disagree with that term either have a generation gap or they just don't care about the female student athletes achievements.



Scott Plum, Senior, Management/Graphic Design: I feel that the term Lady Owls is a better representation than a different title such as women's soccer team or women's basketball team. Some people see women as a sexist term and the term Lady, I think, is more respectable.



# the Pub Club

Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7
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## New group will focus on early childhood

By Michelle Quinn  
Staff Writer

The Early Childhood Connection (ECC), a new group on campus, recently submitted a constitution to the Student Assembly for approval.

According to Toni DeMarco, facilitating teacher at the Child Development Center, the group will focus on the learning, sharing, and the exchange of ideas concerning young children by providing information to others.

The group will provide information about young children, act as a forum for ideas, and act as a support group for people who work with children ages newborn to eight, said DeMarco.

DeMarco, who has taught early childhood education at Keene State for three years, said she was interested in forming the ECC last spring. A dozen Keene State students showed immediate interest. DeMarco and the students met to brainstorm and decided the group will provide a social and educational atmosphere and serve as an advocacy group which will spread information around campus and the community. The group now has approximately 60 members.

Early childhood care and education is becoming an important national issue, DeMarco said. This has allowed the formation of groups such as the ECC.

"I felt it was really important to have some kind of a group here on

campus that reflected this place and people providing for the needs of young children," she said, "and to let the campus know that there's a group here that's interested and willing to do something about the future for young children."

One of the goals of the group is to show others that the care and building of our children's future is a collective responsibility, DeMarco said. The ECC will work to help develop the "whole child," including the physical, emotional, cognitive, and creative development of a child.

DeMarco said day-care owners, teachers, and various speakers have given lectures for the ECC.

The group has brought about an awareness that everyone in some way works with young children, DeMarco said. By having various speakers from different fields, such as business, talk about how they deal with children, the ECC hopes to raise awareness.

"People who work out in the business world work with young children within another part of the system, at a different level," she said. "People who work in McDonald's work with young children every time young children come in."

"People don't always realize that you can't go through this world isolated from them," she said.

DeMarco feels people interested in young children should learn about the operation of businesses so programs concerning children can be intro-

duced into the business world.

Although early childhood education is a popular program at Keene State, DeMarco believes a group similar to ECC has not been created before because early childhood welfare has not been an important national topic until recently. In New Hampshire, childhood education has only been a topic of concern during the past three or four years, DeMarco said.

Early Childhood Connection will be celebrating the "Week of the Young Child" between April 1 and April 7 with various activities and displays in the library. This week is celebrated across the United States.

The "Week of the Young Child" has been observed for at least 10 years, but it recently received more recognition from the nation, DeMarco said. The purpose of the week is to focus on children and those who care for them.

Erin Nugent, president of ECC, believes the early childhood program at Keene State is overshadowed by the elementary education program. She hopes displays in the library and ECC activities will draw attention to people who work with young children. Nugent said she would like to see more interest in young children by people on campus, in the Keene community, and nationwide.

"The first five years [of life] are instrumental in determining what those school years will be like," she said.

## Area experts present seminar about aging

By Christine Cortese  
Staff Writer

"By the year 2000 there will be approximately 35 million people aged 65 and over," said Dr. Christopher La Rocca. "By the year 2030, 65 million people will be aged 65 and over. That's 25 percent of the population."

La Rocca and several other speakers presented a seminar Monday night on aging and the problems that elderly people face.

La Rocca, who is a physician at the Keene Clinic South in Fitzwilliam, N.H., and a medical director at Westwood Healthcare Center, discussed the problems elderly people experience if they are victims of Parkinson's Disease, Alzheimer's Disease, or stroke.

During his speech, La Rocca discussed the nature and consequences of Parkinson's Disease. Parkinson's Disease afflicts approximately 180 people out of every 100,000 each year, he said. This disease affects a

person's motor ability and causes him or her to gradually lose their cognitive [memory] ability. Parkinson's is a degenerative disease. La Rocca said there is a treatment that can slow it down, but "nothing to cure it at this point."

According to La Rocca, Alzheimer's is a disease which occurs slowly. Only six percent of people over the age of 65 have it, according to La Rocca. Twenty percent of people over the age of 85 will have Alzheimer's. La Rocca said there are many symptoms of Alzheimer's, but the disease is diagnosed only through an autopsy.

Several symptoms of Alzheimer's include a loss of memory, a decrease in performance, and an inability to solve complex problems such as organizing finances. Patients with Alzheimer's also lack concentration abilities, have major personality changes, and are often depressed La Rocca said.

In the final stage of Alzheimer's, La Rocca said most victims are com-

pletely incapacitated with no motor skills capability. Alzheimer's lasts anywhere from six to 10 years and in the later stages, death comes quickly. "Alzheimer's is a fatal disease," he said. "Other symptoms may occur, but Alzheimer's is fatal."

Stroke, the last topic La Rocca discussed, is caused by a blood clot in the brain and it affects 750,000 people a year. Approximately one-third of all those afflicted die after a stroke, said La Rocca. Stroke is a potentially disabling disease which leaves the person with a reduced ability to function normally. La Rocca said one way to reduce the risk of stroke is to reduce blood pressure.

The second speaker of the night was Sander Lee, professor of philosophy at Keene State. Lee discussed the ethics of euthanasia, more commonly known as mercy killing from a philosophical approach. He asked the audience to discuss the

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Ed Carey plays during Open Mike Night at the Pub last Friday.



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## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

**THEATRE:** "The Boys Next Door" will be performed at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theater of the Arts Center. For more information call ext. 327.  
**LECTURE:** Dr. Henry Freedman, professor of art at Keene State, will give a lecture in the Putnam Arts Lecture Hall at the Arts Center at 7 p.m. For more information call 352-8080.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 5

**BASEBALL:** The KSC baseball team will play Southern Vermont at 1 p.m. For more information call Sports Information at ext. 333.  
**SOFTBALL:** The KSC softball team will host Springfield College at 2 p.m.  
**FESTIVAL:** Events for the New Hampshire All-State Music Festival will be taking place between noon and 10:30 p.m. For more information contact Douglas Nelson, ext. 513.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 6

**FESTIVAL:** Events for the New Hampshire All-State Music Festival will be taking place between noon and 10:30 p.m. For more information contact Douglas Nelson, ext. 513.  
**EVENT:** Delta Phi Epsilon will hold an event on Oya Hill.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 7

**FESTIVAL:** Events for the New Hampshire All-State Music Festival will be taking place. For more information contact Douglas Nelson, ext. 513.  
**CONCERT:** The Apple Hill Chamber Players will perform in the Recital Hall of the Arts Center at 8 p.m.  
**DANCE:** The NSO will hold a semi-formal in the Mabel Brown Room from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. For more information contact the Scheduling Office at ext. 222.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 8

**RECITAL:** Two senior recitals by Colleen Kaiser and Trish Bennett will be performed in the Recital Hall at the Arts Center at 3 p.m.

## MONDAY, APRIL 9

**MEETING:** An informational meeting on a trip to the Soviet Union will be held in the Library Conference Room at 8 p.m.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 10

**LUNCH:** The Women's Resource Center will host a brown bag lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

**CONCERT:** The KSC Jazz Ensemble will perform in the Recital Hall at the Arts Center at 8 p.m.  
**BASEBALL:** The KSC baseball team will host Plymouth State at 1 p.m.  
**SOFTBALL:** The softball team will play against the University of Lowell at 2 p.m. For more information call Sports Information at ext. 333.  
**FILM:** The Women's Resource Center will show "Images of Women in the Media" at 7 p.m. in the basement of Huntress Hall.

Calendar listings are due at  
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# News Briefs

## KSC to host All-State competitions in April

Keene State College will be the site of the New Hampshire All-State Music Festival between April 5-7 in the Arts Center on Brickyard Pond. More than 400 high school students, representing at least 85 high schools will be participating in the upcoming event.

The KSC Music Department is hosting the event and assistant professor of music, Douglas A. Nelson, will be the host chairperson of the three-day meeting.

Many families in the greater Keene area will be opening their homes for purposes of providing housing and transportation for festival participants. Anyone who could provide such service should contact Jean Nelson, chairman of the housing committee at 352-0640 ext. 55 or 876-4366.

Students and educators will participate in auditions, clinics, workshops, rehearsals, exhibits, and forums. On April 7, the festival will culminate with two concerts at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. in Spaulding Gymnasium. According to Nelson, over 1,500 students, faculty, and families will attend each event.

The concerts will include performances by the All-State orchestra, chorus, and band. Guest conductor this year for orchestra will be Sandra Dackow of Brandeis University. The All-State chorus will be conducted by Rodney Eichenberger of the University of Southern California. The band will be directed by Kenneth Bloomquist of Michigan State University.

Parking for the concerts in Spaulding Gymnasium is off Wyman Way behind Elliot Hall.

## Biology club to host lecture about whales April 16

Professional photographer Tom Sterling filmed Quebec's spectacular whales and Labrador's wildlife from land, boats, beneath the waves, and by helicopter. The result is "Quebec Whales and Labrador Tales," a motion picture that explores the world's greatest concentration of whale species and various other wildlife.

Sterling will introduce the film at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16, in Waltz Lecture Hall in the Science Center at Keene State College.

The Outdoor Film Adventure Series, now in its 25th season, is sponsored by the Biology Club and Beta Beta Beta, the biology honor society at Keene State College. Adult admission is \$3, student admission is 75 cents. The

film is free to KSC students, faculty, and staff with a valid I.D. Tickets are available at the

door. For more information, contact Professor Harold Goder, at 352-1909, ext. 502.

## Local Red Cross to offer babysitting course

A babysitting course is being offered by the New Hampshire West Chapter of the American Red Cross, a United Way Agency. Young people who want to earn extra money doing responsible work often turn to babysitting. This course equips youngsters 11 or more years of age to handle the job. Boys and girls learn how to prevent accidents, what to do in an emergency, and how important they can be in the life of a child. They learn what job-hunting skills

they need to get the job, how to do the job well, and how to enjoy and learn from the experience. The course will be given Monday through Thursday between April 23 and 26, from 9:30 a.m. to noon each day. The cost of the course is \$25. As enrollment is limited, please call 352-3210 to register or for more information. Outside the Keene calling area use NH toll free 800 852-5800.

## Speaker will discuss slavery and the Holocaust

Professor Lawrence Thomas of Syracuse University, the author of "Living Morally: A Psychology of Moral Character," will speak on "The Normative Structure of American Slavery and the Holocaust," Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Mabel Brown Room in the Student

Union. The lecture is free and open to everyone. This lecture is sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Arts and Humanities. For more information, contact Sander Lee, Philosophy, Parker 27, (603) 352-1909, Ext. 545.

## Artist will host watercolor workshop on April 11

The Monadnock Waldorf School is hosting a watercolor workshop for adults, Wednesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the school, 98 South Lincoln St., Keene. The public is cordially invited to join Sara Lee Sexton who will guide

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## Attempts to increase minority enrollment fail

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(CPS) — Three years ago, when Mike Turner was a freshman at Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania, another student in his dorm refused to use the same shower stall as Turner because Turner is black.

After recovering from the initial shock, Turner simply made sure to use every shower in the dorm bathroom.

"These are the kinds of things minority students have to deal with all the time," said Turner, now in the student government and active in minority recruiting. "I think I've grown from it."

At most predominantly white campuses, however, there aren't enough Mike Turners who choose to face the dispiriting meanness of classmates, loneliness, isolation and seemingly crushing debt that go along with being a minority student.

Mostly white campuses, in short, are failing to convince minority students to enroll.

"Colleges are caught in a Catch-22," says Dave Merkwitz of the American Council on Education (ACE), a Washington, D.C.-based group that represents college presidents. "They're trying to increase minority enrollment but the fact that it's low (now) is a disincentive for minorities to go there."

In a January report, ACE, after reviewing data over a 13-year period, found that percentage of black high school grads enrolled in college fell from 40 percent in 1976 to 30 percent in 1988. For Hispanics, enrollment went from 50 percent to 35 percent over the same period.

For middle-income blacks, the college participation rate for high school graduates went from 53 percent in 1976 to 36 percent in 1988. Corresponding rates for Hispanics

were 46 percent in 1988 compared to 53 percent in 1976.

"Every college in the country is having trouble attracting and recruiting minorities," said James Spear, executive assistant to Florida Atlantic University President Anthony Catanese.

The failure is not for lack of trying. Eight out of every 10 administrators polled by ACE said they directed "a lot" or "some" efforts to attract and retain minority students during the 1988-89 school year.

Yet only a paltry one in four said minority enrollment had actually gone up.

At the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW), for instance, the number of minority students dropped from 252 in fall, 1988, to 245 last fall, despite an elaborate "Madison Plan" to double the enrollment of black, Hispanic and American Indian students.

At Penn State, plagued by a rash of racial incidents in 1988, the number of black students dropped in 1988 for the first time in seven years, even though overall minority enrollment increased.

Money also seems to be a big reason, Thomas Mortenson of the American College Testing (ACT) Program said in a report released the first week of March.

The growing emphasis on student loans over grants is driving low-income students, who more often than not are minorities, from higher education because low-income people generally are less willing to risk taking out a loan, Mortenson said.

Mortenson's study says that, between 1966 and the late 1970s — when grant assistance expanded greatly — college enrollment of disadvantaged students also increased.

But since 1988, loans have become the predominant form of student aid, helping to negate 40 percent and 50 percent of those gains in low-income student enrollment, Mortenson reported.

Schools are trying to solve the problem by offering special scholarships. Florida Atlantic, for one, announced March 8 that it would give free tuition to 43 black students — up from this year's 28 scholarships — who meet admission standards.

Loneliness and isolation can also lead many minorities to stay away from predominantly white campuses. "The needs of minorities aren't being met, from providing the right hair care products to church services," agreed Slippery Rock's Collins.

Out and out racism, however, seems to be the biggest deterrent to minority students think about enrolling at a predominantly white campus.

At Turner's Slippery Rock a pre-dawn fight Feb. 11 between black and white students, followed that night by a cross-burning in front of one of the black students' off-campus apartment, already has scared away some minority high school seniors who were going to enroll next fall.

"Some (applicants) have indicated they're not coming," admitted admissions director Dave Collins. "We've talked with every minority applicant we've been able to reach. One father indicated that his son would (instead) attend a predominantly black school."

Wisconsin's careful "Madison Plan" got off track after a well-publicized fraternity party in October 1988, eight months after administrators announced the plan, at which pledges wore Afro wigs, painted their faces black and sold their services in

a fundraising "slave auction." The incident created a storm of criticism of the university.

This school year racial hostilities have cropped up in varying forms at the universities of Nebraska-Lincoln, Arizona, Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, Washington, and Brown, Bradley, Duke, Purdue, Marquette, Colorado State, Pennsylvania State and Villanova universities, Cal State-Sacramento, Cabrini and MacMurray colleges, and State University of New York-Oswego, among others.

At Iowa State University, where racial tensions spurred students to orchestrate and "anti-hate" march Feb. 23, recruiters are telling the truth

and hoping for the best.

"We tell the students that they're going to run into racism," says Elve Everage of ISU's admissions office. "A university or college," he says, "is no different than the rest of society."

College officials even worry that acts of intolerance on other campuses can subvert their own efforts.

White students at the University of Florida in Gainesville, for example, proposed establishing a "white student union" — which at other schools has been circumstantially connected to the Ku Klux Klan — to protest what an organizer said were "unfair" opportunities for minority students.

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topic with him because "you can't have a good discussion without disagreement."

Following Lee, Dwight Sowerby, who is the owner of Sowerby Healthcare Centers, discussed problems elderly people deal with concerning medical expenses. Sowerby said, on the average, nursing home care can cost up to \$36,000 per year or \$100 per day.

He explained the differences between Medicare and Medicaid. According to Sowerby, Medicare is sponsored by federal funds and is limited to only long-term disability. "Only five percent of the elderly have Medicare which pays for all

medical expenses," Sowerby said.

On the other hand, he said, Medicaid is sponsored by state and federal funds and has more lenient medical requirements than Medicare. Sowerby said the only way a person can get Medicaid, however, is if they earned less than \$2,000 that year. Additional medical expenses are paid for by other nursing home patients because Medicaid only pays 70 percent.

Sowerby concluded his speech by saying that not every person who is in a nursing home stays there very long. "Most people recover faster and better in their own homes," he said.

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**Monday, April 9**

Petitions available for student government general elections. Pick them up at the student government office in the Student Union. Deadline: Friday, April 13, 4:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Office.

**Thursday, April 26**

Student government elections held.

# IMPORTANT

## Campus tours by Islam leader worries students

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(CPS) — A tour of college campuses by Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and his deputies has left some Jewish students, who find Farrakhan's speeches laced with "very frightening" characterizations of Jews as "wicked" and even "blood suckers," dismayed and worried.

On the other hand, campus black student groups, which often sponsor Nation of Islam visits to their schools, tend to shrug off their Jewish classmates' fears of anti-Semitism as ill-founded, misguided or even as part of a Jewish plot to undermine the black empowerment movement.

"He isn't liked by a lot of white people, but he is highly respected by the black community," said Adriel Alston of the Black Student Alliance (BSA) at Yale University.

Farrakhan toured Northern Illinois and Michigan State universities in February, while his assistants Khalid Abdul Muhammad and Abdul Alim Muhammad visited Pennsylvania State and Yale universities. Yale's BSA and Harvard University groups have invited Farrakhan to their campuses.

Such visits are not new. In recent years Farrakhan has spoken at the universities of Maryland, Pennsylvania and District of Columbia, as well as at the State University of New York at Albany, to name a few.

This year's speaking tour, however, is being played out against the background of a rapid increase in the number of anti-Semitic acts and hate crimes on college campuses nationwide.

In 1987, 14 campuses reported anti-Semitic incidents. The number skyrocketed by 271 percent, or to 38 campuses in 1988, and by 30 percent to 51 cases in 1989, reports the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), a New York-based group that monitors all kinds of ethnic strife.

In January, for example, hundreds of neo-Nazi catalogues were mailed to George Mason University students. While at Penn State, the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity held a Rosh Hashanah theme party mocking Jewish names. Swastikas and anti-Semitic slogans were painted on the Rutgers University Hillel Jewish Student Center.

More recently, a swastika was burned in the lawn of the once-predominantly Jewish Zeta Beta Tau fraternity at the University of Colorado at Boulder in early March.

The ADL has seen a steady increase of hate crimes against nearly all minority groups, including blacks, Hispanics and homosexuals, Ross added.

"The greatest damage is not in the terms of what (Farrakhan) says in his

speech," Ross lamented, "but that it polarizes campuses. People begin to see each other as opposing camps rather than people. It takes a long time to heal."

Needless to say, the leader of the 10,000-member, Chicago-based Nation of Islam group — which has won acclaim for its work in rehabilitating drug addicts and convicts and freeing housing developments of predatory drug dealers — disagrees.

On Feb. 18, Farrakhan told a Michigan State audience he owes no apology to Jews who might be frightened by his speeches because Jews have "sucked the blood of the black community."

His past comments that Judaism is a "gutter religion" and that the genocidal Adolf Hitler was "a great man" were taken out of context, he told MSU students, and reported by "wicked" Jewish journalists.

At Yale, about 200 students picketed as Farrakhan deputy Abdul Alim Muhammad called the deposed Panamanian dictator "a patriot" and charged that Rhode Island Jews were leading slave traders. He said his charge — which University of Rhode Island history Prof. Sharon Strom called a "great exaggeration" — wasn't anti-Semitism, "just history."

"Louis Farrakhan is not an enemy of America, not an enemy of Jews,

not an enemy of white people," said Farrakhan, who rejected requests to be interviewed for this article, in a February report in the Washington Post. "To say that Louis Farrakhan is anti-Semitic is an unfair characterization of me."

He also said, "I have never had a record of attacking Jews."

"From my point of view that is a farce. His message in the past seven years has included a very strong anti-Semitic message," said Mark Finkelstein, executive director of the Hillel Jewish Student Center at MSU.

"I can only conclude that he is so deluded by hate that he doesn't know the difference," added the ADL's Ross.

Such arguments leave many black students cold.

"(Farrakhan's critics) say he is very derogatory against Jews and that he causes more problems than good.

When he came here, though, he dealt with issues other than race," said Judy Moncrieffe of Northern Illinois University's (NIU) Black Student Union, which sponsored Farrakhan's January visit to the campus.

Farrakhan's message, a charismatically delivered call for self-reliance, sobriety and family stability in the black community, typically inspires and energizes black listeners.

The excitement generated by the

message seems to lead Farrakhan's campus sponsors to discount or dismiss the fears he awakens in Jewish students.

"The Nation of Islam has been around for almost 30 years," Yale's Alston noted. "If they were truly spreaders of hate, blacks would be burning down synagogues and that hasn't happened yet."

As for Jewish students trying to illustrate their discomfort by comparing Farrakhan's judging of people by their faith to the Ku Klux Klan's judging of people by their skin color, Alston said, "That's extremely unfair. The comparison is idiotic because the KKK killed blacks."

"We've had a lot of racial tension," explained NIU's Moncrieffe. "We were having problems and thought

that having him down would be good for blacks and others."

Good or not, his appearances have rarely been peaceful. A mix of student groups protests wherever Farrakhan speaks, and often times shouting matches erupt between opposing groups.

The MSU Board of Trustees ordered the administration to withdraw \$5,000 to help pay Farrakhan's \$20,000 speaking fee. At NIU students tried but failed to block the student government from partially funding Farrakhan's honorarium.

"His visit was very disheartening. It had a (negative) effect on students and faculty. Every place that Farrakhan goes this happens," MSU's Finkelstein said.

## Campus escort service failed

(CPS) — Another volunteer campus escort service has failed.


In the wake of similar warnings of interest at other campuses, the director of the escort service at the University of Maryland at College Park said in mid-March the safety patrol was shutting down because students weren't using it and because it

couldn't attract enough volunteer escorts.

The service, which began in 1975 with 30 volunteers, dwindled to only a handful of helpers before the group threw in the towel, Director Darren Goode said.

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## University increases security to protect research

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(CPS)—A new research facility at the University of Oregon is under heavy security after the university announced that primates will be used in a three-year medical study.

"Everything has been beefed up," said Professor Richard Marroco, who will conduct the research with a \$720,000 grant from the James S. McDonnell Foundation of St. Louis and the Pew Charitable Trusts of Philadelphia.

The security includes electronic surveillance and alarm systems, as well as patrols from the campus security.

The tightened security comes after a warning in late February to vet school deans that they may be targets of extremist animal rights groups. Police speculated extremists might have been responsible for the February murder of University of Tennessee vet school Dean Hiram Kitchen, and issued a warning to animal research labs around the nation.

Animals rights groups vehemently denied any connection to the Tennessee murder.

Oregon police nevertheless note that members of the Animal Liberation Front (ALF) broke into a UO psychology lab in October 1986 and stole 127 cats, mice, rabbits, pigeons, and rats. They also spray-painted walls, smashed windows and vandalized nearly \$50,000 worth of equipment.

Separately, on March 16 eight people protested Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania's handling of

the death of 71 laboratory rats.

A graduate student, whose name was not released, lost his paid job after he left the rats unattended for nearly three weeks during the university's winter break. Two faculty members found the rats—which had all starved to death—Jan. 11.

But the protesters thought the university should also reprimand the faculty members who hire and supervise the people who care for the lab

animals.

Marroco's research at UO is a part of a larger cognitive neuroscience study, and will focus on how attention centers in the brain receive and compute information.

"If you pick any major university, I'm sure they have some type of animal experiments, and many of them use primates," said Ann Chynoweth of the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA). "It proba-

bly happens more often than people realize."

Animal rights activists are angry because the primates in the Oregon study, which will arrive sometime this summer, will undergo brain surgery and then will be killed at the end of the experiment.

"It's quite disturbing (that the study was approved) because of their past record of animal care," said Chynoweth.

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People, he added, weren't using the service because they believe the campus is safe.

Other campus escort services, organized by student volunteers in anger after well-publicized crimes, have closed in the face of similar beliefs. Students at Oregon State, Ohio State and Kent State universities, as well as at the University of Oregon all launched services that folded when memories of the incidents faded.

Many campus escort services disappear because they rely on volunteers, said Sgt. George Watts, assistant coordinator of the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol (SNAP) escort service at the University of Florida.

"You can't depend on volunteers. Our program is tremendously successful because we don't use volunteers," Watts said.

The campus currently employs 35 escorts who must pass a background check and have a chauffeur's license. SNAP has grown from about 3,000 requests a year 15 years ago to 20,000 requests for an escort in 1989.

"Our campus is safe. The whole reason of the program is to keep it safe," Watts said.

Penn State University's Escort Service also has grown. Requests for the service increased by 97 percent during the fall semester, reports the Escort Service.

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# Sports

## Freshmen have instant impact on KSC softball

By Joseph Wyman  
Staff Writer

The Keene State College softball team defeated Assumption College in a double-header last Wednesday. The Lady Owls earned a 7-3 win in the first game and a 2-0 shutout in the second game.

The Lady Owls were given the toughest time by the nasty spring elements. Due to the weather in the past week, the water on the field was frozen, melted and frozen again three nights in a row before the game. This caused conditions at Assumption's field to be very poor.

"The women beat two things," Head Coach Charlie Beach said. "an opposing team and the elements. It was very, very cold."

The victories came behind the pitching of the Lady Owls freshmen

mound masters. Stephanie Soper and Kim MacLean pitched a total of 14 innings with no earned runs given up. Stephanie Soper was on the mound for the Lady Owls in the first game. She pitched the first five and two thirds innings without giving up a hit.

It wasn't until a blooper ball fizzled off an Assumption player's bat directly between pitcher and catcher that the opponent got on base with a hit. From there Assumption made its brief run at the Lady Owls. Soper, who has the lowest ERA (earned run average) among Lady Owl pitchers with a .64, was then relieved by fellow freshman Kim MacLean.

Game one saw the Lady Owl offense and defense fall into place. "I was very happy with their performance," Beach said. "In the second inning they got five runs." The runs came behind the hitting of freshman

Debbie Muir and junior Lori Osterberg, who each had two RBI's (runs batted in) in the second inning.

The second game saw the Lady Owls hold Assumption scoreless. "It was a pitchers' duel through six innings," Beach explained. "And then in the seventh inning Lori Osterberg led off with a single." Osterberg's single turned out to be the first of three which would help put the Lady Owls ahead. Sophomore Janette Schou followed Osterberg with a single and then Jennifer Knox had an RBI single.

From there the Lady Owls didn't look back. MacLean finished off Assumption and got the win. MacLean pitched the entire second game for the Lady Owls. Beach had praise for both pitchers and was pleased with their performance.

The Lady Owls are currently being

led in batting by Lori Osterberg who has a .343 average, followed by Laura Mackay with .317 and Jennifer Knox with .263.

The Lady Owls face Division I University of Vermont today at 2:30 at UVM, weather permitting. The weather was the cause of the postponement of two games last week, one against Bentley and one against Southern Connecticut. If conditions persist, Beach expects more games may have to be rescheduled, which could cause difficulties toward the end of the season.

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## Women's rugby team not receiving support

By John Shore  
Staff Writer

Without the help of a coach or a field to practice on, the women's rugby team will have a difficult season ahead of them. Because of the large number of teams and the small number of fields, women's rugby has been forced to practice on Oya Hill. "It's dangerous to play here because of the trees and broken glass," said rugby player Jen Burns.

Club president Jen McLane, said the coaching is a group effort. The women who have played before help the ones who have not and players from the men's team also help out.

The women's rugby club had a tough time from the very beginning.

When the women decided to form the club they were told that "there are too many teams and there is no room for them." In order to prove that they were serious, the women joined the men's team. Shortly after joining, the women were allowed to write a constitution which was passed by the student assembly in November 1989.

The club lost their first game of the season at UNH on Saturday. Although some of the women disagree on the actual score of the game, they all agree that they played well and had a great time.

## Athletes of the week

chosen by  
sports info.



Stephanie Soper

Freshmen pitchers Stephanie Soper and Kim MacLean receive this week's athlete of the week honors. The two are members of the KSC softball team.

Soper threw a perfect game until the sixth inning of the first game of



Kim MacLean

a double-header against Assumption College. Keene won the game, 7-3.

In the second game, MacLean pitched a 2-0 shutout. She threw the ball in the 70-mile-per-hour range for the entire game, despite the poor weather.



KSC and St. Anselm lacrosse players go after a loose ball in last Saturday's championship game. The Owls won this game and the first KSC tournament.

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in your drink at Albany?

JANE, MANDY, RACH- T-4 weeks and counting...

JEN - Happy 21st birthday! Love, Marcia

THE ANSWER- Erik O. with a candle. So, what was the question?

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TO THE J.A.T. FAN CLUB - Got any good ideas, I'm almost out. Thanks a bunch, Yours truly.

SANDRA LEE - Happy 21st, I'll be waiting for that drink! -Toph

SCOTT - Thanks for the St. Pat's Day party! Luv, Kim

WHEN IS THE NEXT ROAD TRIP? Only a few weeks left to go. K.A. & K.S.

CHANDA - Hang in there! Luv, Kate

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# Sports

## Lacrosse team prevails in its first tournament

By Dave McAlpine  
Staff Writer

The Keene State College lacrosse club won the first KSC Lacrosse Tournament on Saturday at the new athletic field by shutting out Maine Maritime Academy 12-0, and winning the championship game against St. Anselm 13-2.

In their first game, the Owls shut out Maine Maritime using their 'gold' defense. Draper said the team developed this specialty because of its size. Assistant coach Chris Sawyer, visited Springfield College and brought back the 'gold' defense. Coach Jim Draper said it is a familiar defensive strategy to lacrosse players and it worked great. Goalie Joe Fallon played well and John Wilson came in later in the game to preserve the shut out.

The attackers did very well. Mark Chilicki, the leading scorer last year, got a hat trick in the game. One of the team captains, Patrick Colligan, scored two goals; Joe DeVellis, Justin Webber, Greg Harris, and Kevin Foley chipped in one goal each and Dana Blum rounded out the score to 12 with a hat trick of his own. The coach said the whole team was able to play and displayed a good effort.

St. Anselm beat Unity College 9-6 at noon and their team captain, Mike

thorner scored six out of the nine goals. This win qualified them for the championship game.

In the championship game against St. Anselm, things started out bad in the first quarter when the Owls fell behind by two goals, but they soon regained their composure. Draper said Greg Harris played an outstanding game on offense scoring four goals, while Mark Chilicki and Patrick Colligan both scored hat tricks. Draper said the defense was very strong, especially Jeff Philbrick, who shut out St. Anselm's leading scorer.

Saturday the field was in good shape, the tremendous surface and great drainage kept the field very dry. Coach Draper said, "You could pour a bucket of water over it [the turf] and the water would disappear." There were more than 100 players in the tournament and about 200 people came to watch the championship game. Draper said the KSC team wants to thank the home crowd for their support.

"It was a very special day for the KSC lacrosse team and overall a positive experience," Draper said.

Draper said he was pleased with the first tournament held at the new complex and would like to thank Robert Mallat, vice president of resource administration, Director of Sports Information Ronald Butcher, the grounds crew, softball coach



Jeremy Wiseman and Judd Guey of the KSC lacrosse team battle for the ball against a St. Anselm defender in the championship game. The Owls won 13-2.

Charlie Beach, and Director of Recreational Sports Hazel Varner for making this tournament possible. "With a club, everyone helps out and pulls together to make things possible, it was really a group effort," he said.

Draper said he is happy the lacrosse club has grown to about forty players. This year there are many

freshmen and some have never played before. The team conditioned for five weeks by running and swimming as well as practicing at the tennis courts. Draper said he was surprised that out of the 45 who initially went out for the sport, 40 stayed and roughed it out. He said, "The program is really building and access to the field has really helped this."

The next game will be played at home against Bryant College under the lights at the new athletic complex on Friday at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, the KSC lacrosse team plays at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass. Draper said, "This weekend is a real test for the team and after these two games we will know where we stand."

## Intramural tournament gets underway

By Kristi Severson  
Staff Writer

Recreational basketball began its tournament Monday.

The Kamakazi's were able to advance into the quarter finals by defeating the Zero's 85-17. Top scorers of the game were Kamakazi teammates Mike Angwin with 22 points, Scott Smith, 20, and Thom Almedia, 17.

The 69er's beat TKE & Co 44-41. Keith Zanistowski, of the 69er's, had high score of 12 points and Barry Smith, also of the 69er's, earned 10. Jerry's Kids won by a score that more than doubled their competition, Hoops for Allah's, ending 66-26. Jerry's Kid Chris Plante had a top score of 22 while teammate Scott Baldwin had 20.

Bub's Boys won by a margin of 29 against the Hill People. Brett Barnes earned 17 points for the Boys while

teammate Eric Sprague scored 11. The Blazers beat the Jam 64-31.

High scores of the game were earned by two Blazers players. Sam Goff had 14, and David LeBlond had 13.

In the only game to go into overtime Phi Mu Delta's "A" team beat Alpha's "A" team 41-40. Top score in that game was earned by Phi Mu Delta's Dave Cote.

The women's first tournament round is scheduled for today.

At 7:30 the Powerhouse will take on Eta Gamma Chi as the Yaga's challenge the Freshmen Hoopsters.

At 8:30, the M&M's are scheduled to play against the Tigers.

In Just for Fun Basketball this week, Private Stock were victorious over the Taters, 36-32. Tater Rudy Doliscat had a high score of 13 while Private Tod O'dell was close behind with 12.

The Motts beat Shakespeare's Apostles 44-38. Motts' player Peter

Smith had a top score of 18 points as Apostle Brian Carroll earned 12.

Les Schwartzes gained a 10 point spread to defeat the Smurfs 56-46.

Troy Burt of Les Schwartzes had 18 points, followed by the Smurfs' Barry Coppen with 17.

The Nerds won against the Alpha Bako's 43-35. Alpha's Bob Testa had a high score of 12 in the game, and Smurf Chris Ziegler had 11.

TKE "B" and the Amazing Privealados game was not played due to double forfeit.

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## No ineligible numbers issued

By Karen Dicey  
Assistant News Editor

All Keene State students who submitted their housing contracts by the March 23 deadline have received eligible room draw numbers, according to Michel Williams, assistant director of Residential Life.

Williams said there are 1,986 available spaces on campus, of which 700 are reserved for incoming freshmen. According to Williams, this leaves 1,286 spaces available for returning students, transfers, re-admitted students, and students who have studied abroad or taken a leave of absence.

Residential Life received 1,415 housing contracts this spring, which was 42 fewer than last year. Mathematically, this leaves 129 students with ineligible numbers, but Williams said his office uses statistics from past years to determine how many contracts will be canceled between room draw and September.

"There's roughly 100 to 130 con-



Kate Waller, Chris Zaharek, and Jeremy Wiseman (l to r) check their room draw numbers.

tracts that you know you're going to lose," he said. Reasons for loss of contract include students who decide to live off campus, transfer, take a leave of absence, or withdraw from the college.

Williams said, if students who plan

to live off campus notify Residential Life before room selection next week, their entire \$100 deposit will be refunded. According to Williams, this is a new policy which encourages

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## U.N. vice president to speak at KSC

By Jennifer Layburn  
Staff Writer

His Excellency, Ambassador Lionel Alexander Hurst, vice president of the United Nations General Assembly, will present a lecture in the Mabel Brown Room Thursday at 7 p.m. Hurst will also serve as a mediator during a model of the United Nations conducted today and tomorrow by Keene State students and area high school students.

Hurst's lecture, titled "Humanities Quest on the Dawn of the 21st Century," will address issues the United Nations will be dealing with in the next decade. Examples of these issues include peaceful settlements of

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Lionel Hurst (left) presents his credentials to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

## Students approve new Constitution

By Jennifer Themel  
Staff Writer

Following a re-interpretation of the current constitution, the student assembly announced that a new student government constitution was passed with a 99 percent approval of the total votes cast by the student body.

According to members of the student Assembly, the final tally was 578 'yes' votes and five 'no' votes.

Assembly members said last week, that 2,821 [two-thirds of the entire student body] approval votes were needed to adopt the new constitution. However, at an informal meeting of Student Assembly members Sunday night, a re-interpretation of the current constitution was discussed.

"We discussed before how we might interpret it [the current constitution]. We didn't vote to say we would interpret it one way, we simply discussed it....," said Chairperson of the Student Assembly Monique Goldberg.

"But a lot of people have been raising questions as to the feasibility in that what we did...what it comes down to is that we decided to consult more of the parliamentarians on campus to get a better consensus of what we should do...."

"After some research it has been concluded that it did not read two-thirds of the student body of the entire campus must say 'yes,'" Goldberg said.

According to Goldberg, the re-interpretation of the old constitution showed that only two-thirds of those voting must approve the new constitution. She added Paul Blackett, the groups parliamentarian, felt this was an accurate interpretation.

The old constitution is very "ambiguous," Goldberg said. One part of the constitution states, "the Student Government Constitution shall be amended by a two-thirds vote of the standing membership of the Student Assembly, a two-thirds referendum vote of the student body, and by the acceptance of the president of Keene State College." Gold-

berg said the Student Assembly has the power to interpret each section when they need to.

Goldberg said she was pleased with the efforts exhibited by everyone who helped get the new constitution passed. However, she questioned the efforts of Student Body President Erik Oparowski in connection with the voting process. According to Goldberg, Oparowski did not volunteer his time to get students to vote.

In an interview Monday, Oparowski said he volunteered an hour which someone else signed him up for, but found no ballot box present. "The ballot box was not present, and I had to attend another meeting," he explained.

"Due to a lot of the demonstrations, and the time I put in with that, which Monique didn't put as much time into, which I thought was a cause I had to fight for, I have a lot of make-up stuff that I have to do with my school work," Oparowski explained.

"The student body is taken care of by the chairperson of the student government. I can understand where Monique is coming from delivering slanderous attacks that I didn't support it as much as I could have. I did support it [the voting of the constitution] in voice because I felt that's what should've gone on. The legislative branch is her job, the executive branch is mine," Oparowski said.

"I did support it in voice and I could have put more time into the ballot box, and if I'm going to be attacked for not putting in an hour or two on the ballot box, then I suppose that's my problem," he added.

In addition to his efforts, Goldberg also questioned whether Oparowski had voted in the approval of the constitution.

"I felt biased totally about what had gone on, I did part of the constitution. I didn't feel that I wanted to vote because I had a big part in the amendments going on," Oparowski said.

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## KSC baseball team plagued by weather

By Jason Cheek  
Sports Editor

On Friday March 30, the Keene State Owls Baseball team travelled to Stonehill College in what they hoped would be their first conference game of the season. Unfortunately, the game was called due to bad weather conditions after four and two-thirds innings.

Freshman right-hander, Aaron Bronson, took the mound for the Owls and only gave up two runs in the game. The score was tied at two in the middle of the fourth, when the umpire noticed Bronson slipping off the mound. The umpire then called the game. It had been snow-

ing off and on all day, and it was snowing so hard at one time that the game was delayed to let the weather clear up.

On Saturday, the Owls hoped to play a double-header against the University of Bridgeport, but the weather again caused the game to be called.

The Owls next game is scheduled for today at New England College. Right-hander Brian Plona is expected to start on the mound. The Owls next home game is a double-header against Southern Vermont University tomorrow at 1:00. The team plays another double header at home next Wednesday against Plymouth State.