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Going out in style

Women's soccer head coach Denise Lyons is leading the Lady Owls towards a berth in the ECAC tournament, or possibly a chance to travel to California to compete in the NCAA Division II tournament.

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Wes LaBelle gets control of the ball during a game with Southern Connecticut State. The Owls were defeated 5-0, dimming their hopes for a postseason berth. Equinox photo by Angelo Puglisi

Owls fight for postseason

Jennifer L. Kuehn
The Equinox

The University of Southern Connecticut made it look as easy as one, two, three when they rolled over the Keene State men's soccer team this weekend 5-0, at Owl Stadium.

Keene State came into the match unranked while Southern is number one in Division II. The numbers spoke for themselves.

"They're a great team," head coach Ron Butcher said. "Once again Keene State had their chances, yet couldn't find the net."

In the first few minutes of the game, midfielder Kevin Chevalier came down the right side of the field and crossed the ball in front of the Southern net.

Unfortunately, forward Charlie Martin couldn't get there in time to capitalize on the opportunity.

"We had three clear cut chances in the first 20 minutes," Butcher

said in an interview with sport information director Stuart Kaufman.

"The bottom line is that we couldn't put more than three passes together," midfielder Philippe Moreau said.

Southern set the tone of the game mid way through the first half when they found the back of the net with a shot to the top corner.

Southern came right back three minutes later with a controversial goal. Southern forward Asaf Dagai received the ball and shot it at the goal.

"I made the save and he kicked it right out of my hands," goalie Eric Capron said.

The Southern player was off-sides and the referee made a bad call by allowing the goal.

The third goal was a lack of effort on the Keene State defense.

A Southern player came down the center of the field and passed the ball between defenders Drew Stietzel and Ben Rayder.

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Men's rugby gets postseason bid, Women fall to Colby 15-0

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The Equinox

As the Keene State women's rugby team took the field, emotions were running rampant.

For some the fact was this game was the final regular season home game. For others it was knowing a win could launch the team into the postseason.

Colby College knew this as well and used the emotion to their advantage as they defeated Keene State 15-0 on Saturday.

Colby struck early as they fought their way downfield. Keene State was out of position and Colby streaked down the sideline and into the try zone.

Keene State appeared shocked, but quickly regained their composure in the first scrum as they forced Colby back.

Keene State dominated most of the scrums in the first half, providing a much needed bright spot.

Scrum half Kristen Ewart had a tremendous game for Keene State, punishing Colby with many forearms to heads and straight-arms to faces.

Colby added to their lead much like they did the first time, catching Keene State off guard and speeding down the sideline.

In the second half, Colby continued to use speed to their advantage, getting out of several tight spots.

Penalties haunted Keene State in the second half, not allowing them many opportunities to get back into the game.

After Miranda Chicklis, club president, was forced out of the game with a leg injury, Keene State slowly began to fall apart. The veterans attempted to keep them in the game but could not.

The loss of Chicklis contributed to Colby being able to finally control almost every aspect of

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Kristen Ewart drags a defender during Saturday's game. Equinox photo by Angelo Puglisi

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NH makes history

Clinton takes Granite State again

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It has been almost a century since it happened.

For the first time since Franklin Delanor Roosevelt, a Democrat won the Presidential Election two times consecutively.

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In 1992, President Bill Clinton was the first Democrat to capture the Granite State without winning New Hampshire's highly coveted "First in the Nation" Primary.

According to the Associated Press, with 234 of 300 precincts reporting, Clinton captured 186,815 votes, 50 percent, in New Hampshire. Republican challenger Bob Dole received 147,226 votes, 39 percent, and Independent Ross Perot received a modest 35,978, 10 percent.

Associated Press exits polls showed that New Hampshire voters were looking to vote for Clinton because they felt the 50-year-old Democrat was more in touch with the 1990s than the 74-year-old Dole.

Associated Press reports were used to compile this story.



Bill Clinton is the first Democrat to be elected for a second term since Franklin Delanor Roosevelt was in 1945. Equinox file photo



Jeanne Shaheen speaks to voters during Sunday's rally in Keene. She is the first Democrat to be elected governor in 18 years and the first woman in New Hampshire history. Equinox photo by Jesse Stenbak

Shaheen state's first woman governor

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all five year olds, and having no sales or income tax.

History was made Tuesday as New Hampshire voters elected Democrat Jeanne Shaheen, as its first ever female governor and its first Democratic governor in 18 years.

Shaheen beat Republican Ovide Lamontagne, and Independent Fred Bramante, by a landslide.

According to the Associated Press, Shaheen benefited from President Clinton's overwhelming success because 90 percent of the people who voted for the president in New Hampshire, also voted for her.

"We've had enough partisanship in New Hampshire, now it's time for leadership," Shaheen said in her acceptance speech.

Richard Sigel, Shaheen's campaign manager, said Shaheen won because she was talking about the issues people care about like lowering electric rates, insuring access to affordable health care, providing kindergarten for

"It's a big win for Jeanne Shaheen. It's a big win for New Hampshire," Sigel said.

Shaheen addressed her opponents by name in her acceptance speech and asked them to join her in working to improve New Hampshire.

"We've got a lot of work to do together and we've come a long way together," Shaheen said.

Lamontagne sent Shaheen his best wishes in his concession speech, but he told his supporters to watch her for the next two years to make sure "New Hampshire's values and traditions are not compromised."

Lamontagne said Shaheen has adopted many Republican principles and this is why she won.

He told his supporters to take down his campaign signs but to save the stakes, hinting he would run for public office again in the future.

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Smith edges Swett in Senate race

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The Equinox

In the tradition of the infamous media goof: "Dewey Defeats Truman," major television networks and the Associated Press reported last night that Democratic challenger Dick Swett defeated incumbent Republican Senator Bob Smith based on exit poll interviews.

"Rumors of my death were greatly exaggerated," said Smith to supporters last night after being declared the winner.

With 234 of 300 precincts reporting, Smith led Swett by close

to 9,000 votes; 2 percentage points.

Some in the political world have said that sitting through a close race like this is the equivalent of having a baby.

For the Swett camp, nothing could be closer to the truth. Not only did the former Congressman have to contend with the back and forth reports of election returns, but his sister-in-law spent the night in labor at Concord Hospital.

According to Associated Press reports, Smith said he plans to introduce a bill that would end exit polling when he returns to Washington.



Smith

Shaheen

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Shaheen said what helped her win was that she had a lot of Republican support and she talked about the issues that matter in everyday life.

According to the Associated Press, Bramante said he's glad Lamontagne lost.

In his concession speech, he said, "There was a rejection of the far-right attitude the Republican party has taken."

Shaheen had her family behind her during her acceptance speech as the crowd chanted her name.

She introduced her husband, Bill, and her three daughters. Shaheen said she would not be where she is without their support.

The campaign is mostly about families, children, and the future, she said.

"Tonight, together we made history. But I did not run for governor to make history. I ran to make a difference for New Hampshire families," Shaheen said.

Shaheen said she will work hard to serve the people of New Hampshire and work to do what she has promised throughout her campaign.

Shaheen said she will aim to make a better N.H. without sales or income tax, by expanding

kindergarten and improving schools, making health care available, affordable, and accessible to everyone in this state, and to create jobs with incomes a family may be raised on and a future may be built on.

"We've had enough talk about what divides us, now it's time to bring people together," Shaheen said.

Shaheen, who is from Madbury, has been in politics for 20 years, six of those years as a state senator. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and her Master's degree in political science from the University of Mississippi.



Jason Hindle, left, and Rebekka Forsberg show their support for members of the Republican party outside of ward one at Wheelock School on Adams Street. Though the GOP did not capture the White House or the governorship, it managed to retain all federal legislative seats.

Equinox photo by Angelo Puglisi

election	PRESIDENT			SENATE		
	Clinton	Dole	Perot	Dick Swett	Bob Smith	
Keene Ward #1	926	420	119	853	513	
Keene Ward #2	1155	511	106	1064	616	
Keene Ward #3	1075	571	136	1014	692	
Keene Ward #4	1085	641	128	994	779	
Keene Ward #5	1160	767	132	1097	901	
All results are unofficial returns as reported by the Keene City Clerk's office.	GOVERNOR			CONGRESS		
	Jeanne Shaheen	Ovide Lamontagne	Fred Bramante	Deborah "Arnie" Arnesen	Charlie Bass	
Keene Ward #1	976	421	60	819	559	
Keene Ward #2	1293	435	63	1063	661	
Keene Ward #3	1216	529	44	956	763	
Keene Ward #4	1216	605	47	954	829	
Keene Ward #5	1314	710	68	1028	982	

Clinton first Democrat to win second term in 50 years

Jodi Enda & Steven Thomma
Knight Ridder/Tribune News

WASHINGTON - Bill Clinton capitalized on a robust economy and his formidable political skills to win re-election Tuesday, making him the first Democrat to recapture the White House in more than a half-century.

His re-election capped a stunning comeback from the political humiliation dealt to him midway through his first term, when voters rebuffed his leadership.

Four years ago, it was a weak economy that enabled Clinton to beat George Bush. This year, it was a strong economy, leading to voter contentment, that gave Clinton the strength to overcome other, personal vulnerabilities.

More than half of voters said Clinton was not honest, according to a survey of voters leaving the polls, and even half of Clinton's supporters said they had reservations about supporting him.

Both Republican candidate Bob Dole and Reform Party candidate Ross Perot tried to profit from those misgivings, raising questions about the president's character and suggesting that he was not fit to represent the United States on the world stage.

In the end, though, voters said overwhelmingly that issues were more important to them than character, and that it was Clinton, not Dole or Perot, who shared more of their views.

"His greatest accomplishment was his management of the economy, and his reduction of the deficit without seriously reducing any major social programs," said Susan Thompson, 47, a tax accountant in St. Paul, Minn. who voted for Clinton.

At 50, Clinton is the youngest president ever to win a second



Bob Dole's political career ended last night. "Citizen" Dole says for the first time ever, he doesn't have anything to do today.

term. Ironically, his re-election prevented Dole, at 73, from becoming the oldest man ever to win a first term.

Based on early results, Clinton was poised to sweep past Dole in the Electoral College vote. By early evening, Clinton was declared the winner in such states as Florida, Ohio, New Hampshire, Vermont, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Missouri, Tennessee, Maryland, Connecticut, Maine, Delaware and Washington, D.C.

Dole won in Oklahoma and his home state of Kansas, with a total of 14 electoral votes.

It was unclear, however, whether Clinton would win 50 percent of the popular vote, a goal he had set to convince Congress of his popularity.

Clinton spent Election Day in Little Rock, Ark., voting with daughter Chelsea by his side as he wrapped up a whirlwind week in which he crisscrossed the country stumping for himself and congressional candidates. The president brunched with a friend, then waited in his hotel for election results to roll in.

Dole voted in his hometown of Russell, Kan. before boarding a plane for Washington.

"We've done the best we could. We worked hard," he said. "And I must say, I voted for myself."

In many ways, Clinton was an unlikely Democrat to become the first since Franklin Roosevelt to win a second term. From the start, his administration was embroiled in disputes over personal foibles and public behavior.

Now, his second term is destined to be marred by continuing investigations into the Whitewater real-estate deal in Arkansas, the administration's improper use of FBI files, the dismissal of the White House travel staff and questionable campaign fund-raising.

The president won a second term by scaling back the type of big-ticket items he promised when he ran for his first.

Throughout his campaign, he tried to convey to voters a sense of optimism and security, feel-good themes that glossed over the failings of his first term, including his attempt to overhaul health care.

Now, he will move forward with his more recent, modest plans to continue working toward a balanced budget, cleaning up the environment and improving education standards.

This year, Clinton issued a number of small proposals, including the creation of tax breaks for college tuition and for busi-



Equinox file photo

Bill Clinton is the first Democrat in 50 years to be reelected to the White House.

nesses that hire welfare recipients.

Nonetheless, many voters, even Clinton supporters, are looking ahead to a second term with trepidation. More than half the voters who responded to exit polls said they were either scared or concerned about a second term; less than half said they were excited or optimistic.

The key issue on voters' minds Tuesday was the economy and jobs. One-fifth of voters listed that as their top priority and, of those, nearly three of five went for Clinton.

Indeed, more than half the voters polled after casting their ballots said they thought the country was "on the right track," a message drummed by Clinton at almost every campaign stop.

"They say, 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it,'" said Georgia Mur-

phy, a Tallahassee, Fla. Republican who voted for Clinton. "I think things are all right with Clinton."

Women were particularly instrumental in Clinton's triumph. While men split the bulk of their votes fairly evenly between Clinton and Dole; women, the majority of voters, threw their support overwhelmingly to Clinton, exit polls showed. African Americans and Hispanics also voted for the president in high numbers.

Clinton won among Catholics, voters earning less than \$50,000 a year, those who identified themselves as liberals or moderates, those who say they are better off financially than they were four years ago and those who think the country is on the right track.

Dole received solid support from men, voters making more

than \$75,000 a year, Asian Americans, Protestants and those who like the GOP Congress he once was a part of. He also received the largest share of votes from people who supported Perot four years ago winning over almost twice as many as Perot himself.

Though his prospects never looked good, Dole remained undeterred in his third and likely final quest for the White House. Badly bruised after a short but brutal primary season, Dole tried repeatedly and unsuccessfully to jumpstart his campaign.

He attacked Clinton head-on, accusing him of lying to the public, presiding over a dishonest administration and being "liberal, liberal, liberal." He attacked the media for "stealing" the election and exhorted voters to "wake up."

Campus Safety Log

October 29, Tuesday
(omitted from last week's issue)
4:47 p.m. There was a report that the lock on room 212 in Owl's Nest 7 had been vandalized with superglue.
4:48 p.m. Employees leaving Elliot Hall reported a strong smell of smoke. A Campus Safety officer reported that a coffee pot had burned.
11:58 p.m. A Campus Safety officer spoke to a student who was trying to bring a dog into Owl's Nest 3.

October 30, Wednesday
4:00 a.m. The WFF found people sleeping in the stairwell of the Mason Library.
12:20 p.m. RD Tina Richardson reported that a washing machine and dryer were tipped over in the Carle Hall laundry room. The Grounds Crew was called to place them upright.
12:20 a.m. There was a report of a

suspicious person near the Winchester Street parking lot and a Keene police officer was called to check the situation.
6:31 p.m. There was a report of a male with long dark hair wearing a leather jacket who stole a talking Jack Skeleton doll from behind the front desk at the Mason Library. A Campus Safety officer checked the area and was unable to find the subject. A Campus Safety officer and a KPD officer headed towards the Bushnell Apts. area to check for the subject.
6:57 p.m. A blue light phone was activated near the trestle behind Owl's Nest 1, but no one answered on the other line.
8:44 p.m. A resident of Guerin house called to report a car accident when a car ran into a tree between Guerin House and 9 Madison Street.
11:15 p.m. An RA from 331 Main Street reported two males arguing in the rear lot, possibly in-

toxicated. A Safety Officer requested assistance from a police officer. The two students were taken into protective custody.

November 1, Friday
(information unavailable at press time)

November 2, Saturday
12:25 a.m. RD Dottie Johnson reported a large group of people possibly uprooting signs. A Campus Safety officer reported no damage to Keene State signs, but a city sign on Wilson Street was ripped up.
1:12 a.m. The Keene Police Department was called by Campus Safety for a large party and noise complaints where several "party-goers" were taken into protective custody.
1:31 a.m. RA Joshua Farr reported feces on the toilet seat in the second stall of the first floor bath-

room in Monadnock Hall.

1:35 a.m. RA Caryl Hauser reported vomit on the third floor of Huntress, apparently an (words deleted by Campus Safety) got sick in the room.
2:53 a.m. There was a report of several unescorted males in Huntress Hall and one subject was found outside of Butterfield Hall and he agreed not to go into Huntress.
9:51 a.m. A caller from Butterfield Hall reported that a 911 call was placed for a subject who had passed out, but apparently the call was not transferred, even though the switchboard screen showed the call had been transferred. The caller said there were two attempts to call 911 with no answers each time. The operator said the calls were received, but the caller hung up. The subject was transferred to Cheshire Medical Center.
12:25 p.m. A Campus Safety offi-

cer spoke to people who had thrown an apple and hit a car parked near the entrance to the commuter parking lot.

November 3, Sunday
7:25 a.m. There were subjects found sleeping in the Owl's Nest 1 lounge.
7:47 a.m. There were subjects found sleeping in the Owl's Nest 8 lounge.
8:41 a.m. RA Mike D. found a smashed pumpkin in the second floor hallway of Monadnock Hall.
3:44 p.m. RA Karen Price of Monadnock Hall reported incoming obscene phone calls.
7:20 p.m. A Safety officer stopped a car which was driving over the lawn and on the sidewalks near campus parking lots.

November 4, Monday
5:23 p.m. There was a report of a person selling raffle tickets in Huntress Hall and the subject was escorted off the premises.

Keene Police Log

October 28, Monday
5:34 a.m. motor vehicle stop at Cumberland Farms, services rendered.
11:04 a.m. Loretta Simmonds phoned the Keene Police regarding illegal materials that were received over the internet at the computer lab; the material appears to have come from off campus, police are investigating.
5:01 p.m. motor vehicle stop on Winchester Street near the college, summons issued.
6:57 p.m. Katie Peck called the Keene Police regarding a possible shoplifting at Famous Footwear.
7:11 p.m. 911 call from Cumberland Farms, services rendered.

11:28 p.m. David Salent transported from the college to the Keene Police Department by state police, Joseph Pothoff transported to Cheshire County House of Corrections in Westmorland.

October 31, Thursday
12:18 p.m. suspicious person in Winchester Street parking lot, services rendered.
8:42 p.m. motor vehicle accident on Madison Street, the driver Leah Ionnaou, 26, was taken into protective custody at 8:59 p.m. and released at Cheshire Medical Center at 9:01 p.m.

November 1, Friday
4:28 a.m. phone call regarding a loud party on Island Street, services rendered.
1:15 a.m. subject stopped at Winchester Street and Blake Street, summons issued for open container.
1:46 a.m. motor vehicle stop at Main Street and Marlborough Street, warning issued.
10:25 p.m. motor vehicle stop at Main Street and Proctor Ct., warning issued.

October 29, Tuesday
4:02 p.m. Paks Winchester Street, fake ID.
9:24 p.m. Jeremy Ireland, 22, arrested, conduct after Washington Street, released on \$500 personal recognizance bail until a hearing on Nov. 20.

October 30, Wednesday
1:05 p.m. Jason Daigle, arrested, misrepresentation of age, released on \$500 personal recognizance bail until a hearing on Nov. 19.
1:25 p.m. Paks on Winchester Street, fake ID, subject ran out of the store when confronted by an employee, police located the subject who agreed to turn himself in at a later date.
5:59 p.m. call made to the Keene Police from the Mason Library regarding a theft, a halloween doll worth about \$200 was stolen from a display of decorations.
11:17 p.m. intoxicated subject behind the environmental house, Campus Safety called Keene Police at 11:24 p.m., two subjects David Salent and Joseph Pothoff taken into protective custody.

10:27 p.m. motor vehicle stop on Winchester Street, by the college, summons issued for speeding.
3:46 p.m. motor vehicle stop, Main Street and Winchester Street, summons issued for failure to yield.

November 2, Saturday
10:45 p.m. call received from Cumberland Farms regarding a shoplifter.
12:27 p.m. phone call to Keene Police regarding a disturbance in Monadnock Hall, subjects were gone when police arrived, services rendered.
12:35 p.m. subject stopped on Wilson St, summons issued for open container.
12:43 p.m. phone call made to



Leah Ionnaou, 26, was taken into protective custody after driving her car into a tree on Madison Street on Thursday night.

Keene Police regarding a loud party at 107 Davis Street, services rendered.
12:44 p.m. loud music at 19 Dunbar Street, services rendered.

November 3, Sunday
4:28 a.m. phone call regarding a loud party on Island Street, services rendered.
12:55 p.m. 911 call from Cumberland Farms, subject hung up.
3:56 p.m. call made to Keene Police regarding vandalism to a vehicle at 85 Winchester Street.
6:58 p.m. motor vehicle stop at Winchester Street and Butler Ct., sum-

Keene Fire Log

October 29, Tuesday
8:10 p.m. Lloyd P. Young Student Center, automatic fire alarm, cause unknown.
October 31, Thursday
11:11 p.m. Carle Hall, automatic fire alarm, caused by cooking in "A" wing.
8:46 p.m. motor vehicle accident at 9 Madison St.
November 2, Saturday
9:45 p.m. Butterfield Hall, medical emergency.
November 3, Sunday
6:47 p.m. Holloway Hall, response to alarm box 5152.

Adjunct faculty unhappy with treatment

Anthony Vogl
The Equinox

"When you think that there has not been a raise for 10 years and the cost of living has gone up conservatively three percent per year, that means I have lost 30 percent of my pay."

• adjunct faculty member

The squeaky wheel is supposed to get the grease, but if the squeaky wheel squeaks too much, then it usually gets changed. That just about sums up the adjunct situation at Keene State College.

Adjuncts, part-time faculty members who are usually hired to teach a few courses, say they are being exploited by the college. Because they have very little job security and are hired on a semester to semester basis, all of the adjuncts interviewed wished to remain anonymous for this article.

A beginning adjunct faculty member starts at \$1,200 per semester for a three credit class. Based on the length of time teaching at Keene State, this increases by \$50 per credit to a high of \$1,800 per semester for a three credit class, according to the department of human resources, the department in charge of hiring faculty and staff.

"When you think that there has not been a raise for 10 years and the cost of living has gone up conservatively three percent per year, that means I have lost 30 percent of my pay," said one adjunct. "I can now take 70 cents to the supermarket because I don't have the dollar anymore."

The course load for two adjuncts is the equivalent to one full-time professor's work-load, but at a fraction of the cost, an adjunct said.

"A little arithmetic says the two adjuncts

are a much better deal than the full-time professor and if the adjuncts are committed enough and good enough people, and focus on their desire to teach and stay in one institution, they are a great deal because after the five years, they are not going to cost you any more money," an adjunct said. "You are never going to have to give them an increase."

"Adjuncts are highly qualified, poorly paid, and exploited by the college."

• Wilfred Bisson
president of NEA



pay competitively, the administration is reviewing the procedure on adjunct views.

"There are some schools that pay better than we do, and there are some schools that pay worse," said Robert Golden, vice president for academic affairs. "The issue of pay has been discussed with the last month by the president and the vice presidents."

Golden said using adjuncts helps keep the

cost of education lower for students. Gordon Leversce, dean of sciences, said most people are in agreement that it is time for some pay adjustments for the adjunct faculty, but "the reality is that you need to find the money to do that somewhere."

Golden said while Keene State does not find the money may not be the problem according to one of the adjuncts. "One rumor is that when asked if a pay raise could be put in place for someone of long service, it was said that it was virtually impossible because there was no money," said an adjunct.

The lack of full-time perks leads one adjunct to compare the status of adjuncts to slavery. "Keeping them at the same exact rate of pay, with no recognition, no cost of living increase, no access to benefit packages, means you don't value them, means they have become completely invisible," an adjunct said. "150 years ago, we would be called indentured servants - we would be called slaves."

According to a New Hampshire Supreme Court ruling, adjuncts cannot be involved in teacher's unions, according to union representatives.

"The National Education Association, (the teacher's union which Keene State full-

time faculty belong to) could not represent adjuncts because the adjuncts did not have any expectations of continual employment," said Wilfred Bisson, president of the Keene State NEA.

Adjuncts, however, take little solace in their situation. "It is hard for us to know who to talk to," an adjunct said. "There is no one representing you - there is no collective bargaining group. We understand from the law that our hands are tied. As part-time state employees, who have no guarantee of continuing employment, we understand that we are not even allowed to organize ourselves to try to attempt to get a collective bargaining arrangement."

"It is much nicer if you know you are represented by someone who can go in and speak without fear of retribution, without fear of being singled out and fired so it is a tough situation," an adjunct said.

Bisson said he sympathizes with the adjuncts. He feels that overuse of part-time faculty can bring down the quality of the college.

"The excessive use of adjuncts lowers the standard of education," Bisson said. "The college's excessive reliance on adjuncts is detrimental because they cannot have an emotional stake in the college."

Many adjuncts feel the college needs to establish a commitment with them to reward them for their commitment to Keene State and the students.

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Spring course registration draws mixed reviews

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The Equinox

Course registration may be a bit less annoying for upperclassmen this fall, but underclassmen still say they waited in long lines and were denied classes they needed.

"I thought (course registration) was a joke. I waited an hour and a half and took a bunch of courses I'm not even interested in," freshman Billy Kitteredge said.

While students continue to complain about the registration process to each other, the Registrar's office received no formal complaints, Sandra Piece, associate registrar said.

Senior Mark Reinhold was in one of the earlier registration sections. An upperclassman, he says the system works well.

"Everything went fine, I didn't have any problems with it," he said.

Because organizers needed the last two days of course registration free for schedule adjustments, there were more students in the normal registration sections.

This may have contributed to the long lines, Piece said.

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This semester the schedule adjustment period, which usually occurs sometime after registration ends, was built into the course registration process.

Schedule adjustment took place during the last two days of course registration, Piece said.

In the past some students have chosen to

bypass the registration process and enroll in classes during the schedule adjustment and add/drop periods, Piece said.

Because some sophomores and juniors arrived to register earlier than they were supposed to, students who arrived on time had a longer wait, Piece said.

"I thought (course registration) was a joke, I waited an hour and a half and took a bunch of courses I'm not even interested in."

• Billy Kitteredge
freshman

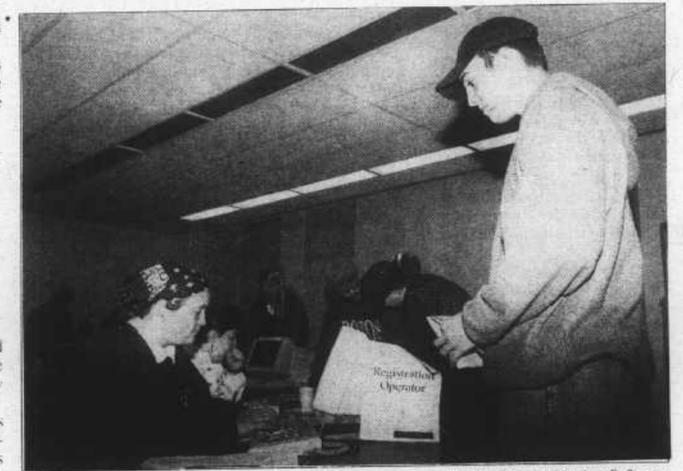
All sections finished within the allotted time slot, some even finished earlier, the registration process moved along fairly quickly, Piece said.

While the Academic Advising staff was available on the spot during course registration for freshmen and sophomores, juniors and seniors were expected to see their advisers beforehand.

During the first couple of days of registration, some students arrived without having first consulted an adviser, Piece said.

Because upperclassmen were not given the option of on-the-fly advising, some of the upperclassmen had to leave registration, meet with an adviser, and then come back.

Anyone with over 60 credits should already have their own adviser, Piece said.



Freshman Daryl Leland signs up for classes for the spring semester with computer operator Carrie Smith. Course registration, which took place in the Arts Center, went well this year, according to the registrar's office.

Overall students came to registration well prepared, "they were great," Piece said.

Even in the wake of some student unrest regarding course registration as a whole, the Registrar's office was pleased with the turnout this semester.

About 3,500 students went through the course registration process, or approximately 93 percent of those eligible to participate.

Piece said as far as she can remember, course registration has never attracted such a high percentage of the student body.

Education played role in student voting

Colleen DeBowe
College Press Service

CHICAGO - Students leaving the polls Tuesday night said President Clinton's emphasis on higher education issues during his campaign won their votes.

At DePaul University, students who voted for Clinton said they supported the president because he's in-tune with their generation and cares about education.

At the same time, many expressed frustration that they didn't have better choices, citing concerns about Clinton's character as the president begins a second term in office.

"He's a more energetic leader than the other options," said Heather Schmiedekamp, 21, a senior music major. "I thought about Ralph Nader for a while, but thought I better go with the main two."

She voted Democratic because "a lot of times I just don't see the Republican party as having good things for college students in there," she said. "The whole thing with the Republican Congress trying to slash college loans is really frightening at a time when college tuition is going up."

Clinton's education proposals-a centerpiece of his re-election bid-include a \$1,500-a-year tuition tax credit for the first two years of college, called HOPE scholarships, and a \$10,000 tax deduction for college tuition.

"The president has based a lot of his campaign on his proposals to help students with higher education," said David Merkwitz, director of the American Council on Education in Washington, D.C.

In nearly every campaign speech, Clinton touted his campaign proposals to promote access to higher education, Merkwitz said.

On the other hand, "the Dole campaign has not addressed student aid as directly," said Merkwitz.

Many students said it was Clinton's support for student aid and other higher education issues that influenced their vote for Clinton.

"I like their plan for education," said Ann Ruane, 21, a political science major. "The one thing that will lead this country is education."

She also supports Clinton's position on abortion rights and welfare reform. "I'm happy," she said. "I think Dole is a very nice man-he's one of the better Republican candidates-I just don't think he's what we need right now."

Lisa Sciarretta, 20, a sophomore international marketing major, said the president could better re-



Keene State students wait in line at Ward One to register to vote yesterday afternoon.

Equinox photo by Sharon Kay

late to the issues that concern college students.

"You're looking at a man who grew up in the 60s. His daughter is going through the same kind of stuff we're going through," she said. "I just had a little more trust in him because he has more interest in his own daughter's future."

But sharp attacks on Clinton's character-a key strategy used by Dole as election day neared-would not be quickly forgotten, according to Sciarretta.

"I'm hoping he'll try to do something better about his reputation," she said. "I hope just because he's won he won't put his feet up, and put his pen down, and say 'I can kick back, I'm home free.'"

Jessica Corcoran, 21, said she voted for Dole because the president lacks integrity. "Clinton is a liar, a thief and an adulterer," she said. "I just hate Clinton."

Corcoran, a communications major, describes herself as more conservative than liberal.

She's disappointed that Dole was defeated.

"If you can't trust your president, who can you trust?" she said. "Oh well, another four years. There's not much you can do about it."

Jeremy Wenger, 22, a senior psychology major, said his vote for Clinton was a last-minute decision. "I was going to vote for a nobody, but I realized I didn't know where they stood on things. I didn't want to fuck up the country anymore than it is," he said.

Although he's pleased Clinton won, he added: "Four more years of Hillary. That's bad. I don't think there's anyone who likes her."

Wenger said he voted for Clinton because he's happy with the way things are and doesn't want any changes. Although he's admittedly hard-pressed to name specific programs or policies that he likes.

"I don't really know what things are. I'm a student," he said. "I get the paper every day, but I don't read it. I just look at the pictures. I'm too busy with school to care about the political system."

That might best describe the attitude on many college campuses. Historically, college students have failed to turn out in large number at the polls.

Experts predicted that 1996 would not be a record year for young voter turnout, largely because of an unexciting presidential race and a general disinterest in politics.

Keene State students react to Clinton re-election

Kimberly L. Szoldo
The Equinox

Last night when President Bill Clinton was declared the winner of the 1996 presidential election, opinions of Keene State College students varied.

Hours before the polls opened, experts were predicting that 1996 would not be a record year for young voter turnout.

Although voter registration is up among 18 to 24-year-olds, interest is down, Arthur Miller, a University of Iowa political science professor, said.

Political scientists have said, one reason young voters seem to lack interest in this year's election is because they aren't excited about the presidential candidates or what they have to say.

Keene State students are no exception, they seem to reflect views similar to those of college students nationwide.

"Nothing will come to fruition in the next four years with Clinton in office. I'm a Perot sup-

porter," junior Timothy Van-Rosenberg, said.

Prior to the election, Clinton was expected to receive the majority of the votes from young people.

It's no surprise to the American people, that Clinton won, junior Jason M. Gould said, while attentively watching the '96 election coverage on a television in the student center.

Clinton's win is a good thing. "Though he may not have made historic changes in the way the country is run, he is definitely the lesser of two evils, because he actually knows the issues, and he actually has ideas," sophomore Sam Davis said, after he was informed that Clinton had just been announced the winner.

Clinton has been taking the last four years to find out where the problems lie.

He'll spend the next four years getting things done, junior Danielle Perry said.

* Portions of this story were taken from the college press service

Bass defeats Arnesen

Kimberly L. Szoldo
The Equinox

In the wake of a tight congressional race, U.S. Rep. Charles F. Bass R-NH, will continue to represent New Hampshire in the 105th Congress.

Bass defeated Democrat Arnie Arnesen by 6 percent in the race for the 2nd district congressional seat. At 1:35 a.m., the tally worked out to 99,065 votes for Bass, 85,412 for Arnesen - a difference of 13,653, according to the Fosters Daily Democrat world wide web page.

Bass says he favors returning power to the states, that decisions regarding minimum education standards should be made on a local level.

Bass was first elected to Congress in 1994. Since he was elected, one of his top priorities has been to balance the budget by cutting what he calls wasteful government spending.

Bass also believes in strong environmental protection. He introduced legislation to protect environmentally and economically

critical lands in New Hampshire. He voted against efforts to repeal wetlands, clean air and safe drinking water protections.

Bass, who does not favor cutting student loans, says he would rather put a cap on direct lending. He voted to increase the volume of student loans by more than 50 percent over the next seven years.

Bass decided to run two years ago because he says he felt the country was going in the wrong direction.

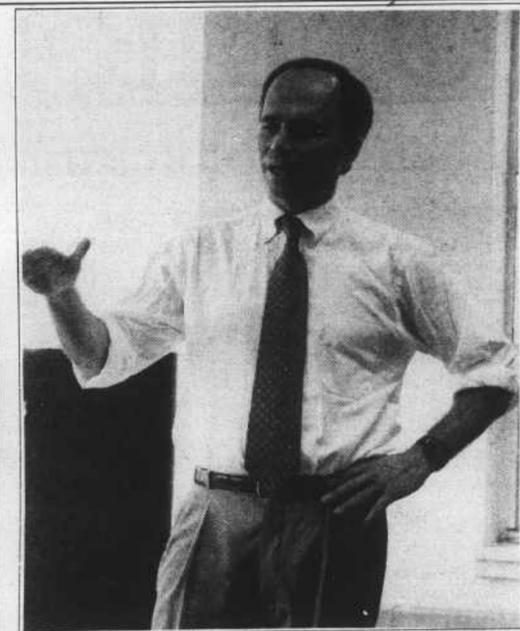
Arnesen, who ran for governor in 1992, is a New Hampshire Public Radio commentator.

She says she will continue to grill Bass on the air.



Equinox photo by Jesse Sterbak

Arnie and her army fell short of her Congressional bid last night.



Equinox file photo

Charlie Bass defeated Deborah "Arnie" Arnesen for New Hampshire's Second Congressional District seat.

This Week in History

Five years ago - *The Equinox* reported on Nov. 6, 1991 that six of the 21 blue light security phones around campus were either broken or not in operation, including one behind Owl's Nest 1 near the trestle where a student had been assaulted three weeks before. Campus Security said that all of the phones were back in operation on Oct. 30. The Nov. 6 issue of *The Equinox* also marked the first issue in the newspaper's history that a color photograph was published.

Ten Years Ago - *The Equinox* reported on Nov. 5, 1986 that 200 people were evacuated from the Science Center after two bomb threats were called in. The first caller, a male said that a bomb would go off in the building at 3:30 p.m. A second caller, this time a female, said that a bomb would go off on the first floor, but gave no detonation time. Campus Security said that three bomb threats had been called in during the semester, saying that the University of New Hampshire and Franklin Pierce College have also had an increase in bomb threats.

Fifteen Years Ago - *The Equinox* reported on Nov. 3, 1981 that as a result of federal and state budget cuts Keene State would have to slash \$457,420 from its own operating budget. The University System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees raised in-state and out-of state tuition \$300.

Twenty Years Ago - *The Equinox* reported that Eleanor Vander Haegen, assistant professor of sociology was awarded the Monadnock Region WISE (Women's Information Service) Award at a ceremony held in New Bedford, Mass. *The Equinox* also reported in the same issue, that blues-guitarist Dave Bromberg was scheduled to perform at Keene State on Nov. 5. SAC President Brian Landrigan said that the show almost had to be canceled because the gymnasium was not available until 7:30 p.m. due to a volleyball practice. The band said that they usually need four hours to set up.

Twenty Five Years Ago - *The Monadnock* reported on Nov. 3, 1971 that the Student Senate had officially recognized the Kappa Pi chapter of Delta Zeta, a group of about 10 women comprising the first sorority in the colleges history. *The Monadnock* also reported in the same issue that the college was developing plans for a new type of dormitories on campus. Dean of Students Thomas D. Aceto called the new dormitories "clusters" or "apartment type living." Aceto also said that \$450,000 would be spent on a new married student dorm, and \$250,000 would be spent on an addition to the dining commons.

Students hung out to dry in Keene State's bathrooms

Joanna Janiszyn
The Equinox

"Morris can remember exactly how it started even though he was only three. He was nervous... Pulling a chair up to the sink, he climbed onto it, turned on the spigot and washed his hands. For years it just made him feel better. He felt he had to do this over and over again, but then the washing need faded... Morris went to Keene State College."

This is an excerpt from the book "The Boy Who Couldn't Stop Washing," by Judith L. Rapoport. In the book Morris did not attend Keene State College to stifle his Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder. But the lack of soap and towels in the dorm bathrooms certainly dampens the urge to wash one's hands. When asked, most students state they do not bring their own soap and towel to the bathroom when needed.

Karen Wilson, a Health Educator at Keene State, stated that washing hands does in fact "prevent the spread of germs and viruses."

Isn't this something we all learned in elementary school? But, even though most people know that hand washing is a simple, effective way to prevent sickness, they refrain from this process of hygiene because the

school does not provide these amenities for them.

Christine D'Amico, a freshman at Keene State and Randall Hall resident states, "I think the school should at least provide paper towels and soap. How are we supposed to get all of the germs off our hands?"

Not surprisingly, many students share Christine's point of view.

This laziness on top of the deficiency these cleansing products in the bathrooms may be leading to a great sanitary problem at Keene State College.

Michel Williams, Associate Director of Residential Life, has been working at Keene State for ten years and does not remember the school ever providing soap and towels in the dorm bathrooms.

"It is our perception that students have their own soap and towels and should have access to using them," he said. "Everyone knows that they should wash their hands. Students have to take extra time and effort to retain their own health."

Because of the huge cost of paper towels alone, it is not likely the school will ever provide towels or soap for the residential buildings.

The school has been attempting to reduce this cost and avoid the massive waste of paper towels in common bathrooms, (such as the

ones in the student center), by installing hot air blowers.

But any new luxuries added to student housing would increase room tuition.

"We want to make (Keene State) as affordable as possible," Williams commented. "Are students willing to look at the added expense of putting these things in?"

Senior Markus Puglia agreed. "Asking for anything new raises tuition. It defeats the purpose of a state school. If you want luxuries go to a private college."

Although it is not likely Keene State will put paper towel and soap dispensers in the bathrooms, students should not abstain from washing out of protest. Several floors in different residential halls are now chipping in money to buy hand soap and towels for their bathrooms.

Melissa D'Amour, senior and residential adviser on third floor Monadnock Hall, bought towels and soap for the girls on her floor with her own money.

"I bought them because I thought they were needed," she stated, though she added, "I am going to ask everyone to take turns buying soap for the bathrooms. We go through one bottle of soap a week... That adds up when one person is paying for it."

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Opinion

There's exploitation all around - just ask an adjunct

Editorial

On one hand it's perfectly understandable why Keene State College relies so heavily on adjunct faculty. Let's face it, they're cheap; adjuncts can be hired by the college at a small fraction of what it costs to pay a full-time professor to teach the same class.

Apparent then, is the cost savings that may be passed on to the student through the use of adjuncts. The flip side to this is of course that in many cases adjuncts are being exploited.

While full-time professors at Keene State in no way are paid great sums of money, they do have job security, benefits and contracts.

Adjuncts, by contrast, have none of the above. These part-time teachers are paid a maximum of \$600 per credit, are not permitted to belong to the teacher's union, do not get benefits, but maybe most importantly, they have no job security. Adjuncts have no means of sticking up for themselves - no defense against exploitation.

Featured in *The Equinox* this week, readers will find an article which involved several interviews with part-time faculty members. All those interviewed did so on the basis that the paper would

not divulge their names. The reason for this is simple: if adjuncts speak their minds, they can be fired for doing so.

Adjuncts bring to the college many important qualities which should not be overlooked. Fresh perspectives, for instance. They are often still working in the field that they are teaching, giving students a heads up as to what is the cutting edge in the field they are studying. And in most cases they are eager to teach.

If the administration wishes to achieve its goal of Vision 2000, former President Judith Stur-

nick's plan to make Keene State the public undergraduate college of choice in New England by the year 2000, then it needs to take a serious look at the way it hires professors and adjunct faculty.

If the college continues to hire adjunct faculty as a means to save money, then maybe the administration should re-evaluate its priorities, and consider the manner in which they are forcing one of their most valuable assets, teachers, to live.

Keene State's students deserve better than this, but more importantly so do the adjuncts.

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Soundoff

Photos and interviews by Candace Perreault

"What do you think the red box on Appian Way is?"

	"It is a little house." • Jaime-Leigh Gaulin freshman sports medicine		"A monument erected for Superman." • Rob Peckham freshman undeclared
	"It's Superman's changing booth." • Alan Bauma freshman industrial technology		"It's a bulletin board." • Barbara Hahn senior elementary ed./special ed.

Though its face has changed, Keene State remains the same



Delina Hickey

As a member of the Keene State College staff for the past 21 years, it is wonderful to stop and take this opportunity to reflect on my experiences as a member of this vibrant and beautiful community.

I realize that to many of our students, and to some of our faculty and staff, it's hard to imagine Appian Way as a city street with cars parked on both sides, tennis courts in the middle of the quad, and finally, the bed sheets hanging from the outside of the tennis courts spray painted to communicate messages to students on a variety of events on the campus.

Keene State has always been a place where faculty and staff maintain their enthusiasm for student success year after year.

through March in class to keep their fingers warm enough to be able to take notes.

The Historical Society, when I arrived, was where the education and special education faculty were housed; prior to that time, it was the Student Union.

The classroom in the basement in which I taught methods classes was the former game room.

The ceiling was full of holes that students, sometimes out of disappointment from losing a game or from excitement upon winning one, would poke with their pool cues.

I suspect when students got bored in class, they would gaze at the patterns in the ceiling much like early astronomers did trying to ascertain meaningful

While much has changed on campus, much has remained the same.

The commitment of our faculty and staff has continued throughout the 20 plus years I have been here.

Keene State has always been a place where faculty and staff maintain their enthusiasm for student success year after year.

It is a place where students continue to appreciate the devotion of the faculty and staff. I think this can be best summed up in a comment made by a student on a senior survey, "I think that the overall small size of the campus should not be changed. There is such a feeling of togetherness that makes this college a true joy to attend."

Keene State is a very special community, one in which I feel privileged to be a member.

Delina R. Hickey is the vice president of student affairs.

Letters to the Editor

Campus parking lot is overcrowded

I'm writing to you to express my concerns over the parking problem in the commuter on-campus parking lot, located between the gym and the art center.

I realize you probably get these kinds of letters all the time, but I have to get this off my chest.

On Oct. 31, I tried parking in that lot just before class, but all the spaces were full. I spent \$125 for the privilege of parking there, so of course I was immediately pissed off. Not to mention I was late for class.

The lot was so full that some people decided to park illegally, probably not knowing they would receive a \$30 ticket, compliments of the Keene State College parking office, even though they really were not blocking rights of way.

Why does the City of Keene charge \$5? My main concern is that we pay all this money for the privilege of parking near our

classes, yet half the time we drive around and around, arriving 15 minutes early, so we can beat the other guys who are also looking for a space to park.

I went to the office to complain and they said they oversell the lot, which is the reason for not finding a space. They also said that they oversell the lot because not everyone is on campus at the same time.

Well, why don't they wake up? If I couldn't find a spot at 11 a.m., then people are obviously on campus at the same time. And I'm not the only one who can't find a place to park.

If the staff in the parking office went out there, they would only see frustrated students circling the lot to find a spot.

Their other reply in the office is, and this is my favorite one, "go out on Main Street and put money in meter. You'll find a spot." How about a reality check? Driving up and down Main Street, looking for a spot, and if lucky, having to put money in after having spent

\$125 for a commuter on-campus parking sticker, is about as practical as parking in the teachers lot and not expecting to get a \$30 ticket.

What is the reasoning behind all this? Does Keene State feel they can charge exorbitant amounts because they don't have to answer to anyone?

Well, how about they answer to the students who pay these prices. It's time for a change!

*Ryan Miner
Keene State College junior*

Non believers get harassed too

Dunn C. Head slapped me on the back the other morning at Ye Old Coffee Shoppe and sat down next to me.

You remember Dunn C. - he believes putting crystals blessed by his spiritual leader on top of his

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Wow! Big Head Todd ... nice try SAC, better luck next time



Joel Kastner

Imagine my surprise when I heard the Social Activities Council, SAC, was bringing a band to campus who I adore. Not simply a band I enjoy, but

adore. After years of bitching about SAC, both in the newspaper, and among friends, finally I was going to see a relatively big-name band right here, in my own backyard.

What was I ever thinking? What would make me think that this event would be anything less than grossly disappointing?

A little background: I walked into the (first grave SAC mistake) Spaulding Gymnasium. You know the one, big cement building at the end of Appian Way with the world's worst acoustic properties ... but that was just the beginning. Initially when I saw the crowd which totaled a whopping 400 people, I was mad at the student body as a whole. I mean here we are, finally faced with real music, from a real band, and no one bothered to show up.

What, I thought, could Keene State students possibly be thinking? So, I thought, SAC finally sponsored an event that a large portion of the campus could en-

joy, and guess what? Nobody bothered to show up.

At this point I thought of all the anti-apathy columns and editorials *The Equinox* has written, all the trouble people on this campus have gone through to provide students with something - anything - to do, and then, I remembered where I was, and what I was dealing with.

That is, by the way, a campus largely comprised of students who just don't seem to give a sh-t about much at all.

Then, suddenly it came to me: maybe this wasn't the fault of the students at all ... maybe (yes I think so), just maybe I could blame SAC once again.

Here is what I think: You don't hold a show on a Sunday night, late in the semester. Why do that? Some of us (I should say some of you - I was there after all) have homework to do, being that Monday is a school day and such. Here's a novel idea, how about a weekend evening for late-night events?

Many of us reserve our Fridays and Saturdays for just such occasions. Even Thursdays are better nights for most Keene State students to stay out late. But no (second SAC blunder) the show was to be held on a Sunday evening - the prospects of getting home before midnight seemed minimal.

But the Sunday factor goes just so far. **see OH WELL**, page 24

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Best of luck to the winner - the next president's gonna need it



Peter Lambert

After all the mud-slinging, the name calling, the campaign promises and the TV ads, the 1996 presidential election is finally over.

Today, the janitors are sweeping up the last bits of confetti, and mopping up the final tears of defeat. Today Americans are wondering how in the world that man could have ever won, when a year ago it seemed impossible. C'mon? HIM? Nah!

The 1996 election was actually sane when one examines some elections this country has had in years past.

In 1789, George Washington was elected as the first president of the United States, unanimously.

No one dared oppose the father of this country. In 1820, James Monroe ran for reelection, and was unopposed.

Theoretically, he should have also garnered the unanimous support of the electoral college.

However, he didn't. He received 231 out of 232 votes cast. Who was the lone dissenter?

It was William Plumer, who felt that only Washington deserved to be elected unanimously.

Plumer cast his vote for John Quincy

Only in America could a man from a small town in Arkansas or Kansas, the son of a poor working class family, even think about becoming the leader of his nation, let alone being elected.

Adams instead, even though his state voted for Monroe.

It should come as no surprise that stubborn William Plumer was from New Hampshire.

In 1824, none of the candidates got enough electoral votes to win the election. The election was then sent to the House of Representatives.

Andrew Jackson and John Quincy Adams were the favorites. It was a tight contest, and it looked like Jackson would win.

Then, Henry Clay threw his support for Adams, and Adams won.

Immediately, President-elect Adams made Clay Secretary of State. Jackson was furious, and as a result of the "Corrupt Bargain," the men became bitter enemies.

In 1872, Horace Greeley, the editor of the *New York Tribune*, (who was also from New Hampshire) ran for president as a Liberal Republican (try to find one of them these days!).

He was supported by the Democrats, who did not like the other Republican candidate, Ulysses S. Grant. Greeley did not win, but did receive 63 electoral votes.

Despite this, no electoral vote was ever cast for Greeley. How could they? Greeley

was dead. He died three weeks after hearing the popular election results.

The most scandalous election in American history has to be the election of 1876.

That year, Samuel Tilden, the Democrat, ran against Rutherford B. Hayes, a Republican. A tight race the whole way through, in the end Tilden won the popular vote, but needed just one extra electoral vote to win the election.

He didn't get it. In Louisiana, Florida, and South Carolina, Republican voting boards illegally threw out enough Democratic votes to allow Hayes to gain electoral votes.

In Oregon, the governor replaced a Democratic elector with a Republican one. These states now sided with Hayes, even though Tilden had won them fair and square.

The election was then sent to Congress, for neither candidate had enough votes to win.

Congress named a special panel to vote for the president, made of five representatives from the House, the Senate, and the Supreme Court.

The panel was split, seven votes for Hayes and seven for Tilden, with one court justice undecided. Hayes then

promised to remove federal soldiers from the southern states, ending Reconstruction.

The justice, under pressure from the Republican party, voted for Hayes.

Hayes became president, even though Tilden had actually won in the first place.

It was not recorded what Tilden's reaction was, which is probably best.

After reading about past elections, the one we just had looks like a day in the park.

Although for some of us it is hard to say the best man won, we have to admire both candidates.

Only in America could a man from a small town in Arkansas or Kansas, the son of a poor working class family, even think about becoming the leader of his nation, let alone being elected.

The president is, without a doubt, the most powerful man on Earth, and in America, anyone can be elected to that high office.

With the campaign over, our president will now have to tackle major problems in our country and abroad, such as wars, famine, drugs, crime, poverty, and the national debt. He will have to deal with Congress, and be the subject of many personal attacks.

I wish the president all the luck in the world for the next four years.

He's going to need it.

-Peter Lambert is a Keene State freshman, and a weekly political columnist for The Equinox.

Letters

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TV protects against radiation burns from the unit.

"What's that you're reading?" he asked after ordering his bagel and coffee.

"Just a 'Things to Do' memo sticker left by someone under my car's windshield wiper."

"Really? A love note to an atheist, perhaps?" he snickered with considerable sarcasm.

"Well, it could be a kind of love note - it's a matter of interpretation - I'm trying to get the thrust of the meaning of the note while trying to decide if I want to write a letter to the newspaper about it," I replied.

Dunn took the memo from my hand, reading it as he was washing down his bagel with a gulp of coffee.

He gagged - spluttered, blurted out, "Well, it's just what you deserve - but it ain't a love note, you heathen."

"So then, it is a matter of interpretation, eh? Couldn't it depend on the sex of the author, particularly, if one knew me? Trying awkwardly to get more intimately acquainted?"

Dunn paused briefly "Now get this: a four letter word ending in 'k' followed by the word 'you' doesn't have anything to do with love, you blasphemer, you."

"It means 'Get lost' - even

worse - and that goes for your rear bumper stickers also, as it says in this memo," he said, handing it back to me.

"But, for all we know, it's a matter of interpretation; the author, if not coming on to me, might have a romantic interest in my bumper stickers? But which one - 'vote for Arnie' - 'Love thy First Amendment' - the 'Darwin fish' - or 'Teach children God is a myth'?"

"I've heard of sock-smellers, but never 'bumper-sticker-stickers.' Maybe some kind of close relationship with just my bumper?" I asked. I pondered for a moment.

"I wonder if an atheist could have left the memo?"

"Listen, non-believer, that person, along with others, have a thing about you and your atheism and that's that." Dunn said emphatically.

"A thing? Does that include bodily harm? There was somebody who charged into the building a few weeks ago, collared one of our workers asking, 'Who owns that car out there with the bumper stickers - should be shot or hanged.'"

"When it was pointed out that I could be seen working at the computer in the office a few feet away, the outraged one looked at me, hesitated, turned suddenly around and left quickly. I guess it's the same with the unsigned letters I get."

"How come nobody wants to discuss atheism, secular human-

ism, free-thinking or freedom from religion? Just want to level mean spirited epithets and hate-filled remarks, I guess."

"It's simple, you heretic. You always want evidence, facts, proofs and reliable data of some kind. You won't accept beliefs, guesses, faith, tradition, astrology, new-aged views, the rule of the majority, always talking about the scientific method and so on."

"That science stuff - it makes our heads spin, the words and the theories are so difficult - we get frustrated with it - you are an easy target."

"Dunn, thanks for your input," I said. "Now I need to decide if I want to write a letter to the editor."

Dunn got up to leave. "Okay, come over tomorrow night as usual. Help me and my daughter again with the computer and you'll get a free meal. And, I promise, no prayers forced on you. The only thing going down your throat will be Margie's Hungarian goulash."

"Okay, Dunn," I said. "Course, you can always pray to yourself. And I promise, no evolution theory stuff, just help on the computer."

I wonder if demonstrating on the Commons during Winter Solstice, Dec. 21, will be too scientific and difficult for people to handle?"

Sure could enjoy some warm company this year. (Remember 'Honk for the Solstice?') "But baby, it's cold outside!"

Arpad J. Toth

Dining Commons criticism is unjust

I would like to introduce myself.

I am Mark Marvel, general manager of dining services at Keene State College.

Sodexho, the company I work for, is the food service contractor that manages all dining services on campus.

In response to an article in last week's *Equinox*, I would like to reply to some allegations levied against the Dining Commons.

The letter to the editor spoke negatively about our levels of sanitation, quality of staff and overall program.

Sodexho maintains established standards of cleanliness and sanitation.

In addition to regular Sodexho inspections, the Dining Commons, along with all other food services in the Keene area, receive routine, unannounced inspections by the City of Keene Health Department.

Last September's inspection by the City rated the Dining Commons 95 out of a possible 100 points.

Sodexho employees are dedicated to their jobs and take their responsibilities seriously and personally.

Each employee wears a clean uniform, follows detailed menu

plans, and maintains a high level of cleanliness in their area.

To have these people publicly criticized is disappointing to both them and myself.

I stand behind each and every one of their efforts.

I invite all individuals who have concerns about the dining services at Keene State to come visit with me or any of the management staff.

We would be glad to speak with you and arrange for a tour of the facility.

Additionally, a food committee meets approximately every three weeks to discuss student opinions and concerns.

This committee is open to all interested individuals.

For further information, feel free to give me a call at extension 2678.

It will please me to get to know you.

Mark Marvel
general manager of
dining services

Proper training can improve food

This is to ensure that the dining staff of the Dining Commons do not take my last letter the wrong way.

I know it is hard to work in the food service field when things are not always done on the up and up.

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I would like to say that most of the people who work for the Dining Commons do their jobs to the best of their abilities.

The staff in the front of the house always works hard and do their very best to make sure that the front is kept as clean as they can make it.

I would like to tip my hat off to them, and would like to thank them for all their hard work.

My biggest problem with the Dining Commons is the quality of the food on most days. I would like to see the quality of the food improve. I feel with some training that this can happen.

I also know that it is hard on Sodexo to always find the help that they need to make sure all runs well.

I can understand that as a company they will have bad days, and that not all is going to go right.

I hope that you can understand that I was concerned for the students at Keene State College.

This had a lot to do with the fact that I have a sister who goes to school here.

I do know that things are not done the way they should and I challenge Sodexo to make improvements over the course of the year.

I also know that it takes time to

change things in the kitchen, and I also know that the management staff at the Dining Commons can make it happen.

*Edward L. Cantin
 former student manager
 of the Dining Commons*

Commons asks for student input

In last week's *Equinox*, a letter was published raising some questions about certain practices and standards used in the Dining Commons.

Since I am the supervisor of that contract, I am particularly interested in any recommendations or criticisms people might have for the Dining Commons.

Given the results of inspections from state officials, inspections from Sodexo's internal management team, and the training program provided for staff, I'm confident that we have effective mechanisms in place to pro-actively identify concerns and to promptly respond to any problems that might emerge.

While I'm not saying that the program is absolutely perfect in every single respect, I am saying that it meets or exceeds established standards and that the policy of being open to suggestions and concerns articulated by students ensures on-going refinements and corrections. The employees at the Dining Commons

are some of the hardest working people I've ever known.

They do their very best every day to bring you a quality food program. They are sensitive to the fact that students who eat in the same place every day, several times a day, need to have an atmosphere and program of food options which will be pleasing and will reduce monotony.

The recent changes to the seating areas reflect our efforts to continually improve all aspects of the dining program.

If any of you have questions about the dining program or suggestions for improvements, I urge you to contact Mark Marvel, the Director of Dining Services at X 2679 or myself at X 2352.

*Anne Miller
 associate dean for student affairs: student life*

Editor's note: The Equinox regrets, due to space limitations in this week's issue, we will be unable to print several of your letters. We, of course, will print them in the Nov. 13 edition.

Corrections

On page 21 in last week's issue of *The Equinox*, the photo in the bottom, left-hand corner was misidentified. It was Jayne Persch & Company.

On page 36 of last week's issue of *The Equinox*, the person in the middle, left-handed photo was misidentified. The name of the person is Chris Brunette.

Adjuncts

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Golden

"We are not asking for a continuing contract. We are not asking for them to put themselves into hot tenure water where they have to guarantee full time on-going employment to people," said an adjunct.

"But to say, 'you are a valuable part of the institution. You teach two or three classes, we like your work, students benefit from what you are doing, we are going to allow you to buy into the insurance program.'"

"Partial insurance being made available after five years would be a wonderful benefit but we know it would cost money and we know it would drive some people totally crazy because there is more money being spent for state employees," an adjunct said.

support and is the most isolating place to teach," another adjunct said. "It is very insulting to not be part of the campus community." She said many of the adjuncts whom the college should be proud to have, have walked out, frustrated by the atmosphere. "Morale is very low," an adjunct said.

poorly paid, and exploited by the college," Bisson said.

The administration responded to this statement by saying they do not want to be in a position of exploiting them.

"It is important to realize that we are not alone in relying on adjunct faculty to teach our courses. I think the percentage here is somewhere between 25 and 30 percent and that is not uncommon around the country," Golden said.



Haines

"They (adjuncts) do fill an important role for us and I think we need to do what we can to involve them in the community."

• Stanley J. Yarosewick
 president of Keene State

Leversee said to facilitate a better sense of community among his department, he tries to plan spaces for the adjunct faculty to meet with students and other faculty in their schedules. He also said some departments will assign a full-time faculty member as a mentor to the adjunct faculty, which creates a pipeline for information to get back to the regular faculty.

"I think all of us could do a better job at creating a sense of community for everybody," Golden said.

Both adjuncts interviewed said they were not in the business for the money, but because of their love of teaching.

"The big money, if you are well educated is not in education," an adjunct said. "I think we all share the idea that we like teaching. We must enjoy the work. That is why we are willing to accept what pay we get."

He said adjuncts bring a "richness, experience and background in education," that sometimes the faculty who go from bachelors to masters to doctorate and then right into teaching at the university level might now have.



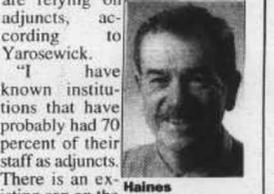
Leversee

"In an ideal world, adjuncts would be your entry level instructors," an adjunct said. "Not that full-time faculty should not teach entry level courses, but when you are a highly trained, terminally educated person, you are probably the best person to teach the upper-level classes, to let students really skate onto that pond of knowledge that we have them here for."

"This would be a wonderful marriage of what we now call part-time adjuncts and full-time faculty, and we would all get a better sense of community," an adjunct said.

To treat adjuncts who are teaching the introductory courses as though they don't exist sends out a negative message to the student body that they are getting second rate teachers, an adjunct said.

"Adjuncts are highly qualified,



Haines

There is an existing cap on the number of permanent existing positions and right now we are bumping against that cap," Yarosewick said.

A statewide meeting was held to discuss the adjunct situation, said R. Michael Haines, dean of arts and humanities. Adjuncts and administrators discussed issues of library privileges, bookstore discounts, long distance phone codes. "We are continuing to talk about the other stuff as well," Haines said.

"It is a matter of what we can, and what we can't do," Haines said. Only approximately 27 percent of the funding for Keene State comes from the state. The rest comes from student tuition.

One of the adjuncts used a military analogy to sum up the situation. "Adjuncts are the ones who are the infantry and as they take a step forward and they get shot, and you find out the enemy is right in front of them," he said.

"Behind them, are the full-time faculty sitting on the horses. Behind them, in the tanks, totally surrounded with machinery are the administrators, and way behind them sitting on a hill over looking the whole valley and watching what is happening is the board of trustees," he said. "Above them, enjoying the view from their vantage are the politicians and the people who interpret all the laws. When the adjuncts get shot, it is a good warning for the people behind them to slow down."

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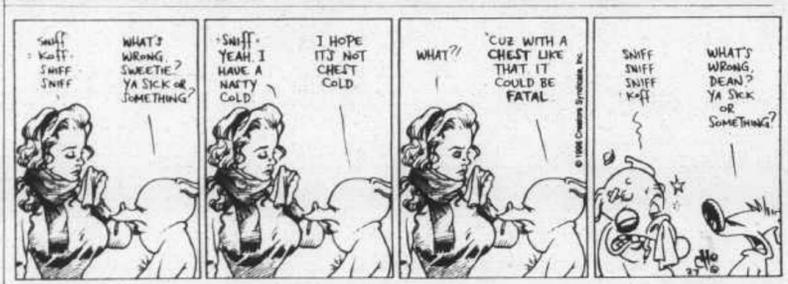
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Natasha's Stars



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Some rivalry between family members may make its presence felt during the week. Domestic bickering could dampen prospects for contentment. Watch your words when dealing with children. Weekend socializing spells trouble if you overindulge in food or drink.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're in a happy-go-lucky mood, but avoid carelessness when driving this week. Someone you meet in connection with a work project doesn't tell the truth. Be on your guard against con artists and get-rich-quick scams this weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Problem-solving doesn't come easily for you this week, especially in connection with a work project. Don't get discouraged. Save serious intellectual work for another time and plan a romantic surprise this weekend instead.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You'll know just whom to contact early in the week to put together the missing pieces of an upcoming business move. A celebration is definitely in order. However, be sure you don't spend too much money in the process. The weekend promises cultural outings.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're very much on the go this week. Social life is rewarding and the creative side of life is also productive. Be innovative and unpredictable with a sense of humor to temper this. Listen to what a friend has to say this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A poetic mood has you creating sonnets or corresponding with those dear to you. Use the weekend to catch up on paperwork and bills.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Don't jeopardize a work situation with unwise travel. It may be best to put off a trip until a more proper time. If you do this, a future promotion could be the happy result. While you're caught up romantically this weekend,

be sure to keep your feet planted firmly on the ground.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is one of those weeks when a little shopping trip for something you like takes the blues away. Be nice to yourself and indulge. Extravagance, though, is unwise at this time. A work project takes precedence as the week wanes.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't judge a friendship on financial considerations. A friend who won't lend you money is nevertheless still a friend and does you a favor down the road. Get your financial house in order on your own. A weekend spat is likely with a family member.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Get your financial priorities in order. Spend on things you need and avoid those frivolous extras. Watch your credit cards and pay your bills on time to avoid credit history problems. Worry lessens as the week comes to a close.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You've been rather mum lately about a business development. This week, things pay off and you can take others into your confidence. Be open and honest with a partner over the weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Combining business with pleasure could lead to a surprise romance. You're able to sell yourself and your product well. Accent ingenuity and be open to new challenges.

This Week in History

November 4, 1825, the first boat to traverse the Erie Canal reached New York City, its destination, having left from Buffalo on October 26 ... **November 4, 1841**, the first emigrant wagon train bound for California, having left from Independence, Mo., with 47 people aboard, reached its destination ... **November 6, 1903**, President Theodore Roosevelt recognized Panama's independence from Colombia ... **November 8, 1942**, the U.S. and Great Britain invaded North Africa ... **November 9-10, 1965**, an electric power failure blacked out most of the northeastern United States and parts of two Canadian provinces ... **November 8, 1966**, Edward Brooke (R-Mass.) was elected as the first black U.S. senator in 85 years ... **November 7, 1967**, Carl B. Stokes (D-Cleveland, Ohio) and Richard G. Hatcher (D-Gary, Ind.) were elected the first black mayors of major U.S. cities ... **November 7, 1973**, Congress overrode President Nixon's veto of the war powers bill, which curbed the president's power to commit armed forces to hostilities abroad without congressional approval ... **November 4, 1979**, 90 people, including 63 Americans, were taken hostage at the American embassy in Tehran, Iran, by militant student followers of the Ayatollah Khomeini who demanded the return of former Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, who was undergoing medical treatment in New York City ... **November 4, 1980**, in a sweeping victory, Ronald Wilson Reagan was elected 40th president of the U.S., defeating incumbent Jimmy Carter ... **November 6, 1984**, Ronald Reagan was re-elected president in the greatest Republican-landslide in history, carrying 49 states against Walter F. Mondale.

Clemson U. students arrested for possession of Roofies

Colleen DeBaise
College Press Service

CLEMSON, S.C.—Four Clemson University students were arrested Oct. 23 for possession of Rohypnol, a powerful sedative known as the "date-rape" drug.

The arrests are thought to be among the first in connection with the illegal drug, which has no taste, odor or color when dis-

solved in a drink and is 10 to 20 times more powerful than valium.

The four students were arrested at an off-campus apartment after police reportedly found more than 300 Rohypnol tablets and several grams of marijuana.

Ari Sandor Mutchnik, 19, was also charged with selling the drug. He was suspended from Clemson pending an administrative hearing, the university said.

"University policies allow us to immediately impose temporary sanctions when a student is considered to be a danger to the campus community," said Almeda Jacks, vice president for student affairs. "Because of the dangers associated with this particular drug, we believe that such sanctions are warranted."

The three other students charged with possession are: Garrett T. Hoffman, 20; Gregory John

Jawski, 19; and Matthew Daniel Mahon, 19.

Also known as "roofies," the small, white tablets cause loss of inhibition, extreme sleepiness, relaxation and amnesia, and have been connected to a growing number of date-rape cases.

The drug can be dropped into an unknowing victim's drink, causing them to pass out and have little memory of the crime or the attacker's identity.

At the University of Florida, one woman reported being told in the morning that five men had slept with her. Some college students also use the pills to get a quick high from alcohol and marijuana.

The drug is smuggled in from Mexico, South America, Europe and Asia, where it is sold over-the-counter and used to treat insomnia.

In an effort to reduce date rape on campus, Congress approved a bill in October that imposes much harsher criminal penalties for using any drugs to commit sexual assault and other violent acts.

Though the bill targeted all drugs used as weapons, it also contains harsher penalties for possession and distribution of Rohypnol.

Simple possession of the drug carries a prison term of up to three years, while distribution of 30 milligrams can get someone up to five years in jail.

Those found guilty of distributing a gram of the drug can receive up to 20 years in prison.

"We wanted to provide stricter penalties for Rohypnol" in addition to fighting date rape, said an aide Rep. Gerald Solomon (R-N.Y.). The new levels are similar to criminal penalties for possession of cocaine, heroin and LSD. As more instances of "roofie rape" occur, universities are warn-

Safety Precautions

- Never accept a beverage unless it is in a sealed container;
- Never leave a beverage unattended;
- Never go out with or go home with anyone you do not know well;
- Never leave a friend who is displaying any effects of this drug. Be sure to see him or her home safely.

ing students about the potential dangers of the drug.

Safety precautions suggested by universities include:

- Never accept a beverage unless it is in a sealed container;
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- Never go out with or go home with anyone you do not know well;
- Never leave a friend who is displaying any effects of this drug. Be sure to see him or her home safely.

clares, "are crazed animals! Those terry cloth towels wouldn't stand a chance!"

Matthew Nasser, a freshman who lives in Carle Hall, thought that having soap and towels in the bathrooms was a good idea, but quickly considered his floor's level of responsibility. "I don't think we deserve it. Most of the guys can't even lift the seat up to go to the bathroom."

But the situation is not as hopeless as it seems. Residential Advisor Tom Rup, believes the men on campus can rise above this dirty situation. "I think at this point in a guy's maturity they should be able to handle soap in the bathroom without making a total mess of everything."

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Certain floors in Fiske, Randall, and Huntress are also following this example of personal commitment to cleanliness.

Monadnock Hall's housekeeper of 13 years, Laura Britton, supported the idea of having liquid soap and towels in the bathrooms, but comments, "The responsibility would go according to floors."

All of the girls interviewed believe their floors would be respectful and responsible with the soap and towels in their bathrooms.

"The boys," as Douglas P. LaPlante, of Monadnock Hall de-

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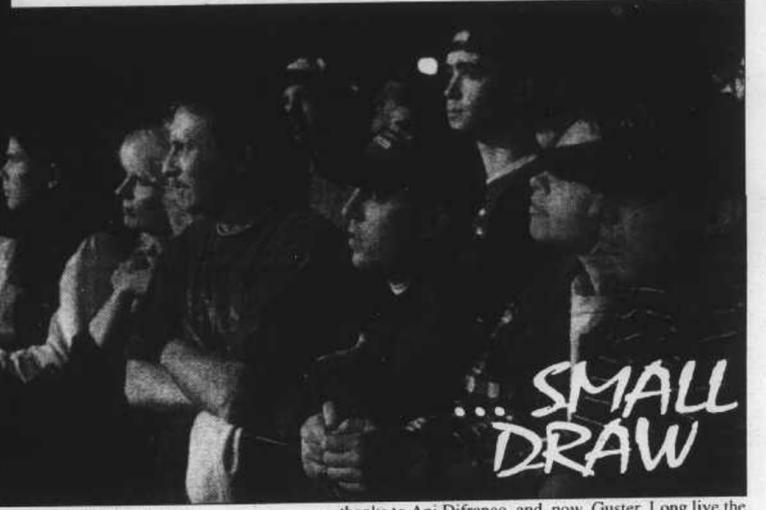
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Todd Park Mohr, above, finds his way through another tasteful solo. Mohr and bassist Rob Squires, below, put on a strong show, despite a crowd of 300 in the 2,000-person capacity Spaulding Gymnasium.

BIG HEAD
TODD AND
THE MONSTERS ...



Keith Monarty
The Equinox

"They hey, my my, rock and roll will never die," as Neil Young once said. He probably didn't have Keene State in mind when he came up with that, but if he had seen Big Head Todd and the Monsters at the SAC-sponsored concert at the Spaulding Gymnasium Sunday, he would have known he was right. And that's all there is to it.

As long as bands like this are around, rock and roll will live on, and it may yet get the respect it deserves.

But, as in life, Sunday's stellar rock show had its downfall. First up was the overblown bar band Ugly Americans. Normally, when cutting a band down, somebody uses another band as a reference.

"They're trying too hard to be Nirvana," for example. Unfortunately, Ugly Americans sounded nothing like any band.

At one point the totally uncharismatic lead singer, Bob Schneider, told the crowd that we didn't have to clap to show our appreciation, just give the band "the finger." Okay, buddy. I was happy to oblige, but not out of appreciation.

They were replaced on-stage by Guster, an inspiring act from Boston, made up of two singer/guitarists (acoustic) and a percussionist.

Acoustic music has lately been considered "intense"

thanks to Ani DiFranco, and, now, Guster. Long live the only trio in Boston that can cover Nine Inch Nails's "Down In It" and make it listenable again. Guster's set was a bit too brief, but they managed to get the crowd up and running, even after the letdown of a set by the Americans.

There is a reason Todd Park Mohr refers to himself as "Big Head."

He's a good singer, a good guitar player, and he writes great songs.

Braving technical snafus like broken strings, bassist Rob Squires's unstable microphone stand, an acoustically awful room and muddy mixing, Mohr and company managed to perform a great set which included old favorites and new songs from their as-yet-unreleased album.

So, why play colleges when you're on the verge of your big breakthrough?

"(It's) reminding people we're still together," said Squires in a post-show interview. "It's kind of a warm-up for the record."

As the show went on, with Mohr ably backed by Squires, drummer Brian Nevin, keyboard player Corey Mauser and vocalist Hazel Miller, it became apparent that this is quite possibly the most criminally underrated rock band since Cheap Trick.

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This is Our Music

by
Brendan P. Murray

Rock music finds the perfect market - politics



Now that the election is at last over, I can't help but wonder what all of the Rock The Vote, Choose Or Lose or whatever they're calling themselves are going to do.

Recently I sat through a broadcast sponsored by MTV in which bands like Everclear and Cypress Hill performed and offered their precious insight on the then-forthcoming election.

My only question is, who cares? It seems we've re-entered the phase in our culture where musicians are more than happy to offer their two cents on any given political issue via MTV and their cohorts over at Rock The Vote, whose only function is, as I can gather, is to put some sort of face on the youth vote and remind us young and dumb Americans that all we need to do is vote and we've done our civic duty.

Why do we need this? Well, first of all it gives musicians something to do. I know a few musicians and the one thing they share is a fair amount of free time, so why not take some of it up with stumping for a political candidate?

Michael Stipe has been making it a part-time job, stumping for Clinton in the past two elections.

The aforementioned and increasingly intolerable Everclear have shown up at various Rock The Vote functions and one can't help but wonder if Art Alexakis, Everclear's sound-bite friendly frontman, hadn't better figure out another way to get his gaunt, heroin-ravaged face on television to offer his take on the issues of the day.

And what could Cypress Hill possibly have to say about politics? This is a band whose idea of environmentalism is purified bong water. Here's what I'm getting at.

Musicians, by and large, are a fairly uninformed bunch of people who have other things to worry about, like distortion pedals and deli trays, than constantly using their image to push political agendas.

Never mind the Rock The Vote stuff, what about everyone's favorite band Rage Against The Machine?

I don't doubt that they are sincere when they talk about Native American rights or police brutality, I just wonder how much the intricacies of these issues are communicated to an audience who simply like Rage "cause they kick ass."

Putting Che Guavara on your T-shirts is a nice idea, but if kids don't know who he was and if the shirt cost fifteen bucks, what does that really mean?

Look, Rage Against The Machine are fine, but I wonder if it really matters if they talk about politics or penguins in their lyrics. The point is, to take leftist and quasi-Marxist politics and use them to sell records is inherently contradictory.

I know that politics and popular music have had a relationship since the 1960's, but this is 1996, where we are inundated with confusing images of overpaid artists hucking all kinds of products.

From the Goo Goo Dolls selling Major League Baseball to Michael Jackson attempting to convince most of Europe that he is the Messiah, popular musicians are overusing their influence to inform an audience about things that are far too complex to comment on in the space of a three-minute pop song.

I'm not saying that musicians should resort to singing about nothing but beer and sex, but I can't help but thinking that getting political and social information from a music video or a record album is more than a little naive.

Maybe the real reason musicians are getting so much mileage out of this election is that the candidates have become just as false, image-conscious and vain as your average rock star.

Save yourself the aggravation of sitting through another Rock The Vote ad and read a book.

- Brendan Murray is one of the co-music directors of WKNH Radio, and is a weekly columnist for The Equinox.

Scopin' the Soaps

by **Toby Goldstein**
College Press Service

(This column presents on-air summaries for the week of Nov. 4, 1996)

ALL MY CHILDREN:

After learning that Rose is married to a hit man, Belinda tried to protect her from Grady. However, as Rose's would-be rescuers arrived at her motel, shots were fired. Marian was thrown for a loop when Janet surprised her in a tell-tale wig.

Mateo's securing the loan thrilled him and Hayley. Tad admitted to Brooke that he has deeply conflicted feelings concerning Liza, but later, he shared a kiss with Gloria as they entertained the children for Halloween.

Skye managed to keep herself from revealing the truth about Dimitri and Maria's tryst to Edmund and Erica.

ANOTHER WORLD:

Gregory began to act out his anger concerning his parents' divorce. Kirkland saw a beautiful light in the attic, which heralded the arrival of a mystical friend. Carl threatened Grant with a dagger after he crashed the Halloween party.

Jake was forced to stifle his jealousy when he found Vicky and Bobby asleep in Bobby's truck.

Learning that she needs to marry in order to get access to her trust fund, Maggie proposed to Rafael, then handed him a prenuptial agreement.

AS THE WORLD TURNS:

Connor was about to tell Mark everything when she spotted his and Jones' rings, and realized they had gotten married.

Martin was mugged by several Chinese businessmen, but lied to Lisa that his assailants were teens.

When Lily was trapped at the Old Lime Pit, Diego was caught in a dilemma that could either cause her harm, or entrap himself.

Susan was disappointed when she realized that Cal isn't interested in having a relationship with her. Dani was in the mood to celebrate as she got close to Ryder at Halloween.

BOLD & BEAUTIFUL:

Maggie and Dylan said tearful

goodbyes to Jessica, who opted to go to school in London. Brooke stunned everyone, including Grant, when she proposed to him after the men's fashion show. Ridge's explosive reaction to Brooke's stunt had an effect on Taylor, who was ready to end their engagement if that's what Ridge wants.

After Sheila lost her cool and almost strangled Maggie following an argument, Mike, thinking he'd be helpful to Sheila, showed up at the Forrester home and menaced Maggie at gunpoint.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES:

Peter was stunned when Jennifer handed him divorce papers. Marlena demanded an explanation from Kristen after finding out she avoided seeing the doctor.

Concerned that Bo has lingering feelings for Billie, Hope wondered if they should call off the wedding.

Franco watched Hope's distress with satisfaction. As Wendy tried to believe that nothing would happen resulting from Ben's photo being in the paper, a man from her past spied on her.

Sami orchestrated a scene that culminated with Carrie being thrown in jail for assault.

GENERAL HOSPITAL:

Laura and Luke staged a public fight to convince the Cassadines that all is not well between them.

Bobbie spoiled Luke's attempt to frame Nikolas at the hospital, but her own life continued to crumble as Tony remained close to Carly.

An unhappy Mac told Felicia he was fed up with being police commissioner, news that troubled the status-conscious Katherine.

Gail recognized the truth surrounding Kevin's faked breakdown. Jax calmed Brenda's fears about the future of her impending marriage.

GUIDING LIGHT:

Blake's worst nightmare came true when the facts about the twins' paternity started coming to light. A newly sober Annie was sorely tempted when she returned home to find Josh and Reva in a happy family setting with Marah and Shayne.

Hart began to soften toward Roger, while Dinah insisted on exposing him as a fraud, a goal

that led Dinah straight into danger. Michelle turned to J for comfort after misreading a friendly moment between Zachary and Lucy. Marcus helped Dahlia to cope with a personal disappointment.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE:

Obeying Elliot's post-hypnotic suggestion that she kill Kevin, Viki was tripped into action by the sight of a painting at the Waterside Inn. As Viki and Kevin struggled, a gunshot was heard.

Dylan told Marty he's obtained a divorce. Marty managed to get hold of the book of Irish Airs and was reading it at home when an intruder broke in. Nora and Becky Lee had a run-in.

Blair and Todd grew closer as they planned a party. Carlo's attempts to get Blair and Todd to end their attacks in print ended in a big argument.

THE CITY:

Following his miraculous recovery, Nick overheard some disturbing news about the transplant. Gino was wary, but intrigued, by Tracy's attempts to charm him. Carla locked Danny and Ally in the darkroom, where they shared a lot of laughs.

Tony then felt left out when he observed Danny and Ally's newfound closeness.

Carla agreed to divorce Tony after one year, but in turn, made him agree to act like a happy husband in public.

YOUNG AND RESTLESS:

When Diane hinted that she doesn't want to start up a relationship with Jack, he vowed to find a way to regain her trust.

Furious with Neil for preventing her from accepting the modeling job, Dru went behind Neil's back and agreed to sign with the agents.

Learning of Hope's deep depression, Victor flew her, Victor Jr. and Betty back to live in Genoa City.

Nikki put Victor on the spot by asking pointed questions about the night he canceled their dinner. Chris allowed Benita, who was fearful of reprisals from her ex-husband, to sleep in her and Paul's guest room.

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FROM OVER THE EDGE
THE WKNH TOP 10

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1) **Jon Spencer Blues Explosion**
"Now I Got Worry"
Matador/Capitol Records

2) **Rex "C"**
Southern Records

3) **Dr. Bunsen Honeydew**
"A Little Bit Bigger than Betty"
Independent release

4) **Roots**
"Illudelf Halflife"
Geffen Records

5) **Medeski, Martin and Wood**
"Shack-man"
Gramavision Records

6) **Luscious Jackson**
"Fever In, Fever Out"
Grand Royal Records

7) **Weezer**
"Pinkerton"
DGC Records

8) **New Radiant Storm King**
"Hurricane"
Grass Records

9) **Howie B.**
"Music for Babies"
Island Records

10) **Mazzy Star**
"Among My Swan"
Capitol Records

Hi Fidelity RECORDINGS



Big Head Todd and the Monsters
"Strategem"
1994 Giant Records



Big Head Todd and the Monsters
"Sister Sweetly"
1993 Giant Records

☆☆☆☆
Okay, there are so many sub-genres of rock and roll these days, it gets difficult to understand how good a band is unless you pigeonhole it and judge its music in the context of every other band in that genre.

Fortunately for us, Big Head Todd and company manage to escape all that and create good old fashioned rock and roll.

From the opening notes of "Kensington Line," straight on through to the somber "Shadowlands," the closing number, "Strategem" delivers great songs and fantastic performances.

There's no extended solos, and even though Todd Park Mohr does have a big head (he writes all the songs), he's got a very tasteful guitar style, and the focus is always on the songs and the band, not one specific member. And it doesn't hurt that "Kensington Line" and "Neckbreaker" are some of the best rockers this side of "Led Zepelin II." -Keith Moriarty



Ugly Americans
"Stereophonic Spanish Fly"
1996 Capricorn Records

1/4 ☆
This record sucks. Don't bother. - K.M.

☆☆☆☆
It's painful to be the middle child. And while "Sister Sweetly" currently resides as the middle ground between Big Head Todd's independent releases and "Strategem," it stands as a heart-breaking middle child in a promising band's career. Like Bob Dylan's "Blood on the Tracks," "Sister Sweetly" can make the listener cry and ache in as many ways as there are songs.

The sorrow kicks in with the first line of the first song, "Broken Hearted Savior."
"Fields are white in snowy spring/and I can't remember the last time that I've seen her," Mohr sings.

The highlight of this album, lyrically and musically, is probably "Circle."

"It seems to you, you and me/are forgetting something/When love is so easily forgotten/And if I pick you up will you drag me down?" Mohr asks the song's subject.

Mohr doesn't ever stretch his voice to let his mood show. His emotions come out just as Bob Mould's often do: just through his distinctive voice.

And that is what makes "Circle," and "Sister Sweetly" as a whole, a near-perfect record. - K.M.

CD Rating System
☆☆: Barry Manilow would be proud to own it, but you shouldn't.
☆☆☆: Nothing to write home about, but why would you write home about a record anyway?
☆☆☆☆: Go ahead and buy it.
☆☆☆☆☆: Yep, it's the next best thing to being there. Human lives may be at stake (like yours) if you don't buy it.

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Big Head

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The talent is there, the songs are there, where's the problem?

"Video," said Squires. Apparently, he said, the Monsters' videos don't get played, and that's what needs to happen for them to break through.

"We're as big as we can get doing what we do," he said, "but for the next step, we need the mass media."

Without the mass media, the Monsters played to a crowd about 300 strong, reasonably small for the 2,000-capacity all of whom seemed to be enjoying the show, which had soulful renditions of tunes like "Broken Hearted Savior," and "Circle," and the destined-to-be-classic new songs like "Caroline."

When Mohr announced they

were going to play a new song called "Crazy Mary," I was expecting a Monster-sized reading of Victoria Williams' touching ballad.

But it wasn't the "Crazy Mary" we all know, it was a new tune, and a good one at that.

Although the Monsters did not play their famed cover of Led Zepelin's "Tangerine" (which appeared on the Zep tribute disc "Encomium," released last year), they did play John Lee Hooker's "Boom Boom," one of the blues songs that helped give birth to rock.

On the album, Hooker joins the band for the performance.

"He's incredible," said Squires. "We worked with him for 19 minutes and 48 seconds, and enjoyed every second of it. He and some of his brethren are the reason we're a band."

The Monsters will try to relive the magic of working with Hooker when the blues legend joins them for the video shoot for "Boom Boom" later this month.



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Big Head Todd and the Monsters groove through a tune on Sunday.

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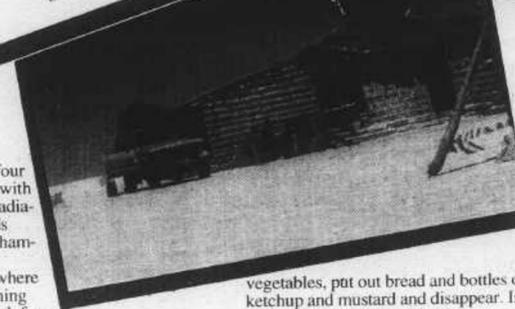
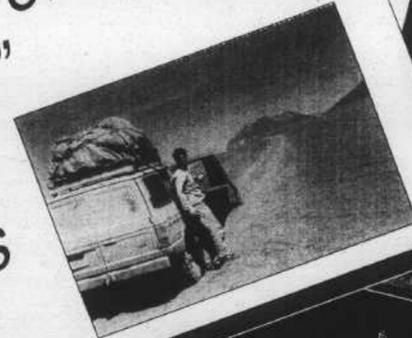
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Style

"The edge of nowhere" has its charms



Doug Lansky
College Press Service

Who would pass up a chance to time travel?
"Touring the arid, icy cold highlands of southwestern Bolivia is like taking a trip back in time," wrote Logan Ward in an effusive *New York Times* article, "On the Edge of Nowhere."

Since I was in semi-nearby La Paz, Bolivia, when my mother, one of the premier article clippers on planet Earth, sent me Ward's story, I figured I couldn't miss the opportunity.

My only reluctance was that riding in an ordinary bus in Bolivia is like being trapped in a paint mixer, so the prospect of four days off-roading in an old truck wasn't too appealing.

Getting to southwestern Bolivia was the first trick. According to his article, Ward had flown from La Paz to Sucre, then taken a short bus ride to Potosi, where he met his Bolivian guide, Yamil. He spent the night at the Liberator, "a cozy colonial inn with electric radiators and layers of blankets for the beds." Ward and his gang of "well-traveled friends" had signed up with a tour company in Potosi and paid \$180 for a four-day journey.

Since I didn't have that kind of money, I opted for a gall bladder-busting night bus from La Paz to Potosi. Unfortunately, a general strike started in town an hour after we arrived, so our little band of stranded travelers chartered another bus for five dollars each. We waited until night and bribed our way past the first blockade. Luckily, most of the protesters were sleeping or passed out, so we were able to complete the 7-hour ride to the frontier village of Uyuni.

There, at 4 a.m., we checked into the

Avenida, a four dollar hotel with no electric radiators and beds shaped like hammocks.

Uyuni is where penny-pinching travelers book four-day trips for only \$60 to \$70 that go to the exact same places as Ward's pricier tour.

In the morning, there was frenetic negotiating as all my fellow dollar-crunchers tried to form groups of six, find a tour company, bargain the tour price down and pick up some snacks at the market- all before noon, when the tours left. I ended up in a group with an Irish computer engineer, a German flight attendant, a Swiss law student, an Israeli psychologist, an Uruguayan biologist and a Harvard medical student.

We boarded the Tortuga (turtle), our well-used Toyota Land Cruiser piloted by Fermin, also our guide. A 34-year-old Bolivian with a confessed addiction to his Nintendo Game Boy, Fermin was not someone I would describe as talkative. Getting information out of this guy was like asking him to cough up major organs. But every once in a while, he'd toss us a gall stone.

Us: Can you tell us about the terrain?
Fermin: That's a mountain.
Us: That's it?
Fermin: It's a very old mountain.

We also had a cook named Isack, who turned out to be Fermin's 16-year-old nephew.

Like his uncle, Isack didn't say more than 20 words the entire trip. And I'll hazard a guess he never attended culinary school.

His specialty was "make your own sandwich." He would cut up some

vegetables, put out bread and bottles of ketchup and mustard and disappear. Isack did appreciate food, though.

We often caught him eating ours.

The scenery was certainly beautiful: one of the world's largest salt flats, a series of mountains and a desert. Unfortunately, it was all a little hard to enjoy. We spent most of the day inhaling copious amounts of dust, nursing massive headaches from the altitude (13,000 feet), and listening to Fermin's cassettes - synthesizer versions of Bolivian folk music.

Aside from the view, the most enjoyable part of the trip was chatting with other travelers during brief pit stops. In just four days, we developed a peace plan for Israel and Syria, found a face-saving settlement for the IRA, solved the world hunger crisis, and restructured America's health care system.

Our comic release came by way of a game we invented called TOTALO CRAPOLA. It worked like this: We'd pass around Logan Ward's *New York Times* article and try to find the most excessively poetic passage just after we'd seen each spot he mentioned with our own eyes. Points were awarded based on the group's reaction.

I received high marks for this selection:
Subject: We saw some rocks.

New York Times: "The smooth stones, the wind, the sense of timelessness all brought on a Zen-like calm."

The German flight attendant did well with this one:

Subject: We drove off the salt flat onto a

small land mass and ate Isack's self-serve breakfast.

New York Times: "Like ripples frozen for eternity, the crusted plates seemed to lap the shoreline. We pulled into a half-moon bay, as if to dock, then drove right up on the bank, where we ate a camp breakfast of toast, apricot jam and coffee."

The Israeli passenger made a valiant entry with this beauty:

Subject: We drove in the desert.
New York Times: "Since all the other vehicles had turned back at Laguna Colorado, we were once again alone in a lonely world."

Give me a break.
I think I subscribe more to Mark Twain's philosophy about travel writing:

"I offer no apologies for any departures from the usual style of travel writing that may be charged against me -- for I think I have seen with impartial eyes, and I am sure I have written honestly, whether wisely or not."

- Doug Lansky is a travel writer occasionally found in Minneapolis.

Know before you go:

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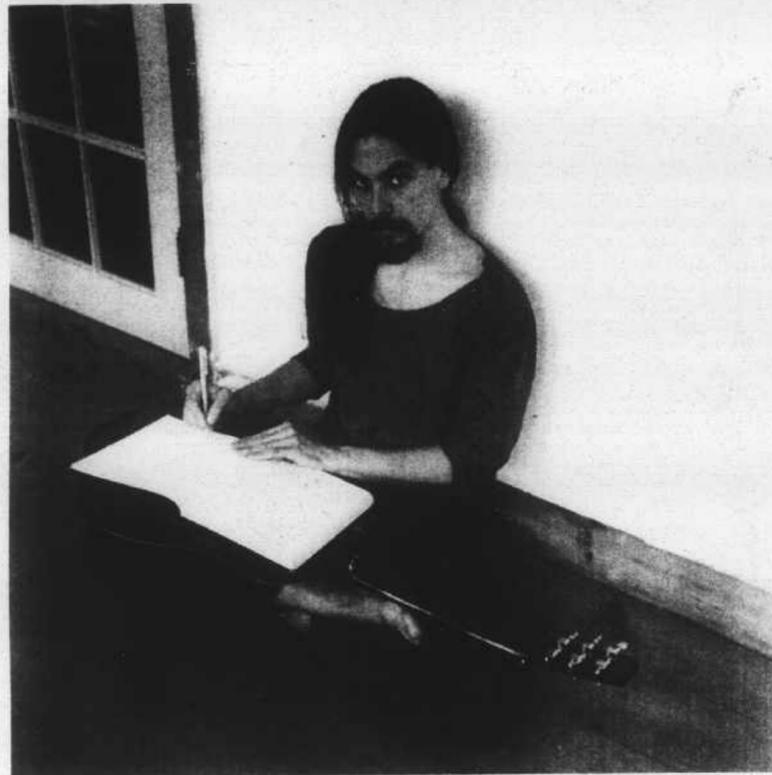
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Calendar



Jonathan Stevens will perform tomorrow night at 8 p.m. at the Black Sheep Cafe in Amherst, MA.

Wednesday, November 6

Stress Management Workshop
6 p.m. @ Aspire Conference Room
Elliot Hall

Education Portfolio Workshop
7 p.m. @ Madison Street Lounge
Student Center

Infinite Productions Dream Rave
Late-late hours @ Pearl Street Night Club
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Men's Soccer
vs. Salem State College
6 p.m. @ Owl Stadium

Open Mic
8 p.m. @ Night Owl Cafe

Resume Day with Career Services
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
@ Atrium, Student Center

Monthly Blues Jam
@ Mole's Eye Cafe
4 High St., Brattleboro, VT
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Pierre Bensusan
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall
20 Center St., Northampton, MA
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Michelle Shocked
& the Casualties of War
8 p.m. @ Chapin Theatre
Mount Holyoke College
South Hadley, MA
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Thursday, November 7

19th Annual All N.E. Choral Festival
7 p.m. @ Silver Cultural Arts Center
Plymouth State College
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Warren Zevon
with Chris Whitney
8 p.m. @ Pearl Street Nightclub
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High Energy Dance Party
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. @ Pearl Street Nightclub
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Open Relaxation Session
12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. @ room 307
Student Center

Mother Courage and Her Children
8 p.m. @ Moore Theater, Hopkins Center
Dartmouth College
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Stress Management Workshop
2:00 p.m. @ Aspire Conference Room
Elliot Hall

"Zhu Quizhan" Exhibition
Opening Reception
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
@ Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery

Liquid Grace
8 p.m. @ Night Owl Cafe

Buffalo Tom
w/ Brian Kelley
7 & 10 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall
20 Center St., Northampton, MA
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Friday, November 8

Fantastic Friday
3 p.m. to 6 p.m. @ Night Owl Cafe

Trainspotting
7 & 9 p.m. @ Putnam Arts Lecture Hall

Nancy Wilson and Joe Williams
8 p.m. @ Jorgensen Auditorium
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Deborah Harry
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7 p.m. @ The Iron Horse
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Roomful Of Blues
8:30 p.m. @ Pearl Street Nightclub
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Retro Night
9 p.m. to 2 a.m. @ Pearl Street Nightclub
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Saturday, November 9

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Saturday @ Pearl Street Cafe
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T.J. Kirk
10 p.m. @ Iron Horse Music Hall
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Sunday, November 10

Justina and Joyce
7 p.m. @ The Iron Horse
20 Center St., Northampton, MA
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Trainspotting
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Spring Heeled Jack
w/ Agents and Big Lick
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Poor air quality, not books cause student fatigue

Tom Lopez
Minnesota Daily
University of Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. - Students in classrooms across the country suffer from sleepiness, lethargy and an inability to focus — and, a University of Minnesota professor said, the problem may be more than boring text books.

Bill Angell, professor of design, housing and apparel, said schools across the nation have problems with indoor air quality, and these problems may be responsible for a variety of maladies. Although they don't constitute a serious health threat, there is evidence to show a possible link between air-quality concerns and test scores and absentee rates.

"In one extreme case, carbon dioxide levels found in one building were above the levels that we would allow healthy industrial workers to be exposed to," Angell said.

The two biggest culprits of air contamination are poor air circulation and water leaks.

Leakages, often the result of plumbing problems or inadequate roofing, encourage the growth of microbial contamination, or mold. This aggravates respiratory problems, such as asthma. An insufficient outdoor air supply can lead to a build-up of carbon dioxide, which may cause headaches, fatigue and an inability to concentrate.

Angell said that one-third of the school buildings surveyed nationwide had inadequate ventilation, and one-third had inadequate roofs that could lead to mold.

Of the 10,000 school districts ranked nationwide, Minnesota ranked seventh in frequency of school air-quality problems.

Fay Thompson, the director of

environmental health and safety at the University, said that some buildings on campus have had problems with indoor air quality in the past. "The problem is usually confined to a certain area, often a smaller room or enclosed space," she said.

"Parents are always very concerned with the indoor air quality of schools. After all, their child spends three times as much time in the house as he or she does at school."

• Bill Angell
professor of design housing
and apparel

Thompson said the buildings that tend to have problems are those constructed in the late '70s, during the energy crisis.

"The building designers were trying to cut back on energy consumption and in some cases they ended up restricting the air exchange," she said.

Angell added that inappropriate energy conservation is the cause of many air circulation problems. "For example, schools shutting windows to keep heating costs low. The intentions are good, but it may be doing the school more harm," he said.

Another cause of air-quality problems is cuts in education funding.

"When school budgets are cut, it shows in the buildings' maintenance problems," Angell said.

Angell said although the fear of high repair costs might keep

school officials from testing the air quality, sometimes the problem is minor.

"Sometimes, it's as simple as fixing a control that's broken, or removing blockage from a ventilator," he said. "In other cases, the building might not be worth the investment, but those are extreme cases."

Many school districts have taken a very proactive role in ensuring the quality of air. Angell said that the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health investigated approximately 100 school buildings last year at the request of school officials.

"The bad news is that about 90 of those schools did have some sort of problem with the indoor air quality," he said. "However, I think the good news is this means school officials are more aware of the problem and eager to do something about it."

Both Angell and Thompson point out that air quality problems are not limited to school buildings.

"Parents are always very concerned with the indoor air quality of schools," Angell said. "But they should be equally concerned with the quality of air in their homes. After all, their child spends three times as much time in the house as he or she does at school."

The professor hopes educating school officials about this problem will replace it with another — rowdiness.

He said after air-quality problems were fixed in one school, the teachers complained that the kids had become too unruly and active. "But I'd rather have them be too active than falling asleep," Angell said.

SAC thought they would be making money off that show no matter how much they charged.

So, the way I see it, charge \$5, lose money (which was inevitably going to happen), and bring in a few more people. Because I tell you, it's embarrassing to see a band of Big Head Todd's status looking out into a scattered crowd of 400 people, asking, nay pleading, for the group to make some noise. Call me self-centered, I was humiliated.

Remember I said mistake number one was holding the event in the gym in first place?

That's right, the sound was nauseating - my ears are to this minute ringing - and the gym is just too big.

Remember the Mabel Brown room? I believe its capacity is

somewhere in the vicinity of 700 people. Lord knows the acoustics are better... can't argue that the aesthetics rule... so why, I ask, why was the show held in the gym to begin with? Has SAC fallen out of touch with the students (again)? Did they really anticipate a crowd of thousands? Come on now folks, let's plan...

So in the end, I have this to say: I'm disappointed in the turnout, that leads to less entertainment in the future. I'm disappointed in the planning, that led to a most unmemorable evening. And last of all, I'm just disappointed, because just once, I'd like to savor an evening here that doesn't begin and end with Penuche's.

Joel Kastner is the executive editor of The Equinox and a senior majoring in journalism.

sports briefs Rugby club ends season with win

The women's rugby club drove five hours on Saturday in order to finish their long season.

The trip was to the University of Maine-Farmington, who Keene State defeated 67-0 earlier in the season.

This time, however, Keene State had a much harder time, winning 17-5.

In the A game, Keene State had trouble establishing themselves after scrum captain Maureen Quinn was forced from the game with an injury.

With Quinn out, and Miranda Chicklis not playing in the game, Keene State was left with a new front row.

Amy Charron, Angela Moriarty, and Heather Ouellette replaced the usual line in the game.

According to Chicklis they played exceptionally well for the first time being together in a game.

Scrum half Kristen Ewart put Keene State up early in the game, scoring a try and kicking the conversion.

Alissa DiBell followed with a try. The extra kick was missed.

Tomi Gibson finished off the scoring for Keene State with a try. "Sharon Fogerty played an aggressive game and tackled well," said Chicklis.

In the B game, Keene State fared just as well as the A team, defeating UMaine-Farmington 17-5.

Ewart once again started the scoring for Keene State. Gibson scored the other two tries in the game.

Keene State will be competing in the New England Division III tournament this weekend, being held at Colby College.

Keene State faces Wesleyan College in the first round of the tournament. New England University and Colby College were the other teams to make the tournament.

Boston College under investigation

The Boston College football program is under investigation for allegations of players illegally gambling.

The NCAA, the Middlesex County District Attorney's office and the FBI have reportedly begun looking into the allegations. Boston College released a state-

ment saying that at this point it is too early to comment on the inquiry.

Reports of pointshaving and dropping games have also surfaced.

Allegedly there are four sophomores, Kiernan Speight, Jermaine Monk, Jamall Anderson, and Brandon King, that the investigation is focusing on.

MLB free agent list grows larger

Two more well known baseball players joined the free agent market Tuesday. In a mostly predictable move, three-time Cy Young award winner and Boston Red Sox ace Roger Clemens, and 1996 World Series Most Valuable Player and New York Yankee closer John Wetteland both filed for free agency after their respected clubs made it clear that they would not pay them what they wanted.

Wetteland wanted approximately \$6 million a season, and the Yankees, who's payroll is the highest in major league baseball were not willing to spend the money. Clemens made it clear that if the Red Sox didn't put an offer on the table, he would walk.

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Ruggers

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However, it was not enough, as Keene State held on to take the game 27-22, and advance to the finals against Bates College, who defeated Southern Connecticut State University 34-29 in the second game of the afternoon.

On Sunday, Keene State faced off against Bates to decide who would be dubbed the best Division II rugby team in New England.

Unfortunately, Bates took control of the game early, scoring 25 unanswered points in the first half.

LaPointe pointed out that Bates overpowered Keene State in the size and speed department, as well as executing a style of play

which proved to be successful. "We were disappointed with the turn out of the championship game, we played better in the second half than in the first," said club president Bob Brown.

The second half saw a slight turnaround in the offense, as Dave Conant took control of the offense, scoring 10 points and gaining some momentum for Keene State.

Unfortunately, Conant would be the only Keene State rugger to put points on the board.

Although Keene State picked up their intensity and level of play, Bates added another try, which made the score 30-10, sealing the victory.

Going into the game, Keene State felt confident about the confrontation. "(There are) 24 teams (in the NERFU), and we had as good a shot as anyone else to beat

Bates," LaPointe said. The Keene State rugby team is now the second best team in New England.

This mark is pretty impressive for a team which has made the jump from Division III competition to Division II play.

Keene State will host the University of Binghamton from New York, in a regional playoff to see who will advance to the Northeast finals on November 16 at UMass-Amherst.

"This season isn't over, it would be nice to win, but we'll see what happens," LaPointe said.

Brown added that the team was fired up and ready for next weekend.

No matter what happens in the next two weeks, this inaugural Division II season will be a memorable one for the Keene State rugger team.

Weekend

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The scoring barrage ended with forward Kevin Chevalier, as he put to the game to bed with the seventh goal of the game.

Keene State woke up early Sunday morning and traveled to St. Michael's College to finish up their clinic.

Rayder took the initiative to start off the scoring two minutes into the game with an unassisted goal

Gingrow played a big part in game, assisting on four of the seven goals.

That also ties the school record for the most assists in a game. Chevalier, Brunette and Martin added the next four goals.

"We seemed to click, we had more desire to win," said Brunette.

St. Michael's College spoiled the Owls shut-out possibilities when they got a cheap goal early in the first half.

Martin racked in two more goals in the second half for a hat

trick. Battaglia added another goal late in the game.

Forward Jeff Rogers racked up his first collegiate goal at the same time ending the game on a positive note.

With the season drawing to an end, the Owls still have a chance to make the postseason.

"We've got to sit back and win the rest of our games," said Martin.

Not only do they have to win the rest of their games, "we have to rely on other teams to lose," said Brunette.

Equinox Staff Picks

These staff members are not trained professionals, you should not bet the farm on their picks!!!

NFL LINES

USA Today
Nov. 4, 1996
Home Teams are bolded.

Favorite	Line	Underdog
Patriots	6.5	Jets
Dolphins	3.5	Colts
Packers	3.5	Chiefs
Falcons	2	Rams
Eagles	3.5	Bills
Raiders	6.5	Bucs
Steelers	4	Bengals
Oilers	3.5	Saints
Redskins	10.5	Cardinals
49ers	3.5	Cowboys
Denver	10.5	Bears
Seahawks	1.5	Vikings
Jaguars	3.5	Ravens
Panthers	4.5	Giants
Chargers	3.5	Lions

Last Week's Record

Jake Mical	9-5
Mike DeFina	9-5
Jennifer Kuehn	6-8
Overall Record and Win %	
Jake Mical	39-38 51%
Mike DeFina	35-42 45%
Jennifer Kuehn	11-16 42%



Jake Mical
Sports Editor



Mike DeFina
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Jennifer Kuehn
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Patriots	-6.5	Patriots	-6.5	Patriots	-6.5
Dolphins	-3.5	Colts	+3.5	Dolphins	-3.5
Packers	-3.5	Packers	-3.5	Packers	-3.5
Rams	+2	Rams	+2	Rams	+2
Eagles	-3.5	Eagles	-3.5	Eagles	-3.5
Bucs	+6.5	Raiders	-6.5	Bucs	+6.5
Steelers	-4	Steelers	-4	Steelers	-4
Oilers	-3.5	Oilers	-3.5	Oilers	-3.5
Redskins	-10.5	Redskins	-10.5	Redskins	-10.5
49ers	-3.5	49ers	-3.5	49ers	-3.5
Broncos	-10.5	Broncos	-10.5	Broncos	-10.5
Vikings	+1.5	Vikings	+1.5	Vikings	+1.5
Jaguars	-3.5	Ravens	+3.5	Ravens	+3.5
Giants	+4.5	Giants	+4.5	Giants	+4.5
Lions	+3.5	Lions	+3.5	Lions	+3.5



Lady Owl Megan Hurle is about to clear the ball during recent action. Keene State hosts the ECAC tourney this weekend.

Keene State finishes season on high note

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

Saying goodbye is never an easy thing to do. Especially when you know something is truly over.

This was the situation that the Keene State

College field hockey seniors were put in Thursday night as they played in their final game of the season.

It was an emotional time for them and a few tears ran down cheeks, as their names were announced in the starting lineup for the last time.

The tears were quickly wiped away, however, as soon as the ball struck the carpet.

Keene State began attacking the Southern Connecticut State Owls from the start.

Kate Letourneau and others had several shots on net before Southern Connecticut State even set up their defense.

Chrissy Brown and Johanna Dow played very aggressively in the early going, making great steals and creating scoring opportunities.

The Lady Owls could not convert these opportunities into goals, however, as the Southern Connecticut State keeper turned away each shot.

Southern Connecticut State finally was able to break into the Keene State zone nearly midway through the half.

Jessica Bishop played well for the Lady Owls, preventing the ball entrance to her net.

Keene State raised the intensity level and fired a barrage of shots at the Southern Connecticut State netminder.

With just under a minute remaining in the first half, Brown broke away and found a seam to shoot through. The ball bounced off the back of the net seconds later.

Stephanie Atherton recorded an assist on the play, tying a Keene State record for assists in a season with 13.

In the second half, the Lady Owls once again found themselves in the Southern Connecticut State zone, firing shot after shot.

Southern Connecticut State also started to show signs of offense, firing wide on several occasions.

While Bishop was outstretched across the net, Southern Connecticut State was able to lift the ball over her, tying the game 1-1.

Bishop redeemed herself later in the half by making two brilliant diving saves to keep the game locked up at one goal apiece.

With two minutes remaining in the game, the Lady Owl assault paid off. Letourneau punched a

Lady Owls to host ECAC's

Keene State awarded number one seed in tournament to be held this weekend

David Haley
The Equinox

If Wednesday's game was a preview of what the future holds for the Keene State College vs. Plymouth State

College rivalry, the future would not seem to bode well for the Panthers.

Plymouth State struggled to adapt to the quicker surface on the Owl Stadium turf and watched the Lady Owls exact a little revenge in a 4-0 win to close the season.

Keene State's women's soccer team finishes the regular season at 15-3-2.

"This was a great game for us," said head coach Denise Lyons. "We took them out of their game early then took over." We'll now wait to see what happens with the tournament bids.

Sophomore standout Amy Zombeck opened the scoring at 13:28 of the first half.

The Lady Owls pressured Ply-

mouth State from the beginning as the Panthers struggled to adjust to the Owl Stadium surface.

"We had trouble adjusting to the turf in the first half," said Plymouth State Coach Marti Kingsley in an interview with sports information director Stuart Kaufman.

"We had our opportunities to finish off some plays in the second half, but we didn't," Plymouth State failed to convert their opportunities, Roxanna Fera did not.

The Keene State midfielder who has recently been moved to forward came off the bench to score the Lady Owls' next three goals.

"I'm feeling more comfortable up front with each game," said the Sibiu, Romania native. "I think I've found my position."

A Heather Boisvere feed gave Keene State their second goal of the game.

Boisvere would add another assist later in the game to bring her career total to within three of the

school record of 31, held by current head coach Denise Lyons.

"We are really learning how to play with each other," said Boisvere.

After dropping a 3-1 decision to Plymouth State, revenge was on the mind of the Lady Owls.

"It was definitely on our mind, especially the seniors who were playing them for the final time," said Boisvere, who along with fellow co-captain Sharon Currie, Nicole Vielleux, Kate Deysher, Andrea Slayton and Lisa Pellegrino were playing their final home game on the turf.

"It's going to be a big game in the years ahead and hopefully the win set the pace for the upcoming years."

The Owls 15-3-2 finish is their best record since the 1993 season when they went 15-3-1 and captured the ECAC Division II Championship, notes sports information director Stuart Kaufman.

The Lady Owls will host the ECAC tournament, and will begin their action against University of New Haven on Saturday. The championship game is Sunday.



Senior Stephanie Atherton evades opponents in a match earlier this season. Atherton tied the Keene State field hockey record for most assists in one season with 13.

loose ball into the goal for a 2-1 lead.

Keene State controlled the ball until the clock ran out.

The win pushed the Lady Owls to a 13-5 record, the team's best since 1985.

Unfortunately, Keene State fell short of a postseason tournament berth by one game.

"We had a great season. It was disappointing not to make the tournament, but there is nothing we can do about it now," re-

marked assistant coach Missy Proctor.

Attention is now turning to next season, when the Lady Owls will compete in their first full season in Division III.

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Lady Owls to host ECACs

Sharon Currie and the rest of the Keene State women's soccer team will tango with the ECAC elite over the weekend during the ECAC tournament at Owl Stadium.

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Ruggers fall to Bates in finals

Mike DeLina
The Equinox

The Sumner Joyce Athletic Field became the equivalent of Green Bay's frozen tundra over the weekend as four teams got together to contend for the New England Rugby Football Unions Division II tournament title.

The Keene State College men's rugby team came one step away from staying undefeated and earning the right to be called the best rugby team in New England, but their efforts were thwarted by Bates College on Sunday 30-10, bringing their record to 6-1-0.

A decent-size crowd endured chilling winds to see Keene State put on a thrilling show against Providence College, winning the contest 27-22.

Patrick Crowley scored a try early on, igniting the pilot light for the Keene State ruggers, giving them a 5-0 lead.

Keene State missed the extra kick, and Providence countered minutes later with a score of their own, which tied the game up at 5-5.

After Providence completed the try, they nailed the extra kick, giving them a 7-5 lead.

In the latter end of the half, Crowley converted a penalty kick,



Pete "Big Head" Watorman starts a play during Saturday's game against Providence College in the New England Rugby Football Unions Division II Tournament. Keene State won the game 27-21.

giving Keene State an 8-7 lead, and the rapidly freezing fans something to keep their minds off the bone-chilling cold.

The fans were given another chance to get loud as the Keene State defense shut down a Providence try attempt from about 10 yards out.

When the first half came to a close, Keene State had control of the game and possession of the lead.

Providence came out of the

half-time huddle fired up, determined to punish Keene State, which they accomplished when they took out first-half offensive stand-out Crowley, giving him a broken rib, and a seat for the rest of the season.

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Owls 2-0 over weekend

Jennifer L. Karhu
The Equinox

The Keene State College men's soccer team put on a two-day soccer clinic this weekend as they annihilated the University of Albany, 7-0, and St. Michael's College, 7-1.

With only two games left in the season, the Owls showed that scoring is no longer a problem.

The clinic began Saturday at Owl Stadium when midfielder Chris Brunette put Keene State on the board early with a breakthrough goal. It was the first of a scoring frenzy.

Minutes later forward Christian

Battaglia used his speed to break past an Albany player and find nothing but net in the far left corner.

Keene State dominated, giving Albany no chance to get into their offensive game.

The Owls finished up the scoring in the first half with a one-two pass combination.

Midfielder Philippe Moreau received the ball from defender Ben Rayder. Moreau passed the ball back to Rayder who took a left-footed shot.

Midfielder Chris Gingrow was there to deflect the ball past the goalie, giving the Owls a confident lead.

The second half was a continuation of the first, more scoring.

The Owls displayed a side that fans have been waiting to see, and it was about time.

Keene State was playing soccer with style. "We've loosened up and were playing like a team," said forward Charlie Martin.

Keene State dominated the game and made it clear that they were playing their game. Brunette received a pass from Moreau and at 55:59 added another goal.

Battaglia was the next to help out in scoring and added a fifth goal.

Brunette netted his first hat trick of his collegiate career at 60:52 with the sixth goal.

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Keene State fullback Drew Stietzel, 17, stuffs a University at Albany forward while Dave Stuart, 14, backs him up.

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Students use same day registration

Sandra Duggan
The Equinox

The truth is students did not get turned down at the polls the day of the election.

The National Organization for Women and the New Hampshire Civil Liberties Union said they had received complaints, prior to the election, that students were having problems registering to vote in New Hampshire.

According to the Associated Press, the complaints were that students were told they would lose financial aid or they would have to change their license and registration if they registered in New Hampshire.

Secretary of State, William M. Gardner, questioned the truth of these complaints. He asked how people know this is true when these organizations have not named any of the sources who made these complaints.

Gardner wonders why a student with a complaint would call one of these organizations instead of calling his office or the attorney general's office; someone who could take immediate action.

Gardner said he received no complaints. He said he was in Durham the day of election and watched students from the University of New Hampshire come in and register to vote with no problems.

Keene City Clerk, Patty Little, said the fliers sent out by N.O.W. had students primed for confrontation and angered students needlessly. She said her office encouraged students to vote.

"There is such a high level of misinformation on that campus (Keene State College) pertaining to voter registration," Little said. Little said that students should

"There is such a high level of misinformation on that campus (Keene State College) pertaining to voter registration."
- Patty Little
City Clerk

be registered at their legal residence and her office stresses obtaining absentee ballots, but they would not turn students down.

"We are not there to be the barricade of voter registration," Little said.

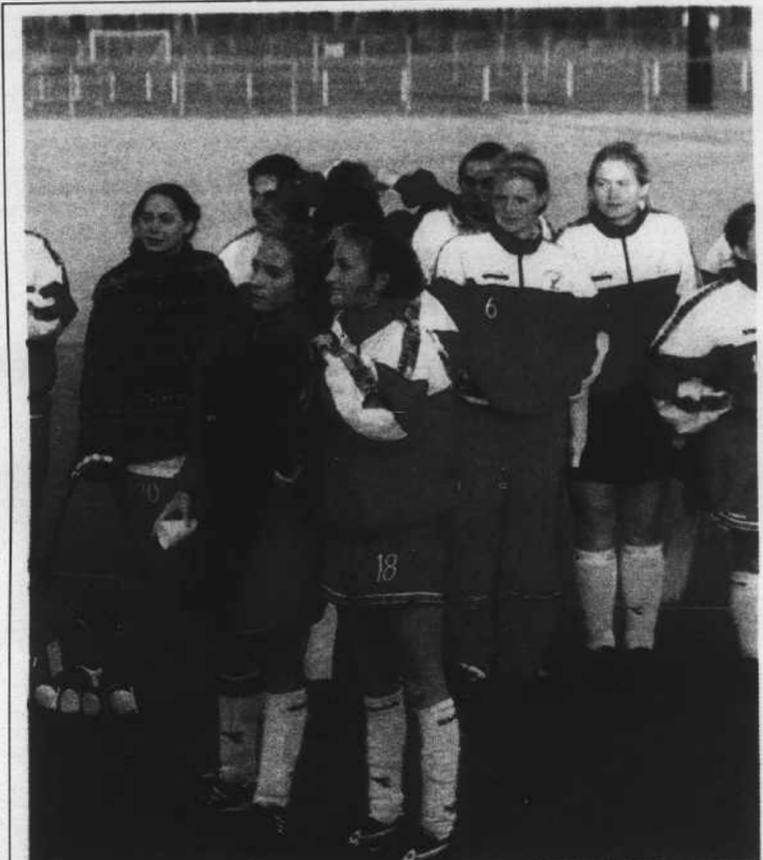
A majority of the students were more interested in voting in their home towns and they needed the information on how to do this, Little said. She said her office helped students get absentee ballots.

About 1,150 people registered to vote in Keene the day of the election. Little estimates that about 200 of those people were Keene State students.

"I did not receive any complaints from students who were turned away," Little said.

Mark Reagan, a Keene State student from Manchester, said he registered in Keene on Election Day and had no problems. He said he just needed to present proof of identification.

Little said there needs to be more communication between her office and the students. "We are new at being educators and we haven't found the right avenue to get the message out," Little said. Two things need to be done: get the message out accurately and encourage people to register before the election, Little said. She said she wants to encourage registration by college students and encourage them to register in advance.



Senior co-captains Heather Boisvero, 1, and Sharon Currie hold a plaque from the ECAC Championship tournament. The Lady Owls finished the season with a 16-4-2 record.

Dorm may host upper class students

Hanna Snyder
The Equinox

The future of the Keene State College's newest residence hall 331 Main St., is up in the air as college officials speculate letting upper-class students live in the house, while keeping its environmental focus intact.

"It will be an Environmental residence hall next year, whether

it will be only for first year-students or first year-and upperclassmen, we're not sure," said Associate Dean for Student Affairs: Dean of Residential Life Anne Miller.

College officials plan to hold meetings with students, faculty and staff about their experiences with the residence hall, and Miller said what matters most are "student opinions, faculty input and

overall program success." Miller said they will look at community survey results to determine the success and the future of the residence hall, even though she feels the program has already proven successful.

"The experience has been what we hoped it would be, it's formed a nice community and a supportive academic environment," she said.

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