

Features

MTV contest sparks student's singing career

By MONICA
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The Equinox

Singing to P. Diddy and a team of judges might sound like a dream to most but that is just what Jasmine Lodge, a freshman here at Keene State, did three weeks ago in New York City.

After watching a commercial on MTV for a casting call for Making The Band 2 with P. Diddy as the casting director, Lodge drove to New York the next day. P. Diddy will support this new band and sign them with his record label Bad Boy Entertainment.

"I thought, 'Oh I should try that,'" Lodge said. When she finally got to the right building at 7 a.m. the next morning, Lodge stepped into a line so long that it wrapped around the building and down the street two blocks.

"I was so upset. I didn't think I was going to be seen," said Lodge. As she waited in the seemingly never-ending line, an employee told her that there were undercover people walking around looking for a certain look and uniqueness in a person.

A little while later she was approached by a man that told her to sing right there on the spot. She sang a little riff and was asked to follow the man to the front of the line. She and a

group of other singers that were picked out of the crowd were led inside to audition, Lodge said.

She was told to expect a phone call in the next couple of days and with that she came back to school. That night she was called back to New York for more try-outs.

Back to New York she went, along with 70 other aspiring singers and rappers from all over the country. That night they were handed a contract and told that it should be signed by the next day. Lodge brought the contract to a producer that she had been working with for a few months to look it over.

"He read it over and said that the contract was borderline of being unjust and unfair. You just didn't really know what to expect from it," Lodge said.

That wasn't the first time that Lodge had been offered a record deal. Two years earlier she had been signed by the record label Jagged Edge, but never ended up recording with them, opting instead to head to Florida to start recording with another producer.

Lodge decided to wait until the next cut in the "Making The Band" contest to see if she made it that far before signing it and she did. It was down to 32 people and they were aiming for 16 for the show. The 16 people who made the cut would then be on the show and all live in a house together provided by

MTV. She still was not sure if signing the contract was a good idea so one of the head executives told her that she could have until Monday to sign the contract. That weekend consisted of what Lodge describes as "boot camp." They woke up at 5 a.m. and were brought to a track in the middle of the city where they had to do sit-ups, push-ups and run races. The rest of the day consisted of interviews asked by a psychologist who basically wanted to find dirt out about everyone's life, Lodge said.

Food and sleep were issues for the people trying out for the band because they were only fed twice a day and sleep was limited, she said. They also were told to write a 2,000-word essay on the music industry and on another night, a 750-word essay.

"They were trying to break us down basically," Lodge said. Cameras were another issue because the crew would follow everyone around all the time, she said. If there was a confrontation between the cast, the camera crew would film it and afterward they would interview the rest of the cast to ask what their opinion was about the fight, said Lodge.

"It was funny, MTV snuck us into bars and a lot of people were underage," said Lodge. At night all 32 cast members would go out and the cameras would follow.

One night they went to an open mic night at a bar while a live band played in the background.

"Then it came down to me having to sign the contract," Lodge said.

The night before they were to pick the 16 cast members that would live in the MTV house, Lodge still had not decided if she wanted to sign the contract or not.

Since she had been working with another producer in New York for a few months,



Courtesy photo

Jasmine Lodge, a freshman at Keene State, records part of an R&B album in Florida.

"I can get the best of both worlds. I can go to college and pursue the singing career at the same time," Lodge said.

Lodge said that she is working with her producer to come up with a new style of music that no one has done before.

They will try to incorporate country music and '70s style with "hard core R&B beats" and an R&B singing style. Tune in to Making The Band 2's premier show on Oct. 12, 2002 where they will show auditions.

Look up in the sky, it's a bird, it's a plane, no, it's the First Amendment

By KRISTEN SENZ
The Equinox

As the editor of the Features section of The Equinox, in which the stories with the heading, "Rush Hour at Keene State," appeared last week, I want to dispel a few rumors that have been floating around campus. I assigned the feature stories and co-wrote the Delta Phi Epsilon article; the college administration had nothing to do with it.

Ryan Zamore, the reporter who was brave enough to attend and write about the rush at the Alpha Pi Tau house, has been confronted and stared down by fraternity brothers on campus because he chose to write the truth about an on-campus event. What he did was neither underhanded nor unethical, and what he wrote was unbiased.

There was no malicious intent on the part of the reporters involved in this assignment. We are just the messengers that have taken on the task of reporting all of the aspects of college life, including the controversial issues that every student encounters. The only way students can make informed decisions is if they have all of the relevant information first. The Greek life articles were not meant to poke fun at Greek organizations or to get them in trouble with the administration; they were meant to simply provide students with a real account of

what goes on at those events. The articles drew attention, made people think, brought about change and created conversation. That is the purpose of the media.

Without access to information, documents and meetings, those functions cannot be carried out. It is important that the journalists of the future get experience exercising the rights granted by the First Amendment, even when doing so may upset some groups in the community.

The First Amendment of our constitution is arguably one of the most important pieces of writing that exists in our lives as American citizens. There are few places in the world where opinions can be expressed freely without fear of imprisonment or bodily harm. Right now that freedom has come under scrutiny because of national security issues.

The Bush administration wants to restrict the Right-to-Know law to protect the soft spots in our nation's infrastructure. But those weaknesses also affect the safety of the public in many ways. Can we really afford to be kept in the dark? While protecting the vulnerabilities of our country is undoubtedly an important pursuit, the ability of the media to print the truth, and have access to the truth, is something that we cannot forego in the name of fear.

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Greek members speak out

By KAT MORRIS
The Equinox

In the Sept. 26 edition of the Equinox, the Lifestyles, (now Features) section featured a set of articles about the Alpha Pi Tau fraternity and the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority.

As the week progressed, students began voicing their opinions to each other. Through the Opinions section of The Equinox, views were expressed about the articles.

Former president of the Interfraternity Council and member of the Alpha Pi Tau fraternity, Todd Newell, said that he was misquoted several times in the article entitled, "Alpha Pi Wow," as did D Phi E president, Sara Massiello.

The repercussions of the article have left the Greek members feeling sneered at by their fellow students. Something that means so much to the members of the Greek community has become the subject of

jokes across campus.

The two articles featured the events that transpired at the rushes. The Alpha article described underage drinking and strippers nuzzling their heads against the pledges' crotches. Jim Draper, the advisor for the Alpha Pi Tau fraternity and co-advisor for the IFC, said that the Greek community has already begun to discuss making changes in the rush system.

"I was surprised by the article," said Draper. "I immediately called the president of Alpha Pi Tau."

Both Massiello and Newell, who were representing their respective Greek organizations, were upset by the misquoting and "irresponsible journalism" that they felt transpired.

"I called for a retraction because I was misquoted, and I was told that Michael Brindley, (the Executive Editor of the Equinox) has become the subject of

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Courtesy photo

Eric Michael (right) and his Sigma brother.

Keene State loses student

By LAURA ROBIDA
The Equinox

A Keene State college student was found dead in his off-campus apartment early Saturday, Oct. 5.

Eric Michael, or "Bogie" as his fraternity brothers in Sigma Lambda Chi called him, came to KSC two years ago as a history major.

Michael, 33, pledged to Sigma in the spring of 2001

and according to Jon Paul, the president of Sigma Lambda Chi, was a big part of the frat. "He was old, you know, but he was like a teenager. He was one of the most caring guys I know," Paul said.

Even though Michael did not live in the Sigma house, he built the bunk beds and set up the basement without asking for compensation.

"He was pretty selfless," Paul said. Michael's death has been a

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"There's no place like home"

The United Way starts campaigning to raise money

By HEATHER BARTLETT
The Equinox

The KSC United Way began its campaign this month. Their goal is to raise \$25,000 by Oct. 21. The drive is exactly one month long, and hopefully, the community will work together to try to make that goal

happen. Marilyn Cookson, the assistant to the president and a member of the KSC United Way team, spoke about the United Way and its goals.

There are 47 United Way agencies in the Monadnock region, including the Keene Day Care Center and the Keene

Family YMCA. This year's slogan is "There's no place like home," and rightfully so. Since the money stays local, it's actually making a difference right here in our community. "When giving to larger associations like the American Heart Association, or the

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Photo by Mike Maher

The family of the late John Jennings accepts an award on his behalf.

KSC says welcome back Alumni come home for the weekend

By SARAH RUCH
The Equinox

After a full day of alumni events at the athletic field, Saturday ended with an emotional Keene State College Hall of Fame Induction ceremony.

The induction and dinner, which was held in the Mabel Brown room in the student center, honored four individual inductees and one team.

"This is one of my favorite events of the year," said Mike Maher, director of alumni and parent relations. "It reunites

dedicated athletes with their friends."

Of the near 140 people attending the dinner, 50 were there from various parts of the country to honor one man—the late John Jennings. Jennings passed away in a pick-up basketball game at the age of 24, the year after he graduated from KSC.

One of his accomplishments while wearing the KSC jersey, was a "12-foot buzzer beater at New Hampshire College, giving the Owls their first-ever NECC tourney win," said John

Soares, Jennings' uncle. "That's what put Keene State back on the map," he said laughingly.

Soares sponsored the bus for the 50 friends and family members to attend the ceremony.

Renee Jennings Rembert, Jennings' sister who traveled from Georgia, said that the night brought back a lot of memories but that it felt good to know that his team and school thought so highly of him.

"We always felt he was special," she said. "To know that others feel the same way is

exciting." Rembert said that because she no longer lived in Connecticut the school did not know how to contact her about her brother's induction. She described how the college put ads in local papers hoping that friends and family would see it and get in touch with her or her brother A.J. Jennings, who had moved to North Carolina. Many of these athletes who attended Saturday's dinner had not been with their teammates

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Jim Matthews calls it quits

13-year veteran wants to see alcohol program continue

By ANGELA WATSON
The Equinox

Jim Matthews, the special assistant to the vice president of academic affairs and other drug programs, has officially resigned his position.

"My roll has been to conduct education and prevention programs on campus. I have done this for 13 years now. What I believe as effective prevention and how it should be delivered is no longer consistent with what the administration wants," said Matthews.

Very few institutions have a position like Matthews. With Keene State having this position it shows that the institution

is progressive when it comes to prevention and education of alcohol and drugs issues on campus, said Matthews.

"I hope that whatever the campus does for prevention, that it remains progressive, and that addressing alcohol issues does not become one of those jobs that

becomes another task for some one else to do with their other tasks," said Matthews.

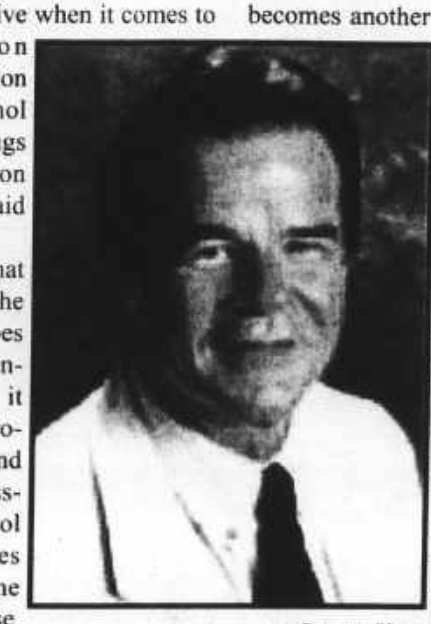
Matthews will continue to teach in the health services department teaching classes such as the one credit class on alcohol as well as other classes on drugs and

alcohol as well. One of Matthews' projects has been the one credit class that athletes, Greeks and first-year students have been required to take over the years.

What Matthews has learned over time is that education can be effective in impacting behaviors around alcohol and other drug use.

Matthews has just completed his three-year study on the effects of the educational one-credit class about alcohol. The initial results of the research reinforce what students have been saying that everyone should be required to take the one-credit class, said

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Courtesy Photo

Jim Matthews will be leaving KSC.

Sound-off

"Shoalin's Soccer, when the female character asks the male, 'Do you love me?' and he replies, 'Absolutely not.'"

Dave Lynch, junior Graphic Design, Film



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Preteena

BY ALLISON BARROWS

Sentinel cartoonist draws off own life

By KRISTEN GILOTTI
The Equinox

"Some of the comics are based on my children's acts," Allison Barrows, a cartoonist for the Keene Sentinel said. "One day, my 11-year-old daughter had birdseed all over her room and I came in with two bags and a rake. I went off on her saying how inconsiderate and irresponsible she was, but afterwards, I made it into a comic strip."

After being in 60 newspapers, Barrows, cartoonist and former author, spoke about

dealing with the challenges of the Keene Sentinel's "Preteena" cartoon.

Barrows sat down with her salad during the hour-long "Brown Bag lunch" event, sponsored by the journalism department.

Her recent cartoon on Lent and Atonement was passed around at the beginning of the meeting to give the students and faculty members a sense of Barrows' interests and goals. She designs "Preteena" comics for girls, but other individuals have found them entertaining. "I've gotten compliments from retired people and dads,"

she said. Barrows pointed out that she always wants her work to seem real when doing the illustrations.

"The Powerpuff Girls and Britney Spears are just fantasies. 'Preteena' seems to have more meaning to it," she commented.

As Barrows analyzed her experiences with writing children's books, she mentioned that "Preteena" wasn't just based on the comics.

"When I was an author, 'Preteena' was originally part of a chapter book. Then I came up with an idea of making it a

comic strip," she said. A faculty member asked why Barrows always seems to make the characters look the same.

"Stick figures and round heads are very simple. I keep it that way so it would be easier to continue on. I also keep the same characteristics, such as running, skipping, or sleeping," she explained.

Barrows became involved with drawing because her parents were art teachers in Connecticut.

"I began doing illustrations when I was 3. I used to draw bird beaks on the walls and

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Sound-off

"What's your favorite movie quote?"



"Airplane, 'I chose the wrong week to stop sniffing glue.'"

Christie Valihura
junior
Graphic Design



"We Were Soliders, Mel Gibson says, 'I can't promise that we can all come home alive, but what I can promise is that we will come home together, dead or alive.'"

John Perkins
freshman
Technology Education



"American Pie 2, when Jim's dad says, 'Keep it real hommies.'"

Christie Wrazan
sophomore
Graphic Design



"Army of Darkness, Bruce Campbell as Ash says, 'Give me some sugar baby.'"

Kat Rossignol
junior
Graphic Design

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since they left KSC. Sharyn Selders Lindblad, 1985, who was part of the 1982 women's gymnastic team, said that this was the first time since graduation that their team had been together.

They are the first gymnastics team to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, making it a "great honor," she said.

"To have such recognition from sports means so much," said Christel Wooten-Montgomery, another team member. "It's really exciting."

Montgomery traveled from Virginia with her oldest daughter, Sarah, for the event.

"It is really cool. I'm really proud of her," said the younger Montgomery of her mother.

President Yarosowick, who attended many of the events held Saturday, said that he was pleased with the success. People were enjoying themselves, the attendance was high and the weather was great, he said.

The president was also happy with the turn-out at the dinner. It was great to see not only so many alumni and their family attending, but also student athletes because they "carry on the tradition or pass the torch" he said.

Many of the student athletes at KSC have had the torch passed to them by athletes like Patricia Rauch Harper, 1987, who became the sixth women's basketball player to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

It was a little scary when she took off her basketball shirt for the last time but then she realized that she had the "opportunity to run with what I got," she said.

Basketball never came easy to her but she knew what she had to do to be great and she did it. Sometimes she had to give up a little but her goal was to be great.

"I've seen the college from 1988 up until now and all of the growth and incredible things that have happened."

Tom Anderson, 1988, inducted for cross country and track.

that will last for a lifetime because I love the sport so much," Harper said of her induction. "It was an unbelievable honor."

Also present at the dinner along with most alumni events was former Alumni Director, Don Carle, 1952. Carle Hall was named after his father who was at KSC for 40 years and dean for about 30 of them.

"I grew up on Appian Way," he said adding how the school



Families enjoy the buffet at this year's Alumni Weekend.

has been through tremendous changes, not only physically, but that the atmosphere has also improved.

"It has changed a lot but it still has the same homey feeling it has always had," said Trevor Franklin, 1979, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The KSC team consists of faculty and staff, who encourage any and all alumni who would like to volunteer their time to join them. All of faculty and staff are encouraged to help.

Campus News is a publication of the KSC Campaign 2002. Each week, they will be updating on the campaign's progress. According to Carle, students didn't receive the letter because most students "just don't have the money to give."

"All of us are deeply saddened by Eric's death. The community has lost an important member," said Stanley Yarosowick, president of KSC in a campus wide announcement on Monday, Oct. 7.

While the cause of death is still unknown, a memorial service

for soccer. "And a lot of the same faculty and staff are here."

Many alumni still live in the area and keep up with what's going on at KSC. Tom Anderson, 1988, who was being inducted for cross country and track, lives in Keene

and is good friends with the current coach, he said. He has been able to watch the school progress since he graduated.

"I've seen the college from 1988 up until now and all of the growth and incredible things that have happened," he said.

The athletes were happy to be

back, sharing this night with friends, family, and teammates. This is a great event said Athletic Director John Ratcliff. It is an annual culmination of individual and team careers.

"It is a fitting tribute to their success," he said.

When you realize what a small amount of money can do to help someone in need, that's the incentive to dig deep down into your pocket.

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blow to the Sigma house and according to Paul he will be greatly missed.

"We found out during Homecoming Weekend. The entire backyard [of Sigma] was filled with brothers crying," Paul said.

Coming soon to the Equinox: A follow-up to the story regarding out-of-hand students and parties

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Campus Safety Log

Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2002 3:27 a.m.
Carle Hall, RA called to say that there was a subject was assaulted.

2:09 p.m.
Holloway Hall, RD on safety inspection found a rush sandwich board and requested that an officer pick it up.

8:38 p.m.
Student Center, harrasing and improper use of the telephone. There was a report of a prank phone call at The Equinox.

9:14 p.m.
Grafton House security report of a stolen cell phone from a

handbag at the dining commons.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2002 12:51 a.m.
Summer Joyce Field, vending machine in area turned on side.

4:41 a.m.
Monadnock Hall, RA called to say that there was a subject having chest pains. An officer went to check it out. The subject was speaking with the medics, they thought it was probably indigestion. The RA gave the subject Mylanta.

Thursday, Oct. 3, 2002 1:32 a.m.
Carroll House, an RA reported

that a person was walking back and forth in front of the house. The person found who he was looking for.

10:24 p.m.
All campus, weapons offense, Huntress RA called and reported a suspicious subject dressed all in black who had scared several women and had stared them down. The subject was seen heading toward the student center down Appian Way. A second call reported that the subject may have had a knife. The situation was turned over to the Keene Police Department.

11:04 p.m.
All Campus, subject dressed all in black is stalking and scaring

people in the area of the tressel.

11:14
Subject dressed all in black was seen chasing people around the science center lot. Subject was gone on arrival.

Friday, Oct. 4, 2002 12:30 a.m.
Student center, Pat Turner called to say she smelled glue on the second floor.

12:13 p.m.
Parking lots, off-campus student called to report that her vehicle had been damaged in the commuter lot by Holloway Hall.

2:55 p.m.
Rhodes Hall, information only, individual used phone to call in a traffic accident that had recently occurred on Main Street.

Saturday, Oct. 5, 2002 3:23 p.m.
Mason Library, skateboarding violation, safety officer instructed the individuals to leave the library and dining commons area. The officer also took down their names to give them a good scare.

5:39 p.m.
Holloway Hall, a student reported that his bike had been stolen from in front of the building.

8:22 p.m.
All campus, call from the chef at the dining commons in regards to a group of juveniles on BMX bikes riding up and down Wyman Way, who also rocked the officers vehicle, setting off the alarm. The officer reported the juveniles were now in front of the dining commons and were jumping off the steps and picnic tables. The officer spoke with the two individuals and informed the Keene police Department. He also notified the group to stay off campus.

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Equinox) would call, he never did. I took the time to let them know what happened and spoke with the girl who wrote the article, (Kristen Senz, Features editor)," said Masiello.

Editor's note: Michael Brindley, along with Kristen Senz, Craig Brandon, Equinox advisor, and Dave Payson, Communications chair, attended a meeting on Friday with the presidents of the Greek organizations to discuss these issues, as well as to discuss any incorrect information that was published.

Masiello went on to say that

she had said that D Phi E didn't have a quota. Whereas the article quoted her as saying, "We don't have quotas like other sororities." Masiello said that she contacted Senz before the Oct. 3 edition of The Equinox went to print, and expected to see a retraction.

"We pride ourselves in that sororities support each other. I wouldn't say something like that," said Masiello.

But what really upset the two was the manner that the articles' information was gathered.

"Ryan Zamore said that the school had asked him to go into our rush and write an article based on our activities and what went on at a rush," said Newell. Masiello said that she appre-

ciated the positive light that the article, "Singing Sisters," showcased, but said that it was the intentions that she felt were negative.

Masiello said that some things were inaccurate, so she went back, and talked to the other members of her sorority to ensure that she hadn't said something that could have been misinterpreted. Masiello also said that she wished that more of the positive things that the Greeks do would get coverage.

"After the article was distributed, it was upsetting to hear that members of The Equinox and the campus community were excited to bring down the Greeks, because the Greeks bring a lot to this campus," said

Masiello. "Basically this goes with what I said before about my thinking that the intentions were negative."

John Paul, a senior at Keene State and president of the Sigma Lambda Chi fraternity and the IFC, said that he thought that if The Equinox was going to do a report on a rush that it should have reported about the rush and not the party that took place afterwards.

"I want to know why Alpha Pi Tau and De Phi E were picked to represent the entire Greek community. I felt that Keene State is, in itself, a community. I don't understand why The Equinox would write an article to create controversy in their own community," said

Paul.

Newell said that the rush period began with the brothers telling about why Alpha was important to them and why they chose to pledge the fraternity and what they have gained from being a member.

"Apparently, Ryan was not at the same rush that I was at, because if they'd heard the stories of the fraternity members then he obviously would have seen and heard the friendship and fraternalism that we portray," said Newell.

Newell also said that at the end of the rush, both he and the president of Alpha Pi Tau, indicated that the rush was official-ly over, and that they would now be having a brother social

afterward and everyone was welcome to stay. He said that it was at that point that the strippers entered and not before the rush was officially over.

Newell also mentioned the raunchy jokes that were told at the rush.

"With the jokes, it was just an ice breaker. What are we going to say, 'I like reading?' It was just a good way to break the ice. Most of the people who rush are freshmen and sophomores, and they're nervous," said Newell.

He felt as though the school was trying to get rid of the fraternity. He discussed the "Stuff" article that ran about

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Student assembly offers funding and opportunities

By JENNIFER KUBACKI
The Equinox

Ben Spaulding, the assembly chair, began Tuesday night's meeting with an overview presentation of his poster ideas on how to publicize student assembly.

Spaulding, who was leading this activity, put together five poster ideas answer who, what, when, where and how. Who is your student government? What does student government do? (Including the structure of the assembly.) Where can you find your student government?

How can student government help you?

"I definitely think it is a good idea. It's a way for students to find out who we are," Spaulding said.

To sum up the five posters, Spaulding hopes to hand out flyers at Midnight Madness which student assembly co-sponsors.

"I know you're thinking 'What a mess,' but it's okay. I'll clean it up," Spaulding said.

Next a proposition was made to make a physical education club. This club will meet every other week to discuss physical

education research, methods of teaching and other things to further their knowledge of physical education.

They hope to have the funding and opportunities to also go on field trips like a conference coming up in November. The request was passed and the constitution is

ing the changes, more issues

just going through its final steps towards perfection.

A member from the dance team returned for yet another meeting, the fourth in a row, to plead for the assembly to pass the constitution.

After review- ing the changes, more issues

Twice a year the Campus

were brought to the table.

The representative sighed in anger and passed a glare across the room as a member of the assembly made the suggestion that she return for her fifth week with the new changes.

Despite this suggestion the assembly voted in her favor and the constitution was passed with the stipulation that the changes discussed were made.

Campus Crusade for Christ proposed to receive funding from student government for a convention they attend each year.

This year the fall convention is Oct. 18-20.

Crusade for Christ is given the opportunity to attend a convention but often times many members cannot go because they are forced to come up with the funds on their own.

"We would like to make it an option perhaps for people that can not go," said representative Dave Rossall.

The convention is a retreat for spiritual growth. There are activities for team building and seminars for discussion.

This year the fall convention is Oct. 18-20.

What Keeps Teachers Going in Spite of Everything?



Sonia Nieto

Professor of Language, Literature, and Culture, School of Education, University of Massachusetts

7:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 17
Mabel Brown Room
Young Student Center
Keene State College
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The Sidore Lecture Series at Keene State College

See the 10/18 edition of The Equinox for coverage of Eric Michael's memorial service.

If you knew Eric well and wish to share your thoughts with the campus, feel free to send memorials to equinox@keene.edu and we will publish as many as we can.

Campus Events for October 2002

Oct. 18, 2002 ART RECEPTION: Opening reception for the Biennial Regional Juror's Choice competition with a 6 p.m. awards ceremony. 5-7:30 p.m.

Oct. 19, 2002 MEN'S SOCCER: vs. Rhode Island College. 1p.m. Owl Athletic Complex

Oct. 19, 2002 FIELD HOCKEY vs. Worcester State College. 1:30 p.m., Owl Athletic Complex.

Oct. 18-20, 2002 PARENT FAMILY WEEKEND. Activities include varsity sports, entertainment and events, a faculty recital, an academic walk, a talk with the president, and the annual meeting of the KSC Parents Association. For more information, call 603-358-2663.

Oct. 18-24, 2002 FILM. *Pumpkin*. A sorority sister learns more than academic lessons during the training of a physically challenged man while performing community service work. Starring Christina Ricci and Hank Harris. Rated R. 7 p.m.; also 9:20 p.m. Fri.-Sat. and 2 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Putnam Arts Lecture Hall, Redfern Arts Center on brickyard Pond.

Oct. 20, 2002 HONORS CONVOCATION. Recognizes Deans List students, the 2002 Distinguished Teacher, Parents of the Year, and two Granite State Award recipients. 1 p.m. the KSC Concert Band begins playing at 12:15 p.m. Spaulding Gym. Free admission.

Oct. 22, 2002 LECTURE. Diverse Voices from the Field presents "Cognitive Diversity in the Classroom: Survival Strategies for Students with Learning Differences and ADHD." A presentation by Jonathan Mooney, founder and executive director of Project Eye to Eye, and author of *Learning Outside the Lines*, a handbook for students who think differently. 7 p.m. Mabel brown Room, L.P. Young Student Center. Free admission. For more information call x-2218

What keeps teachers going?

By SHAUNNA TRUDELL
The Equinox

Sonja Neito will be visiting Keene State College on Oct. 17, at 7:30 p.m., to address "what keeps teachers going in spite of everything."

Neito, professor of language literacy and culture at the school of education at the University of Massachusetts, has taught for 35 years at all levels, from elementary grades to graduate school.

Neito will be coming to KSC to share her findings from her research and discuss teacher education and the continuing professional development of teachers.

"I have changed a great deal over the years, and so have my practices and ideas about teaching," said Neito.

Neito first started teaching at a junior high school in Brooklyn where she learned that the teacher turnover at the school was nearly 50 percent a year.

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Keene State.

"Apparently, the school and the faculty were upset about how our school and our campus is viewed by others," he said.

Draper likened the rush stories to the "Stuff" article, stating, "I thought that the method of maintaining the information for the article was not very ethical, it reminded me of my feelings when I read the 'Stuff' article."

However, Rose Kundanis, a member of the journalism department who is not affiliated with The Equinox, said that she thought that since both articles were bylined that they were very credible.

Kundanis also said that since the event was an open event and publicized across the campus, that it was not unethical for The Equinox writers to write about the evening's events and that

She has researched multicultural education, the education of Latinos, immigrants, and many more.

"I tried to be tough, demanding, and loving at the same time to be, just like a T.V. commercial about Kleenex tissues at the time, soft yet strong," said Neito.

Mary Mayshark-Staveland, facilitator for the child development center at the preschool, met Sonja Neito in 1991 and said,

"She was very down to earth, a warm person."

Every year a couple of speakers come to the school through the Sidore Lecture Series. Mayshark-Staveland said, "The Sidore Lecture Series donates money along with the school to have people come in who are the articles gave a fair account."

"I thought that in particular the article about the sorority was fairly well-balanced and the fraternity story was very descriptive. I think it took a lot of courage by The Equinox and the individuals who wrote it to write about what can be a difficult story," said Kundanis.

Director of campus safety, Amanda Warman, said that she was intrigued by the article and that although she tried

to remain objective about the situation, the article brought up a number of questions for her.

She also said that she was very concerned at the misconception that the school had anything to do with the story being

written and insisted that it had not.

"My understanding is that rush is a public event and certainly if there is a story in there, then they have a right to report on it as long as they aren't breaking anyone's confidentiality," said Warman.

Most students were not aware that an article could be written about rush.

Sophomore Ryan LaPerle said that he thought rushes were secretive and were not open to the public, but also added that he thought it was fine for the writers to do what they did based on freedom of speech.

"They have freedom of speech, they can write whatever they want to. I think they should write more and inform people about Greek life. And it's good reading too," said LaPerle.

Newell felt that The Equinox was only interested in printing articles that gave a negative view to Greek life. He said that one of his fraternity brothers has a stepbrother who was autistic.

Newell said that the father asked the Alpha Pi Tau brothers to assist him in helping to develop his childhood development skills. Newell said for the past two-and-a-half-years they have been working with the young man.

He also said that the father sent an article about this last semester to The Equinox five times and it was never printed.

Newell said that he felt that the campus is only interested in hearing about what Greeks do wrong, and not about the good

that they contribute to the community.

But what will the repercussions be for Alphas alleged breaking of the rules?

Jim Draper said it was difficult to talk about the situation because the judicial process hasn't begun, but assures that neither he, nor the fraternity wishes to hinder the school's investigation and plan on cooperating completely.

Draper said that the school will conduct an investigation to see whether they find anything that can or cannot lead to charges being levied against the organization.

If charges are brought about, then a judicial hearing will be conducted.

Andy Robinson, the associate vice president for student affairs, said that Alpha Pi Tau has been placed on interim suspension pending an investigation that is being conducted by campus safety which will look

into the activities that took place at the rush.

"If the allegations are true it may be some possible violations, but we want to treat them fairly and investigate thoroughly," said Robinson.

Robinson also maintained that the school would never ask The Equinox to write about something like what appeared in the two articles and that the Equinox operates independently from the school as other newspapers do.

"There are always some bumps in the road, like all organizations, but there has never been a rush issue in the past," he said.

"I remain positive about Greek life at Keene State. I think Greeks have made major contributions to the community in the past and I hope that they will continue to do so in the future," said Draper.

"I believe more strongly than ever in the power of teachers."

Sonja Neito, professor of language, literacy and culture at the University of Massachusetts

Neito has written many books which include Affirming Diversity: The Sociopolitical Context of Multicultural Education, The Light in Their Eyes: Creating Multicultural Learning Communities, and Puerto Rican Students in U.S. Schools.

Neito has also received many awards for her advocacy and activism such as The Human and Civil Rights Award, Drylongo Award for Anti-Racist Activists from the Community Change in Boston, and the Multicultural Educator

award from the National Association of Multicultural Educators.

Neito is currently helping to develop a social norms program on campus. It is a new strategy for prevention work.

It is something many campuses are using now, said Matthews.

The research on the juniors and sophomores that took the class shows that they drink and binge less than their peers that did not take the class, said

Matthews.

Matthews plans on staying at Keene State to continue to teach classes while doing consulting jobs at other campuses.

Also in Matthews's future he will be working on a new book. The topic of the book will be about baby boomers and the alcohol and drug issues they are dealing with now.

The baby boomer generation is dealing with a lot because of 20 percent of the elderly, (their parents), have alcohol issues and then their college age children are having alcohol and drugs issues as well, said Matthews.

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Features

Putting "the squeeze on capitalist greed"

By MONICA MACPHERSON
The Equinox

It was almost as if they weren't human," said J.P. Disciscio, after seeing riot police break up a protest in Washington D.C.

Over 600 people, including five students from Keene State, were arrested in the nation's capitol from Sept. 27 to Sept. 29 when protests against the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the controversial war against Iraq were the topics of concern.

The streets were filled with police and human blockades on every other corner, according to John Bate, one of the students involved in the protests.

The police officers' main job that weekend was to intimidate and scare the protesters into not participating in other demonstrations, said Eric Lovely, who led the Keene State group on the trip.



"This was serious riot gear: assault rifles, cops on horses, cops on motorcycles, cops just standing there. It was something else," Bate said. The World Bank consists of



(above) John Bate, Eric Lovely and Maggie Spicer stand next to an effigy in Washington D.C. (top left) Riot police form a barricade around protesters during a non-violent demonstration. (bottom left) J.P. Disciscio and Eric Lovely snap a photo to remember their experiences at the protests.

Adjuncts reach an impasse in negotiation

By DENISE KENNISON
The Equinox

Last year Keene State College was the first college to offer unionization to adjunct faculty members.

The ruling made by the New Hampshire Supreme Court gave the adjunct teachers this option. Now, even though the option is open, most of the doors for negotiation are not.

"We haven't had a session since June. That's the problem. We reached an impasse, a breakdown. A mediator was brought in and held two 10-hour sessions with little progress," said Ellen Moynihan, president of the adjunct association.

Since the Supreme Court ruling, the adjunct teachers have moved up from being called temporary faculty to part-time. "You can't have people working for you for 20 years and call them temporary," said Michael McCarthy, an adjunct teacher at Keene State.

Currently both sides are waiting for a fact finder to write a report that will state the facts from each side.

"I can't really get into many details because we are kind of under a gag order," Moynihan said. "The gag order makes me gag," said Michael French, vice president of the adjunct association. "When bargaining was going on, we made progress on

some little issues, but nothing big. We reached a consensus on workload, evaluation, and on qualifications for membership. We've now agreed between union and college that adjunct teachers could join the union after their fourth semester here, and the semesters do not need to be consecutive."

There are nearly 200 adjunct teachers here and they teach over 40 percent of the course load. Out of the near 200 adjuncts, 48 teach full-time. Many adjuncts teach introductory level courses, making strong connections with first-year students.

"I can't really get into that many details because we are kind of under a gag order," said Ellen Moynihan, president of the adjunct association. "Making these connections is important, so with teachers leaving, this here-and-there-and-gone-tomorrow routine really hurts the students," said Moynihan.

However, we have been fighting this for three years and the University system is still fighting us every step of the way.

One new thing that has formed since negotiations stopped was a membership committee. The heads of the membership committee are Griselda Witkowski, Sarah Alden, and Shari Bemis all of whom are from the computer science department. They have been doing a membership drive and, according to Moynihan, the response has been good.

Though the wheels of motion may be stopped for the time being, Moynihan and other adjunct teachers will keep trying to get things in gear.

"My take is that we've been lucky and got what we should have. We did get some nice support from full-time faculty as well," McCarthy said. "Quality of education is our main mission. In order to retain quality instructors you need to pay them. I think that is more important than a new gym. Treating adjuncts better will make the education better," said Moynihan.

Global Economic Justice. The IMF is a similar organization that provides money to countries that are in need but they need, but there are conditions such as allowing The World Bank to restructure the country's economic system, according to U.S. Network for

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The haunted happenings of Keene's Colonial Theatre

By KRISTEN GILOTTI
The Equinox

Even when no one is around, Kurt Steeleman, productions and facility director at the Colonial Theatre, feels a supernatural presence.

Steelman started believing that the theatre was haunted after encountering an unusual incident four years ago.

"I was once alone in the theatre around 10 p.m. and I heard a male voice telling me to answer the phone when it wasn't ringing. When I turned around and saw nobody, I

immediately ran home," he explained. Afterwards, he asked his co-workers if they had unintentionally been in the theatre that night. Their honest answers showed they weren't behind the situation, but they had also heard strange sounds.

"The people that worked at the place at the time are no longer there," he added. The Colonial Theatre has had its share of ups and downs throughout the years. In addition to the alleged ghostly presence, the theatre has been haunted by financial troubles.

Steelman commented that the superstitions might have affected other employees' jobs and lives after he told them about his experience.

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Poem of the Week

DON'T LET GO A DREAM
I stood inside the glowing
green playhouse feeling
lost.
And I looked into the
mirror glowing
time too, and I saw
myself
Wearing pale white
clothes and there was
nothing
Under my eggshell feet
was floating I think.
Then the swooping
whoosh
Of the winding wind
Began to swirl as my
mother
Appeared outside the
window.
Floating too, but with no
feet,
Colored over the black-
ened floor.
She flew to me and
grabbed
My hand as my feet rose
Into the wind, and she
held me
As I squeezed tight
And I flew up into the
piercing light
As she let go.
—Adam Berube

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Throughout the past six or seven decades, the theatre had been turned down by several organizations after original owner Charles Baldwin built it in 1923. The theatre opened on Jan. 29, 1924, and was mainly designed for the arts. Steelman reported that things didn't turn out as expected for Baldwin.

"The purpose of the theatre was to provide Keene with film and vaudeville facilities. It bankrupted after Baldwin finished it, so he sold it to John Latches, who also neglected it," he said.

The business remained unsuccessful as film took over in 1940. After Latches refused to maintain the theatre, Steve Levin bought it in the mid-1980s, but situations still went downhill and the theatre was losing money.

"During the time Levin took over, a group of private investors tried to build up the corporation and they earned millions of dollars. Things were then starting to come together," Steelman explained.

He also added that renovations started in 1993 and are still an on-going process.

Despite the weird sounds and voices, the Colonial Theatre is still in business after coming a long way. It is now owned by the Colonial Theatre Group Inc.-orations.

Steelman has been with the company for more than a year and is responsible for producing live events and taking care of the building. He stated that the Spring of 1999 held the biggest record for selling movie tickets and other events.

WKNH Radio Theatre presents a live radio show for Halloween on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 6 P.M. on 91.3FM, WKNH. A North Pole Halloween features the voices of a dozen Keene State College professors in the story of Santa and his elves trick-or-treating at the North Pole. KSC students will perform the live sound effects in this 1940s-style radio program.

Included in the cast are:

Ann Atkinson, Communications
Corinn Columpar, Film
Peter Condon, Film
Tom Durnford, Foreign Languages
Vesta Hornbeck, English
Rose Kundanis, Journalism
Ruth Parent, Communications
Kate Phillips, Film
Janine Preston, Communications
Tara Stuart, Communications
Larry Welkowitz, Psychology
Ben Wise, Biology

Tune in to 91.3FM on Sunday, Oct. 20 at 6 P.M. and experience A North Pole Halloween live.

For more information about WKNH Radio Theatre, please contact Ginger at wknhradiotheatre@yahoo.com or 357-0635.

Correction: In the Sept. 26 issue of the Equinox in the story "Singing sisters," a quote from D Phi E President Sarah Masiello should have read, "If you look around the room, you can see how different we all are." The question, "How many pledges do you get each semester?" was then read from an index card submitted by a rusher. Masiello then said, "It's quality, not quantity. We don't have a quota."



A protester looks toward mounted policemen and gives a peace sign.

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are only helped after agreeing to policy reforms in their financial economy, according to the Global Economic Justice website.

Erik Gillard, a member of the group, said he felt the need to go protest because he wanted to challenge the World Bank and the IMF and show them that he does not support the "perpetuation of destructive behavior" and world greed that they force on helpless countries.

"They are globalizing an unsustainable system which is very destructive. So I went down to challenge that," Gillard said.

Before the group left for D.C., the Campus Ecology Club showed them non-violent protest tactics, other ideas on how to stay out of harm's way and how to contact each other if the group split up.

They played trust games, such as having one person in an enclosed circle who would have to close their eyes, fall back, and trust the group to catch them, Disciscio said. They also role played different perspectives of the protesters and the people being protested, he said.

When the group got to Washington D.C. early Friday morning, they set out for the first demonstration called "March to Put the Squeeze on Capitalist Greed." As they were walking to the event they heard sirens and could smell tear gas, said Lovely.

The police had formed a human barricade around protesters and the group witnessed the police beating and kicking other protesters, Lovely said.

The next demonstration was an hour later and was called "Percussion Protest: No war on Iraq." It was held in Freedom Plaza Park. In the park there

were protesters involved in a drum circle and riot police stood nearby. "After seeing evidence of brutality, we felt good about supporting an anti-war percussion protest," Lovely said.

Gillard became the support person and had everyone in the group's emergency contact information. He became the person who found where everyone else was located, and found out when they were going to get out of jail, Gillard said.

Spicer, Disciscio and Bolster were all detained for approximately nine hours, while Lovely and Bate were held for 26 hours across town.

Lovely and Bate were handcuffed from their wrists to the opposite ankles and were given two bologna sandwiches throughout their 26-hour stay, said both Lovely and Bate.

Both places where the group was held (three in the basement of Court House B and the other two in the gym of a police academy) were held up because computers and printers were allegedly broken at both facilities.

"I think we all agreed, the real reason they were probably detaining us was because they didn't want us to protest the next day and they were using that as an excuse," said Disciscio.

Spicer said what she is taking away from this experience is the symbolism behind what she had to go through in jail and not being treated fairly by the police. The events of the weekend have made her consider what everyone else in the world is going through.

"There is so much worse going on that just being put in a situation that messes me off. I want to do something about this," Spicer said.

Calling all interns

By HEATHER BARTLETT
The Equinox

I am currently volunteering for The New Hampshire Democratic Party. They are still looking for more students to volunteer, and college credits can be earned in the process.

I spoke with Mark Murrens, the Cheshire County college coordinator for the New Hampshire Democratic Party, about the internship and what is required.

The internship lasts until the election, which is Nov. 5. It's a short-term commitment of 10-15 hours a week for about a month. The party is more than willing to work around your schedule, but they prefer late afternoon or early evening hours, as well as weekends.

They are looking for motivated students who are interested in politics, no background is required, and being a Democrat is not a requirement. "We're looking for highly motivated people with good communication skills," said Murrens.

The job entails doing everything and anything to help the Democratic Party, from planning and organizing events, to making phone calls. A lot of what the party does has to do with voter contact, such as encouraging as many people to vote as possible.

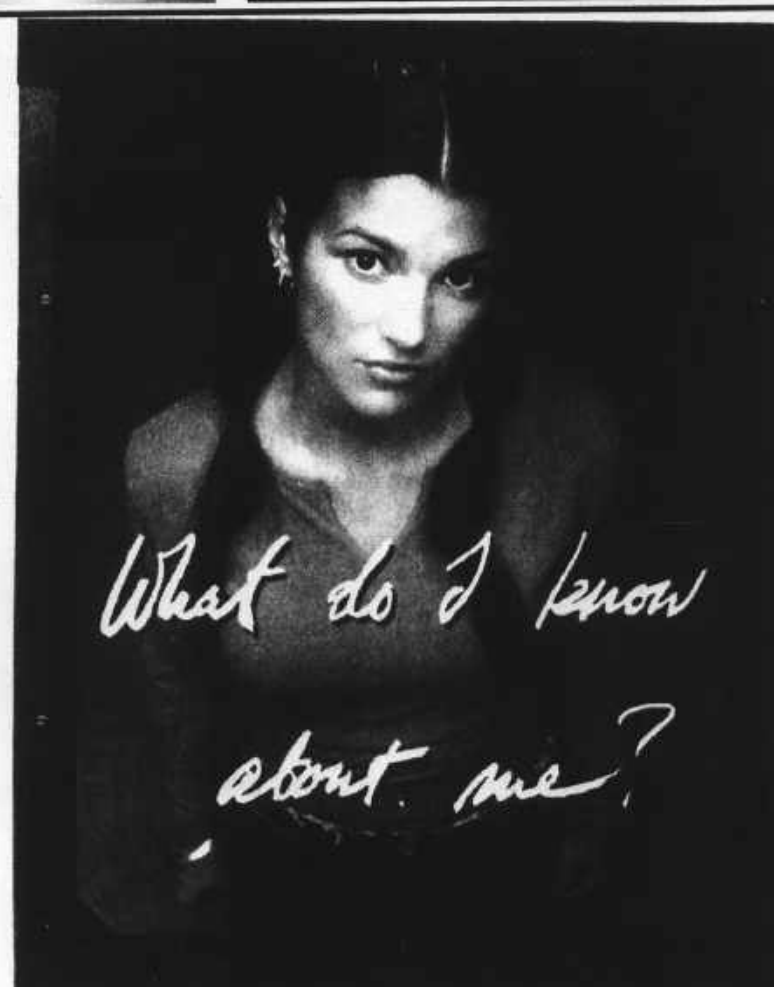
"It's a great opportunity to get hands-on political experience," said Murrens. "It's a chance to make a difference in New Hampshire and the nation."

The Democratic candidates are Jeanne Shaheen, who is running for U.S. Senate, Katrina Swett, who is running for Congress, and Mark Fernald, who is running for Governor.

Also on the Democratic ticket are Keene State faculty members, Professor Chuck Weed of the political science department, and Anna Tilton, the administrative assistant for the Cohen Center for Holocaust Studies. Both are running for State Representative in different districts.

I've only been working there for two weeks, but in that short period of time, I have learned so much. Not only am I getting credit for volunteering my time, but I'm also learning about our government and how it works. Beforehand, I knew little to nothing about our political system. It's a great experience, a good crew of young, enthusiastic people, and a huge resume builder.

A lot of students don't know that even if you are not a New Hampshire resident, you can still vote in New Hampshire. Go to the Town Hall and register as soon as possible because your vote can make a difference. To find out more about this great opportunity call the Democratic Party at 358-5372 or email them at keenedems@nhdp.org. It's possible to earn credit through the sociology department, as well as the political science department. Also, talk to a professor in either department to find out more information about how to earn credit for this internship.



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The Night Owl Cafe in the student center serves alcohol for special events.

Raising the bar

By MITCH WYATT
The Equinox

A fancy entrance, computer lab, and a name that can be pronounced with the 'h', Rhodes Hall has all of this, but how about a bar?

Yes, indeed, fine people of Keene State College, there was a bar in Rhodes Hall by the name of the "Pub Club." Probably a more toned down atmosphere than that of an off-campus bar, but there was alcohol, and isn't that what bars are all about?

Darkness, conversation, rejection and hook-ups. Oh, the joys of a controlled drinking environment. Let's get our acts together and have one of those now!

Not so fast kids, first of all we have a bar, and it has as much alcohol as it's going to get. The Night Owl Cafe can serve alcohol (if the manager can stand going through the worlds of paper work) for an

What's the Kronicle?

In a small corner office on the second floor of the student center, there is a group of dedicated students that spend the year collecting memories of life on the KSC campus and turn them into the annual yearbook known as The Kronicle.

This 200-page, hardcover publication has won design awards for the last three years and the 2002 book that will soon be off the press is bound to gain a lot of attention with its innovative short-side binding. The 2001 book was the first to be produced by student fees. This allowed the club to supply one free book to every graduating senior. Other students can purchase books for about \$35 each. Because the book covers the spring semester, including commencement, it usually isn't completed until the following fall. They are then mailed to each graduate.

Last year's yearbook staff was very small and the workload of those few caused production delays so the 2002 book will likely come out in December.

The current executive editor,

graduating senior Sabrina Crow, and the content editor, Laura Bloch Bourque, are on board for the second year in a row, giving the 2003 edition the incredible advantage of experienced leadership.

"With what we learned from the last book, we're sure to stay on schedule this year. We've worked hard to collect a willing and talented group of writers, designers and photographers to work with this year and it's looking good," said Crow.

The club is currently accepting recommendations for students to feature in the 2003 book. A handful of students will be chosen for a full-page, in-depth profile. They are looking for seniors that have been outstanding in their contributions, academically or otherwise. Recommendations can be emailed to kronicle@keene.edu.

New members that want to help capture the school year ahead are always welcome.

General staff meetings are Mondays at 11:30 in Room 307 of the Young Student Center.

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Greens gaining Part one of a series

By BEATHAN REGAN
The Equinox

The Green Party is radical in their ideas, revolutionary in their methods and growing in influence. Their beliefs are centered on the party's ten key values of which, grassroots democracy, social justice for all, ecological wisdom and non-violence are the first four.

They contrast sharply with the two major parties and according to Jenn Monroe, an active member of the local Monadnock Green Party, the Democratic and Republican parties are more like one party, under the influence of a minority constituency.

"It's scary how much corporate influence there is in Washington," said Monroe.

The Greens have been gaining momentum, especially in the last 10 years. Monroe explains that the recent growth is spurred by people's frustration with the lack of choice between the old parties. She says that they are becoming more and more like each other and that voters are finding the Greens lend a more sympathetic ear.

Elected Green Party officials are held to their grassroots doctrine, they answer directly to their constituents who have a much greater participatory role in decision making than do members of the main parties.

The first Green Party was formed in 1972 in New Zealand, next in 1973 in Great Britain. The Party here in the United States came from a combination of the European Greens of Great Britain, France, and Italy. The

Europeans first gained prominence on the world stage during the '50s and '60s with their peace and anti-nuclear platform at the height of the cold war.

According to a PBS website devoted to the Green Party, the Green platform isn't a pure import. The founder of the German Green Party was heavily influenced by the Americans. She spent her university years in Washington D.C., in the midst of the 1960s and '70s peace and Environmental movements.

The German Green Party was successful enough to inspire a group of statehood Greens to create the first Green presence in American politics. The Green Committees of Correspondence, the predecessor of the current Association of State Green Parties, was founded in 1984.

Two years later in 1986 the first American to run for public office on the Green ticket was a Maine man named Greg Gerritt. He didn't win, but captured a significant 16 percent of the vote. New England became a hotbed of Green activism and was the movement's first home, particularly in Maine and Massachusetts.

In 2002, there are currently 152 Greens holding public office in 20 different states. That's over a 50 percent increase since 2001. Fifty-one are in California and 18 are from Massachusetts. There are currently no elected Greens in New Hampshire.

Monroe pointed out that the Green Party began as a movement and not a political party. To ease the strain between its local action, grassroots democ-

racy philosophy and the need for national unity for direction and strength, the Greens developed an institutional infrastructure unique to politics.

Before Ralph Nader's 1996 presidential campaign only local pockets of Green activism existed, loosely affiliated with the Green Committees of Correspondence. After Nader captured over one percent of the national vote (a big number for a third party in the U.S.) some Greens sought out a more unified national party.

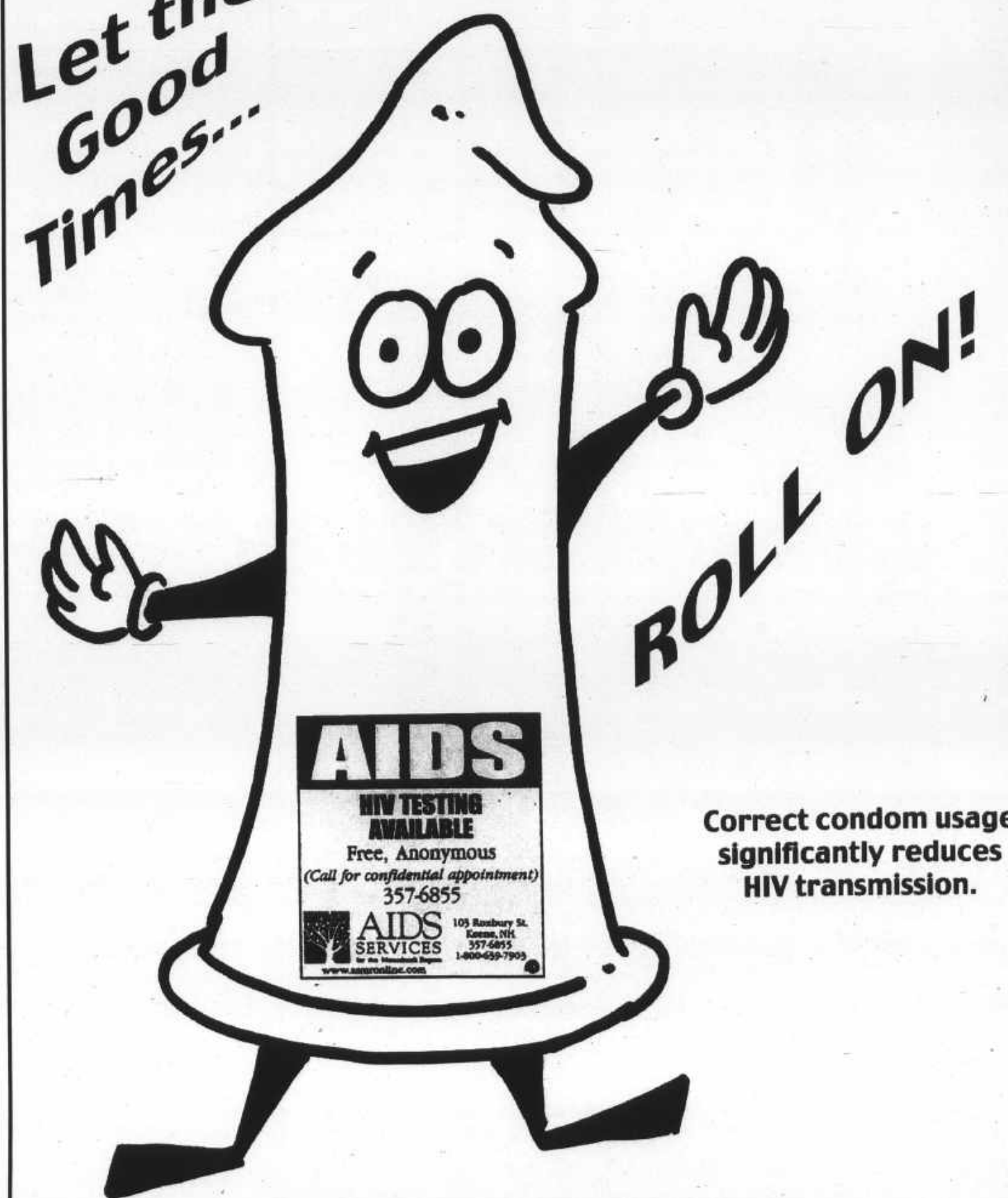
After all, if Nader could do so well without the benefit of a national party infrastructure, the creation of one would only help spread the Green seed. This was the start of the Association of State Green Parties.

Now, the political control remains in the regional chapters which lend viability to the local grassroots philosophy. There are State Parties to help the Greens win seats at the state level and the ASGP to support national candidates.

Jenn Monroe Believes in the Green Party and works tirelessly to promote the Parties message. She says what the local party needs now is numbers and she does her best to educate people in hopes of soon establishing a solid voter base.

The collection of affiliated local greens could be the first viable third party in the United States since the disintegration of the Whigs in the 1850s. The Green Party is still in its infancy stage in terms of a political party but maturing rapidly in its influence on a national scope. They are a recognized party now to be reckoned with.

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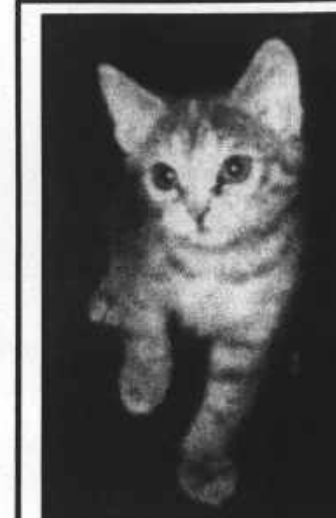
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Sports Commentary

MLB Championship Series Predictions

By RICH EGAN
The Equinox

I don't think you could have asked for anything more than what transpired this past week. The baseball that was played this week was magnificent and magical. I know I could not have been more wrong in my predictions of a week ago on who was going to be playing this week, but I could not be happier.

Game five of the Twins vs. A's series was a perfectly played baseball game: a pitcher's duel into the late innings, great defense and heroic hitting late in the game. The ninth inning of that game was maybe the most excited I have been over a baseball game in recent memory. I personally was rooting for the A's to pull it out, but to see a Twins team suck it up and pull out a win, was amazing.

The Twins team represents what is right with baseball. Out of 25 players on the roster 14 of them are home grown players, meaning that they came from the Twins minor league system. They also play as a team, doing the little things, bunting a runner over or taking the extra base. The Twins are good for baseball and having the Yankees out of the playoffs is even better.

Experts would say that this would actually hurt baseball because "America's team," the New York Yankees, are no longer playing.

I would have to disagree completely. Take a look at the American League. The last time the Twins were in the World Series, President George Bush was in office and we were just beginning a war against Iraq.

Ironically isn't it? The Anaheim Angels, then known as the California Angels, have not seen action in the playoffs since 1986.

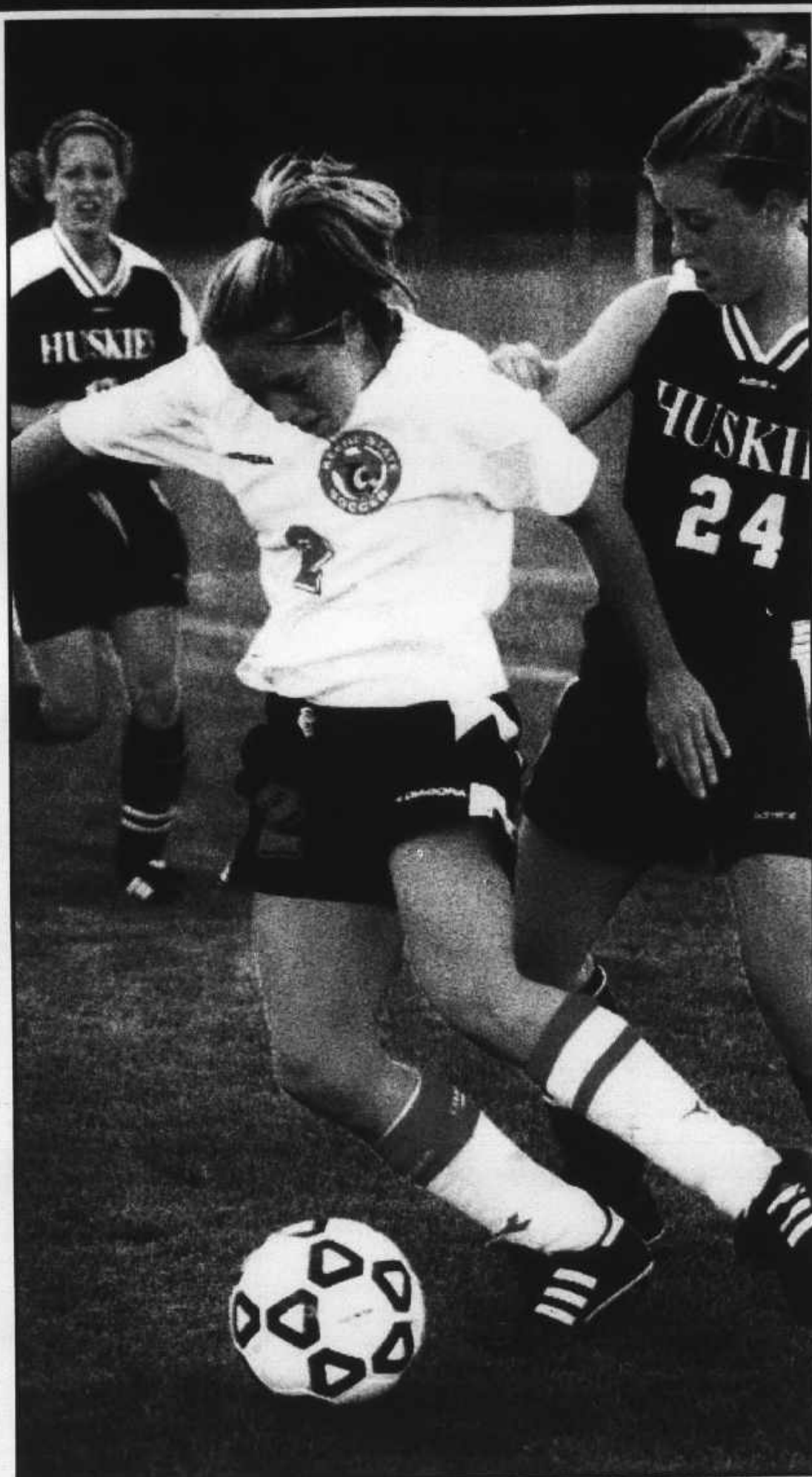
To me that makes this series exciting. The Twins were not even supposed to be playing this year and Anaheim was predicted to be last in their division making them even worse than the hapless Texas Rangers. Who is going to win this series? Hard to predict.

The Angels put the Bronx Bombers to shame by out hitting them and out pitching them in the late innings. The Twins knocked off the best team in baseball and the hottest team going into the divisional series.

The Twins will take this series because of the depth in their rotation; they can go five strong if they need to. Also, home field advantage will be a key; the Metrodome is one of the hardest places to play especially for an opposing team that plays their home games on grass.

My pick: Twins in seven. In the National League both the Diamondbacks and the Braves are out early. The Braves once again dominated the regular season winning 100

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Colleen Antonini shields a USM player from the ball during play on Saturday.

Owls walk over WSC

By RICH EGAN
The Equinox

The Keene State College women's soccer team opened up strong once again against Worcester State, beating them 3-0.

Jen Ortisi started the goal scoring with a boot into the top right corner only one minute into the game.

The Owls played as a team moving the ball around with good passing and lots of hustle.

"Today's win against Worcester was a confidence booster. We played pretty soccer, which is how we play best. Every game we are getting better. We are on our way to nationals," said goalie Michelle Mason. This win over Worcester State was the fourth shutout for Mason. The Owls have out-scored their opponents 14-3 during their winning streak.

KSC has not played as well as the dominating point differential would suggest. They have started out so well early against the weaker opponents of late that they don't have to play in the second half of games.

Keene however played really well against Worcester, which is a good thing because they do have a very rough couple of games against quality opponents away from Keene.

"The game against Worcester, our team finally played like we know we can, we all came together and played pretty soccer," said Carolyn Crawford. The Owls beat a hapless Southern Maine squad 3-0 on Saturday, Oct. 5.

This victory was KSC's fifth in

a row since losing to Wheaton College two weeks ago.

KSC, as usual, came out and scored early and started with a quick bang to get them started on the right foot.

Only five minutes into the game, KSC's leading goal scorer, Erin Lester, put them ahead for good with a header into the back of the net.

The Owls would continue their good play in the first-half with two more goals scored by Aleisha Nelly, from a beautiful cross by Colleen Antonini, and Karyn Long who put in a header off a corner kick.

With a three-goal lead and the game virtually over, due to the fact that USM couldn't register a shot on goal in the first half, KSC played a defensive second half moving the ball to all sides of the field.

They did have a few chances to score but were unable to capitalize on them.

"It is always great to win on homecoming. We are improving every game and we are coming closer to our goal of going to nationals," said Amy Lamson.

Michelle Mason and Sarah Campbell combined for a five-save shutout of USM knocking them to 2-7 overall and 0-2 in the LEC. Keene is ranked second in New England and is most likely going to move up from the 19th ranking overall in Division III due to some other teams' losses this past week.

"I feel privileged to be on this team with all these great soccer players. They are all a great inspiration to me," said Beth Pamerleau.

The Owls host rival Plymouth State this Sat. Oct. 12.

Men's soccer ties S. Maine in double overtime

Owls lose Harke on red card; outshoot Huskies 31-6

By JOHN BALLOU
The Equinox

The Keene State College men's soccer team battled the University of Southern Maine to a double overtime 0-0 tie at the KSC Athletic Complex on Saturday, Oct. 5.

The tie leaves the Owls without a conference win, and in sixth place in the conference with a record of 7-4-1, 0-1-1 in the LEC, while the Huskies are in seventh place with a record of 3-4-2, and also 0-1-1 in the LEC.

KSC found themselves in a hole early however, as John Harke was issued a red card, 15-minutes into the game for throwing the ball at the face of a USM player, and the Owls had to play a man down for the remainder of the game.

"I was on the sideline shielding the ball out of bounds. I thought I was out of bounds when the USM guy kicked me in the back of the leg. I retaliated and threw the ball at him, and the ref threw me out," said Harke. "I thought we played well since we were down a man for

nearly the entire game."

During the first-half of play, KSC Head Coach Ron Butcher yelled to his team, "We can't sit back against this team. You have to push it forward."

And the Owls did. Despite being down a player the Owls out-shot the Huskies 31-6, and kept the ball in the Huskies zone for the majority of the game.

"I said that, and we did it. Anytime you outshoot a team 31-6, you are pushing the ball forward," said Butcher. "USM was never in the game. But you have to give their goalie credit. He made five or six great saves."

Chris Willard, a freshman, and the USM goalie made 12 saves in the game, including a game saver at the end of regulation.

With about 2:33 left in the second-half, senior midfielder Mike Monteiro headed the ball toward the low right corner of the net, but Willard made a fantastic acrobatic save, diving and twisting around in order to grab the ball.

"Don't take anything away from our guys. For 90-minutes they sold their souls,"

said Butcher.

The end of regulation came and the teams started the first overtime session. The Owls continued to pressure the USM defense, keeping the ball in the Huskies' zone, attempting shot after shot. Despite all the pressure the Owls put on the freshman goalie, Willard didn't crack.

"I thought Keene played remarkably well. They could have beaten us many times," said USM Head Coach Eric Miller. "Our defense broke down multiple times, but Willard played really well."

Nick Ferro, a freshman midfielder for KSC, led the Owls attack, attempting five shots on goal. Sophomore Casey Banks and senior Mike Monteiro both had four shots on goal.

The next Owls home game will be on Saturday, Oct. 19, when they host the Anchorman of Rhode Island College. The Anchorman are 9-3, 2-0-0 in the LEC and are currently in first place in the conference.



Mike Monteiro inadvertently trips a USM player during action on Saturday.

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"He was always there, no matter what"

Friends, family gather to honor the life of Eric Michael

By LAURA ROBIDA
The Equinox

Family, friends, and members of the Keene State College community gathered in the Mabel Brown Room on Wednesday, Oct. 9, to honor the memory of Eric Michael.

Eric Michael, or "Bogie" as his fraternity brothers in Sigma Lambda Chi called him, came to KSC two years ago as a history major. Michael, 33, was found dead in his off-campus apartment Saturday, October 4.

More than 120 people were present to remember Michael including his parents and his brothers in Sigma Lambda Chi.

"I did not know Eric, but I have seen the devotion of his friends," said Keene State president Stanley Yarosewick.

The "devotion" of his friends and family, could not be shown more than the establishment of the Eric Michael Memorial Fund. The money collected for the fund will go to creating a campus memorial in his name.

"Eric really loved it here," said Danny Michael, Eric's father.

Those who knew Michael gathered one at a time in the front of the room telling memories and lighting candles in memory of him.

"He was truly part of our brotherhood. He taught us more



Eric Michael at the Sigma house

than he ever knew. His memory will never fade. Wherever our brother rests, he rests in peace," one Sigma brother said.

"He was always there, no

matter what," said Sigma President Jon Paul.

Paul shared a memory about the time Michael built the bunk beds in the new Sigma house.

"We had mattresses on the floor, but no beds. Bogie got the wood and built bunks. He worked all day long. Every night, I have Bogie right there with me. He's with all of us and

I don't want anyone to forget that," said Paul.

Coworkers of Michael's at Margaritas turned out to show their support as well. They described him as being "nice

and outgoing" and always involved.

"We loved Eric. He brought sunshine to all of our lives," his coworkers said.

Between memories, members of the sororities and fraternities comforted each other, hugging and holding hands.

"Keene State College is first and foremost a community of people working, studying, and living together," said Yarosewick.

"I am devastated at the loss of his young life and the loss of his future," he said.

"He was someone who had so much ahead of him," said Nicole Michael, Eric's mother.

Michael's parents invited all members of the KSC community to the funeral service for Michael that was held on Thursday, October 10.

"I am overwhelmed with your support," said Danny Michael.

Though not sure what to say, Danny had one piece of advice for Michael's friends who had gathered.

"Parents - hug your kids. Students - hug your parents," he said.

Anyone who wishes to donate money to the Eric Michael Memorial Fund should contact Sigma Lambda Chi.

A voice for the silenced

By JENNIFER KUBACKI
The Equinox

On Oct. 22 author Jonathan Mooney will be attending Keene State College and giving three informational and entertaining presentations.

They will be at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. in the Alumni Recital Hall and another at 7 p.m. in the Mabel Brown Room in the Student Center.

"I'm a voice for all of those kids who are silenced" said Mooney on his video, "What the Silenced Say."

He will be covering cognitive diversity in the classroom and survival strategies for students with Learning Differences (LD) and Attention Deficient



Courtesy Photo

Jonathan Mooney

Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD).

This presentation is here to help prospective teachers understand these "differences" from the child's eyes; and it is for people with disabilities to see what can be done. "[He is] an advocate for people with disabilities," said Nancy Lori, professor of special education.

Mooney has dyslexia and ADHD. In his presentation he goes back to second grade and relives his "war stories" of growing up labeled "broken," "stupid" or "crazy". Although in school "he could not sit still" and was often found to be secluded areas, Mooney graduated from Brown University with a 4.0 in English Literature.

At Brown he received the Harry S. Truman Scholarship for Public Service and later published a book called Learning Outside the Lines with a Brown University class-

mate David Cole, who also has ADHD. The book is a collection of experiences from the two men and it teaches those labeled "failures" how to take control of their education.

Mooney is an internationally known speaker; he has been traveling the world telling his story since his college graduation. Doing a few speeches a week he has visited places like Wisconsin and traveled all of the way over to China. In the three months after graduation he reached all fifty states traveling on the Greyhound Bus and sleeping on the floor in homes of strangers.

Mooney has paired up Cole to start up a non-profit mentoring program, called Project Eye-to-Eye. The program matches college students that have LD/ADHD with elemen-

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New proposal may mean less courses for English and American Studies students

By LAURA ROBIDA
The Equinox

A recent proposal by the Keene State English department may mean that students will not have to take as many English credits in the future.

The proposal that would affect students in the American Studies and English programs, would make all courses in those disciplines worth four credits instead of the three already given for course completion.

"There's a lot of breadth within a course. There's no way that I can represent 20th century lit completely in one course."

Mark C. Long, professor in American Studies and English.

The proposal would change how long courses would meet and how often. According to Nona Fienberg, chairman of the English department, under the new plan courses would meet either four times a week for one hour or one day a week for four hours.

"There is not enough time in three credit English courses both to cover subject areas and

to work with student writing, critical thinking, fundamental research, and close reading, as required by the goals of the General Education

program and the demands of our major," Fienberg said.

With the proposed added time, members of the English and the American Studies departments said

that they would not only be able to spend more time covering their subject matter, but

they would be able to make connections between courses.

"Is there a way to make courses more coherent? I see this as a way of doing so," said Long.

According to the professors backing the proposal, it is important for students to not only know the curriculum being studied for a class, but to also know the background information. By making classes meet more frequently or for longer periods of time, professors would be able to create bridges between subjects.

Not only would four credit courses give professors the time to expand upon their subject matter, but according to Fienberg, four credit courses would also help students.

"The increased attention to

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"For one, I'd have it all online. They're creating an add/drop nightmare."

Eden Vinyarsky, continuing education in nursing



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