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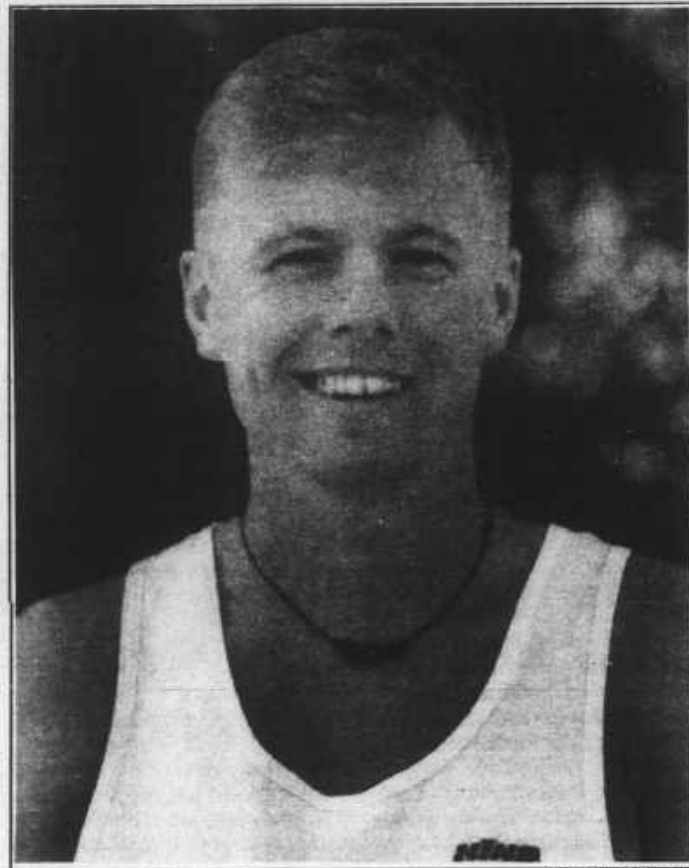
SPORTS

Keene State College Athletics



Feature

Keene State Runner Flying With Best in the Country



COURTESY PHOTO
THE UNSUNG HERO - Jeff Sullivan, one of Keene State's greatest runners of all time heads to the National Championships.

David Haley The Equinox

Whether the math book on the corner of Jeff Sullivan's kitchen table of his Arlington, MA, home was strategically placed, or not, is still uncertain.

The then 20-year-old electrician leafed through the text book, and listened to what his heart was telling him.

It was time to go back to school.

That day, the south shore of Massachusetts lost one heck of an electrician, and Keene State College gained, arguably, its most prolific track runner ever.

Running with success did not come quickly for Sullivan without a tremendous amount of thought and hard work.

"If you had told me five years ago I would be running competitively at the college level I would have told you that you were crazy," Sullivan explains.

For Jeff Sullivan it was hockey, not running, that consumed him growing up. "Hockey was everything in Arlington, it was all we focused on."

So focused, in fact, that Arlington went to the state finals Jeff's senior year, losing 3-2 to power-

house BC High at the Boston Garden.

After graduation, the NHL drafted four of Arlington's seniors. Jeff was not one of them and it was time to contemplate his future.

"I knew I wasn't ready to go to school, to do so would just be wasting my parents' money," he says, looking back. "after two years I just picked up the math book on the kitchen table. I knew then I wanted to go back to school."

"The one negative about being ranked third is that there will be a lot of runners focusing on me. But after the gun goes off, I'll just focus on running, and forget everyone else."

• Kevin Sullivan
KSC Track Star

At this time, Jeff's uncle introduced him to running. "I just tried to run four miles without throwing up."

After a year of running, Jeff attempted to qualify for the Boston

Marathon, missing the qualifying time by only six minutes.

Narrowly missing such a goal would discourage many. It only intensified Jeff's desire to compete.

Jeff brought his new found intensity to Keene State, and track coach Pete Thomas in the fall of 1993.

"I wasn't recruited whatsoever. I had no idea what to expect. No one did."

The transition to the team was an easy and highly successful one.

"(My teammates) from day one have been the best bunch of guys I've ever been around. We constantly push each other to excel," said Sullivan.

After missing qualifying for the nationals by four points in 1993-94, Sullivan and his teammates saw it as a prelude to future success.

Sullivan, along with fellow juniors Matt Kocyba, Andy Banxon and David Keene, has led Keene State to two consecutive top four finishes.

"We love to compete together and fortunately have gained some success through it," said Sullivan.

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COURTESY PHOTO
PICKING UP WHERE THEY LEFT OFF - The Keene State indoor track teams are finishing what the 1995 cross-country teams began.

sixth place finishes in the 5,000 meter event.

Pagliuco's time was 6:18, while Gagne was right behind him, running at 6:20.

Both teams will gear up for the New England Championships this weekend. The men travel to Boston University and the women go to Bowdoin, Maine.

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Photo Editor/JESSE STENBAK
STUDY BREAK - Michelle Zenker's studying could wait a few minutes when 'Ollie the Owl' stopped by the Student Center with Tootsie Rolls yesterday.

Update

Judge Rules in KSC Pot Case

Court Says KPD and College
Officials Conducted Illegal Search

Joel Kastner News Editor

For two Keene State College students, the news couldn't have been better.

After being arrested in the early morning of April 4, 1995, with many bags of marijuana and several pills of the controlled substance, Ritalin, the 21 year old students might have been in a world of trouble - that is, had the Keene Police and Campus Safety conducted a proper search, which as a Cheshire County superior court judge ruled, was not the case.

Judge Philip P. Mangones ruled Thursday that police and college officials illegally searched the room of Derek T. Mauldin and Mark K. Sandquist following a fire alarm last spring. Because neither the college nor the police obtained a search warrant before searching the room, all evidence claimed to have been found by investigators was thrown out by the court. In addition, Mauldin, the only one home at the time, was not read Miranda rights by the arresting officer, Timothy K. Pelloquin.

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College Life

Keene State Graduation Rate at 55 Percent

Paul J. Garcia The Equinox

Someone must have once said All great journeys must have started with great intentions. Sometimes even the best of intentions aren't enough. Odysseus had a hard time getting where he was going, and according to the most recent figures some Keene State College students are having trouble too.

Delina Hickey vice president for student affairs, said 55 percent of students who enter the average freshman class make it through the epic journey to graduation. "For a small state school a 55 percent graduation rate is quite good," Hickey said. "Of course the rate at a school like Harvard is much higher, but that's a private college with entirely different demographics."

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Evaluation

KSC: Come on and Stay Awhile

Academic Advising Restructuring to Graduate Students on time

Anthony B. Vogl & Keith Moriarty The Equinox

Keene State College: the best five or six years of your life. Due to many conflicting factors, a growing number of students are finding it harder to graduate in four years.

Tom Richard, director of academic advising, said one of the reasons some students don't

graduate in four years is because they have jobs. Others may need to retake courses they failed. These factors are not all the fault of the students, Richard said.

"Students should take personal responsibility for themselves," Richard said.

"Most of our degree programs are 120 to 126 credits, all of which is possible to accomplish in four years," Richard said, "assuming that you take 15 to 16 credits per semester for eight semesters."

The academic advising center helps to make this possible by matching students up with advisers, and showing them how they can get through the college curriculum in four years, Richard said.

That isn't the way Jason Challice feels.

Challice, a sophomore with a double major, said academic advising isn't helping much at all.

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One on One...

Phyllis Benay, director of the Writing Center, explains the basic services available to students who are looking for some help with their writing.

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"One on One..." with Phyllis Benay, director of the Writing Center



"Good writers show their writing, talk about it, proofread it, and they do it at all levels. The great writers do it, the lousy writers do it."

• Phyllis Benay

Anthony B. Vogl
The Equinox

Editors note: The following interview was conducted with Phyllis Benay, director of the Writing Center. Benay has a master's degree in literature and writing, and in counseling. She is currently pursuing a doctorate in human development.

What do you do in the Writing Center?

Last semester alone, we saw 650 students. It is usually by appointment. We help students from all across the campus in all aspects of writing from brainstorming topics right through revisions.

We do not fix papers for students. I know that there are people on campus who think that we are a proof reading service. We are not. It is a mini-teaching service.

When students come here with research papers, what exactly do you do?

We work with them together on the problems that the student thinks need to be worked on, with their introduction and things such as grammar.

We are happy to help them with grammar but usually when they bring in a fifteen page research paper, we usually never (have time to) get the whole thing done.

What is your job as the director?

I train the tutors which is a big chunk of what I do. They need tutoring about articles and we have discussions about what is effective. How do you work with students? What is effective especially on a peer level? I have a chunk of time that I am involved in running the center.

I am head of the writing task force on campus which is a group of faculty, interdisciplinary.

There are six of us. It is designed more towards educating and helping the faculty discuss issues on campus about writing.

How are the tutors selected? Do they submit an application?

I do not have a formal application as much as I do faculty recommendation. I



FILE PHOTO
YOU CAN FIND HELP HERE - The Keene State College Writing Center, run by Phyllis Benay, is located on the second floor of Elliot Hall. The Writing Center teams students who are in need of assistance with peer tutors.

look at their writing samples before I hire them, or I have had them in my classes and I have seen them. Since I teach expository writing, what I have been doing for the past couple of years is calling my own students who are strong writers. I look for strong writers, but I also look for students with certain kinds of personalities, because I believe just because you can write well doesn't mean you can teach well.

Are there any specific things that you go over at the training sessions? Do you say, this would be a typical way that an essay is written?

I assume that they know how an essay is written. I encourage students to develop their own style.

What I don't assume they know how to do is how to work with students. I give them a Xerox of an essay and we talk about what they see.

There are so many different ways of going about teaching writing so they need to be aware of it and talk about it. I don't prescribe anything.

How do students usually find out about the Writing Center?

Many faculty members are putting it

right on the syllabus. We go to classes and hand out the bookmarks with our hours and numbers.

Many faculty are asking all their students to go to the Writing Center, whether or not they have problems in writing. My ideal is a life where students who write share their writing.

Good writers show their writing, talk about it, proofread it, and they do it at all levels. The great writers do it, the lousy writers do it. There are students that hear about it because a faculty member says "...this writing is unbearable...I can't read what you have to say...I can't teach my discipline and teach you how to write. Go to the Writing Center and get some help.

What is the most important thing that you think students should know about the Writing Center?

The most important message is if a student comes in with a five page paper, our appointments are usually a half hour to an hour.

If a student has something wrong organizationally, and there are lots of grammatical issues, it takes fifteen minutes to explain. There is no way that that student can leave a half an hour or an hour appointment with the perfect paper. I think a lot of students and a lot of faculty are under the assumption that we fix papers. They don't understand that we do not take the paper away from you, the student, for a minute. These students are trained in our policy because that (writing the paper for you) would be dishonest. What we say is 'let's take a look at this thesis statement. Maybe the reason that you are having trouble getting five pages out of this is because there is not enough in your content or do you know what a thesis is?' That alone takes some time to explain. Before you turn around, the appointment is over.

Every time a student is seen, they do an evaluation of the Writing Center. "The Writing Center helps a lot because I am a person who has had a hard time writing papers..." "My tutor helped with appropriate word choice..." "She gave me some great suggestions..." "I love this program..."

"One on One..." features segments of interviews with local leaders. If you know of someone you would like to see featured, contact the News Room at x - 2241, or e-mail jkl@monadnock.keene.edu

Trend

Study Shows Marijuana Usage is Increasing

According to KSC Survey, 54 Percent Have Smoked it in the Last Year



EQUINOX/JONATHAN LOGAN

INCREASE - A study by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America shows marijuana use is on the rise. According to a 1994 Keene State College survey, 54 percent of Keene State students had used marijuana in the last year and 35 percent had used it in the last month.

Policy

Drug Testing for Athletes on the Rise

Paul J. Garcia
The Equinox

There's one test you can't study for.

Today's changing job market and developing attitudes are mandating more and more of these tests.

What is this test that is mandated on many occasions by prospective employers, some new standardized aptitude test? No, it's a drug test.

Next month Conant High School in nearby Jaffrey will become the first school in the state to require drug testing of its student athletes. Last year, the administration polled students at the high school about student drug use. According to Deborah Cilley, co-director of the Occupational Health and Wellness Department at Monadnock Community Hospital in Peterborough, 65 percent of the students admitted to using drugs. "This is not experimental,

these are kids who are using drugs on a regular basis," Cilley said. "A plan for the random testing of student athletes has passed the board and is scheduled to start in March."

Athletes at Keene State College are also subject to drug testing, though more indirectly.

According to athletics director John Ratliff, under NCAA rules Division II athletes may be tested at any time, but it rarely happens. "There is the possibility that the NCAA could come on campus next week and say send us your basketball team," Ratliff said. "But as an institution, we have not formulated a (formal) drug testing policy."

That's not the only way in which athletes from Division II teams can be tested. According to NCAA tournament rules, all those athletes reaching championship play are also subject to random testing.

According to Jim Matthews, the

special assistant to vice president for alcohol/drugs at Keene State, athletes need to be aware of how drugs and alcohol effect their performance.

"There's dehydration, slowed reaction time. It impacts skeletal and muscular development," Matthews said. "This is beyond the single drinking episode. These effects can last 24, 48, 72 hours beyond that."

Junior Amanda Epperson thinks drug testing is a good idea. "I think that random testing would be good for athletes," Epperson said. "I feel that to perform at a level, to succeed, to really be healthy, you need to stay off drugs." Epperson sees consequences for testing positive. "I think that a person found to have drugs in their system should be suspended, not for the whole season, but for a few weeks, as a way of teaching them a lesson."

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Joel Kastner
News Editor

Many children of the baby-boomer generation are paying for their parents' sins, according to a Partnership for a Drug-Free America study.

The study, released February 20, blames "increasingly lax attitudes," by the younger generation, and a "do as I say, not as I do" stance by boomer parents themselves, for an increase in marijuana consumption in the nation's teenagers.

The Partnership expects the trend to reach its apex this year, after gradual rises each year since 1991, amounting to the highest rates of use since the 1970s.

Furthermore, the "disturbing" situation will get worse before it gets better, said James E. Burke, Partnership chairman, comparing the mid-1990s to the drug-culture of the late 1960s.

"After years of tremendous progress, the country is losing precious, hard-won ground in its efforts to curb adolescent drug use," Burke said in a written statement.

Jim Matthews, special assistant to the vice president for alcohol

and other drug programs at Keene State College, reiterated statements made by Burke.

"I think we're feeling the repercussions of what many parents did in the '60s," Matthews said.

According to a survey conducted by Keene State College, 54 percent of Keene State students had used marijuana within 1 year, 35 percent used it that month.

While 60 percent of baby-boomers tried marijuana at least once, according to the Partnership, "few" of them are still using the drug.

This, the "do as I say, not as I do" factor, may explain, in part, the increase.

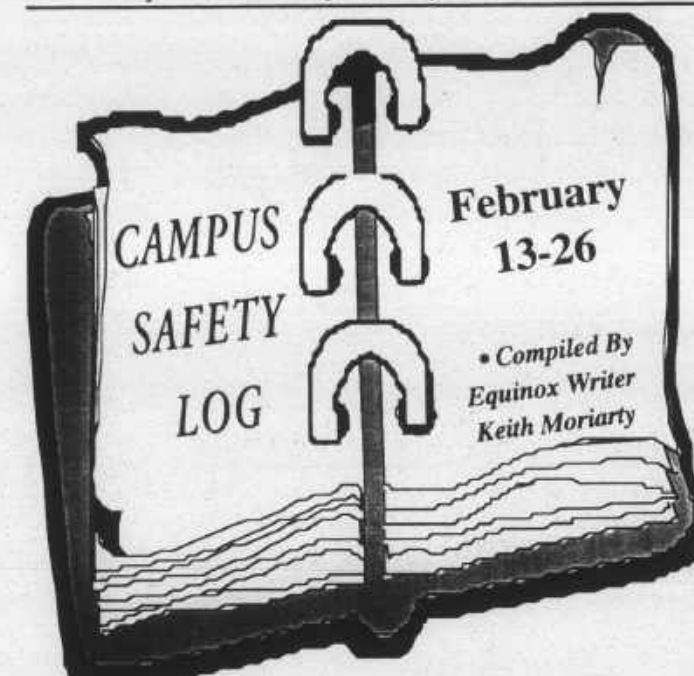
In addition, younger people may not have the same repulsion toward marijuana that was prevalent in the past. Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" slogan, and the "War on Drugs" of the 1980s have long since evaporated, possibly leading to higher use.

According to the study, "More teens believe drugs help you relax and that getting high feels good. Increasingly, teenagers see marijuana as no big deal, which is driving their overall changing attitudes about drug use."

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FILE PHOTO
GOT A CUP - Mandatory drug testing for college athletes is the current trend, though Keene State is not expecting to institute a policy requiring such testing anytime soon.



2-13
6:01 p.m.

A Keene resident called to complain about a driver of a Keene State College van (license plate RAC-40), who cut him off in traffic on Main Street.

10:52 p.m.

Campus Safety received a call regarding a suspicious looking male "pacing back and forth in front of Randall."

2-15
1:00 a.m.

A student called in to report that s/he was receiving violent phone calls from an off-campus number.

2-16
10:21 a.m.

A call was received regarding a car radio that was stolen from a car in commuter lot by Elliot Hall. The Keene Police Department was notified of the theft.

12:02 p.m.

A student in Carle Hall called sobbing and saying she is continually receiving phone calls she deemed "harassing." She spoke with Cheryl Child in telecommunications about changing her number, but the final decision to do so was still pending by press time.

2-17
12:19 a.m.

An RA in Holloway Hall requested an officer due to the smell of marijuana in the hallway. The case was turned over to residential life.

2-18
2:19 p.m.

An RA in Randall Hall called in regarding the suspected use of marijuana on the first floor.

2-20
11:15 a.m.

A female stopped by the Safety Office to file a criminal threatening report.

5:28 p.m.

CFX called regarding damage to the ATM in the Student Center.

2-21
6:49 a.m.

Safety Officers spotted a male looking into car windows in the Elliot Hall parking lot.

2-22
10:46 p.m.

Someone called to report some

individuals behind Pondsides, possibly smoking marijuana. The students denied they were smoking marijuana, gave their names to safety officers, and left the area.

2-23
12:03 a.m.

There was a report of a female being followed by a white male. The Keene Police Department was called to the scene, a disorderly conduct arrest was made.

3:55 a.m.

There was a noise complaint that a white Ford was passing 140 Winchester St., very slowly and with its horn blaring.

4:13 a.m.

A safety officer on the scene confirmed that the vehicle in question was driving by the house.

5:15 a.m.

There was a false fire alarm in Carle Hall.

5:36 a.m.

Second false fire alarm in Carle Hall.

2-24
1:10 a.m.

Safety officers requested police assistance for an occupied car on campus, the subject was "being disorderly."

2:26 a.m.

An RA reported a male trespassing behind Fiske Hall. She

notified the RD on duty. The Keene Police were notified, and when they arrived, the subject "left campus in a hurry."

2-24
11:42 p.m.

There was a group of individuals spotted behind Owl's Nest nine, who left the area as they were approached by a Safety Officer.

2-26
9:17 a.m.

Ramona Martineau, the information desk coordinator at the Student Center, reported that a clip-art CD and manual were stolen from her desk. Martineau said she had no idea who may have taken the CD, adding that people are in the building around the clock, it could have been taken any time after she left on Monday.

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• 1 underclassmen for the Gen-Ed Committee

• and 1 commuter for the Parking Committee



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Editorial

You too Should be Able to Graduate in Four Years

Like many Keene State College students, you may have come to terms with the fact that you're not going to graduate in four years. You may have fought at first, but the process can be tiring, grinding... Eventually, you become desensitized to the entire situation, maybe even laugh about it, referring to your course as following the "five-year plan."

Well, don't do it, don't get complacent with this setup, because that is exactly what it is, a set up.

Students at Keene State have long endured the process of needing just one more class to graduate, and then not being able to get into it - sometimes because the class is full, others because the class isn't being offered. The rare, but ultimately insulting situation occurs when a class that you need is offered, but then canceled.

Director of Academic Advising Tom Richard has the answer: "Students should take personal responsibility for themselves." Words of wisdom.

One simple deviation, and the whole plan unravels, fail a class, stay another semester...

Look at it like this... if an incoming freshman takes 15 credits per semester - a full course load as defined - and in most circumstances, five classes, they may or may not achieve after four years the minimum required credits for a given major. Typically, a bachelor's degree requires between 120 and 126 credit hours at Keene State.

The system, it seems, does not allow even a hint of flexibility, for say, experimentation. It is in no way feasible that from one's first days of college, they should know exactly which academic path to follow. Let alone a Keene State student should care to re-take a class under the "Forgiveness Policy." One simple deviation, and the whole plan unravels, fail a class, stay another semester...

Personal responsibility indeed! Again to quote Richard, "There are relatively few disciplines that have more students than they do full-time faculty times the contract limit of 21 advisees." Again, words to live by...

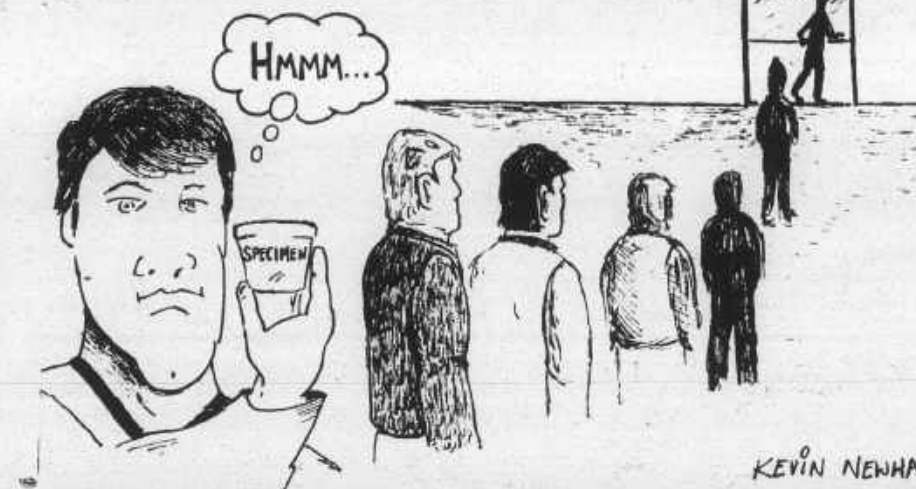
We may therefore conclude that there are, in fact, some, however isolated, occurrences when a student cannot get an advisor. Tell those students to take more personal responsibility - tell them to plan...

Nor is the excessive burden on those faculty members in departments without the resources to provide a one to twenty-one ratio, and who must therefore disregard the specifications of their contracts, to offer course planning to students in need, reasonable.

Forget about Vision 2000, the Student Center, the landscaping on Appian Way... Keene State college must provide every student the opportunity to graduate in four years, and to receive the advice we need to do so. The college should take some personal responsibility for itself, and make students its number one priority.

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Commentary

New Hampshire Vote Leaves The GOP Race in a Fog

Walter Mears
AP Correspondent

Appropriately enough, a dense fog shrouded New Hampshire after the mixed message voting that left the Republican campaign for the White House just as murky.

And suddenly, the rush to an early GOP decision on who'll face President Clinton seemed less certain than before. One senior Republican suggested that the GOP field might, improbably, deadlock and wind up in a contest at the national convention in August.

Such was the impact of Pat Buchanan's one percentage point victory over Sen. Bob Dole - with Lamar Alexander close behind them in the first of the presidential primaries.

That leveled lineup will be tested and sorted in a burst of primaries that will head West, then South, then back to New England on March 5, to New York two days later and back to the South again.

It is the equivalent of a national

primary and the battered Dole still has the strongest organization and healthiest treasury for the costly road and television show.

"Organization's not going to count very much out there because nobody's organized in 50 states," Buchanan argued.

But they'll be organizing against him; the party hierarchy is aligned with Dole and sees the conservative commentator as a wild card whose campaign, let alone nomination, could damage Republican prospects in the fall.

It did four years ago, when he doggedly challenged George Bush.

Buchanan guessed that with Dole's lineup of endorsements - three more senators signed on the day after his narrow New Hampshire defeat - the Senate leader will be his long-term rival for the nomination.

Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts said Dole has the residual strength to win nomination. "There are a lot of states like Ohio and New York where it's

going to be difficult for anyone to compete with Senator Dole in terms of delegates," he said.

Alexander said he should, and will be, the finalist against Buchanan. He added a term to the campaign vocabulary: Buchananism.

"If he were the nominee, he would be a terrible burden for our party," Alexander said, and could cost the GOP control of Congress.

Dole, in North and South Dakota, where he must win next Tuesday's primaries - held along with Arizona's - called Buchanan a fringe candidate. "It's mainstream versus extreme," he said.

Buchanan reveled in it all, saying he had the establishment in a panic, and that people he used to dine with are calling him names, determined to stop him. It meshes perfectly with his populist, anti-Washington argument.

The assumption had been that on or before March 26, when California holds the biggest of the primaries, the Republicans would know their nominee. "I think it is

still likely, but not certain," Haley Barbour, the Republican national chairman, said in a CNN interview. "It's just a lot less likely than people might have thought a month ago."

A former Senate leader, Howard Baker, ventured the idea of the first contested convention since 1952. But with 42 primaries to go, that's almost impossible. There's been such speculation before, usually about divided Democratic contests, but the nominees emerge from the primaries.

This time, with Clinton unopposed, Democrats were happy to watch the GOP in fighting. Sen. Chris Dodd, the party chairman, said it was fun to see the other side brawling after all the campaigns in which Democrats did it.

An equally confounding New Hampshire primary verdict 32 years ago helped stir the same kind of right-left Republican battle. That was the 1964 primary in which an absent, write-in, non-candidate, Henry Cabot Lodge, won over Sen. Barry Goldwater and New York Gov. Nelson

Rockefeller. They had campaigned all winter, and it wasn't even close.

Then, too, the argument was over extremism: the eastern Republican rap on Goldwater. But in those different times, there were only scattered primaries; GOP activists dominated delegate selection and Goldwater had their support.

Rockefeller struggled all spring; in the end, Pennsylvania Gov. William Scranton took up belated candidacy in a futile attempt to stop Goldwater and pull the party back toward the center.

This is no replay, and Buchanan is no Goldwater. The Arizona senator was "Mr. Conservative," with a movement behind him, before that campaign began.

Buchanan's emergence is a feat of the television age; he's never run for any other office.

"We are taking back our party," Buchanan said. That once was a Goldwater line. The former senator, incidentally, endorsed Dole in this campaign.

READER'S FORUM

Playing Time Isn't Guaranteed For All

As a former Keene State College basketball player, who played for Keith Boucher, I want to reply to last week's letters to the editor regarding a player's lack of playing time.

First of all, if a college player makes the team it does not GUARANTEE playing time. If a player wants to be guaranteed playing time, he or she should play recreational ball. A coach does NOT have to play a player because they show up and work hard at practice; this is expected. If O'Donnell is an extremely hard working player as was written, then she most likely will continue to improve her game and hopefully compete for more playing time in the future and I'm sure she will continue to be a great asset to the TEAM. I don't know O'Donnell personally, but I'm rooting for her to stick with it and grow as a player.

As far as the statement Bryan makes, "The coach needs to learn what the meaning of TEAM is and maybe when that happens the Lady Owls will start to win." I'm assuming that Bryan is just a freshman, so here's a brief history of a strong Lady Owl basketball program. Keith Boucher guided his first team to the NCAA tournament and a few years ago to the ECAC championship game. My senior year we were picked to come in near last place in the division but after winning nine straight games we finished second. More importantly, it was the way coach had his TEAM, a bunch of overachievers, believing they could beat anybody. He not only was voted coach of the year, but he gained much respect because of the way he dealt with the TEAM concept.

Brenda Randall

Keene State College Alumni

Student Newspaper is on the Right Track

In reference to the Feb. 21 editorial entitled: "New Hampshire Voters Make a Poor Choice," I am pleased to see that *The Equinox* decided to take an unbiased position on the 1996 presidential election prior to the New Hampshire primary. It was an interesting, yet mature and professional stance that is seldom practiced in today's journalism community.

The title of the article and some of the content following the initial presented stance is somewhat questionable and controversial but I am proud to see the college newspaper making a conscious effort at presenting good journalism. *The Equinox*, in my opinion, is presently on the right track.

Jason Carrier
Keene State College Student

Corrections

In last week's issue of *The Equinox*, Scott Raymond was misidentified in a picture on page two.

In last week's issue, track star Jeff Sullivan was misidentified in the story "Keene State Runner Flying With Best in the Country."

Letters to the editor are due at noon the Friday prior to publication. Letters must be typed, double-spaced, limited to 300 words, signed in ink, and include a phone number for verification. Letters to the editor may also be E-Mailed to jkl@monadnock.keene.edu.

Guest Commentary

A Dietician is Available to Help Students Eat Healthier

Kathleen
Cummings
Guest
Commentator

I am a registered dietitian and service manager for the Dining Commons.

Dietary concerns, menu modifications, nutrient analysis, eating healthy, serving area flow, and line presentation are just a few of my responsibilities at Keene State College.

The position is a diverse one, allowing me to utilize the skills I learned from my education.

My main focus is to be available to the students, to answer questions, respond to concerns, etc.

I am available to students if they need nutritional information or want to discuss a Dining Commons issue.

An appointment can be made, but isn't necessary. I am here to listen to students and provide services that meet their needs.

Healthy selections are a concern of mine as many students express an interest in this area. Freshmen usually ask questions regarding healthy snacks and low fat selections.

To address this population, I will visit the college residence halls and conduct informational sessions offering suggestions and alternatives.

Students appreciate this service and often

come to me later to obtain nutritional pamphlets and flyers.

The most frequent comments from students are "How can I eat healthy at the dining commons?" or "There is never any variety."

As part of the management team, it is our goal to offer nutritious meals every day of the week.

To better meet the desires of students, a monthly dining commons advisory board (DCAB) was begun.

The feedback I receive from this meeting is tremendous and is used to develop new menus.

Students expressing their desires often see their input within days.

Recently, we began a "Satellite Buffet" in the east dining room.

This buffet evolved from one of these meetings where students were looking for more options in addition to the main line, deli, salad bars, grill, vegetarian line, and the pizza and pasta line.

Some of the features of the "Satellite Buffet" include a potato bar, wok station, taco mania, hot dogs galore, and chicken wings.

I look for students input when creating new options and encourage everyone to fill out a comment card, or speak directly to me when they come in for a meal.

In addition to the "Satellite Buffet," I am responsible for the set-up, presentation, and flow of buffet nights, offered monthly.

Once a month, the dining commons features a special buffet night, located in the west dining room.

The focus is to provide a change of pace from the main serving area. Italian night, Mexican night, Thanksgiving feast, and welcome back buffet are just a few of the specialties featured.

Again, the feedback I receive is very positive, encouraging and informative.

It is only the constant interaction with students that lets me know what the most requested items are.

The newest approach to the Dining Commons flair is the "Festival of Flavor."

Beginning this week, the dining commons will promote a sneak preview.

This concept entails a collection of recipes that bring "color, flavor, versatility and spirit of Mediterranean cookery" to the dining room, according to the pamphlet "Festival of Flavor."

These menu selections come from the cuisine's of France, Spain, North Africa and Italy.

A sample of selections will include pork roast Normandy, tortilla Del Rio soup, vegetarian black bean soup, and Spanish pork chops. These new additions add even more variety to what is already offered.

Responding to comment cards is one of the ways I learn students likes and dislikes. I, as well as other dining commons managers, respond to all comment cards, either verbally or in writing. I want students to

know that their comments are important and will be responded to.

Typed responses, located outside my office in the front of the Dining Commons, are posted regularly.

Over the past few weeks, the number of students reading the responses has grown.

Most recently, I obtained a nutritional program entitled Nutrafax. This program allows students to obtain nutrient information on foods offered at the dining commons.

A step-by-step brochure will be available so students can access this information.

Promotional information will be found throughout the dining commons during the month of March (National Nutrition Month).

Another goal of mine is to have available, in writing, the nutritional facts on items served.

Over the past semesters, dietetics majors have gathered an abundance of information for me.

With this data I hope to have menu identification cards posted at various locations in weeks to come.

I'd like to thank these students as I greatly appreciate all their efforts because it has afforded me time to focus on other aspects of my job.

Kathleen Cummings is the registered dietitian and service manager for the Dining Commons.

What's on your mind...

What do You Think About Pat Buchanan Winning?



Monsah Moody
freshman - graphics design

"I don't like it. I'm for Clinton and Gore."



Lauren Vernola
freshman - psychology

"I don't know anything about it."



Dave Yager
junior - business management

"I'm not too pleased. He's a jerk."



Diana Norris
freshman - elementary ed.

"Did he win? Did we have the primary already?"

Photos & Interviews by Kristin Mitchell

Consider This...

YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY--BABY?

Were that saying as true as advertisers would have us believe, the woman being congratulated for her progress wouldn't be referred to as a "baby." Clearly women haven't come far enough to escape demeaning terms of reference from strangers such as "honey," "chick," "dear," or "baby."

Which leads to the question

How far have women come in their quest for equality?

A 1950s home economics text instructed high school girls in "How To Be a Good Wife":

Have dinner ready....This is a way of letting him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs.

Make him comfortable. Have him lie down in a comfortable chair or suggest that he lie down in the bedroom.

Have a cool or warm drink ready for him.

Speak in a low, soft soothing and pleasant voice. Allow him to relax and unwind.

Listen to him....Let him talk first. Make the evening his.

Many of us would look at this list and think "Well, that was forty years ago. Relationships have changed. No woman would take such advice seriously now."

Let's look, then, at the February 1996 issue of *Cosmopolitan*. Here's their advice about "Nice Things to Do for a Man":

Bake him chocolate-chip cookies--serve while still warm....Make fresh-squeezed orange juice and serve him breakfast in bed.

Match up his socks....Take his ties to the cleaners.

Laugh at his jokes. Ask him to repeat them for friends.

If he doesn't want to talk, let him be....Watch a whole football game without chatting.

Make love even if you have a headache....Fake a colossal orgasm once in a while....Tell him you admire him--the ultimate compliment....Let him sleep after sex.

Say "I'm sorry" first....even if you aren't.

The 1950s and 1990s messages to women are clear--and the same. The role of the woman in a heterosexual relationship is to please the man, to make his life easier and more pleasant, to take care of him, and even to lie to him for the sake of his ego and greater happiness.

IS THIS HOW WE WOULD DEFINE "A LONG WAY"?

We asked women on this campus if they feel women have made adequate progress in their professional fields or their lives. While they often recognize the changes that have occurred, they know there is still much work to be done before equality is reached. **Hear their voices:**

During the past two decades, women have received degrees in most fields and have entered most professions in proportion to their representation in the population (51%). The notable exception is in the physical sciences, mathematics and engineering where women constitute just 16% of all employed scientists and engineers and only 12% of the engineering and scientific labor force in industry. (KSC professor)

Things have improved in broadcast journalism as can be seen in a recent statistic that 2 women had the most stories for 2 of the major networks. They were covering the White House. Things still remain to be done because none of the major networks have a woman anchor. (KSC professor)

Twenty years ago when my mother was in college, she went first to find a husband and second to get an education. Today a husband is the farthest thing from my mind and going on for more education is my focus. But while this has changed for me, it has not changed for all of society. (KSC student)

While there are more women support groups and women can find help and feel less alienated when something bad happens to them, the bad is still happening. Women still fear walking alone at night and domestic violence. (KSC student)

Women have clearly made progress in many ways, but when relationships are still defined in terms of submission, when women still have not achieved job equity, and when women still have to fear for their safety

WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN



WORLD NEWS

Delaware Chooses Forbes

Voters: Taxes are Most Important issue in Election

Todd Spangler
AP Writer

Delaware Republican voters said taxes were the most important issue in their vote Saturday, and that helped flat-tax advocate Steve Forbes to his first presidential primary victory, an exit poll found.

One in four voters cited taxes as the top issue, and Forbes got two-thirds of their votes, according to the survey.

Fifty-seven percent favored a flat tax over a graduated income tax, and Forbes outdistanced Bob Dole and Pat Buchanan among them. Dole was the clear favorite among those who prefer a graduated tax.

Dole, who finished second in the primary, got about half the vote among the 20 percent who said the federal budget deficit was the top issue. He, Forbes and Buchanan ran about evenly among the one in five people who cited the economy and jobs as their top issue.

The exit poll was conducted by Voter News Service, a consortium of The Associated Press, ABC, CBS, CNN and NBC. The results were based on a sampling of 1,448 voters in 35 precincts statewide. The margin of sampling error was plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

Forbes won four out of five votes among the 12 percent who said the top candidate quality was that he is not a career politician.

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Alexander: Campaign Progressing

After a Pair of Third-Place Showings, Candidate Says Money and Momentum are in his Favor; Looks to Hit Super Tuesday in Full Force

Darlene Superville
AP Writer

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. - Lamar Alexander expressed confidence Saturday that his performance in the crush of upcoming Republican primary contests will improve and that his campaign "is moving forward."

Alexander said money and momentum are still with his presidential campaign despite a pair of third-place finishes in the Iowa caucuses Feb. 12 and New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation primary last Tuesday.

"We've just had one primary and it's not going according to the script," he told reporters after presenting his vision for the future to a roomful of local Republican supporters and undecided voters.

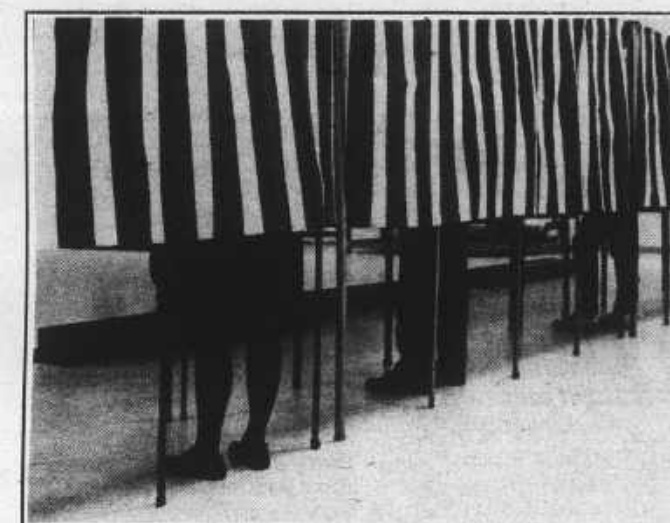
Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas won Iowa, as was expected. But conservative commentator Pat Buchanan surprised the GOP establishment by defeating Dole, the perceived front-runner, in New Hampshire.

Alexander told the crowd of several hundred that despite his third-place finishes in both Iowa and New Hampshire, the two contests served a purpose for him because "they introduced to the country a new choice for the Republican presidential nomination."

"We're going to settle down and actually have an election," he said. "I'm going to present my ideas against Buchananism and Sen. Dole's lack of ideas and sooner or later I'm going to win," said Alexander.

The conventional wisdom is that Alexander has to do better than third place in South Carolina next Saturday or else he will limp into "Super Tuesday" March 5 when eight states - including Colorado - hold contests.

Alexander said his campaign raked in \$100,000 a day in seven of the last eight days and that he remains hopeful about his perfor-



FILE PHOTO

CHOICES - Voters around the nation will soon be called upon to make their decisions in the 1996 presidential primary.

mance because 90 percent of the party delegates will be decided after South Carolina.

"The longer I stay in the better I'll do," he said.

The former Tennessee governor stressed his message of less

Clinton and that Buchanan's ideas were plain wrong.

"I believe I can stand up there with Bill Clinton next October and paint a picture for the future based on our principles that's more compelling than whatever

"We're going to settle down and actually have an election. I'm going to present my ideas against Buchananism and Sen. Dole's lack of ideas and sooner or later I'm going to win."

• Lamar Alexander, presidential hopeful

interference from lawmakers in Congress and more accountability from individuals as he asked Coloradoans to help him defeat President Clinton.

"We should spend less time trying to figure out who to blame for what goes wrong ... and more time willing to accept personal responsibility for the consequences of our own actions," Alexander said.

He told the crowd - some dressed in the red-and-black flannel shirts that have become an Alexander campaign trademark - that Dole was no match against

he cooks up that day," Alexander said.

Reaction from the audience ran the gamut from committed to undecided.

Steve Hester, an administrator at the local hospital who hasn't settled on a candidate, said Alexander "swayed" him, but he wants more specifics. "The talk sounds good but I want to hear him flesh it out some," he said.

But Janelle O'Keefe, a housewife, didn't need to hear more. "I think he's the right man at this time in our history," she said.

Dole Pursuing Ore. Vote

After Poor Results in NH, Dole Seen as Front-runner

Charles E. Beggs
AP Writer

SALEM, Ore. - Despite his poor showing in New Hampshire, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole still is considered the favorite to win Oregon's March 12 presidential primary.

The Kansas Republican is the only GOP contender to date who has opened an Oregon campaign office and who has an active campaign here.

"Unless somebody does something, like significant spending or personal activity, Dole probably will continue to lead. The others will have to pay attention if they're going to dislodge Dole in Oregon," says Portland pollster Bob Moore.

State Sen. Greg Walden, chairman of Dole's campaign in Oregon, says it's important for a candidate to have a personal presence in the state.

"I think part of it gets down to who cared enough to come," the Hood River Republican says. "Every delegate counts. Having an organization and having a day in the state makes the difference."

Conservative commentator Pat Buchanan, the surprise winner of the New Hampshire primary, may draw some strength from the bloc of social conservatives based around the Oregon Citizens Alliance, an anti-abortion and anti-gay-rights group, one analyst says.

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Fed. Judge Blocks Internet Law

Colleen DeBaise
College Press Service

PHILADELPHIA — A week after hundreds of webmasters turned their Internet pages black to protest a new law they say could restrict freedom of expression, a federal judge blocked the government from enforcing it.

U.S. District Judge Ronald L. Buckwalter ruled Feb. 15 that the part of the telecommunications act that bans the transmission of "indecent" material is "vague [and] would leave reasonable people perplexed in evaluating what is or is not prohibited."

Buckwalter granted the request by the American Civil Liberties Union and 18 other groups for a temporary injunction that stops enforcement of the law, which would be punishable by \$250,000 or a two-year prison term.

The groups argued that the new law violates free speech rights and would prohibit Internet discussion on sexuality and abortion, not to mention many classic literary works.

But the judge refused to grant an injunction on another ban that prohibits describing or depicting "sexual or excretory activities" to minors. That material is "patently offensive" as measured by community standards and is not unconstitutionally vague, he said.

The case will proceed sometime in the next weeks to a three-judge panel, who will hear the groups' request for a permanent injunction. After that, any further appeal would go directly to the Supreme Court.

"The court's decision is a partial victory for free speech, but expression on the Internet remains at risk," said David Sobel, an attorney for the groups. "This is destined to become a landmark case that will determine the future of the Internet."

Many colleges are anxiously awaiting the case's outcome to see if they will need to adopt new policies to protect themselves from prosecution.

College newspapers on the web could be hit hard, according to free speech advocate Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center.

Health

Program Teaches Teens to Say No to Sex

"Hope for Teens" helps children in their early teens feel comfortable

Judy Crow
The Hope Star

HOPE, Ark. — A volunteer program called "A Hope for Teens" is encouraging students to choose a healthy lifestyle that includes saying no to sex.

A group of community volunteers led by teacher Carol Lester developed the program for Yerger Junior High School.

Lester said the program is about teaching students to set limits and stay out of situations that compromise their values.

It includes teaching them to say no to sex and abstain until marriage. A nationwide program is called "True Love Waits."

"When we started out, no one knew what the word abstinence meant. Now students are realizing it may be a very popular option."

• Carol Lester
Community Leader

Lester said the material does not include any reference to God. Students are not encouraged to practice safe sex, but, instead, to abstain altogether.

The slogan they use is "101 ways to wait while you date."

Teens can do a lot that is healthy and wholesome in a boy-girl relationship without having sex, said Lester,

who also teaches practical arts entry-level home economics.

Most 13, 14, and 15-year-olds are sexually abstinent, but they may think they are the only virgins in the crowd, she explained.

"If we can teach our kids to say no to drugs, we should be able to teach no to sex," she said.

The idea for the program came when a group of mothers, including Lester, attended a workshop last August on the issue of teen pregnancy.

Yerger Principal Larry Muldrew encouraged Lester to develop the volunteer program, which is not costing the school anything. Now other school districts have begun asking about the program.

Some students have volunteered to talk to other students about why they chose to abstain from sex until marriage.

"When we started out, no one knew what the word abstinence meant," Lester said. "Now students are realizing it may be a very popular option."

Education

Regents Pull Back on Affirmative Action Deadline

Colleen DeBaise
College Press Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Despite a bitter public feud earlier this year, the University of California regents did a recent about-face, agreeing to UC President Richard Atkinson's plan to postpone the controversial ban on affirmative action policies.

In a voice vote, the regents agreed Feb. 15 to apply the ban to undergraduates entering in the spring quarter of 1998, not fall of 1997 as originally planned, a university spokesperson said.

The ban on racial and gender preferences still will apply to graduate and professional students entering in the fall quarter of 1997.

Atkinson found himself heavily criticized by the regents and Gov. Pete Wilson when he first ordered a delay, stating there wasn't enough time to redesign the application process on UC's nine campuses.

Facing hints that he might lose his job, he later apologized for the decision. Now, the regents seem to have had a surprising change of heart.

But Regent Ward Connerly, who once said he was "furious" at Atkinson's decision, told a local radio station that the regents voted for the delay to bring peace to the university and not necessarily because they agreed

with Atkinson.

The regents' vote last July to abolish racial and gender preferences has met with students' protests at several UC campuses.

The unrest continued this week when Charles E. Young, chancellor of UC-Los Angeles and a vocal opponent of the ban, announced that he will resign next year.

Young has led UCLA for 27 years, longer than any major American University chancellor. "It is time to hand over the reins to new leadership," he said, in announcing his retirement.

Although he plans to stay at UCLA and teach political science, Young told reporters that the regents' decision to drop affirmative action policies played a role in his decision.

Some UC students fear they are losing one of their most influential allies and worry that the regents will replace Young with a chancellor more sympathetic to them.

"He has spoken out. He has increasingly become a thorn in (the regents') side," Charles Lewis, chair of UCLA's Academic Senate, told the school newspaper, *The Daily Bruin*.

"The political views of the regents cannot help but contaminate the choice of academic leadership."

"This is the end of era."

Law

Student Going to Jail For Refusing Jury Duty

BOONE, N.C. (AP) — An Appalachian State student who told a judge that jury duty in a murder trial would not be a good use of his time was expected to begin serving time in jail Sunday.

Superior Court Judge Charles C. Lamm Jr. found David Allen Johnson, 24, in contempt of court Friday and sentenced him to eight hours in jail for failing to show up for jury selection in the trial of Robert Charles "Bobby" Bragg Feb. 9.

Lamm said that Johnson willfully interrupted the proceedings

of the murder trial and willfully disobeyed a court summons without just cause.

Johnson testified in his contempt hearing in Watauga Superior Court on Friday that he missed jury selection because of his school and work schedule.

But Robert Collins, a court bailiff, testified that he called ASU and Johnson's work on the day that Johnson missed jury selection. Johnson had no scheduled classes and wasn't scheduled to work, Collins testified.

The court had summoned

Johnson to be in the jury pool during jury selection for Bragg's trial. Bragg is on trial in the killing of Marvin "Coy" Hartley, 76, who was found beaten to death in his mobile home Dec. 8, 1994.

Lamm had refused to dismiss Johnson during the opening days of jury selection because students who are registered voters are subject to be called for jury like anyone else who must leave their work or businesses.

The university also has a jury-duty policy for students that says

that students are excused from class for jury duty, but that they must make up the work, the Winston-Salem Journal reported.

Lamm sentenced Johnson to eight hours in the Watauga County Jail beginning at midnight and ending at 8 a.m.

Sunday, which Lamm said was approximately the amount of time Johnson missed from court.

If he doesn't show up at jail, a warrant will be issued for his arrest.

March brings a celebration of Women's History month to campus with a theme of "See History in a New Way." Each year a banquet is held on campus to recognize and celebrate the achievements and struggles of women. The program at the banquet includes special readings and presentations, awards and music. This year, once again, we would like to add an artistic dimension to the evening by having original, handmade banners hung at the banquet. We are announcing the 6th annual WOMEN'S VOICES BANNER CONTEST open to all students, faculty and staff. We hope that you and your club/organization will be inspired to design a banner that will relate to this year's theme.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH BANNER CONTEST

The following guidelines and deadlines apply:

1. All banners must be submitted by March 20, 1996.
2. Banners cannot be larger than 7' by 7'.
3. Banners will be judged using four criteria:
 - a. Theme
 - b. Creativity
 - c. Artistic presentation
 - d. Uniqueness
4. First, second and third prizes will be awarded:

1st prize: \$100.00
2nd prize: \$75.00
3rd prize: \$50.00
5. Please indicate your name/organization, address and phone number on an index card attached to your banner.

BANNERS MUST BE ORIGINAL AND HANDMADE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE PRIZES.

A panel of judges including faculty, staff, students will judge the contest. The winners will be announced at the 6th annual Women's History Month banquet which will be held on March 28, 1996 in the Mabel Brown Room. You need a reservation to attend the banquet.

Banner submissions and inquiries should be made to Patrice Strifert, Student Center, ext. 2664.

AmeriCorps

Local Representative Looks to Impact KSC Community Service

Carla Del Bove
The Equinox

Serving a duty for your country, gaining training experience, and an education ward to pay loans: if this sounds like a military commercial, it shouldn't, rather it is a job of Keene State College AmeriCorps member, Scott Dauner.

The AmeriCorps program, which was implemented in 1993, is President Clinton's national service program, and the subject of much political debate recently.

Dauner applied for the position through the New Hampshire College University Council, and is one of 17 AmeriCorps members



Photo Editor/JESSE STENBAK
Scott Dauner

in the State of New Hampshire.

There are four different areas of service that AmeriCorps deals with said Dauner - education, environment, public safety and human needs.

Dealing primarily community service, he is responsible for developing partnerships between Keene State and K-12 schools. This allows both educational institutions to benefit from each other, he said.

Another focus for Dauner is helping to coordinate the Alternate Spring Break trip.

This year, there are about 70 Keene State students who are going to Philadelphia to "empty the shelters," he said, meaning, the

students will visit soup kitchens and assist in the service of the shelters.

It's just an incredible program, I think it's the most visionary program,"
• Scott Dauner
AmeriCorps

Dauner said he is helping to service a learning curriculum at the college and applying what learned in class in the field.

There are currently 26,000 AmeriCorps members nationwide, he said. Dauner said he is concerned that the program might

soon be abolished due to governmental changes.

"It's just an incredible program, I think it's the most visionary program," he said.

The program, he said, affects most communities in America positively. It is not a volunteer program, but rather a very low paying job, he said.

Recent concern for AmeriCorps members is that the Republicans in Congress have worked to eliminate the program.

This would have major impact on all of the current members, who rely on the money they are making to pay for student loans. Dauner responded calling the situation, "Utter frustration."

Testing

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Delina Hickey, vice president for Student Affairs, said there is drug testing by high schools before entrance to college.

There is drug testing after college when trying to get a job.

For the general population at Keene State, this is a time without that. Recalling a speech made to students about this issue Hickey said, "Here's a period in your life where these (testing policies) aren't in place. But when you go back into the work force these are the kinds of things you may be running into," she said. "You need to think about them. You need to think about them now, while you're in college, and you need to make some decisions about what is appropriate and what isn't appropriate."

Student Alex Cadan said students need to be made aware of pre-employment drug testing policies.

"The idea is that when you graduate from college and go out into the real world, they will say 'here is a cup, when you're done leave it on the sink.' I think, to the drug users, this will be kind of a shock."

He also raised the issue of invasion of privacy in testing athletes.

"If an athlete is going to come to the school on a scholarship, it's like they're being hired," he said. "So making sure you know that the athlete will perform as expected makes drug testing a good

idea. "The other athletes aren't being hired for anything so they shouldn't have to be tested."

This issue has been raised before, and went as far as the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of Vernonia School District vs. Acton, Oregon.

The court decided, in this case of suspicionless random drug testing, that the testing of athletes is not an invasion of privacy at the high school level.

Associate Justice Antonin Scalia's decision said that participation in athletics is not mandatory, and by volunteering for a team you sacrifice some of your rights.

"If Conant's program flies, and it goes along smoothly, I think that you'll see a lot more schools doing it."

• Deborah Cilley
Co-Director of the Occupational Health and Wellness Department
Monadnock Community Hospital

"You shower with ten people on one shower head," Cilley said describing the decision. "You go to the bathroom in a john with no door, so you have given up some of your rights to privacy."

According to numerous articles, urinalysis is not the only method for drug testing. Drugs can be found in the blood, sweat, and hair.

Hair testing is the newest test,

and judging by the number of articles written about it, a pretty popular one at that.

Hair grows at an established rate of one half inch per month. Drugs, once taken, become part of the hair itself. Employers can simply clip the hairs from the back of the head of an applicant and presto—proof positive.

This gives a much longer and potentially more accurate record of drug use than does urinalysis.

In the Monadnock Region there are "tons" of companies who are using drug testing, Cilley said.

According to Cilley there are four primary types of testing, pre-employment, post-accident, reasonable suspicion, and random.

At Conant High School the tests will be done by urinalysis. "Marijuana for instance stays in the system for 18-30 days," Cilley said. "We have purposely set up the tests so that if a student is using they can stop and test negative," Cilley said. "The reason we are doing this is because I know that if they truly are addicted (to a drug) and truly have a problem. They are not going to be able to stop. Those are the kids we are trying to find, and get them into a rehab, and get them to stop now," Cilley said. "Schools across the Midwest and in Texas have already implemented such programs, but Conant could be the first in New England to do so," said Cilley.

"If Conant's program flies, and it goes along smoothly, I think that you'll see a lot more schools doing it," Cilley said.

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In Major Finding, Drug Curbs H.I.V. Infection in Newborns

By LAWRENCE A. ALTMAN
Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—A federally financed study has found that the drug AZT dramatically reduces the transmission of H.I.V. to newborns from infected mothers.

The findings were considered so significant that the study, which began in April 1991, was ordered stopped on Friday, and officials are spending the holiday weekend reading the 30 medical centers in the United States and France taking part in the study to offer AZT to the pregnant women who had been receiving a placebo.

In addition, said Dr. Anthony B. Fauci, the head of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the data from the study were being distributed as a "clinical alert" through the National Library of Medicine, which has a computer network available to health care workers around the world.

Dr. Harold W. Jaffe, an epidemiologist and the top scientist on H.I.V. at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, said in an interview today that the finding was one of the most important public health discoveries in the last decade.

It is the first indication that mother-to-child transmission of H.I.V. can be at least decreased, if not prevented, Dr. Jaffe said. "And it will provide a real impetus for identifying more H.I.V.-infected women during pregnancy so that they could consider the benefits of AZT treatment to themselves and their children."

About four million women give birth in the United States each year, and the disease centers estimate that 4,000 to 7,000 of them are H.I.V. infected. About 1,500 to 2,000 of their babies later become H.I.V. infected.

Big Problem in Africa

The transmission of the virus to newborns is a much bigger public health problem in developing countries in Africa, Asia and South America, where millions of people are infected and where infection rates among childbearing women can reach 10 percent to 20 percent in some areas, said Dr. James Curran, coordinator of all H.I.V. activities at the Centers for Disease Control.

In some areas of the United States, including some urban areas in the Northeast, the comparable figure is as high as 5 percent.

On average, about 25 percent of pregnant women who are H.I.V. infected pass along the virus to their babies. The researchers had confidence in the study because the

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Conference to Examine Black Universities

HAMPTON, Va.—Cutbacks in education spending. Bans on affirmative action policies. Keeping up with the explosive growth of the Internet and computer technology.

These are just some of the challenges facing historically black colleges today, Hampton University president William Harvey told 140 school, business and political leaders gathered recently for a three-day conference at the school.

"We didn't just come here to talk," Harvey said at the conference, attended by representatives from 43 predominantly black schools. "We're going to see if we can influence a number of pressure points in this country."

Conference resolutions include:

- Predominantly black schools should encourage students faculty and staff to use their computers and the Internet.
- The colleges should work with businesses, private foundations and government to create internships and help pay for research programs.
- The colleges should become more politically aware, invite political leaders to campus and explore the impact of federal changes on minority education.
- The colleges should strive to increase their endowments to gain more economic clout.

Harvey said the proposals could be combined into a plan of action by the summer. When finished, the plan would be presented to all black colleges and universities, Congressional leaders and President Clinton, he added.

The conference brought together experts in affirmative action, university research, workforce training and computer technology. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun, D-Ill., Rep. Robert C. Scott, D-Va., and Rep. Carrie Meek, D-Fla., were among those present.

"We need to adopt strategies that will ensure...adequate preparation for students to meet the demands of a 21st century workplace," Harvey said. "That's why I'm convinced this effort is so important."

He hopes to make the conference, called "The Challenge of the Future: Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the Year 2000 and Beyond," an annual event.

Dating Service Proves Popular at Brown U.

PROVIDENCE, R.I.—Ask students at Brown University, and many will say they just don't date.

They'll tell you they're too busy studying. Or they find dating comes at the bottom of a long list of activities—after intramural sports, internships, part-time jobs and other resume-builders.

Deciding that its Ivy Leaguers must be too wrapped up in academics and extracurricular activities to date, a Brown student government committee recently went so far as to hire a computer dating service to spice things up.

"I think at competitive colleges like Brown that dating is really not a high priority," said senior Joe Ruffalo, a member of the Helping Undergraduates Socialize committee, or HUGS. "This is a way to prime the pump and not only get people dating each other, but meeting one another."

More than 1,500 students returned completed surveys responding to such questions as: "When you walk down the street, do you smile at people?" "Do you believe God has only one perfect mate for everyone?" "What type of taco sauce would you be: mild, medium or

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hot?"

On Valentine's Day, appropriately enough, the computer dating service began providing students with a list of the 10 most and two least compatible people on campus.

Students are going around saying, "Hey, you're on my list," to each other, according to Ruffalo. "I think that's going to be the new pick-up line at Brown."

He knows at least one student who called another student on the list, and now they have a weekend date planned. "We made one couple happy," he said.

The service, by the way, accommodated all sexual orientations.

Students paid about \$3 each for a list of perfect mates. So far, more than 900 students have picked up lists. All proceeds earned from the dating service are donated to Brown's financial aid office.

U. Michigan Players Escape Serious Injury

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—Some schools will try anything to impress a potential player. But a rollover car crash was not what University of Michigan's basketball team had in mind during a recruit's visit to campus.

Five Michigan basketball players and the high school recruit escaped the Feb. 17 incident relatively unharmed, except for center Robert Taylor, who broke his arm. The 320-pound freshman, who was averaging 9 points and 5.9 rebounds a game, will miss the rest of the season.

"I am relieved and extremely grateful that we didn't have a catastrophe, or a tragedy," said Michigan coach Steve Fisher at a news conference. "Because it could have been."

Sophomore Maurice Taylor was driving the Ford Explorer at around 5 a.m., returning home from a party in Detroit. Taylor was in the passenger seat; players Willie Mitchell, Louis Bullock and Ron Oliver were jammed in the backseat with Mateen Cleaves, a Flint, Mich., high school senior on his official visit.

Taylor, the Big Ten freshman of the year, apparently fell asleep at the wheel, Fisher said. When the car drifted off the road, Taylor overcorrected and the car flipped over completely.

Police said alcohol and speeding were not factors in the accident, although Taylor was issued a ticket for careless driving. Both he and Taylor were wearing seatbelts. None of the players were suspended, and the uninjured four helped Michigan beat Indiana the next night, 80-75. Fisher said it is not unusual for the players to show recruits a good time out during their visits, although he had asked them to use good judgement.

"We were trying to show [Cleaves] a good time," Taylor later explained. "We were trying to make it memorable—it was definitely memorable."

The word on campus is that Cleaves will choose Michigan State instead, but not because of the car accident.

Map may Prove Vikings Arrived in Americas First

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Long ago in 1492, Columbus sailed the ocean blue. But instead of navigating his ships by the North Star, the Italian explorer might have had some help from a Viking map of the North American coastline, researchers now believe.

The Yale University Press recently published a new edition of "The Viking Map and the Tartar Relation," which explains how a medieval map found tucked inside a rare book about 40 years ago is not a fake, as once thought.

The very accurate Viking drawing of Greenland, Iceland, and "Vinland," or Newfoundland, dated to 1440, was denounced by critics in the 1970s because its ink contained titanium anatase, not invented until around 1920.

But scientists now say that titanium occurs naturally and quite possibly could be found in ancient ink. The legend accompanying the map indicates that Leif Eriksson and other Viking explorers reached the northeast American coast on a voyage in 1000 A.D.

George D. Painter, the sole survivor of the test of scholars who wrote the book's first edition in 1965, called the rejection of the map "a miscarriage of justice."

"Columbus wasn't just an amazing navigator, a brave man; he was also an expert in maps and geography and knowledge of the world," Painter told the Associated Press. "I think it's quite likely that he actually knew of the Vinland Map."

The map was discovered after World War II folded inside the rare book, "The Tartar Relation." Yale benefactor Paul Mellon later purchased the book, which had belonged to an Italian book dealer who never revealed its source.

6-Foot Boa Constrictor Escapes at Harvard

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—A 6-foot long boa constrictor escaped from its cage and slithered its way into a heating duct before Harvard University officials captured it by coaxing it out with chicken meat.

"A student had the snake in the cage, and he was cleaning the cage, and the snake slipped out," Lt. John Anderson of the Harvard University Police Department told the Harvard Crimson.

The snake was captured when maintenance workers cut a 6-inch by 6-inch hole in the student's sheet rock wall, exposing a hollow area in which the snake was hiding. Officials then used chicken meat to coax the snake from the hole.

Jose P. Rosado, a herpetologist, or snake expert, at Harvard's Museum of Comparative Zoology, said a domesticated boa constrictor is harmless—unless it is in a feeding mode and when anything moves, they'll bite it, he added.

Since animals are banned from the dormitories, the snake has taken up residence at a nearby museum.

Meanwhile, the student will have to pay to fix the wall, say university officials.

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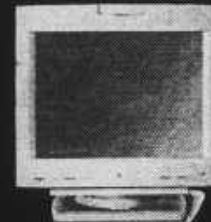
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ARTS ENTERTAINMENT

Acoustic Music

Jill Pascucci and Superstretch Rock the Nite Owl Cafe



'STRETCH TO THE MAX' Local groovers Superstretch treated a crowd of about fifty to a sample of their eclectic, funky style. Seen here is singer Justin Christopher and drummer Jarrett Zellea.

Toby J. Henry
A&E Editor

Folk musician and Keene State College student Jill Pascucci headlined Sunday night's acoustic performance at the Student Center's Nite Owl Cafe.

The evening performance also showcased the talents of several other Keene State musical ensembles, including a loose-knit, eclectic band known as Superstretch.

The members of this funk/blues hybrid band include Justin Christopher on lead vocals and harmonica, Jarrett Zellea on drums, John Gillette on lead guitar, and Adam Bernard on bass. They opened their four-song set with "Mountain sides of Green," a fast-paced

funk tune that displays their ability to follow one another musically.

The second tune, "Cornerstone Junction," displays drummer Zellea's skill at both falsetto vocals and difficult tempo changes. "Junction" was also graced by Gillette's rhythmic strumming technique, reminiscent of guitar god Carlos Santana.

Superstretch stole the opening show with a lengthy "freak-out" song entitled "Funk Smurf." Driven by Bernard's bopping five-string bass, "Funk Smurf" was a delight for the audience. In between the high-pitched harmonica riffs of this country-flavored psychedelic jam, Christopher sings the infectious chorus of "Funk Smurf! A shaker and a mover! Funk Smurf! Smurf clan's only groover!" "Funk

Smurf" and the other three songs played by Superstretch are all original compositions.

Superstretch will be joined by three additional members for tonight's performance at the "Battle of the Bands" in the Mabel Brown Room.

Jill Pascucci, clad in torn jeans and a faded tie-dye, took to the stage accompanied only by her acoustic guitar. Her opening tunes included a cover of a Joni Mitchell song, a choice that proved appropriate. Pascucci's vocal style bears a strong resemblance to that of the legendary singer/songwriter Mitchell, including the hauntingly beautiful (and very difficult) pitch changes that have become Mitchell's trademark.

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Review

Tom Hanks, Tim Allen and Don Rickles Spark 'Toy Story'

Todd VanDell
The Equinox

"Toy Story" is the first-ever full-length movie created entirely with computer animation. It succeeds because the computer animation is surprisingly passionate, unlike many previous computer animation attempts that seem to have left out the all-important element of soul. Additionally the characters are well-crafted enough that you can suspend your disbelief for the duration of the movie (if you are an adult—kids will have no problem suspending disbelief). More to the point, "Toy Story" rarely becomes bogged down with self-importance, nor calls attention to the fact that you are watching nothing more than a computer-generated cartoon.

Best of all? Virtually all the actors who lent their voice talents to each of the toys were astute casting choices.

"Toy Story"'s plot is fairly simple. Six-year-old Andy's room is invaded by a brand new toy Andy gets as a birthday gift. This happens right before he and his mom (a single-parent family in an animated feature—another first?) are to move to a new home. The new toy on the block, a Buzz Lightyear doll, is convinced it is not a toy at all. There is a confrontation between the new toy and one of the older toys, Woody, a pull-toy cowboy. Woody had been Andy's favorite until Buzz's arrival. Additionally, Woody is the leader of and spokesman for the toys, who all come magically to life the minute Andy leaves his room (personally, I was convinced that

actually happened in real life). The two feuding toys eventually get separated from the other toys. Naturally, they get left behind right as the movie commences. They have to put aside their ego-clashing differences in order to work together to return to Andy. The high-speed chase scene at the end of "Toy Story" may be one of the best thought-out, most well-choreographed movie chase scenes I've seen in a long time.

The G-rated "Toy Story" occasionally veers dangerously close to PG territory in intensity. There are some extremely vivid scenes involving Sid, the bullying, psychopathically-deranged, toy-mutilating kid-next-door-from-hell. All the toys in Andy's room know any toy that winds up in Sid's yard is guaranteed to not come back. Not only does Sid love to blow toys to smithereens,

we also discover his dementedly warped Dr. Frankenstein-type experiments. With sadistic glee, Sid pulls the heads off most of his toys (and even one of his kid sister's toys) and switches them with other toys' heads and bodies to create frightening mutant toys. One of Sid's most unusual creations is an Erector-set spider with a one-eyed baby doll head with little spikes of hair left behind after Sid pulled the rest out. Fortunately, Sid does get his comeuppance—and it is suitably appropriate.

"Toy Story" features much inspired visual genius.

For example, the scenes involving dozens of little plastic olive drab toy soldiers, the ones that come in big plastic buckets and stand on flat little pieces of plastic for balance, are hilarious. If you have ever wondered what

those soldiers would look like if they could actually move, "Toy Story" definitively answers that question: absolutely hysterical.

Another scene possibly even funnier occurs during the aforementioned chase scene toward the end of "Toy Story." Suffice it to say that it involves Slinky, the dachshund-shaped Slinky dog, and Woody and Buzz who are trying to get into the swiftly-moving van.

Tom Hanks, who captured the Best Actor Oscar two years running for both "Philadelphia" and "Forrest Gump," provides the voice of Woody—the protagonist of this charmingly captivating film.

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FIRST BASS - Superstretch bassist Adam Bernard jams on a five-string during Sunday's Night Owl Cafe performance.

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Pascucci was later joined by friend Betsy Nolan for a charming country duet on the spiritual standard "Amazing Grace." Nolan provided Pascucci with the perfect accompaniment, singing in a steady lower tone while Pascucci continued in her flowing, ethereal voice. Pascucci and Nolan closed the tune with a stirring acapella verse.

There is a strong autobiographical tone to Pascucci's original work, which comprised much of her performance. "Music is like therapy - you write about and you feel better," she said as she introduced the caustic, angry "Little Boy Blues." The song details a love that went wrong, an experience that Pascucci admitted forms the basis for much of her songwriting. Despite the repetition in themes, there is little repetition of style in Pascucci's music, which includes influences from country, funk and blues.

For the second half of her performance, Pascucci jammed with bassist Andrew Dow and drummer Steve Benedetto. The "full band" setup allowed Pascucci to venture into the arena of rock and roll, albeit a bit gentler than the typical FM-radio fare. Despite the poor acoustics of the Night Owl Cafe, Pascucci sounded as close to a seasoned stage musician as one could get.

he is loyal only to himself. When it comes down to brass tacks, he is a nefarious fair-weather friend. Wallace Shawn provides the perfect voice for the chronically indecisive Rex, a green plastic dinosaur. Rex never seems to know whether he should do anything or not. He proves wishy-washy on the subject of remaining loyal to Woody when it appears Woody has committed an unthinkable atrocity against Buzz.

"Toy Story" is rated G but see it with your child(ren) anyway. They will appreciate it and so will you. You will be rewarded with a movie that appeals to children of all ages—including adults with a childlike perspective. If you don't like this movie, consider yourself the recipient of a "Grinch of the Year" award.

"Toy Story" is a wonderfully fun movie that is a bit of a morality tale. Loyalty is a valued commodity and working together as a team can be the best way to overcome seemingly insurmountable odds. This movie makes a perfect Saturday or Sunday afternoon matinee.

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Tim Allen is well-known in households across the country as the testosterone-fueled, male chauvinist pig Tim Taylor from the sitcom "Home Improvement." In "Toy Story," Allen provides the voice of Buzz Lightyear, Woody's antagonist. There is a subtle nod to Home Improvement in "Toy Story," in a scene involving Woody, Buzz and a large red tool box labeled with the fictitious name Binford Tools from ToolTime. The Buzz Lightyear character seems "Taylor"-made for Allen. Buzz's voice is deeply resonant and full of bucket-loads of heroic-sounding, posturing machismo.

Comedian Don Rickles proves his was the voice of choice for Mr. Potato Head. Rickles provides Mr. Potato Head with the snidely withering, sneering attitude for which Rickles' comedy routines have always been known. Mr. Potato Head proves

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TWO FOR THE ROAD? - "Toy Story" characters Woody the cowboy and Buzz Lightyear the astronaut try to avoid becoming road pizza in a climactic scene from Disney's new computer-animated film.

Television

David Letterman Forges Ahead in Late-Night Ratings War

Ian Spelling
College Press Service

NEW YORK-David Letterman has been up, down and even sideways, but he's always been there, in the game, fighting for a laugh. And chances are, he always will be. Lately, of course, Letterman's "Late Show" has been sticking it out with Jay Leno's revitalized "Tonight Show" and the still-potent "Nightline," and through it all, Letterman has tried to simply do what he does best. Letterman went prime time Feb. 19, with his hour-long CBS "Late Night Video Special 2." The show was devoted to remote segments, the ones in which the intrepid Letterman leaves the ice-cold confines of the Ed Sullivan Theatre seeking laughs on the streets of New York City.

So it is then that, Letterman, one of TV's more elusive interview subjects, is on the phone talking about his recent "Late Show" special and other topics of interest.

"Over the years, even going back to the morning show [which

he did in the 1980s], there have been certain people who have been guests on our show who have been very nice to us and have always wanted to go out of their way to be cooperative and helpful in producing something that would be a memorable moment.

"From the very beginning, the guy who was probably the best at this, although there have been many others, has been Steve Martin," notes Letterman, talking from his Manhattan office after taping an evening's show. "I can remember almost every one of his appearances with us. The videotape Steve did with us this time, he came in two or three nights before he was an actual guest on the show and also the day of his guest appearance. This is a huge, huge star who had one play in production and another play opening that very weekend. Yet, he had time to come in and work with us. I'm so pleased with that piece. It's things like that that make me think there's still hope for show business."

In the segment, Martin does a spoof on a documentary-style, be-

hind-the-scenes look of what goes into a "Late Night" appearance. The video segment focuses on Martin's elaborate plans to prepare for the appearance—down to measuring his derriere to see if it would fit in the guest chair. (Martin's post-appearance confession in the segment: "The cup. The cup just didn't feel right to me.")

The end result is something Letterman says he is excited about.

What Letterman is not very excited about is the upcoming HBO cable movie, "The Late Shift," based on Bill Carter's popular book, which delved behind the curtains of the late night war between Letterman and Jay Leno.

"I've not read the book. I talked to Bill Carter when he wrote it. In talking to Carter it helped me formulate a timeline of points of interest along the way that I enjoyed remembering and talking about," he explains.

"When that process was over for me I had no interest in the book. I have less interest in the motion picture. As I have expressed in the past, it's the biggest single

waste of film since my wedding photos. To me, it couldn't be more pointless."

"I could understand if Jay or I were both dead. Then, OK, here's a fond remembrance, or look at what idiots these guys were. But we're still alive. I've seen clips of it and the guy playing me, they've got him in red hair! I'm thinking, 'Wait a minute! There's no videotape available on me?' We've done 2,000 shows! Nobody ever thought, 'Maybe if we get a tape... Ah, red hair is close enough. Screw it. Let's go with red hair.'"

Dave's critique doesn't end there. "And it just goes on. There's one scene where everybody's at my home, and I'm telling you that would never happen. That was completely inaccurate. There's another scene at my home, where I'm relaxing on the weekend and I'm wearing a tennis sweater out in my backyard, and throwing softballs at an archery target. It's just like, 'Dave's a little simple. Here's a little game he's invented for himself that he likes to play at home.' My God! So, God bless

the folks at HBO. I hope they increase their subscriptions, but I'm telling you something, let's just go to the moon next time."

Back in the early 1980s, when Letterman was on NBC and followed the legendary Johnny Carson, Letterman's show was the thing to watch for college students, virtually required viewing. Yesterday's students are today's employees and parents. So who's watching "The Late Show" these days? Has the 80s audience grown with him? Are today's younger audiences tuning him in as avidly as those of a decade ago?

"I saw some information a couple of weeks ago, and it said 62 percent of college people watching TV at night are watching our show."

While Letterman has heard all the complaints that his show was in a rut, that CBS's low ratings are hurting him, that his performance at last year's Oscar ceremony damaged his reputation, and that he's lost his edge, he's not panicking. Instead, he prefers to just do his thing and wait for the tide to turn back in his favor.

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Survival

'Frosted Gold' Military-Training
Program Offers Students Real ChallengesColleen DeBais
College Press Service

NORTHFIELD, Vt.—Picture this: you're stuck on a cold, blustery mountaintop with only the barest of supplies.

With only your shoelace, you can catch a rabbit, then skin it to make a warm wholesome stew. You know which pine needles are great for making tea, and which bark is the most nutritious to chew on. For shelter, you can build a snowcave and sleep inside it without freezing to death.

Sound challenging? For a select group of students each year, it sounds like an average day in class at Frosted Gold, an annual military-training event held each February at Norwich University.

Each year, students from around the nation, mostly Army ROTC cadets, endure a weekend of "roughing it" so they can learn winter weather survival techniques.

Students are met by skilled Norwich cadets at the base of Paine Mountain, a peak in Vermont's Green Mountains. After hiking several miles up the mountainside, they make camp and spend the next two days learning how to survive using just the basic supplies in their Army-issue backpacks.

"It's this very weird, unique thing," said Norwich spokesperson Elizabeth Howell of the 50-year-old Frosted Gold program, the only one of its kind in the nation. The War Department decided in 1947 that "we really needed to beef up on our ability to train troops for winter warfare survival," she said.

So Frosted Gold was born. Although the Department considered a school in Alaska, the final choice was Norwich, the nation's oldest private military college. With its mountainous terrain and

frigid winters, the Vermont campus easily fit the bill.

To this day, the weekend program continues to teach male and female students how to survive "using what you find in your environment or using what you have on you," Howell said. "If you were stuck in Bosnia, you would need to know how to do this stuff."

Although there are faculty advisors, the Frosted Gold program has always been

of people aren't ready for it or don't realize what it takes."

What it takes to make the company, is the ability to pass physical tests, such as rappelling, rock and ice climbing, and a "confidence course," which includes suspending students 40 feet off the ground.

The upperclassmen decide who make the rescue team. "The big thing with us is the ability to trust one's life with another," Mangona said. That, along with leadership, knowledge and ability to teach, are sought in candidates, he added.

This year, the 10 members of the rescue team—four seniors, five juniors and one sophomore—instructed students from a dozen colleges on winter survival.

them swell, preventing them from fitting into your boots, he said. Later, the feet may have to be amputated, he added.

"It's this very weird, unique thing."

• Elizabeth Howell

If this doesn't sound like a course for the weak at heart, it's not.

Most participants hope to have careers in the military, and must always be prepared for a tight situation, say instructors. For example, Air Force Capt. Scott O'Grady, shot down over Bosnia last June, survived for six days by relying on his training and sparing his rations.

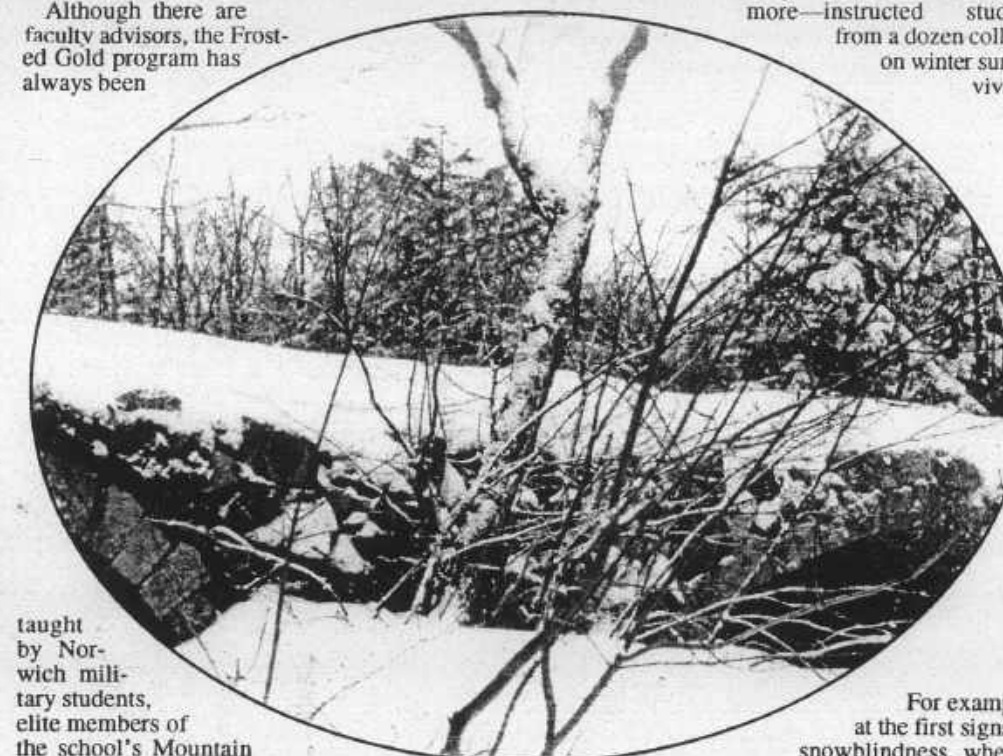
And that was in warm weather. Even in cold conditions, Mangona said if he were in Bosnia, "I'd have 100 percent advantage over other people."

Other students agreed that Frosted Gold is good preparation.

Although they spent the first night in tents, students were required to build shelters with pine boughs, branches, ponchos and whatever else they could find for the second night outdoors. (Unlike real survival situation, a warm tent was available for anyone who got too cold, and medics also were on hand.)

Other years the temperature has dipped down to -30 degrees, but this year it hovered around 30. Jeff Glines, 20, a University of Delaware sophomore, said he was glad: "It could have been miserable."

Frosted Gold was an ideal opportunity to learn some "good stuff," said Glines, an Army ROTC cadet. "It's always good to be able to handle yourself in whatever environment you're stuck in."



taught by Norwich military students, elite members of the school's Mountain Cold Weather Company. Each fall, about 20 students compete for a spot with the company, regarded there as a sport—sort of the military equivalent to football or hockey.

"It's so time-consuming," Howell explains. "You so that and nothing else."

Senior Carl Mangona trained for the company his freshman year. "It's very intense, physical and mentally," he said. "A lot

There are written exams as well, on day and night navigation, and search and rescue techniques.

Those who make it through the five-month training period become members of the company's rescue team and teach the Frosted Gold program. Usually, only three or four new students make the final cut each year.

Computers: Are They Taking Over?

Digital Technologies Lurk Everywhere

Amy Westfeldt
AP Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Never touched a computer?

Obviously you don't drive, use a telephone, watch television, use a dishwasher or make coffee. You save your money under your bed, not at a bank.

"You go into a car, you got 500 computers in there. You press a button and all kinds of things happen," said Penn State professor Rustum Roy, who says computers are as vital to society as electricity. "It's endemic."

Half a century ago, ENIAC — the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer — was introduced at the University of Pennsylvania, counting to 5,000 in less than a second. The 50-ton goliath became the world's first general-purpose electronic computer.

Today, computers are unavoidable, essential, fundamental parts of our daily existence, so entrenched that we can't even see them anymore.

Computers price produce at supermarket checkout lines, control the clocks on microwave ovens and VCRs, make remote control possible. They predict weather and the stock market, allow planes to land and help missiles reach their destinations.

Computer chips have turned televisions and stereos into "entertainment centers" with remotes and digital sound. They adjust the temperature of your car and control dishwashers cycles.

"Computers are embedded in almost all of our day-to-day technologies," said Roy, who heads Pennsylvania State University's department of science, technology and society.

ENIAC was created to help U.S. military forces calculate firing tables needed to aim artillery in World War II.

It yielded a line of mainframe

computers that began to calculate bigger and bigger numbers.

The machines gradually became smaller, faster and cheaper, eventually being squeezed onto silicon chips.

In the 1980s, personal computers gave employees the option of working from home, and made it possible to make plane reservations, order pizza and pay bills with a monitor and a modem.

Computers have reduced most banking errands to roadside stops at automatic teller machines. A 1995 study by Deloitte & Touche Consulting Group predicted that half the country's bank branches will close in the next decade as more people turn to ATMs or use home computer programs to balance checkbooks.

"It's changed the nature of money, because now we don't need currency anymore. It's just information," said Frank Woosley, national director of financial service consulting at Deloitte & Touche.

The telephone will also never be the same. Bell Atlantic Corp. computers have replaced most directory assistance operators in five states. Callers can press numbers on their telephone to find out movie listings, mall hours, plane schedules.

"Just press a few buttons to find out if Flight 29 is arriving on time," said Gwen Bell, president of the Computer Museum in Boston. "Press in the flight numbers. If you don't know the flight numbers, press in the first three letters of the city."

Can the world be too computerized? Yes, says Paul Helfrich of The Franklin Institute science museum in Philadelphia.

"They've snuck up on us and we don't realize it," said Helfrich, director of interactive information systems.

"It's a means, and not an end. It's still wonderful to go where there's not any telephone or radio and you go to the beach and you listen to the waves."

Media Scrambles to On-Line Market; Still Looking for Potential Profits



WIRED — As the push for technology increases, we depend more and more on computers. Seen here, Keene State students use computers located in the Science Center.

Elizabeth Weise
AP Cyberspace Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — When a computer expert asked a room full of newspaper executives how many of their papers were online, most raised their hands.

When she asked them if they were trying to figure out how to make money at it, every hand in the room shot up.

"Let's face it, the audience is still really small," said Esther Dyson, chairwoman of the Electronic Frontier Foundation.

But the scramble for that audience is intense. This week's Interactive Newspapers Conference in San Francisco was full of papers eager to jump on the digital train before it left the station. Exactly where it was taking them was still a question.

"The media has built up the hype so that advertisers and pa-

pers think it's cool. Right now it's not profitable, but it's important to get onto it now so that when it takes off, you're not left behind," said Colin Phillips, co-publisher of *Editor & Publisher*, an industry magazine.

About 12 percent of the nation's newspapers have an online presence, double the number online only a year ago, said Phillips. But only about 20 are making a profit, and the margin is so pitiful, they wouldn't bother if online service wasn't such a hot button these days, he said.

"There's been this sort of imaginary horse race in the newspaper industry over the last year," said Elizabeth Osder of *The New York Times*.

"Two years ago the question was whether to partner with an online service or go it alone. Then here comes the Web and everybody can get online. ... Now

there is this frenzy to go online and there are a lot of hack jobs out there."

Online news may still be in the research and development stage, but newspaper executives surveyed by Editor & Publisher said they felt they needed to be online "to remain the number one information source in my region."

One way to do that is the model used by Boston.com, the World Wide Web site of *The Boston Globe*, which is piling on chat rooms, news, weather and links to local radio and television stations.

"We want to use every weapon we can find to establish this as the first place to go in New England, because we want to be the first place advertisers think of," said David Margulius, the paper's director of electronic publishing.

But even so, Margulius admits he has no idea how newspapers can compete online. "The Web is a brutally efficient marketplace," he said.

Some experts say it's not going to be news at all that determines the winners and losers, but papers that can create a sense of shared community. Publishers should be looking to talk radio as their model, Dyson said.

"You're going to need to get people actively involved, because that's what's going to get people there. If they're participating they're going to have much more loyalty than if they'd just been sitting on their couches."

One problem facing newspapers is that just sticking a print product online won't get people excited. But analyst Allen Weiner of DataQuest doesn't think the technology is in place yet for the kind of multimedia pictures and sound everyone is waiting for.

"The combination of bandwidth and computing power isn't there yet. A 486 (computer) and a 14.4 modem won't do it. We won't be there until 1998. The question is, what are these people going to do in the meantime?"

Internet

Student Uses E-Mail to Accuse Mother of Mistreating Daughter

Colleen DeBaise
College Press Service

COLLEGE PARK, Md.—A University of Maryland junior used his student Internet account to accuse a woman of mistreating her daughter, prompting an investigation by Montgomery County police.

William A. White, 18, a psychology major, posted a message to various Internet newsgroups detailing how the teenage girl was being mistreated by her mother. Then he urged recipients to call the girl's mother "at home and tell her you are disgusted and you demand that she stops," according to reports.

White's message said the teenage girl was confined to her home, except to go to school or work, was forbidden to use the telephone and was fed nothing but peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

However, the UM student did not verify the supposed abuse and told reporters he did not

know the family but had heard about the mistreatment through the girl's friends. "You should be able to write what you want on the Internet, whether it's true or not," White told the Washington Post. "It worked very well. It worked very quickly."

originally posted the message to news groups devoted to child welfare, psychology, radical left-wing politics and civil liberties. He now has posted another message telling people not to call the family, according to Gary Stephenson, a university

"You should be able to write what you want on the Internet, whether it's true or not."

— William White, Internet User

Indeed, the girl's father told the Post that the family had received at least half a dozen telephone calls, some of them threatening. He also said some aspects of White's message were true but highly exaggerated.

Montgomery County police are investigating the incident. Regarding White's Internet posting, experts say criminal law on harassment or civil law on libel and invasion of privacy could be used to prosecute the student.

White, who says he belongs to the Utopian Anarchist Party,

spokesperson.

Like many institutions, the university has "no clear-cut guidelines" as to how to deal with such questionable use of the Internet, Stephenson said.

"The laws have not kept pace with the technology," he said.

The university does, however, require students to read and sign an "acceptable computer-use" policy. "Ninety-nine percent of our users are responsible," he said. "But you're going to have one or two people who abuse the privilege."

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This year we would like to continue this tradition and invite the campus community to participate in the women's voices part of our program. We are especially enthusiastic about hearing voices which speak to the theme of this year's banquet, See History in a New Way. Each participant will have approximately 3 minutes to speak.

If you are interested in being part of our program, please let us know by sending a short statement of the content of your reading, speech, etc. (keeping our theme in mind) to Jan Youga (MS 1402) or Karen Cangialosi (MS 2001) by March 13. Because we are limited for time in our program, and depending on the number of requests we receive, be aware that it is likely that not all those wishing to speak will have that opportunity.

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Entertainment

Ticket Prices and Unreliability Costing Hoyt Student Business



GOING TO THE MOVIES — Hoyt Cinema's unreliability and high ticket prices may be costing the movie theater business from Keene State College students.

Krisy Kanopka
The Equinox

Students who are fed up with Hoyt Cinema's prices, unreliable projection machines and lack of advertising, may be pleased to find out there are alternatives to the shopping plaza multiplex.

First, there is the Colonial Theatre, located on Main Street, in Keene. Then there is the New Falls Cinema, in Bellows Falls, Vermont.

However, Hoyt Cinema, on Key road in Keene, seems to be the most popular outlet for Keene State College students, regardless of ticket prices.

Hoyt's makes pricing decisions based on how they align themselves with competition and inflation, said Roger Eaton, the president of Hoyt Cinema Corporation. "We do the best we can to minimize the effect on our customers," he added. "I've never had a price increase that was popular," he joked. The costs of film and machinery are rising, so ticket prices need to rise with them. Prices are \$4.75 for matinees and \$6.75 for all shows after 6 p.m.

Keene State student Jessica Kyle, from New York, said that movie ticket prices are \$7.50 where she lives, but \$6.75 is expensive for New Hampshire.

Hoyt's used to have bargain nights on Tuesday, where people could see a movie at any showing, for matinee prices. Before that, some Hoyt Cinemas used to

offer student discounts. Those are both examples of promotional drives. The new Cinema Cash allows people to buy ten tickets for \$50, plus postage and handling. The tickets can be used at any time, according to Eaton. People can save \$1.75 per ticket by using Cinema Cash.

When asked about recent problems with movie projectors, Eaton said that he would check into the problem. All cinemas owned by Hoyt Corporation have to report any problems to the corporate office in Boston.

As many have noticed, Hoyt's does not advertise in *The Sentinel* on a regular basis. According to Eaton, it is the individual theater's decision on how they will advertise. "Sometimes it could be Friday through Sunday, all week, or not at all," said Eaton.

Several Keene State students mentioned they wanted a later show at Hoyt's.

"I get out of work at 9:30 at night. By the time I drive there (Hoyt's), the movies have all started," said Rich Frazier, a junior from Connecticut. The hours that the movies are shown are standard among most Hoyt Cinemas, according to Eaton. However, each theater has the discretion to fit the area's needs, he added.

"We are looking forward to a strong summer. The industry is alive, well and strong. People should see many films that will suit their pleasure," concluded Eaton.

For those who want to save money, New Falls Cinema charges \$3 for any show. On Tuesday nights, they charge \$1.50. The only compromise is the movies that play there have been at other theaters for at least a couple of weeks. (When called and left a message, they didn't call back to comment.)

If people are tired of the same cinema scene, the Colonial Theatre offers something a little different. Georgia Fletcher, the house manager, said, "We have a curtain and a whole presentation. We try to create an enjoyable, gracious atmosphere." Fletcher also said it's a unique experience for anyone—to be in a house over 70 years old, that has had time to collect memories. "The Colonial is the only theater in town, there is also a cinema complex...but we are the only theater," said Fletcher.

Ticket prices at the Colonial are now \$3 for adults before 6 p.m. and \$5 after 6 p.m. The prices have been lowered from \$3.75 and \$6 respectively, to celebrate the end of the Colonial's recent renovations.

Fletcher said they keep prices low as a decision by management. They want to make the house available to as many people as possible. She also added that prices may go back to their original cost to keep the theater going. Another reason to raise the prices is that some film companies don't like to hear that they are selling films to a theater that charges such low prices.

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Dear Olivia,

My boyfriend didn't acknowledge Valentine's Day at all. I tried to subtly hint to him about it to remind him, but still no present or even a "Honey, I love you" came. How can I get a response from him?

In the Dumps over V-Day

Dear In the Dumps,

Are you sure that he knows holidays like this are important to you? If he doesn't feel very strong about your relationship, but in this case, he may have just forgotten. Take him out to dinner or for a walk just the two of you and announce to him how you feel and that you want him to be more responsive to your needs. If he still doesn't respond, he's not worth it and you need someone who will treat you better.

Dear Olivia,

I am about to graduate in May and am very scared. I have absolutely no idea what I am going to do on my own... To make it

more difficult, my ex-fiancee is wanting to get back together. Our original plans were to get married after I graduated. The only reason that we broke up was because he has graduated one year before me, and when he got a job and moved things changed very quickly and we weren't prepared and couldn't handle it.

I don't know whether to just graduate and give it a try on my own—we've only been separated for a month—or get back together with him, and begin our life together when I graduate.

Sad grad

Dear Sad grad,

First of all, you almost married this person once, so there might still be something there. If your heart and head is telling you to give it another try, then do it, but on your terms. Set standard and rules that he has to follow for your needs. Take it slow at first and if you still have feelings for him, then progress from there. Now this graduating problem—Congratulations on your accom-

plishment! You never stated you major, but if you know what you want to do then research companies that interest you and you qualify for positions that are demanded there. If you have no idea, then, again, go out and research job openings that interest you. This is a very stressful time for most students. Take things slow and enjoy yourself.

Dear Olivia,

I just came here this semester. I have no friends and I'm very shy. I don't really go to parties, but I have nobody to go with anyway. Please help this is making me depressed and I don't want to be at school anymore. P.S. I live four hours away so I can't go home every weekend.

Lonely for a friend

Dear Lonely,

First, I want to tell you that you don't have to go to parties for fun. There are other options. I might suggest that you try to find an organization on campus and attend their general meetings. You will meet many students there who have similar interests to your own. Organizations also hold activities on the weekends that you can go to meet other people. You can get a complete list of the organizations from the

Student Government and who knows— if you're determined to go to a party, maybe you'll make a few friends there that you can hang out with. And don't forget to always be safe when you go out to the parties.

Dear Olivia,

I always get blown off by women who say that they will go out with me. Help!

Desperate for answers

Dear Desperate for answers,

A little more information might make this question easier to answer. You need to make sure that your request for a date is taken seriously. Maybe you phrase it more as a hypothetical than a real question. If this is not the problem, then maybe you need to build more of a friendship before you consider relationship status with a woman.

Something on your mind?

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Increase

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Matthews questioned the target group of the "War on Drugs" message, which, he said, was geared

to a younger crowd. "What needs to be considered is making the message receivable."

Another contributing factor to the resurgence of consumption, Matthews said, may be outdated research. Not long ago, occasional

marijuana use was not considered highly dangerous. According to both Matthews and the Partnership, such research is not accurate.

"Some of the earlier research was not very valid," Matthews said.

According to the study: "Marijuana — the most widely used illicit drug in the United States — has been known to cause short term or acute impairments in memory, perception and judgment, and among heavy users, a motivational syndrome." The survey goes on to state, "Daily use of three marijuana joints appears to produce the same lung disease ... as smoking almost an entire pack of cigarettes."

"I think we're feeling the repercussions of what many parents did in the '60s."

• Jim Matthews
Special Assistant to the Vice President for Alcohol and Other Drug Problems

Diminishing communications between boomer parents and their children may also be responsible. While the vast majority of parents (95 percent) said they spoke to their children about the dangers of using drugs, only 77 percent of those children said that they had spoken about drugs with their parents.

"This communication gap concerns us," said Ginna Marston, di-

rector of research and strategic development for the Partnership, "as do other social influences on teenagers."

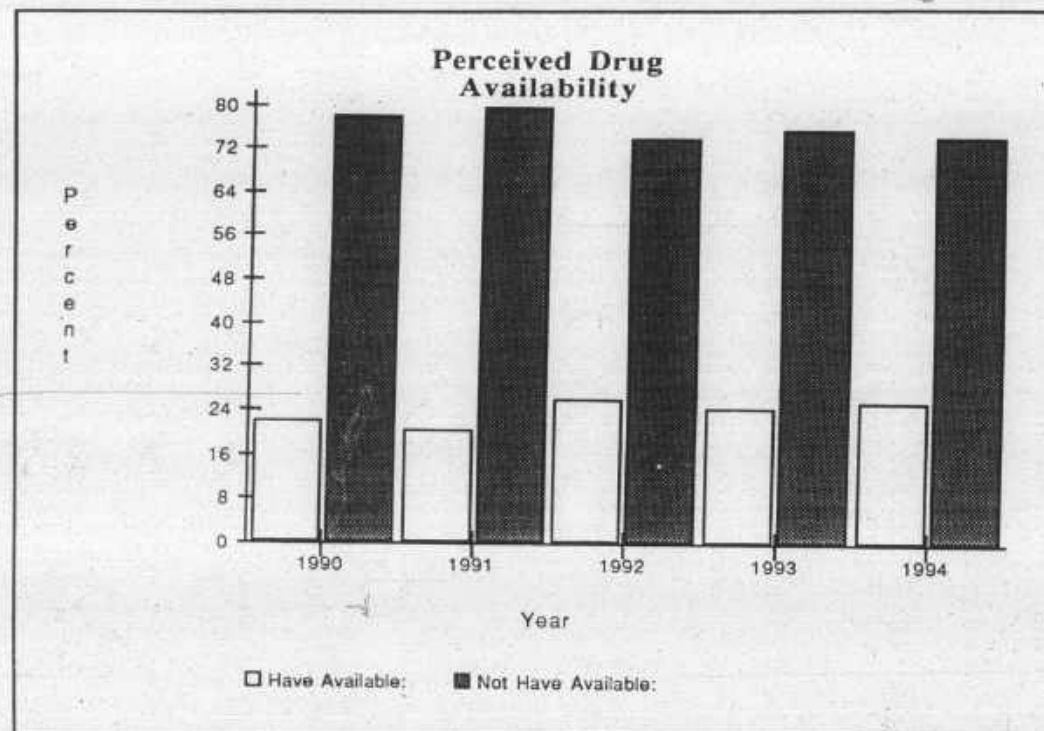
Of several students randomly interviewed in the Student Center, not one said they disagreed that marijuana use is increasing, although many had different opinions of exactly what the trend means.

Josh McHugh, a Keene State sophomore, said he is aware that more people are smoking pot.

"I don't think it's exaggerated," he said, adding that pot smoking is a "fairly prominent thing."

Jean Corliss, also a sophomore, said she felt that people might not feel that smoking pot is as dangerous as using other drugs, such as alcohol. She said the public's focus of marijuana as a medicinal aid could have led to the increase.

Statistics drawn from the survey conducted at Keene State, which included a sample population of 627 surveys, state that 66 percent of those surveyed believe the average Keene State student uses illegal drugs at least once a week. Interestingly, 74 percent of the respondents said they would prefer not to have drugs available to them at parties.



source: KSC Core Alcohol and Other Drug Survey, spring 1994

Equinox/ANTHONY VOGL

Changes

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"Right now," Challice said, "I am taking a class that has absolutely no value to me. It's not helping my major, my minor, or Gen. Eds. I'm only taking it so that I could get 12 credits and remain on campus as a full-time student, to keep financial aid."

Challice said course availability is also a problem.

"A lot of people I know were forced to come back and take a single class to graduate, because (the class) was so hard to get into."

To better equip Keene State to deal with the situation, administrators are planning to make some changes in the academic advising system.

"I think it's an issue that the students identified as being one of their primary concerns," said Stephen Cone, Dean of program development and administration, "and the institution has been involved in a conversation that will help address this particular concern."

The conversation will lead to a revamped academic advising system, including a "discipline contact" to point students in the right direction, soon after their arrival at Keene State, Cone said.

"What we have tried to do is put students in contact with a faculty member in their area of interest as

soon as possible," Cone said.

That leaves the academic advising center open to provide assistance to those students who haven't decided on an area of interest.

"One of the general themes that I have argued for is to connect students and faculty advisers earlier in the process," Richard said. "What we are looking at now is a mechanism whereby we might have the disciplines take more responsibility for how they will support their advisees."

"Each discipline would have the best idea about how it could provide quality advising to the students in that particular area," Cone said.

Cone said advising is not just course selection. It needs to be a developmental model where students select courses and develop an understanding of their discipline.

"Is that possible? Absolutely," Cone said.

Students are required to declare their major after they earn 60 credits. Part of this process is to find an academic adviser.

"It is not all that different than finding a date," Richard said. "If it is not working out, find a new date."

"There are relatively few disciplines that have more students than they do full-time faculty times the contract limit of 21 advisees," Richard said. Faculty advisers may have up to 21 advisees. "They can go over, but technical-

ly, they can stop at 21."

As of January 31, 1996, the ratio of faculty to advisees was 14.31 percent which means for every faculty member, there are fourteen students.

Students that have a hard time finding "the right adviser" come to the academic advising center for help.

Students choose faculty members whom they think are good advisers, Richard said. They stay away from faculty they do not have a feel for.

"At Keene State prior to 1988, we assigned advisers to students at the point of entry," Richard said. "It did not work. It was like an arranged marriage."

To help alleviate the problem, Keene State is looking into the purchase of a Student Information System, which will provide potential advisers with academic information of students.

"We are back half way to a system where we structure earlier contacts between students and faculty," Richard said. "Hopefully that will encourage them to make relationships that will meet their needs."

Academic advising helps quite a bit, said Mike Vallier, a non-traditional student majoring in Occupational Safety and Sociology. "It is one of the most helpful departments on campus," Vallier said. "(They helped me to) choose courses I needed for the direction that I wanted to go in."

Carragh Fiske, a freshman ma-

joring in elementary education and music, said she was "impressed by the whole center."

"They were very personable," Fiske said. "(There is) a genuine effort to get what you want."

While many students thought that the academic advising center was very helpful, there were some who thought that there were some things that needed to be changed.

"I think that it is helpful," said Amy Brassard a junior majoring in psychology, "(but there is) always a waiting line."

Brian Kelly, a senior majoring in environmental business, also saw room for improvement.

"The student involvement needs the most improvement," Kelly said. "(The) students are not always clear where to stand."

Kelly went into the academic advising office needing three classes. A student recommended that he take a math credit but the class he needed was a science.

"There are a few glitches that need to be worked out," Kelly said. "The building is over-saturated with work study."

As with most departments, communication is always a major concern. "I think that communication could always be improved," Richard said. "We have a committee called the Enrollment Management Committee that examines these issues."

Richard said his department is "definitely concerned" with the retention rate of students, including the issues of residence space

for returning seniors, course availability and the motivation of the students who haven't graduated in the traditional four years.

Cone said the curriculum will also be audited during the process of changing the academic advising system.

"There is a task force forming now that will be headed by Tom Richard that will be taking a look at all the degree audit packages from the vendors that we are considering," Cone said.

While the academic advising center is about to experience many new changes, there will also be a simplification of curriculum policies, he said.

One of the simplifying policies will include deciding whether general education requirements will count towards the major or minor, he said.

"It makes a curriculum that can include a lengthy list of specifications, appropriateness of prerequisites, and ultimately defining what is an undergraduate education," he said.

Richard vowed to continue to find ways to improve the system.

"We are not satisfied. We continue to look at enrollment management (issues) to identify factors that would encourage student persistence," Richard said. "I can tell you that there is definitely concern for the student's experience at Keene State."

Forbes

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And he won nearly half the vote among the 17 percent who said the top quality is that "he has a vision for the future."

Forbes also gained strength from people who voted for Ross Perot for president in 1992, voters whose family incomes topped \$50,000 a year, and the three in four who said they are not part of the religious right political movement.

Dole was 92 percent of voters who said top candidate qualities are experience in Washington and

80 percent who cited the ability to beat President Clinton, but only one in 10 highlighted each of those factors.

Buchanan, who finished third, won half of the 22 percent of voters who said the top candidate quality is that "he stands up for what he believes in."

Buchanan got about four in 10 votes among the 31 percent who said the Republican platform should include an anti-abortion plank and the 23 percent who said they are Christian conservatives.

The poll found Forbes - the only major candidate still in the race who campaigned in Delaware - with majority support among the

27 percent of voters surveyed who believed it was very important that Republican hopefuls appear in the state.

He ran even with Dole and Buchanan among those who said campaigning in Delaware was somewhat important and lost to Dole among those who said it had little or no importance.

Only Forbes, commentator Alan Keyes and former GOP candidate Sen. Phil Gramm campaigned in Delaware. Other candidates stayed away out of deference to New Hampshire, which held its primary Tuesday and wanted a one-week buffer between that contest and any other.

Dole

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"Obviously with the OCA we have a very well developed and politically active Christian community in Oregon," says Jim Moore, a political science teacher at the University of Portland. "Buchanan can plug into that group very well."

The OCA supports candidate Alan Keyes, who has run near last in many polls. But OCA chairman Lon Mabon says the organization could readily support Buchanan if Keyes left the race.

"We have more in common with Buchanan than we do with

Dole," Mabon says.

Still, Walden predicts Dole will find strong support among Oregon Republicans, because for the most part they are more moderate than Buchanan and would oppose his protectionist stance on trade.

Moore thinks former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander could be a contender to watch in the Oregon contest.

"As a former governor he has a better ability to plug into issues faced by particular states. If he gets a head of steam and zips to Oregon, that could be significant," the University of Portland professor says.

Voter turnout in the mail election could make a major differ-

ence in the outcome, says Bill Lunn, a political science teacher at Oregon State University.

"How many voters return their ballots may be a more important question than it might appear," he says.

The GOP contender who eventually wins the nomination could face a tough fight against President Clinton, who is unopposed on the Oregon Democratic primary ballot.

"Things could change by November, but right now not any of the Republicans would stand a chance against Clinton in Oregon," says Portland pollster Tim Hibbitts.

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Rate

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If 55 percent of students are graduating that means that 45 percent are choosing not to graduate from Keene State.

Some of the students will just drop out.

Some of the students will fail out and others yet will stop out Hickey said. Stopping out means taking some time off, in order to come back at a later date. Hickey said much of the time the reason is personal or financial for those who stop out.

The most recent study made available by the Department Institutional Research at the college says of those freshman who entered the school in 1994, almost 29 percent did not return in 1995.

A more comprehensive study made public in the spring of 1994 polled 107 of the 194 students who chose not to return. Half of those polled were unhappy with the social life on campus. Males and females both withdrew from college at about the same rate. Complaints ranged from lack of academic advising, to lack of financial aid. Whatever the reason some people who start college here are not destined to finish.

According to the most recent figures made available from the office of student affairs 19 percent of all students admitted to the

University System of New Hampshire, which includes Plymouth State College, Keene State College, the University of New Hampshire-Durham, UNH Manchester and the College for Lifelong Learning, in 1991 did not make it to graduation. The same figures for Keene State were slightly higher at 27.2 percent. An increase of 0.2 of one percent between 1991 and 1992. As of press time further statistics were not available.

This semester four of the students elected as Freshman class officers in Student Government or Assembly did not return to their offices after winter break.

Two of those students have chosen not to attend college. One of the former officers was reached at her home earlier this week. Former Freshman Class Representative Jennifer Oliver did not achieve the required 2.0 grade point average, and therefore was expelled from the Student Assembly. Her academic performance landed her on academic suspension, and she has since chosen to drop out of school for personal reasons, joining the 45 percent of students who statistically never see Helen's Troy.

"I had a lot of absences, and that took a lot of points off my grades, because I partied too much," Oliver said.

"Last semester I thought the classes were really easy and I just

didn't go, at all, to any of my classes," Oliver said. "This semester I went back and I only had two classes that were very easy and I couldn't do it because I was really depressed," Oliver said.

Chairperson of the Student Assembly Aaron Kay Sales said,

"I think what's happened is you've got freshman, who just like any other class, don't know how to budget their time," Sales said. "They didn't know how to budget their time, too many extracurricular activities, quite seriously maybe a little too much partying," she said. "I think it's a trend that is very representative of the freshman now."

Student Body President Rob Ferragina sees the trend toward overextending as the cause for these cases. "We have two types of freshman who fit this category. One type that doesn't take life seriously and parties a lot and drops out" Ferragina said. "Then you have another group of freshman who see all the opportunities they can take, and just don't realize how to handle that, and just take on too many things, and that's a problem," he said. "You get to a point where you are overwhelmed, because you either party too much or get involved too much. I think in general people need to find, whether they are freshman or seniors, a balance or middle ground between having fun and studying," said Ferragina.

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Searches

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Authorities were originally alerted to the situation when the Keene Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in the students' Owl's Nest 8 room.

According to court documents, KFD Lt. Collier was searching the room for the fire, when he smelled an "odd odor," and noticed a "haze of smoke." According to court papers, Collier also noticed a pipe, and that the smoke detector had been covered with cloth.

Following Collier, Residence Directors James Rowell and Kim Schmilde Gagne, Resident Assistants Scott Vallee and Kristen Guilmette, and Campus Safety

Officer Chris Theroux arrived on the scene.

According to lab reports, inadmissible evidence found included: one plastic bag containing 3.7 ounces of marijuana; one plastic bag containing 0.55 ounces of marijuana; 16 plastic bags, each containing marijuana, with a total weight of 1.95 ounces; 1 plastic bag containing 4.19 grams of marijuana, and 10 tablets of Ritalin.


Keene State residence hall policy, as taken from the room contract, states, "No residence hall room or personal property shall be searched in the course of an investigation without authorization from the Vice President of Student Affairs. The object or information sought and the location to be searched should be a matter of

record and, if possible, the student informed and invited to be present."

While the police did obtain consent to search, first from Mauldin, and later by Sandquist when he arrived at the room, Mauldin's ability to provide consent at that time was questioned in court. Mangones' ruling cited testimony that Mauldin was not able to give consent, because Mauldin had been smoking pot, according to court papers.

Sandquist could not be reached, and Mauldin refused comment. Neither is currently attending Keene State, although the possibility of returning to the college in the future may exist for both men.

• Keith Moriarty contributed to this article



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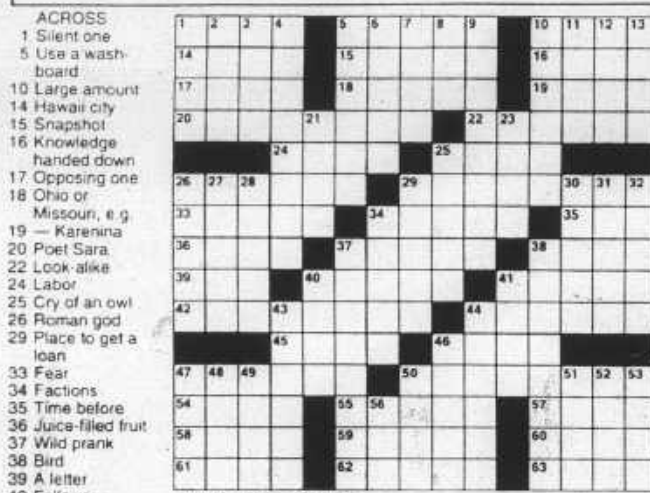
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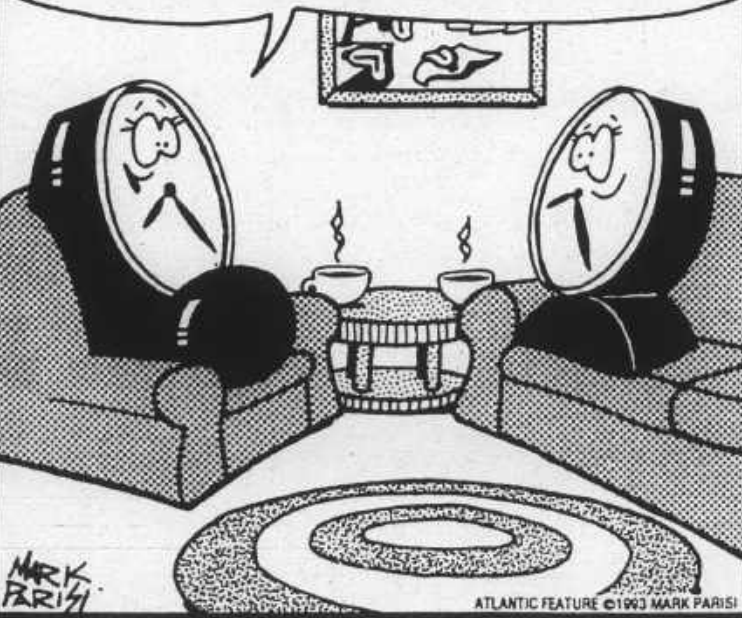
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ANSWERS



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by Mark Parisi

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X's and O's

Who is the Best Team in the NBA? Penny and Shaq, or Jordan and Pippen?

Chris Rattey

Michael, Scottie and Dennis ... Enough Said

Riddle: what do you get when you combine Michael Jordan, Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman?

Answer: the best NBA basketball team in the world. If you solved this puzzle with ease, let's move on to a more difficult problem: what is two plus two?

The Chicago Bulls own the most phenomenal record in the NBA, at 49-6. Between Chicago's three stars, they have more championship rings than Regal Jewelers. If you don't think this team is one of the greatest ever assembled, I have one word for you. THERAPY.

There may be a pompous fool trying to muster an argument that the Orlando Magic is a better team. Anyone who believes this fairy-tale, is also likely to be an avid fan of the "Psychic Friends Network." I know Mahoney, the toll calls worked for you.

Is that where you get these absurd notions, Jim? Are you on a first name basis with Dionne Warwick?

There is no need to elaborate on Jordan, Pippen and Rodman. If you have any discrepancies about their age, stamina or quality, just peek at the statistics.

These guys pour in the points, accumulate the assists, rake in the rebounds and mount up the minutes. There is no better three-way combination in the league.

Nobody has to tell me Orlando is undefeated at home, Chicago has the same stat. Yet, the Magic are a sloppy 12-15 on the road. The Bulls are a very impressive 24-6 away from the Windy City. These numbers simply do not compare.

Will it really be different during playoff time?

The Bulls most likely will have home-court advantage throughout the post-season.

Orlando will need to beat the Bulls in Chicago at least one game.

But both teams are flawless on their own parquet. Who would win?

To refer to the scale of probability, only three visits to Orlando equals three wins. To simplify this for James, that is just one win shy of complete victory.

Yet, I know, anything can happen! This is the playoffs! These well-seasoned, ex-

perienced Chicago Bulls could falter very easily.

Really? Tell me Jim, do you ever get dizzy when your head is floating about the clouds?

But the Magic have Shaquille O'Neil! When the two teams eventually meet in the playoffs, and O'Neil starts to get out of hand, the solution is simple.

Put in back-up, center Bill "Beef" Wennington. Let the goon hack the skin off Shaq's arms. Then we can see O'Neil lay more bricks from the line than a masonry worker.

We saw this strategy rattle the big man in last year's championship. And his foul shooting has not shown any signs of vast improvement.

Anfernee Hardaway is the best point-guard in the NBA. Penny is the man that will carry the torch in lieu of Jordan's next retirement. However, I don't believe Michael is ready to pass it on just yet.

In case you want more proof of the Bulls dominance, how about looking at the spanking they handed the Magic this past weekend. I know it's not the playoffs, but don't let Jim fool you. This makes a difference.

"Put Shaq at the line, so he can lay more bricks than a masonry worker."

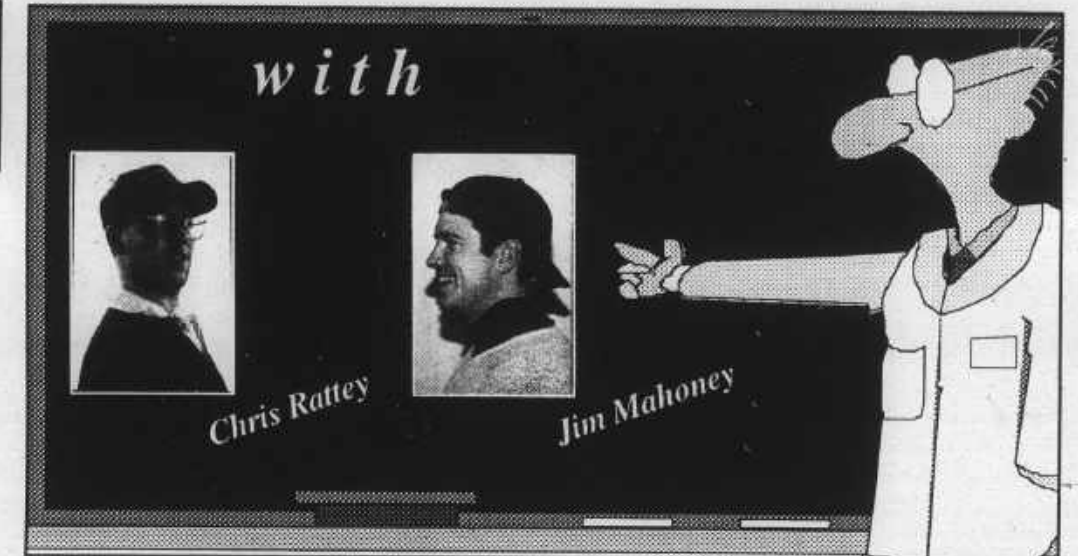
On Sunday's match, Jordan and Pippen combined for 13-37 from the floor. For their level of play, this was a poor performance.

Shaq-fu and Penny combined for 57 points, a strong contribution to the team's total of 91.

Gee, I wonder what will happen if Jordan and Pippen toss in forty points a piece, which has happened on more than one occasion.

There is no doubt these are the two top teams in the NBA. Yet, to say the Bulls are not the best, absolutely boggles my mind.

Mahoney, these psychics are brain-washing you. Where's the sanity?!



Jim Mahoney

Orlando Spreading Their Magic Around League

Hey Rattey, did the red bandwagon with the mad bull on the side drive right up to your door, or did you have to run a couple of blocks to flag it down?

Alright, Chicago has had a great season. They are a great team. But for all the Jordan for President! followers, who seem to think that they've already won a championship, please relax.

To tell you the truth, I don't even think the Chicago Bulls will be in the championship.

The Eastern Conference representative for the second year in a row, will be the Orlando Magic.

I know a lot of the die-hard Bulls fans, who are as generic as Dallas Cowboy fans and don't even know what causes an illegal defense call, are not too happy with this concept. But it will happen.

"To tell you the truth, I don't even think the Chicago Bulls will be in the championship."

And Rattey, I do hope I'm there when that bandwagon hits a pot hole, and breaks an axle. Not to catch you as you come flailing headfirst towards the cement.

But to laugh at you, and kick dirt in your eyes like a true friend would.

Oh, I'm sorry. I forgot the Bulls just beat the Magic by 20 this past Sunday, putting them up 2-1 on the season series.

I guess the Bulls are the best team! Give me a break.

The Celtics beat the Rockets this year. Does that mean they are better than the reigning world champions? I doubt it.

Fact is, that these teams will rematch on April 7th ... who cares, and then in the conference championship.

Although tons of people like to think the team with the best record at the end of the year will waltz through everyone in the playoffs, ask the boy genius to my left.

The regular season in the NBA, and the NHC for that matter, means as much as the diet soda you may order with your

two double cheeseburgers and large fry.

Why do I say this? Because 16 of the 29 teams make the play-offs!

Will the Celtics make it next year? I don't know.

Flip a coin. But their chances are better than 50/50.

Enough about destroying the simple mind thought of people who don't know how long the shot clock runs for. Let's look at the match-ups.

Point Guard. Anfernee Hardaway, enough said. Not only is he much better than Ron Harper, and Steve Kerr combined, he is simply the best in the NBA, and he can do anything.

Shooting Guard. Although Dennis Scott is a much better deep threat, I would sound like a 3-year-old if I even attempted a comparison to the greatest basketball player ever, Michael Jordan.

Small Forward. Scottie Pippen is one of the league's greats, but watch out for Nick Anderson, he's a big play guy. Bulls edge isn't as large as it first looks here.

Power Forward. D. Rodman gets boards and plays great D. Horace Grant gets boards, plays great D, and can score. Advantage Magic.

Center. The two headed monster is sturdy. But you can't take them over the Shaq-daddy.

He not only is better than the monster at everything on this planet, other than foul shooting, but his odds are much better.

Bench. A bench is a bench, and neither of them look like the next dream team. They both get the job done.

As I've said, the Bulls are a great team. The bottom line is that the Magic are on a mission after last year, and they know they don't need to compile the best record ever to accomplish it.

As far as Rattey the Rocket scientist goes, he still doesn't understand how the Cleveland Indians lost the world series, or the Detroit Redwings dropped the Stanley Cup.

Why is he still baffled? Because they both were stacked and held the best record in their leagues.

After all, 2+2=4, right?

Funding

Marquis Sports at KSC : Budget Won't Allow It

Chris Rattey
Sports Editor

For college football fans, Saturdays in autumn are as sacred as the rose is to Pasadena.

The NCAA has provided the fan with rich football tradition, dating back decades.

Harvard versus Yale. Army against Navy. Keene State College and ... Many Keene State sports fans pray a football rivalry will someday appear.

Neighboring colleges and universities of the same size are blessed with larger programs such as football and ice hockey. However, this college does not fall into this category.

Keene State's version of a tailgate party is a broken cushion, a bag of chips, and a remote control within grasping distance.

John Ratliff, athletics director at Keene State, said the lack of some major sports stems from funding availability.

"The college itself provides 33 percent of the athletic program's budget," said Ratliff, "whereas Plymouth State's programs receive 70 percent from the college."

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•John Ratliff
Keene State Athletics
Director

He said the budget now stands at approximately \$750,000 per year, with 67 percent of the funds collected from student fees, ranging near \$500,000.

"The students currently pay

\$136.30 per year in students fees. We are not looking to increase the amount of these fees for additional programs," said Ratliff.

He also said the athletic department is searching for external dollars, but it is difficult at the Division II level to obtain valuable sponsors, like Boston College or UMass-Amherst would.

"There should be a football team. Keene State needs school spirit and pride," said Ryan Plourde, Keene State student. "Football is just a great rallying point."

To afford a football team, the cost would run up to \$150,000 per year, said Ratliff.

For a hockey team, access to an ice arena is an obvious essential. Cheshire Ice Arena charges \$105 per hour, accumulating \$1,500 a week, bringing the total to approximately \$22,000 for the season. This is just for the hockey rink.

These two sports included would far exceed the already

minuscule Keene State athletic budget.

"Even the basketball teams are running on a very minimal budget," said Ratliff. "They receive \$23,000 per season for operational expenses, including everything but salaries. We also need to bring sports like swimming, field hockey and cross-country up to respectable funding levels. Any success teams have had is a real tribute to these athletes and coaches with the amount of limited resources available."

The move to Division III has also hindered the accessibility of funds.

Keene State lost the use of \$300,000 in athletic scholarship money due to the drop. This money is now being used for other student financial aid resources, said Ratliff.

However, with the move to the Little East Conference in Division III, Keene State should be near the top of the league in budget expedience.

This is far from the truth.

Ratliff said Keene State currently has the fifth largest budget in the Little East, out of 8 institutions. If schools with football teams excluded that sport's budget, Keene State would only improve to fourth.

The accomplishments attained by any athletic team have come from pure love for the game. In the move to Division III, the programs need to persevere with whatever budget is allotted.

As Ratliff said, there are many extra-curricular activities at Keene State, but athletics is the one that receives the most coverage.

"College is like a house," he said, "sports is not the foundation of what an institution is run on. But it does make a nice front porch."

With a budget equal to other schools the same size, who knows how far Keene State athletics could venture. But for now, the college football appetite will have to be fed by the gentle press of a remote control.

Baseball

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Sylvester and Barry will be joined by sophomore outfielder Tim Dodge, junior outfielder Brain Hamilton and senior catcher James McTeague.

The Owls are excited and ready for the challenge to finish the season over the .500 mark for the first time since 1987, and also to make it to post-season play. But it all starts with the first 12 games.

"This is pretty much the biggest part of the season, but we have a pretty good mix with four seniors and good recruits. But we (seniors) have to step up big because it's our last year and we want to make the playoffs," said Power about the trip to Florida.

The Owls are not projecting anything, and will take the season one game at a time.

"We've put a lot of pressure on ourselves in the past because of high expectations not met," said head coach Ken Howe, now in his 10th year.

After the 12 games in Florida, the Owls will return home and begin their quest for the post-season on March 30, when they play their first NECC game against Sacred Heart University.

The University of Connecticut won the championship with 102 points.

points. Boston College and UConn tied for second with 103 points.

In the men's events at Boston University, the Owls were led by Jeff Sullivan, Matt Kocyba and Mike Miller.

Kocyba finished 14th in the mile with a time of 4:14.45 while Miller placed third in his heat in the 500 with a personal best time of 1:10.38.

Chris Pagliuco joined Sullivan, Kocyba and Miller to finish 11th in the distance medley relay with a time of 10:32.87 to highlight Friday nights action.

Sullivan, as he has all season, led the way for the Owls on Saturday. Sullivan warmed up for his appearance at the Nationals on March 8 and 9 by placing sixth in the 3,000 meter event with a personal best time of 8:24.54.

In other results David Keene placed 7th in the 1,000 (2:32.75), while Kocyba, Keene, Bengston and Pagliuco set a school record in the 4x800 relay with a time of 8:04.24.

The University of Connecticut won the championship with 102 points.

David Haley
The Equinox

The Keene State College men's and women's track teams found their Division I counterparts a little too much to handle at the New England championships this weekend. The men finished 24th out of 26 teams while the women were scoreless.

One highlight of the weekend saw the women break school records in the 4x800 and distance medley relay at the events held at Bowdoin College.

Chelmsford, Mass. natives Karen Barbera and Colleen Wharton teamed with Chandra Beach and Becky Nutcher combined for a mark of 10:24:24 (13th place) in the 4x800 relay.

Amy Arters then joined Wharton, Beach and Nutcher to set a new Keene State record in the distance medley relay.

Their time of 13:09:50 placed the Owls 11th overall, according to Stuart Kaufman, sports information director.

Northeastern won the women's team title with 139



INDOOR TRACK TEAMS A SILENT SHINING SPOT FOR KEENE STATE: The men's and women's indoor track teams are having stellar seasons in the NECC.

News From the NHL - The "Great One", Wayne Gretzky, has been traded from the Los Angeles Kings to the St. Louis Blues. Gretzky was unable to win a championship in the glitter city, which would have brought his total to five Stanley Cups.

Lacrosse

Upcoming Laxs Season Promises to be Competitive

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

For over 10 years Keene State College has had one of the most highly regarded club sports in the region.

The lacrosse club has built up its reputation as a competitive team, even though it receives no funding from the athletic department.

The lacrosse club is a member of Keene State Recreation Sports. It currently has 17 members but is always looking for more players. Head coach Jim Draper would love to see as many as 30 on the field to make the team more complete.

Last season was characterized as a growing period for the club as they went 5-6. However, this record does not reflect the abilities of the team.

Two of the losses were in overtime and one was in a double overtime thriller, meaning that the club could have easily had a winning season.

Being a club sport has been very tough for the team. The club plays against many division III colleges that can give funding to their team, such as St. Anselm, Castleton State, and Salem State College.

Eventually Draper would like to see the lacrosse club to become a part of the Keene State varsity athletics program.

"It will happen soon" said Draper. "Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports. In New Hampshire, many high schools are adding lacrosse to their varsity sports. It is just natural progression that it will be added here as well."

The outlook for this season is very good. There is a good mix of youth and veterans on the team this year.

Currently there are six freshmen and five seniors on the roster. "The mix of new and young players with the veterans is one of the biggest advantages of the team this year" said Draper. "The key to the season will be how the younger players and veterans

come together".

There are several players that will make a big impact for the team.

Co-captain CJ Knudsen is a senior defenseman that will lead the strong defense on the field. Co-captain Mike LaFleur and senior Chris Molnar will control the offense and be the scoring threats for the team.

Freshmen Bob Bonnes and Adam Smardin are two surprises for the team. Big things are expected from both of them as the season progresses.

The club is hoping this will be the year that they jump into the spotlight and become more recognized on campus.

"This should be one of our best seasons ever," said Knudsen. "We just want to play and have fun."

The Keene State lacrosse club starts its season on March 20 against St. Anselm College. The game will be played in Owls Stadium at 5 o'clock.



LAX IS BACK - Lacrosse club working out at Owl Stadium.

Equinox/JACOB MICAL

Bruins

Boston Heads Home After Long Road Trip

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

Only 23 games remain in the Bruins 1995-96 campaign and they are currently not in the playoff picture.

Early in the season the expectations were high. At mid season the Bruins organization was just hoping for an average year. Now they are looking to barely jump into a playoff position.

But in order to do this Boston must show that they can defeat the tough teams.

During the next three weeks the Bruins face the New York Rangers twice, Philadelphia, Florida and Pittsburgh. These are four of the top five teams in the Eastern Conference and if Boston wants a chance they need to defeat these teams.

During the last 11 days, Boston has made an attempt to better its chances. They have played seven road games and look impressive.

Several players had outstanding performances on the trip. Eighteen year-old Kyle McLaren played exceptional defensive

hockey. In the latter parts of the journey out west, the rookie received a larger ovation than perennial all star Ray Bourque.

Another defenseman also brought his game up to the next level. Don Sweeney has been hampered by a shoulder injury for most of the season. However, in the last several games he looked like his old self, plastering people into the boards and using his quick hands to poke the puck out of the zone.

Bill Ranford is slowly inching his way up the list of leading goaltenders. His 4-1-0 record, 1.69 goals against average, and a 930 save percentage on the road trip are all star quality numbers. Unfortunately for the Bruins he is about to undergo a bone scan on his right ankle to determine if there is any damage.

This trip also brought out some bad things that Boston is doing. The statistic that sticks out most clearly is blown leads.

The Bruins led by two goals against the Kings entering the third period and ended up with a tie. Against the Oilers, Boston was up 5-1, and then after one minute the score was 5-3. The Bruins held on to win, but the quick change in score has got some people in the organization worried.

Another problem has been the absence of right wing Cam Neely. His injured hip has left the Bruins looking for that extra scoring punch that Neely can give the team.

On Saturday, Neely was missed as the Bruins could only put two goals on the scoreboard against a weakened defense in Calgary. But two was enough as

Boston took a 2-1 victory. The teams went against this year's NHL theme of high scoring. Playing in a very defensive orientated mode, Boston finally broke the scoreless tie midway through the first period. Rick Tocchet netted his 18th goal of the season, taking a pass from Joe Mullen to place the Bruins up 1-0.

Early in the second period the Flames tied the game when Jaime Huscroft scored his third goal of the season with a wrist shot that flew by Ranford.

Then a battle for puck control rampaged, as the teams settled back and dominated their own zones.

The zone coverage style continued into the third period until Tim Sweeney scooted the puck by the defense and into the net.

The Bruins kept a tight defense the remainder of the game for a 2-1 victory.

Ranford played very well, making 21 saves for a .954 save percentage.

The Bruins (26-25-8) return to the ice tonight at Madison Square Garden to face the Rangers.



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SPORTS

Keene State College Athletics



Softball

Keene State Lady Owls Shooting for Spectacular Season

Paul Silverfarb
The Equinox

In the New England Collegiate Conference's pre-season poll, the Keene State College softball team is expected to finish in fourth place, an improvement from last year's disappointing fifth overall.

Pitching is the reason for the jump in the standings, something Keene State could not produce enough of last year.

Over the summer, Keene State got three quality pitchers, due to an excellent recruiting job by head coach Charlie Beach and his staff.

Carrah Fisk and Kara Suhie will be the Lady Owls' first ever southpaw pitchers. Fellow freshman, Lindsay Blood, has the finesse to mystify batters. These Lady Owls will enjoy Katie Mickola and Melissa Camire, who will share the duty behind the plate.

The designated hitter/first

base role is filled by power hitter Jessica McCourt. McCourt hit four home runs and had 37 RBIs with a .495 average last season.

For extra security, Lisa Michetti will handle first base when McCourt is the designated hitter.

Brenda Sepanek will hold the helm at second base, and Stephanie Casey will be her shortstop companion.

Sepanek is an excellent defensive player, making next to no errors last season.

Casey hit .300 as a freshman and was outstanding in the field. Other teams may have a hard time getting past these two outstanding players.

With the absence of Deb Opalski, who graduated last year, Keene State will be looking for freshman Melissa McMullan to take control of the third base spot.

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KEENE STATE CAPTAIN SQUAD - The captains for this year's softball team are (l-r), Katie Mickola, Beth Comer, Brenda Sepanek and Anne Kelleher. The Lady Owls are trying to combine the right ingredients for a winning season, using both young, and experienced talent.

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Baseball

Hardballers Ready for Florida

Mike Defina
The Equinox

For most students spring break is a time to get away from school as well as the work that comes with it.

For the Keene State College baseball team, it will be a chance to get away from school, but not from the work, as they gear up to kick off the season in Cocoa, Florida, playing a grueling schedule of 12 games in seven days.

The Owls are ready to bounce back from a 14-28 overall season and a sixth place finish in the NECC (6-15).

With seven starters returning, and the leadership of the veteran players, a .500 or above season is definitely within reach.

The Owls will have an advantage on the mound with seven pitchers returning.

They are led by senior Shawn Barry, who led the Owls with 56 strikeouts and a 3.38 ERA, compiling a deceiving 2-5 record.

"This is pretty much the biggest part of the season, but we have a pretty good mix with four seniors and good recruits. But we (seniors) have to step up big because it's our last year and we want to make the playoffs."

*•Scott Power
KSC Tri-captain*

He will be followed by senior tri-captain Scott Power, who had a 3-3 record and a 4.47 ERA, and

junior Guy Harrington, who finished up last year with a 4-5 record and an ERA of 4.34.

These three veterans will help guide freshman pitchers Matt McKeown and Greg Brown, as they adjust to the college game.

The Owls will also be strong in the field, as the veterans will once again have a major role in the success of the team.

They will be led by senior tri-captain Geoff Sylvester, who is solid at shortstop.

At the plate Sylvester is also a treat, as he hit .302 last season leading the Owls with 42 hits, including two dingers and 24 RBIs.

Another offensive power will be Barry, who will be patrolling the outfield when he is not pitching. Barry had a team high .363 average, while racking up 37 hits.

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OWLS TAKING THEIR HACKS - The baseball team is gearing up for the warm weather in Florida, as they will scrimmage 12 games in seven days.

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Bomb Scare at Library

Keith Moriarty
The Equinox

The Mason Library received a bomb threat via electronic mail last Wednesday morning, according to college officials.

Retha Lindsey-Fielding, director of college relations, said she believes the threat was sent sometime Monday.

She also said she does not think the message was sent by a student.

After the library received the e-mailed threat, staff members notified the department of Campus Safety, which in turn notified the Keene Police and Fire Department, said David Pinto, director of the library.

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OPENING NIGHT - Jefferey Adamsky (l) and Lindy Ackman practice a scene from "Learned Ladies" which opens tonight. See page 21.

Communications Major Added for Next Year

Hilary Olson
The Equinox

A combination of several disciplines, along with years of planning, have given birth to a new major: communications, which has been approved for the fall 1996 semester.

Michael Haines, dean of arts

and humanities, said student interest and popularity is what necessitated the major.

"Speech and other areas were getting students who were doing individualized majors," he said. "We know that (communications) is a program that is a pretty big draw at other campuses."

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Dope Charges Dropped Against Former Students

Judges Decision Attracts National Press

Joel Kastner
News Editor

Everyone has their 15 minutes of fame.

For two former Keene State College students arrested on drug charges and later released from those charges, their 15 minutes might have come under better circumstances.

Although Derek T. Mauldin and Mark K. Sandquist, both 21, must have breathed a collective sigh of relief when the vast majority of drug related charges against the former Keene State roommates were dropped on Feb. 28, it is difficult to ponder how they must feel now that the case has received national attention.

At least one nationally broadcast television show, the "Tonight Show with Jay Leno" on NBC, poked fun at the manner in which charges were rescinded.

Mauldin, reached at his home in Maine, says he was somewhat shocked by all the attention the case has drawn.

"I was sort of surprised that it made it as far as it did," Mauldin said, adding that he is glad that it is over with.

Regarding the fact that the case had been the brunt of a Leno sketch, Mauldin says he wasn't terribly upset about the situation, but he also "finds it hard to see the humor in it."

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Violent Femmes Coming to KSC

SAC Books Concert, Carnival and Comedians for Spring Weekend

Jonathan E. Cooper
Executive Editor

Have you ever wanted to watch your friend get cut in half with a chainsaw?

How about using that friend as a bowling ball... And for an encore, you watch as a, get this, "professional regurgitator" swallows a raw egg, only to spit up a

hardboiled one!

Fear not, Spring Weekend '96 is right around the corner, and along with that the Social Activities Council has prepared an array of entertainment.

"The Regurgitator" Stevie Starr and "The Psychic Madman" Jim Carol return to Keene State College on Thursday, April 18 to kick off the weekend's festivities.

Carol, who hosted Keene State's Casino Night on Parent/Family/Alumni Weekend, describes his show as a combination of ESP, comedy and "wacky magic." Carol didn't want to give away too much of his show but did say Keene State students should expect a "wild time."

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One on One...

Anne Miller, associate dean for student affairs and residential life, discusses the responsibilities that accompany her new job title, as well as her plans for the future of residential life.
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