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Keene State College Athletics



Softball Settles for a Split Over Weekend Series



A WALK IN THE PARK - Freshman Carrah Fisk, pitcher for the Lady Owls, takes her swings at bat. She helped the team both at the plate and on the mound, going 3 for 6 at the plate and picking up the win in Friday's home opener against Assumption College.

Equinox/ANGELO PUGLISI

Mike Defina The Equinox

The atmosphere was like no other, and it only happens once a year.

The weather was warm in the sun, but chilled dramatically as the afternoon gave way to evening. The familiar sound of a bat connecting with a ball was clear in your ear, and you could smell the slow greening of the sawd in the outfield.

Yes, spring is here, and so is softball season.

The Keene State College softball team kicked off their regular season on Friday, playing a double-header against 0-6 Assumption College. The Owls managed a split of the games, winning the first game 6-3 and losing the second 5-2.

In the first game, Assumption broke out quickly in the top of the first, by capitalizing on an error made by sophomore shortstop Stephanie Casey, putting runners on first and third.

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Keene Native Powering Keene State Family Influence Keeps Her at Home

Mike Defina The Equinox

When Carrah Fisk was a junior at Keene High School, her aspirations were not to attend Keene State College, but to get as far away from the town that she grew up in. She was being recruited for softball by the University of Maine, Rivier College, Tufts University, and St. Anselm College for soccer.

However, people can change their minds, and that's exactly what she did during her senior year of high school.

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Baseball

Owls Remain at the Top of Their Game

Dave Haley The Equinox

If the members of the Keene State College baseball team seem a bit anxious and fidgety, you'll have to excuse them.

Facing one of the most important stretches of the season this week, the Owls cannot wait to get back on the field and play again.

Winning will do that to you.

Following a heartbreaking 4-3 loss at Springfield the Owls reeled off four wins this weekend to improve to 12-5 and 2-0 in conference.

"After the (Springfield) loss we could have said 'Here we go again' but we put a nail in it and decided not to let it happen again," said tri-captain Martin

Testo. The weekend began Saturday with a sweep of conference rival Sacred Heart. The Owls fed off the hot bat of Geoff Sylvester and the solid pitching of Guy Harrington and Scott Ely to move to 2-0 in conference.

"This is a very close knit team, the closest I've been on. That can only help us to reach our goals."

• Shawn Barry
KSC Baseball P/O

After cruising to a 9-3 win in the opener behind Harrington's arm and the hitting of freshmen Ryan Lawrence, who homered, the Owls held off several Sacred

Heart rallies to earn the 4-3 win and the series sweep.

"In years past we wouldn't have won the second game, but this team is different," noted senior Shawn Barry. "We learned how to win in Florida."

Sylvester collected six hits over the weekend including a solo home run in the opening game.

"The ball looked like a beach ball up there," said the senior tri-captain. Sylvester's weekend moved him 13 hits away from the Keene State's career hit record.

The sweep of Fitchburgh State on Sunday was highlighted by the complete game shutout by Testo in the opener, an 8-0 win.

"I was able to get ahead of the hitters early. That was the key to my effectiveness," noted Testo.



Equinox/ANGELO PUGLISI
KSC Baseball Pitcher from Troy N.Y. Martin Testo.

Scott Power supplied the offense with a home run to help seal the win.

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Parking Problem Continues

Keith Moriarty The Equinox

"Parking has always been a problem," reads the caption to a photograph hanging in the Keene State College parking office.

The picture depicts an overcrowded street with more vehicles than spaces. Most Keene State students are aware of the similar parking problem on campus, the solution, however, remains somewhat elusive to college officials.

Vernon Baisden, director of campus safety, said the biggest parking problem on campus is that demand is greater than supply.

A simple solution leaps to some students' minds: more parking.

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FINE TIME - TICKETER Scott Wifholm tags an illegally parked car.

Death Could Be Alcohol Related

DURHAM, N.H. (AP) - Authorities were investigating what appeared to be an alcohol-related death at the University of New Hampshire.

Police said there didn't appear to be any foul play in the death of freshman Michael Stringer, 19, of Hillboro. The body was found Friday morning on a couch in Tudor Hall, an off-campus apartment complex.

Authorities said he didn't live in the building but apparently went there to visit friends and fell asleep on a couch Thursday night.

He apparently consumed a large amount of alcohol. An autopsy was to be performed Saturday.

Early Preregistration No More

Keene State Athletes to Register With Their Classmates

Hilary Olson The Equinox

That student athletes no longer have priority for course preregistration may be good news to some students, but for many of the athletes the change affects, the news is not as pleasant.

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John Ratliff, Keene State College athletics director, said the reason this change was made was because some seniors were not able to get the classes they needed in order to graduate.

In the past, athletes registered after the Aspire group and disabled students, with the first group of seniors, Ratliff said.

In the new system, athletes register with the first group in their respective classes. A sophomore



Boucher

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• Keith Boucher
Women's Basketball Coach

"I think there would have been a change regardless of whether we had gone from Division II to Division III."

• John Ratliff
Athletics Director



Ratliff

registers with sophomores - they are just allowed to register with the first group, he said.

In addition, said Ratliff, athletes are only allowed to have priority registration during the season their sport is played. For

the fall registration, students who did not play fall sports were not given priority registration.

In the past, athletes went with the first registering group, regardless of the season, he said. Charlie Owusu, a junior major-

ing in psychology, is a member of the soccer team. Owusu, who's upset about the change, said it will be difficult to schedule his classes around team practices.

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“One on One...” with Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Robert Golden



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• Vice-President
for Academic Affairs,
Robert Golden

**Anthony Vogl
The Equinox**

Editor's note: Robert Golden graduated from University of Michigan with a Bachelors in History. He obtained a Ph.D. in English and American History at the University of Rochester in 1972. He spent 17 years at the Rochester Institute of Technology and the college of Liberal Arts where he served as department chair, associate dean and other responsibilities.

What does your position at Keene State entail?

I am the vice president for academic affairs and have responsibility for promotion and tenure decisions along with the president and faculty. I also work in terms of hiring tenure faculty. I have responsibility for budgets in academic affairs and I work with faculty and others in areas like curriculum, making sure that courses are available.

Some students are finding it difficult to graduate in four years. What can you do about this problem?

We are looking at the whole issue, along with people at student affairs about whether students are able to get the courses in to graduate on time. In cases where it takes students longer than four years to graduate, we are trying to figure out why. Is it because they could not get the course they needed or is it because they changed majors and have many more requirements in their new major? Is it because they decided to take a year or a semester off for some reason? Is it because some of them don't want to take a load of 15 credits a semester and prefer to stretch their education out? What we are trying to do is figure out what the pieces of this puzzle

are that we can work on improving and those that we can work on we will.

What are the goals of the task force?

The goal of the task force is to look at 'What are the kinds of skills and competencies that college graduates are going to need in the next century,' and focusing on those goals; what kind of general education program do we need to offer here at Keene State College to ensure that students obtain those goals?

That is the focus of the General Education task force.

What can you do about students who are not able to get the classes necessary for their major?

One of the things we try to do with students who are not able to get the courses required for their major is we add additional sections to some majors. We have the names of students and we are asking them to work directly with their academic advisers or with the Dean's offices on getting those courses.

We make adjustments as we go along. We are doing some of that now.

What are the additional sections?

We will be adding some more courses in psychology. That is one area where I know we are adding and there is some discussion about other areas.

Psychology seems to be one area where we were particularly affected by having fewer sections than we needed.

There were also some problems with some education courses and we are making adjustments there as well.

What is your opinion on a shift towards a curriculum based on competency rather than grades?

I think we need to look more carefully at outcomes, but I am not sure we are prepared to abandon grades and courses at this time or maybe at any time in the future.



Photography Editor/JESSE STENBAK

WORKING ON IT - Among the issues Dr. Robert Golden is addressing as vice president of Academic Affairs is the fact that a number of Keene State students are finding it tough to graduate in the traditional four years. Golden has started a task force to reevaluate the general education requirements.

My sense is that we need to look at both outcomes and my belief is a grading system still has an incentive for students to perform and there is a lot of evidence to indicate that. I don't think we are at the point where we are going to abandon it.

How do your programs get started?

There is a whole curriculum process. It usually starts with groups of faculty.

The proposal then goes to a curriculum committee in the faculties division. It is also reviewed at that time by the dean and then goes to the senate curriculum

committee.

Once the senate curriculum committee has approved it, it goes to the senate and once they approve it goes to the president.

By the time the proposal becomes a reality around here, it has been reviewed by a lot of groups. Programs where, for example, we were going to establish a whole new major, those are also reviewed by the trustees so the trustees are looking at not just Keene State, but educational facilities throughout the state.

We look at: Is there a real need for the program? Can we afford to run the program?

What will you do to make sure that students can get out of Keene State in four years?

We are going to look more carefully at ways to ensure that students graduate on time.

It is important to realize that there are some programs here, like the music education program, where it is at 142 credit hours and that is really basically, a four and a half year program.

We are interested in making sure that students who are in good academic standing graduate as close to on-time as possible.

Candidates for Student Body President ...

• The candidates' answers have been edited for length and, in some cases, paraphrased.

John "Max" Piergallini

**Junior
Major: Management**

- Night Owl Cafe Student Coordinator
- National Assoc. for Campus Activities Upper New England Student Rep.
- Former SAC Exec. Board Member
- Former SAC General Member



Allison Pascucci

**Junior
Major: EL./Spec. Education & English**

- Student Government Secretary
- Junior & Sophomore Rep. to Student Government
- Former Member of SAC
- Student Center Information Desk Worker



Micah Minium

**Junior
Major: Economics & Bus. Management**

- Student Rep. - Gen. Ed. Task Force
- Student Rep. - National Trends Subcommittee
- Student Concerns Subcommittee
- ASP Subcommittee
- Student Rep. - Appeals Committee



What do you think about the fact that students cannot graduate in the traditional 4 years?

This is not just affecting KSC. In fact, this is becoming a national "norm." With opportunities like Greek Life, sports and other clubs and organizations, college life is not just experienced in the classroom. As a student in this situation, I do not find it a hindrance. I feel that it is not when you get out of college that matters (within reason), but what you get out of it that matters.

This is definitely an issue that poses a lot of problems for students. Financially, students may not be capable of handling more than the traditional four years. I am aware that this issue is being looked at, because a lot of the disciplines have so many requirements. I would like to see these programs more compacted perhaps, so students can get out in the expected four years.

As a member of the Gen. Ed. Task Force, I am currently involved in an attempt to address this as well as other problems.

I realize it is an issue and as one of the two student representatives on the task force, I am conveying these messages to the faculty and staff.

What about the fact that students are sometimes shut-out of classes they need because not enough sections are offered?

This is a problem that cannot be attacked by one person. Nor is it a problem that can be solved simply. Like just about every student on this campus, I have experienced this on a first-hand basis, and I realize the need for change. While I would be able to initiate measures toward change, if elected, I would require active, not passive, support of the campus in order for those actions to carry weight.

This is a big problem that I have heard a lot of students talking about. Students are trying to plan for graduation and certain classes are not being offered. I understand that during class registration, there is now a list of classes that students can refer to for classes that are being offered for the semester after next. This allows them to plan accordingly. However, we still need to look into this issue.

I believe that if a student has fulfilled their obligations as a student to the best of their ability, then the school has an obligation to provide the student with the means necessary to graduate on time. This would involve allowing students to substitute courses more readily in certain situations and being more lenient on the number of students in a class.

Do you think KSC should add on-campus parking, and do think the prices for tickets are too high?

On campus parking has been a problem for many years. Space constraints are the main cause of this problem. The idea of creating a parking garage in the area that is now C-lot has been run through the rumor mill a few times and it is an idea that probably needs to be brought up again. As for parking tickets, I do not feel that they are too expensive. They are efficiently expensive to reduce the occurrence of illegal parking on campus.

This issue has been addressed in one way or another, but I have not seen any repercussions. I believe that additional parking on campus would be advantageous, despite the money it would take for that to happen. The other issue is where would additional parking go? I'm not sure where the amount for parking tickets was derived from, but I think the parking office, the students and the college could come up with a more reasonable price that students can afford.

Obviously, the issue of parking is one of space. The only solution that I can see as beneficial is that of a parking garage on campus. This solution is obviously a long-term project, but would, in the end, provide enough room for those who wish to park on campus with enough space. As far as tickets are concerned, I feel that more judgement is called for when fines as high as \$15 represent the minimum.

Students have expressed the desire for cable in res. halls. Paragon Cable has offered to install cable for free and only charge those students who use it. The college is reluctant, saying it wants 100% of the student body to approve. What is your opinion on the issue?

I feel that the stipulation of 100% acceptance is not an attainable goal. You are not going to get 100% acceptance on anything - EVER. This issue needs to be addressed through residential life. As in Bushnell Apartments, residents who do not want to have, or cannot afford, cable do not have to have it.

If cable is installed free of charge, unless you actually watch it, and this is something students want, then I support that. If students do not want to watch it, they will not be charged for it, but will not have that option.

If the facts are that Paragon Cable will install outlets in every residence hall room free of charge to the school and the students, and that only students who want cable have to pay for it, then my opinion is that 100% of the student body would not have to be in agreement.

THE RUNNING MATES ...

Traci Butler

**Junior
Management**

- Resident Assistant - two years
- Member of Delta Nu Psi
- Executive Board of Delta Nu Psi
- Chemistry Supplemental Instructor



Greg Comier

**Freshman
Economics & Math**

- VP of Freshman Class
- Student Assembly Rep.
- Student Life Committee



Stephanie Norton

**Sophomore
Math, Secondary and Elementary Education**

- Tau Phi Xi public relations chair
- Student Government experience
- Future Teachers of America VP



Classes

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"I think it's fine if your registering for the season your not playing, but it's a hassle, we need to have it for the season we play because we have to schedule classes around our practice," Owusu said.

With the old system, freshmen and sophomores were registering before some seniors. Some seniors were then unable to get the classes they needed in order to graduate, Ratliff said.

Heather Christensen, a junior majoring in psychology, likes the new system for athlete registration.

"I think it's fair, because it was unfair before. Just because they were athletes they had all these extra privileges. I wasn't getting

the classes I needed, while students a lot younger than me were getting my classes. I'm a lot older and I need (classes) at this point where a freshmen has a lot of alternatives compared to a junior," she said.

Ratliff agrees that when freshmen were registering for classes seniors needed to graduate, there was a problem.

Part of the reason for the new system is the change from Division II to Division III in the Keene State Athletics Department.

"Athletes are not supposed to receive exceptional treatment, but really I think there would have been a change regardless of whether we had gone from Division II to Division III," Ratliff said.

Dace Stewart, a sophomore majoring in management and a soccer player, disagrees with the

change.

"I think it was wrong. It should have stayed how it was because we need a wider selection of classes, because we need select times... maybe just seniors should be in front of athletes," he said.

Keith Boucher, the women's basketball coach, also said upper classmen should get first choice. After that, said Boucher, anyone involved in campus life should be next.

"Anyone involved in any extra curricular activities above and beyond normal curriculum that puts Keene State in a better light, should be next in line, because they need courses in certain time slots," he said.

Apparently, the main concern of athletes and faculty is the restricted time allowed for athletics.

Ratliff said the only time the gym is made available for them is

2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. - five hours a day for practice. That may seem like enough time, but Ratliff said with three teams practicing each day, gym time amounts to less than two hours per team.

If an athlete has to miss practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays because he or she had to take a class during that time, it is going to make it difficult for them to prepare for an upcoming game, he said.

"In order to facilitate (their needs) we have to try to make it so they can make practice, can make competition," he said.

When comparing Keene State to other schools, Ratliff said Keene State is in the middle. Out of the seven schools he spoke with, three had some form of priority registration for athletes.

However, the mechanics of these institutions may be different than those at Keene State due to

the number of late classes. The schools with no priority registration may be done with classes at 3:00 p.m. or 4:00 p.m., enabling students to make practice times more easily.

Overall, Ratliff said there are three main reasons as to why athletes need some form of priority registration.

"One, to alleviate missed class time due to any contest. The second is to have them available for practice as often as they can be there to facilitate time to be competitive. The third is the scheduling of the facility, we have such a restricted use of time, with no flexibility," he said.

Still, with the new system it seems athletes are not as happy as non-athletes.

Ratliff said he'll just have to wait and see how the semester goes.

Editorial

New Era at Keene State: Problems Get Attention

Hats off to the Keene State College Athletics Department!

While many troublesome issues at Keene State seem to get the proverbial silent treatment for extended periods (if not forever), Athletics Director John Ratliff managed to straighten out the policy of priority course registration for student athletes in his brief tenure at the college.

A few short months ago, tempers were flaring. Students wanted to know why they were getting bumped from the classes they needed to graduate by athletes given trump cards to register for courses. Athletes, in all fairness, need early registration in order to get classes which allow them to have sufficient practice and game time. Non-athlete seniors, at the same time, need hard-

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to-get classes to graduate.

While competition may increase for such prime classes, the playing field has been all but leveled. Athletes will still receive first-in-their-class registration, which should allow them to get the classes they need, in most situations.

Gone are the days of athletes receiving early pre-registration in their off seasons, surely one of the most absurd lapses in judgment the college has seen.

Keith Boucher, the women's basketball coach summed up the situation most eloquently when he said, "Anyone involved in any extra curricular activities above and beyond normal curriculum that puts Keene State in a better light, should be the next in line, because they need courses in certain time slots."

Sadly, all our concerns do not receive such prompt and effective attention. Take the parking problem for instance. While it is abundantly clear to the entire campus community that the on-campus parking problem has reached grand proportions, it's not likely to change any time soon.

Obviously Keene State lacks the resources to build a multi-million dollar parking complex, but there must be other options.

While the Admissions Office continues to bring record numbers of new students to the campus, have we forgotten that many of these students are here to stay? And many of those who do stick around will have cars at some point.

This apparent contradiction seems obvious - if the college wants more students, it must provide them with the resources to stay.

Maybe the time has come for Keene State to purchase additional land for parking. How the college decides to face the music remains to be seen, but one way or another, it will have to face it at some point.

Departments at Keene State should follow the lead skillfully provided by the Athletics Department: if you see a problem, find a solution. By choosing to ignore pressing issues, the college can bank on its problems doing only one thing: escalating.

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Bonnie Powers



March May be Over, but Women's History Continues

March has come and gone, and with it Women's History Month, but the sentiments expressed in the celebrations of women will linger for a while. Forever, I hope.

There were 13 events last month which were directly related to Women's History Month, including a lecture on Russian Women Entrepreneurs, video presentations, the Women's Voices Banner contest, a faculty recital, The F-Word, Weaving Our Voices V, the Clothesline Project, and the Women's History Month Banquet.

I was able to attend a number of events, but the most important for me was the banquet. Over 200 people attended the banquet this year.

At the banquet, Dr. Stanley Yarosewicz presented the Outstanding Women of New Hampshire Awards, the winners of the banner contest were announced and Femme m'ame sang.

The most exciting part for me was the Featured Voices. This part of the evening consisted of six members of the Keene State College community reading poems and stories.

I was very lucky to be included in this portion of the evening with Cassandra

Wisell, Karen Friend, Maria Dintino, Catherine Humily, and Kirk Sanger.

Cassandra read a poem by Kate Rushin, a black, lesbian poet who came to Keene State a few years ago. Karen read a Nike ad. Catherine read a poem by Marge Percy. Maria read a story written by her sister, and Kirk and I read selection that we wrote. Here is what I read:

We Women of the World

We are women. We are Asian, native, black and white. We are lesbian, bisexual, and straight. We are blue collar, pink collar, and white collar. And we are more than all of that.

We are writers, teachers, physicists, politicians, entertainers, athletes, and artists. We are women. We are living, breathing, thinking, feeling human beings.

We have power and strength, courage and confidence and above all, we have choices. And whether we realize it or not, we are the foremothers of an upcoming generation and the product of our own foremothers.

We are the women who join the pioneers of the past with the women of

the future. We make her story happen.

Every woman who has earned a college degree has made it easier for other women to follow the same path.

Every woman who chooses not to have children, in our society which values women for their reproductive abilities, helps others to see that reproduction is a choice not an obligation.

Every woman who has created a work of art, written a book, poem or piece of music, opens those doors wider for the next generation of women to pass through.

And every lesbian and bisexual woman makes the world a less hostile, more friendly place for other lesbians and bisexual women.

We are women. We are energetic, determined, creative human beings. Together, with the women from the past and the women of the future we join hands to create a never ending spiral, spinning upward and onward to a higher goal.

We not only join hands, but voices. For we listen to the voices of the past and let their words mingle with ours to

form a stronger, more powerful voice with which we speak to the women of the next generation, who learn to develop their own voices.

We have choices and we will fight for our right to make choices. We will not be railed into roles we do not choose.

We will not be battered, abused and neglected while our abusers go free and unpunished. We will not be mindless bodies for commercial manipulation.

We will not allow ourselves to be victims of patriarchal rule. We will not be divided by race, religion, class, age or sexuality. We will not be back-ups, Eves, witches, wenches, princesses, or spinsters.

We are women. We are human beings and we deserve to be treated as such. We are women. And we are a force to be reckoned with.

Bonnie Powers is a math and English major at Keene State College with a minor in women's studies. Powers is a columnist for The Equinox.

Guest Commentary

As Interest in Biology Grows, so Does The Department

Ken Bergman
Biology Professor

In "What a Wonderful World," Sam Cooke sang "Don't know much Biology," hoping to charm a young woman.

Today those words might backfire, since the object of his attentions might well be one of the many undergraduates whose interests and ambitions have led them to study biology.

At Keene State College, the number of biology majors has almost tripled since 1990, while the number of students taking biology courses required by other majors or for General Education has also increased dramatically.

In fact, during the Fall, 1994 semester, the Biology Department was fourth among all disciplines at Keene State in total student-credit-hour production.

Across the nation, other colleges and universities report even more dramatic growth in biology enrollments; for example, over one-fourth of next year's Harvard freshmen will major in biology.

What's going on here? Biologists are tempted to claim that other folks are just now beginning to realize what they've known all along - that there's no field more fascinating or compelling than the life sciences.

A less chauvinistic explanation might be found in the steady succession of headlines

about biological discoveries, crises and quandaries that greets the average citizen.

Each day brings reports about newly discovered genes that promote cancer or Alzheimer's Disease; "new" hormones that regulate sexual functioning; heretofore undescribed muscles within the human head; and even a vast bacterial flora living deep within the earth, in rocks 6 miles down, at temperatures of 300 degrees.

The media also describe new epidemics of lethal disease (the "Hot Zone" business), the demise of songbirds, the accelerating loss of tropical forests, the ominous decline in human sperm counts, and the accumulation of pollutants in water, soil, food and human tissues.

Many Americans are perplexed by the ethical and political questions that surround complex life-support systems, embryo research, genetic engineering, the patenting of gene sequences, and genetic screening for disease susceptibility.

Clearly, biology has become relevant to many people, and not just to scientists.

Our department welcomes the new interest in biology and acknowledges the active role our students have taken in exploring their discipline.

The Biology Club and Honor Society are now dynamic organizations that sponsor many worthwhile activities, such as field trips to scientific conferences, museums and biotech firms, on-campus seminars, group advising for undeclared majors, and student/faculty socials.

Our faculty has tried to meet the escalating demands of its growing clientele. This year, we hired our third new full-time biologist in five years, expanding our ranks to nine.

Our new faculty members have brought tremendous energy and fresh expertise to the program, especially in ecology, physiology, and developmental biology.

We have enlarged our roster of gifted adjunct instructors to about eight and have employed a technician to maintain order and safety in our labs.

Perhaps most importantly, we have cultivated a stronger emphasis on inquiry-driven study in all courses.

We believe that the chief purpose of laboratory courses is to teach students how to investigate natural phenomena, not merely how to operate instruments.

We try to foster extended individual and collaborative research, emphasizing the design and analysis of controlled experiments.

We have encouraged more students to participate in independent study projects and have begun to diversify our methods of course delivery.

This year, we introduced a new General Education course, Current Topics in Biology (BIO 190), which applies the insights and methods of biology to a variety of current issues.

We face many challenges at Keene State.

Biology majors may find themselves

closed out of core courses, a relatively new problem that we have remedied by enlarging our classes and adding sections.

Second, the space we occupy in the Science Center is grossly inadequate and very unattractive.

Although we have developed plans for lab renovation, the only meaningful solution to the facility crunch lies in the future expansion of the Science Center, at best several years away.

Third, as many of you realize, our labs do not exactly bristle with state-of-the-art technology.

We have slowly increased our technological capability, but even if our recent grant applications are approved, we are unlikely to become a center of high technology, given current patterns of funding (only three disciplines receive less money per credit-hour than biology).

At any rate, the budget remains under the control of officials outside this department.

In the meantime, our members will continue to emphasize our most obvious strengths - superb preparation, great enthusiasm for biology, a strong commitment to rigorous teaching, and open doors for all of our students.

Ken Bergman is the Biology Coordinator at Keene State College.

READER'S FORUM

Commencement
Speakers Hard to Find

I was very saddened to read last week's editorial. It is a real shame that you have already decided that a well-known, highly respected doctor is going to bore you to death at commencement. If he is so boring, then why would millions of television viewers turn to "Good Morning America" to hear him speak?

It may come as a shock to you and I actually hope it is ignorance that allows you to be so critical, but the officers of the senior class as well as many college administrators, worked very hard to find a speaker who was actually willing to speak at our small college.

We began the tedious process of finding a speaker last spring. At that time we asked many friends and acquaintances for viable suggestions, yet there were very few people who even had an opinion on the subject.

I truly wish that members of your staff could have offered your four suggestions. However, I would like to note that the one impression we did get from our fellow classmates was that they did not want a politician! I do think that an author would have made a fine choice, and there were several on our list.

Unfortunately, none of these people were available. Keep in mind they are busy and require a great deal of money, which we do not have.

Given all of these circumstances, we are extremely fortunate to have Dr. Johnson as our speaker. He may make you ill, but I know that as I sit in my cap and gown on

graduation day, the excitement of the moment will compensate for the most boring of speeches.

Michelle Gibeault

Keene State College Student

SAC Made Poor Choice
for Spring Weekend

Hail Gods of Keene State College Spring Weekend. I am writing on behalf of the students of Keene State on your decision for Spring Weekend

entertainment. I am not the kind of person to write letters to the editor on simple issues that my argument will not affect.

I am, however, really pissed at the pathetic selection of entertainment we have to choose from on what is supposed to be our biggest event. I also would not have written this letter if I had not the support of the majority of other students.

Almost all of the students think that your choice was terrible. Think about it. What is your advertisement slogan going to be? Come one, come all, to the greatest show on Earth...Here we have a human vomit artist you've already seen, a kiddie carnival, and a washed-out band that no one has any desire to see make a comeback.

This event will probably be bigger than Woodstock, don't you think? It is not the students job to inform you of what we want. It is your job to select what people our age like. We didn't need Floyd or Pearl Jam, but we do want a group that we have some respect for. The Violent

Femmes are probably the last band to fit the description.

You realize that the position you were given allows the few to make a decision that affects many. You also realize, I hope, that the difference between competence and incompetence is always displayed in an obvious fashion when a decision of any magnitude is made.

Well, congratulations! You made a horrendous decision that makes you look like the most incompetent organization on this campus.

I'm going to give you the benefit of the doubt, however, and assume that you are not fools. Instead you probably have some excuse that you feels qualifies for this failure. Maybe your funds were minimal, or time constraints were the reason. Perhaps there were no students who came forth to offer suggestions?

If any of those sound familiar then it's too bad because I don't buy any of them. History can be a wonderful tool.

In the past few years, Keene State had bands like Live, Blues Travelers and the Lemonheads performing.

They weren't doing stadium tours yet, they weren't absolutely gross, as the Violent Femmes are.

The 80s are over, you must have missed them.

I write this letter only with the hopes that next year, my last year, will be the Spring Weekend that breaks the mold, and mold is the best word I can use to describe this situation.

Henry Lee

Keene State College Student

Monadnock Hall's Bad
Press is Unfortunate

I was sitting in the Student Union and heard a few people behind me say something like this, "Monadnock Hall is in the paper again!"

As a resident assistant on the first floor of Monadnock, I am tired of hearing the stereotype of residents in this building. Monadnock has been making the headlines for some time now and a great deal of damage does appear on the second floor.

However, there are several men on that floor who have taken no part in increasing the damage bill. Believe it or not, there are still a few good men in Monadnock!

This building may have gotten some bad press this year, and it is unfortunate. I just want this campus to realize that the entire building is not in utter chaos, as many may think.

I would like to commend "Laura," our cleaning woman for doing such a wonderful job. We all do appreciate the hard work and effort she has put forth to make Monadnock Hall a better place to live.

Deborah Clogher

Keene State College Student

Corrections

In last week's issue of *The Equinox*, on page 18 a quote was misattributed, the quote should have been attributed to (person's name here)

Also in last week's issue, in the article "Grateful Dead Tribute Band Keeps Tradition Alive," the sponsor of the event was omitted. Phi Mu Delta sponsored the show.

Photos & Interviews by Jesse Stenbak

What's on your mind...

How do you Feel About Students Being Booted From Monadnock?



Nicole DiPentina
freshman - journalism
Third floor Monadnock

"They are nice guys. It's pointless they are being kicked out so late in the year."



Laura DiMatteo
freshman - undeclared
Third floor Monadnock

"It's wrong that they are being 'randomly' kicked out. They are paying their dues. They should be able to stay."



Ally Hearne
freshman - psychology
Third floor Monadnock

"It's too bad that they got themselves involved in this situation."



Kim Irving
freshman - undeclared
First floor Monadnock

"They are the best group of guys and singing them out is wrong."

ROOM DRAW INFO

To all students who want to live on campus next year... IMPORTANT

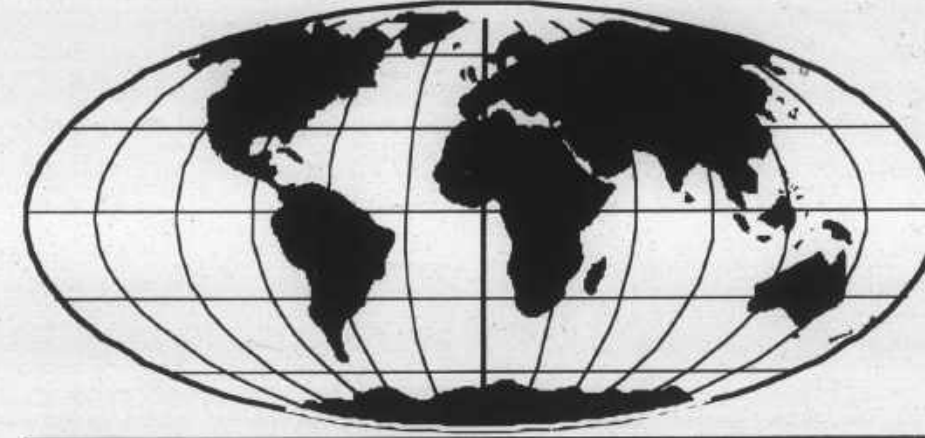
1: Housing and Dining contracts, along with your \$100 deposit must be submitted to the Bursar's office by 3:30 p.m. on March 15. You and your roommate(s) must go to the Bursar together to continue through the process.

2: Special Interest housing for 1996-97 are:
Quiet Study: Huntress 3rd (females), Fiske 2W (males)
Alcohol Free: Carle 3D (females), Fiske 2E (males)
Smoke Free: Carle A and B (males and females),
Randall B side (males and females),
Carroll House (females),
Owl's Nests 1 and 5 (males & females).

*You can sign up for these areas on: **Mon. April 15** for single rooms, **Tues. April 16** (men's night) or **Wed. April 17** (women's night).

3: "Squatting"-- if you want to stay in your room, you must sign up on **Mon. April 8** during your RD's regular office hours. Squatting is not allowed in: Holloway, Pondside, Bushnell or Owl's Nest apartments.

FOR MORE INFO: PICK UP A ROOM DRAW FLYER AT THE RESIDENTIAL LIFE OFFICE ON BUTLER COURT



WORLD NEWS

Missing NE College Student Found Dead After Four Month Search

David Tirrell-Wysocki
AP Writer

HENNIKER - New England College will try to get back to normal this week after holding a gathering in memory of P.J. Steverman, the freshman whose body was found in a swamp this week, more than four months after he left an off-campus party.

An autopsy performed Saturday determined, as expected, that Steverman died of hypothermia due to the icy swamp water he wandered into.

Ripples from the death, which apparently was alcohol-related, may be lasting at the small school.

"Unfortunately, (Steverman) made some bad decisions. The college each year reviews all of its policies and I'm sure that when we sit down this summer to review our policies, we won't do it without thinking of P.J."

•William Ellis
President of NE College

Friday night, college President William Ellis said the incident will be on the minds of college administrators when they conduct their annual review of college policies.

"Unfortunately, (Steverman) made some bad decisions," he said. "The college each year reviews all of its policies and I'm sure that when we sit down this summer to review our policies, we won't do it without thinking of P.J."



Ellis did not elaborate, and after choking back tears describing how the incident brought the college and the town together, reporters did not ask what specifically he had in mind.

A witness saw Steverman, 20, of Scituate, Mass., walking away from the party between 12:30 a.m. and 1:30 a.m., on Nov. 19. He reportedly had been drinking and had had a brief argument with someone over spilled beer.

College spokeswoman Patti Osgood said Saturday that because Steverman was at an off-campus party, there probably isn't much that can be changed policy-wise, however she said perhaps the school will look at ways to impress on students to look out for each other.

"Perhaps we can add more programming ... where we make it as clear as possible that you need to help people out or remind people that off- or on-campus, you owe it to yourself and your friends, as a citizen of the world, to conduct yourself so that you are safe and your friends are safe," she said.

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Unabomber Target Safe At Last

BOSCAWEN (AP) - Airline pilot Don Tynan says he's breathing easier now that authorities have arrested the accused Unabomber.

Tynan, 64, says one of his flights was among the Unabomber's early targets and ever since he had kept his address a secret.

"You never know what he's capable of or what he thinks. Now that's over with."

•Don Tynan
Airline Pilot

"I didn't reveal my address because it seemed like the prudent thing to do," said Tynan. Authorities, he said, believe the Unabomber placed two bombs in the

baggage pod of his American Airlines flight on Nov. 15, 1979. One bomb caused a fire but no explosion and Tynan made an emergency landing at Dulles International Airport. Twelve people suffered smoke inhalation.

A second bomb found on the plane was designed to explode when it reached 30,000 feet, but the 727 didn't get to that height. Tynan said he learned last year that his plane was the Unabomber's third target.

"When you have an unknown quantity out there," Tynan said, "you should take certain steps," such as keeping your address unlisted.

"You never know what he's capable of or what he thinks," Tynan said. "Now that's over with."

"Personally, I never thought he was seriously after me, but there

is a tad amount of relief," Tynan said.

"It chilled the spirits of the whole country having this mystery out there, and it's great that they caught him."

"He really kept this country all riled up for too many years and brought a lot of grief to a lot of people," he said.

Theodore Kaczynski, a former Berkeley math professor, was arrested last week in a mountain shack in Montana.

Authorities are building evidence that he's the elusive bomber whose 18-year string of attacks killed three people and injured 23 others.

Kaczynski, 53, Thursday was charged with possessing bomb parts. He was held without bail and placed under a suicide watch.

Work Cut Out For Next NH Governor

David Moore
AP Writer

CONCORD, N.H. - Balancing the state budget, managing competition in the health care and electric utility industries and overhauling school funding are among the challenges facing Gov. Steve Merrill's successor.

Merrill's announcement last week that he will not seek re-election in 1996 sent Republicans and Democrats speculating about who will be his successor.

While candidate lists are growing in both parties, everyone agrees that whoever follows Merrill will face a lot of tough issues.

"There could be a tremendous amount of change in the next year at both the state and national level," said Edward Dupont, who served as state Senate president in 1991-92 and challenged Merrill in the Republican gubernatorial primary in 1992.

"The next governor is going to have a lot on his plate to start with," he said.

Though Merrill said last week his two-year budget was the first in recent memory to reduce state spending, some say the deficit could be \$100 million by mid-1997.

Merrill puts the figure closer to \$30 million, but said predicted changes to the state-federal Medicaid health care program for the poor could mean an additional \$40 million a year to the state.

But New Hampshire's take won't be clear until President Clinton and Congress agree on a budget.

"I don't think anyone who runs for governor should assume that the state's fiscal problems are solved," Dupont said. "Anybody who gets into the race is going to have to understand they are going to have their hands full on the budget side."

With budget problems as a

backdrop, voters are going to be more aware of the money problems facing the state, said House Minority Leader Rick Trombly, D-Boscawen.

"I think we're going to see a better discussion this election about taxes and about where tax money is going," he said. "We're going to have a more educated voter this time around and that can only help the Democratic candidate."

While the budget is a big deal at the Statehouse, voters will be more interested in the pocketbook issues, said Rep. Donna Sytek, R-Salem.

"Voters aren't going to be swayed one way or the other by budget problems," she said. "They will be tuning in on what candidates have to say about taxes and electric rates and health care costs."

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Merrill was elected governor twice by overwhelming margins, beating Deborah Arnesen in 1992 and Wayne King in 1994. Arnesen and King proposed a broad-based tax linked to lowering property taxes.

"I hope the Democratic Party doesn't run another campaign on a broad-based tax issue, the people have spoken loud and clear on that," said state Democratic Party chairman Joe Keefe.

"Times are changing and the next governor will have to be someone who can adapt and take a businessman's approach to issues like deregulation"

•Joseph Delahanty
N.H. Senate President

Taxes shouldn't be the big issue because Merrill proved he could balance the budget without a sales or income tax, said state Republican Party Chairman John Stabile.

"Voters will be looking for a fiscal conservative who has the discipline to streamline government," he said.

Both parties agree programs have to be trimmed, but the election likely will mirror the battle in Washington over the best way to reform government, said state Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, a likely Democratic candidate.

"Just cutting government is not the right approach. I think we have to make government work better," she said. "People want to feel they're getting the best return on their tax dollar."

A measure to lower electric rates by deregulating the industry has passed the House and is being considered by the Senate. Supporters say competition could come as early as mid-1998, but Public Service Company of New Hampshire has threatened to sue if it isn't allowed to recover its investment costs.

Senate President Joseph Delahanty said the Senate is close to reaching agreement on competition, and the next governor will have to provide leadership in New England to implement deregulation.

"Times are changing and the next governor will have to be someone who can adapt and take a businessman's approach to issues like deregulation," the Republican senator from Salem said.

Opening the state to competition in electricity and health maintenance organizations are issues

where Democratic candidates can get through to voters from both parties, said Arnesen, who seeks the Democratic nomination for the 2nd Congressional District seat.

"The good news in this election is that the Democrats can run on things other than taxes," said Arnesen.

A bill to force the state to take federal Goals 2000 education money is making its way to the governor's desk, and the Claremont lawsuit over how the state funds education could cost the state millions of dollars if the courts rule against the state.

"This is an opportunity for us to begin talking about their mistakes," Arnesen said. "Democrats aren't the ones who voted against Goals 2000 and Democrats aren't the ones who have taken a hard line on education funding."

As the state and the nation rethink the role of government, change is probably the only thing New Hampshire's next governor can count on, Dupont said.

"There's going to be a tremendous amount of opportunity, but there's also going to be a tremendous amount of responsibility for whoever sits in the governor's chair," he said.

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She said the school already has alcohol awareness programs and programs to help students who might be having problems with alcohol or drugs.

"He probably just laid down and went to sleep."

•Dale St. Laurent
State Police Cpl.

Police Chief Tim Russell said the incident should be a wake up call, not only to New England College students, but to everyone.

"I think the fact that we found Mr. Steverman ... the lesson speaks for itself as far as going to parties and maybe drinking a little bit more than you should," he said.

"If there is a message to take to New England College students or any of us as individuals, it's to take care of each other; make sure that nobody is alone; make sure if you're at a party with somebody that you can account for everybody," the chief said.

Ellis said the college will re-

member Steverman officially sometime this week at an all-college gathering, "not a memorial service, but, I hope, a celebration of his life."

Police believe Steverman wandered through icy, chest-deep water before curling up beneath a log and dying.

"He probably just laid down and went to sleep," said State Police Cpl. Dale St. Laurent, who helped recover Steverman's remains.

Hundreds of people searched for him last fall, but found no trace. He was found in an area where underbrush would have obscured him from the air and where searchers would have had to wear cold-water survival gear to search last fall, St. Laurent said.

They donned the suits Friday to recover the remains.

St. Laurent and Russell said it was "highly unlikely" someone killed Steverman and dumped his body.

St. Laurent said anyone who might have carried Steverman's body into the marsh would have had to wade through chest deep water and probably would have died from the elements.

Clinton Honors Victims of Oklahoma City Bombing

Nation to Observe Moment of Silence at 10:02 a.m. on April 19; One Year Anniversary

Lawrence L. Knutson
AP Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — President Clinton today honored the victims of the bombing here nearly a year ago and praised the spirit of healing he said is helping renew the city.

"There is nothing we can do to bring back the children that were taken from us. But what we can do is show our children that good can lift them up," he said. The president placed a wreath on the site of the bomb-destroyed Alfred Murrah federal center, then dedicated a new downtown day care center in memory of the 18 children who were killed in a second-floor day care center.

The president laid a large wreath of spring flowers at the bare dirt field that is the site of the building where 169 people died on April 19, 1995.

Other buildings around the site remained shattered with blown out windows and walls ripped apart by the blast.

Six children who survived the blast placed long-stemmed red roses near the wreath and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, holding a child by the hand, bent down to place a teddy bear.

With bagpipers playing "Amazing Grace," Clinton stood under a cold gray sky and pointed to a deeply scarred tree that survived the blast.

"Its roots kept it strong and standing," he said. "Your roots kept you strong and standing. By rebuilding a place for children to learn, you have done the most honorable thing a nation could ask for."

In a speech, Clinton praised the community spirit behind the rebuilding of Oklahoma City.

"You've taken some of the meanness out of our national life and put a little more love and respect into it," the president said.

And yet, he said, "Your healing has to go on. A lot of you probably still have your doubts about all of this. I'm sure there's some lingering anger and even some



President Bill Clinton

rage and dark and lonely nights for many of the families.

"I can only say to you that the older I get the more I know that you have to try harder to make the most of each day and accept the fact that things will happen we can never understand or justify."

The president also proclaimed April 19 as a National Day of Remembrance and asked Americans to observe a moment of silence at 10:02 a.m. EDT that day, the time of the explosion.

Before leaving Washington, Clinton again mourned the death

Wednesday of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown in a plane crash in Croatia and planted a tree on the South Lawn of the White House in memory of Brown and others who died in the crash.

"Your healing has to go on. A lot of you probably still have your doubts about all of this. I'm sure there's some lingering anger and even some rage and dark and lonely nights for many of the families..."

•President William J. Clinton

"We hope everyone will honor the contributions they made to the United States," the president said before leaving for the airport. The tree is just a few feet away from another dogwood Clinton planted last year to honor the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing.

In Oklahoma City, he again invoked Brown's memory and said he and the delegation that died with him on a hillside in Croatia "lost their lives pursuing the very spirit we are here to celebrate today."

At a second speech, at the University of Central Oklahoma, Clinton was expected to renew his demand that Congress send him the tough anti-terrorism legislation he called for immediately after the explosion.

The Senate passed the administration version of the bill but Clinton says the House voted to "gut the bill."

Clinton wants Congress to restore provisions to chemically mark explosive materials commonly used by terrorists, bar terrorist organizations from raising money in the United States and permit the quick deportation of foreign nationals who support terrorist activities.

The president also wants authority "to use high-tech surveillance to keep up with stealthy and fast-moving terrorists."

A coalition of conservative Republicans and pro-gun Democrats in the House voted to remove those and other sections, contending they would give federal law enforcement officials excessive power and endanger individual liberties.

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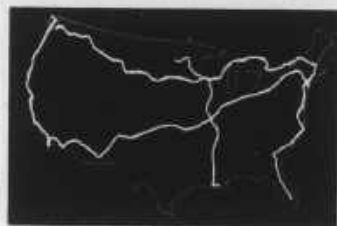
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NEWS IN BRIEF

Devout Christian Refuses On-campus Housing

KEARNEY, Neb. (CPS) — Douglas Rader, a devout Christian, didn't think that his religious beliefs meshed with what he says goes on in a college dormitory—things like alcohol and drug use and casual sex.

So Rader, a freshman, at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, requested to live off campus, with other devout Christians. Last summer he asked to be exempt from a university rule that says freshmen under 19 must live on campus.

When the university refused to grant his request, he sued. According to his attorney, "Doug Rader wants to be in a place that uplifts his soul."

The university, meanwhile, cites research that shows requiring freshmen to live on campus improves grades and leads to higher graduation rates.

A decision is pending in the case, heard in March in a federal district court in Lincoln, Neb. Rader has been allowed to live off campus in a Christian center until the case is resolved.

Sedative Rohypnol Banned; Blamed for Illicite Behavior

WASHINGTON—U.S. officials have banned imports of the sedative Rohypnol, an illegal drug commonly used by college students to get a quick high from alcohol and marijuana.

Also known as "roofies," the drug is 10 times stronger than Valium and has been connected to several cases of date rape, especially in Florida and Texas.

"Rohypnol is an emerging threat," U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said at a news conference in early March. "We will no longer permit the drug to enter the country."

The drug is sold over-the-counter in Mexico, South America, Europe and Asia, where it is often used to treat insomnia. Food and Drug Administration officials said there was no therapeutic need for the drug in the U.S. because other sedatives are legally available.

Rohypnol causes muscle relaxation and rapid sleep onset that can last for eight hours. Exceeded dosage has been known to slow the body down so much that a person forgets to breathe.

In the past year, at least 10 women at the University of Florida have notified campus police after the drug was slipped into their drink, usually at parties. One student reported being told in the morning that five men had slept with her, a UF spokeswoman said.

Officials said attempts to smuggle the drug into the United States would be treated the same as any other illegal substance, such as cocaine and heroin.

"Race Attentive" Programs To Continue at U. Cal.

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (CPS) — "Race attentive" outreach programs that ensure diversity on the University of California's nine campuses will continue despite the regents' vote to drop affirmative action policies, said UC President Richard Atkinson.

"We do not believe that the regents have ruled out being race attentive in outreach," Atkinson recently told student leaders at UC-Riverside. "We be-

lieve that we can. We are proceeding ahead assuming that."

The university's outreach programs work through partnerships with California public school districts, offering special classes and tutoring to increase the pool of low-income, minority and underrepresented students who are academically qualified to attend UC schools.

That objective seems to be at odds with the regents' controversial decision last July to abolish affirmative action policies in hiring and admissions. Gov. Pete Wilson, a regent by virtue of his office, and Regent Ward Connerly have made it clear they oppose any program based on racial and gender preferences, including the outreach programs, but withdrew his support in March after concluding the effort was based solely on race, not on income.

UC-Berkeley describes its outreach effort as serving disadvantaged students in the public school districts. University literature, however, describes the programs as targeting African-American, Chicano/Latino and Native American Students.

15-year-old Petrified Fetus Found in Woman's Body

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — The 62-year-old widow didn't have the faintest idea what was causing the pain on the right side of her stomach. So she went to the doctor's office, where X-rays revealed quite a surprise — a perfectly formed petrified skeleton of a fetus.

"It is an extremely rare case," said Dr. Jose Remigio Neto, chief obstetrician of the Hospital das Clinicas in the northeastern city of Recife, 1,700 miles from Sao Paulo.

"The fetus has been inside her abdominal cavity, near the intestines, for at least 15 years, which is when she said she last had sexual relations," Remigio Neto said by phone.

"I was shocked when I was told I had been pregnant for so long, because during all this time my belly never swelled," the widow, Antonieta Hilario, told The O Estado de Sao Paulo newspaper Wednesday.

Remigio Neto did not know exactly how old the 20-inch-long fetus was when it died nor its sex.

"We should be able to determine these things when we remove the fetus surgically," he said, adding: "It does appear, however, that the baby was about to be born when it died inside its mother's body."

No date has been set for surgery, Remigio Neto said.

Bobbitt Saga Continues: Lorena Completes Therapy

MANASSAS, Virginia (AP) — Lorena Bobbitt has been released from court-ordered therapy and supervision almost three years after slicing off her husband's penis with a kitchen knife.

Judge Herman A. Whisenant Jr. last week granted Ms. Bobbitt's petition for an unconditional release. That was the recommendation of her therapist and the county's Community Service Board, who have been monitoring her since January 1994, when a jury found her innocent by reason of insanity in the malicious wounding of John Wayne Bobbitt.

The Bobbitts divorced last year.

Ms. Bobbitt said her husband beat and raped her the night in June 1993 that she cut off his penis, which was reattached. Bobbitt was acquitted of the rape charge. He has since served jail time for beating up another woman.

Ms. Bobbitt keeps a relatively low profile, working as a manicurist and taking classes at Northern Virginia Community College. Her parents and siblings recently emigrated from Venezuela to live with her.

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PUTNAM THEATER: STATE-OF-THE-ART

Danielle Hayford
The Equinox

Imagine sitting in a state-of-the-art theater: you are surrounded by sound and the clarity of the picture is astounding. You are watching a mind-chilling movie and the time is flying by.

Where are you? A multiplex theater in New York? At Radio City Music Hall? No, you are in the Putnam Theater right on the Keene State College campus — "The campus' best kept secret" according to Ian Judge, vice president of the Keene State College Film Society.

The Arts Center was built in the late 1970s, including what is now the Putnam.

However, the college ran out of money and was unable to complete the theater. It was left a plain auditorium with a cement staircase in the middle.

For many years the arts department used it for storage — it was essentially forgotten.

In 1983, David Putnam, owner of the Markem corporation, said he would fund the completion of the theater if it was converted into a state-of-the-art movie theater with capabilities for video, slides and film.

And state-of-the-art is what he got. There is approximately \$150,000 worth of equipment in the theater. The Putnam is the only college theater in the country to have Dolby digital (CD quality) sound.

Improvements have been made to the theater since its first conversion in 1983.

Two years ago, the screen was taken out, and a wall was installed around the speakers, which gets rid of the echo from the speakers; an idea taken from Lucas Sound (George Lucas' sound effect company).

An employee in the Arts department at the time had a relative who worked at Lucas Sound and this helped the Putnam be-

come affiliated with the company.

The speakers are bi-amplified, which means there is separate bass and treble outputs for each speaker.

ernment.

The students who make up the film society are all volunteers — they run the door, rent the movies, etc. The projectionist is the only person who gets paid.

Adam Weed, president of the film society, said "Keene State students are very fortunate to have such a theater on campus. They get to see a movie for \$2.00 in a state-of-the-art theater."

He also mentioned that the film society has meetings, open to the entire student body, every Monday at 9:30 p.m. in the Putnam. The movies to be shown are selected at these meetings.

The attendance has been very low at the movies and the society would like to change this.

Most of those who have attended are impressed with the theater.

Corey Schofield said "The first reason I went was for the movie selection because they show a wide variety. Also, the sound rocked, I was very impressed."

There are some students who are not impressed with the theater.

Kristiana Illies said, "It's a nice auditorium, but the seats are uncomfortable. I had a class there and did not enjoy sitting in there for an hour at a time. I did see one movie there and the seats were the reason I didn't go back."

Film professor Larry Benequist feels the Putnam is an opportunity many students are missing.

"We're the only college in the country with Dolby and 70 mm film, we'd like to see more students coming to a wonderful series which they paid for," he said.

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• Lawrence Benequist
Film Studies professor

twice the width of the standard 35 mm. With 70 mm film, the picture is twice as clear and more exact.

There are only 200 theaters and 6 colleges in the country that have the capacity to do this. The improvements made are due to money from a couple of different sources.

The first source is the funding from ticket sales, the second, student fee money. The film society, also receives a budget of \$27,200 a year from student gov-

This way, if a movie calls for a lot of bass, then the treble won't be thrown off, and vice versa. The theater is also equipped to run 70 mm film, which is





James Steelman
The Equinox

For Your Viewing Pleasure

April's Video Releases Offer A Fine Escape From the Norm

This is a great time to be a videophile.

The "new release" section of your local video bazaar is just jam-packed with lots of excellent entertainment—so much, it seems, that I thought I'd devote an entire column to pointing out some of the best new stuff on VHS.

I've already praised "Seven" (1995) so much over the past semester that I'm sure some of you must think I'm getting kickbacks from the film's producers. But I watched the film for the tenth time last weekend and it still had the same effect on me. I just can't stress this enough, if you still haven't seen "Seven," see it. It's everything a blighted urban crime thriller should be, and more. The cast, including Morgan Freeman and Brad Pitt, is outstanding. Kevin Spacey is particularly creepy as the homicidal maniac John Doe.

Spacey also shines in "The Usual Suspects" (1995), another film I've already recommended at least once over the past few months. As much as I hate to be repetitive, I must reiterate: watch this movie.

Moving on to some new stuff I haven't previously mentioned: "Living In Oblivion" is a new film by writer/director Tom DiCillo ("Johnny Suede") which seems to have materialized out of nowhere. I had never heard of it when it was suggested to me, but, being the adventurous guy that I am, I tried it. I loved it.

"Whatever can go wrong, will go wrong" on the set of a low-budget, independent feature film. That's the premise of "Living In Oblivion," and it's enough to scare the hell out of any and all

film students who aspire to make indie films of their own some day (the film is funny enough for non-film students to enjoy, but anyone who has ever actually tried to shoot a film will doubtlessly appreciate it more).

The cast is excellent, and made up of mostly unknowns, but there are two familiar faces. Steve Buscemi (Mr. Pink from "Reservoir Dogs" and Buddy Holly the Waiter in "Pulp Fiction") is the lead—he plays the wiggled-out, artistic, and slightly disorganized director of the film within the film. James Le Gros plays the egomaniacal superstar gracing Buscemi's little picture with his presence. Both display their bountiful comedic ability.

"Living In Oblivion" is a great example of creativity and innovation overcoming budget limitations. It is beautifully shot (in both color and black and white), very stylish (watch out for the "dream sequence" with the angry dwarf), and funny as hell. It benefits greatly from the fiercely original script, which not only capitalizes on memorable dialogue and bizarre situations, but also works with an unusual structure—this is by no means a traditional, straightforward narrative. All in all, "Oblivion" is a real find—check it out.

Only slightly less obscure is Terry Zwigoff's wonderful new film "Crumb" (1995), a documentary about the enigmatic cartoonist R. Crumb. Crumb's "Keep on Truckin'" dude has become an icon of the '60s, and even if you don't recognize his name you will certainly recognize his unmistakable style, his big-chested tough women in tight tops and nervous, shaggy little pot-smoking nerds.

Crumb is notorious for being reclusive and unwilling to submit to interviews. Hats off to

Zwigoff for actually following the man around and getting a little dirt on the guy, it's a truly fascinating look at a social outcast's life. Zwigoff also corners some of R.'s siblings, and it's horrifying to discover that R. seems to have been the "normal" one of the family. Fascinating and fun, "Crumb" is wonderfully diverting material. Try it with a Devil Girl Choco Bar. Yummy.

Finally, for something a little lighter but almost as weird, have a go at "Party Girl," a new indie feature starring my new favorite B-movie bad-girl Parker Posey. Written and directed by newcomer Daisy Von Scherler Mayer, "Party Girl" is all about a gen Xer suffering a life crisis, namely, what the hell to do with it. Her major talent is throwing wild parties, but she feels the need to do something a little more meaningful. Her chosen vocation is surprising, to say the least.

"Party Girl" isn't a great movie, by any means. It is light and fun, however, and is far less predictable than the typical Hollywood teen angst drizzle. Parker Posey is a bright, charming new actress that I hope to see lots more of. Her immense likeability is an asset to the picture, and her presence makes it worthwhile. Get down with it.

Well film fanatics, that's it for this week. By the way, thanks for the overwhelming response to last week's column. After tabulating all one of the entries, it seems that we don't have a winner. The first prize, \$47 million, will be donated to the Boo Radley Foundation for Chemically Induced Attention Deficit Disorder. The correct response, incidentally, was "The Monkey Connection."

James Steelman is a film major at Keene State College and a weekly columnist for the Equinox.

Album Review Promising



Pilots
Showing
Signs
Of
Fatigue

Danielle Hayford
The Equinox

Stone Temple Pilots ... First "Push," then "Vaseline" ... and now, "Big Bang Baby." One key question that needs to be asked is: what happened?

It's the biggest disappointment since Mom said there was no Santa.

STP used to be on the heavy side of the alternative scene. They turned heads with "Core" and knocked people over with "Purple." Their new CD, "Tiny Music ... Songs from the Vatican Gift Shop," is the biggest disappointment since Mom said there was no Santa. All of the songs are a pathetic attempt at a more mellow sound, the lyrics are not bad, but the music is horrendous.

You should be tipped off by the CD itself that this is bad. The disc is comprised of the colors of a beachball and the background is water. If that ain't corny, then the pope ain't Catholic.

Another tip off should be the intro, a one minute prelude to the CD. One thing can be said about this song: elevator music is still alive. It makes you feel as if you're on hold. You keep waiting for the operator to tell you to wait another minute.

Their latest release, "Big Bang Baby," is a continuation of the grave disappointment so non-elocquently displayed on this CD.

It sounds like a beach movie song. The beat is primitively simplistic and sounds as if they are putting forth an unachieved effort to sound hard.

They keep you waiting for that unique Scott Weiland vocal sound and it just isn't there. It seems as if his voice went the wrong way in a puberty accident.

One of the worst songs is "Ride The Cliche." This is a perfect title for the whole CD let alone this one song. It sounds whiny and again the classic STP sound fans are waiting for isn't there.

The beginning fools the listener because it has potential, then, as the song progresses, you realize you're out of luck. The song is awful. Dean DeLeo attempts a guitar solo that fails miserably. The rhythm is simple and the solo out of place. It sounds like a bad 80s song.

There is a horrendous interlude called "Daisy" that is the elevator music revisited. It is two minutes of bad country guitar that would make Conway Twitty roll over in his grave.

STP has made a very big mistake with this CD. It is the worst thing to come out since Vanilla Ice. The disappointment is the worst part because the other two CDs were so amazingly good.

To buy this CD is good for a Frisbee. So, if you like expensive lawn toys, buy this. If not, save your money and buy something worth while.

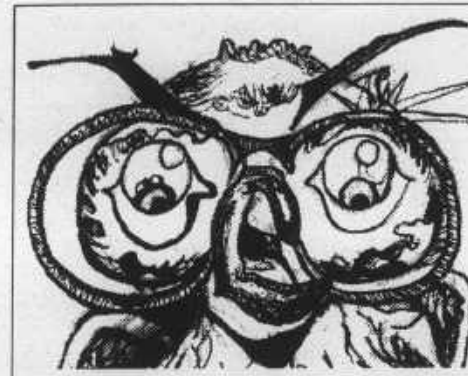
Equinox Rating System

- ☆☆☆☆ - Jumanji! (Thanks ESPN)
- ☆☆☆☆ - Orgasmic! (Okay, not really)
- ☆☆☆ - Skip a few tracks, but might be worth owning
- ☆☆ - If you're a true fan, buy it
- ☆ - Keep this one behind your Milli Vanilli records

Crazy About Movies?

Why Not Write Reviews for The Equinox?

While this school year is coming to a close, we'll need writers in the fall. Call x2241 for more info.



Dear Olivia...

A weekly column answering the questions and concerns of Keene State College students and members of the Keene community

'Olivia' portrait by Rob D'Arcy

Dear Olivia,

My problem is that I don't know what my major is going to be. I will be a junior next semester and I don't know whether I should drop out of school totally or switch to another school or just stay here. Help, I have no clue on what to do.

Majorly Undecided

Dear Undecided,

If you are almost a junior and you still don't know what your major is going to be - this is a problem. You don't need to change schools to decide your major. Keene State is a wonderful school, and you have many alternatives to choose from. You should speak with someone in

Academic Advising or Career Counseling. The best answer I can give you is to find out what your interests are and what you could do for the rest of your life. Just keep in mind that your career should be something you enjoy doing.

Dear Olivia,

What should I do? I'm not getting along with my roommate. I come home from classes and her friends are sitting on my bed smoking cigarettes, and I don't even smoke. I know that we only have three and a half more weeks left, but I seriously can't deal with it anymore.

I have dealt with a lot this semester and now things just really piss me off.

What would you suggest doing for the next four weeks so I feel comfortable in my room again?

Sick of Everything

Dear Sick,

The best advice I can offer is to either talk to your roommate about your dilemma, or just hold on until the end of the semester. These problems do sound like they have been building up.

Maybe you can do your part by being more open minded and letting things slide a little more. Agreed, having someone smoke on your side of the room is a reasonable gripe. You should tell your roommate about this.

Smoking around non-smokers can cause tension. Smokers need to be aware of that fact.

Dear Olivia,

Help! What should I do? I have been kind of seeing this guy for about a month now. He is very nice to me. He takes me out to dinner, makes me dinner, and buys me gifts. I find myself not being able to wait to talk to him. I love hanging out with him, but only when we're sober. We always have a great time when we're together, but as soon as he gets a few drinks in him it's like he totally changes. I hate it. He hurts me emotionally when he's drunk. He always apologizes, but after the fact.

I'm glad he's sorry, but I wish he would think before he acts. I wish he would know how much it hurts me. What do I do?

Dazed and Confused

Dear Dazed,

It sounds like you really like this guy. You need to ask yourself, before things progress, if this is a drinking problem.

Sometimes, violent behavior (emotionally or verbally) when drinking can point to a problem with alcohol itself. If he says things to you that need apologies later, this may not be a healthy relationship.

If you plan to continue seeing him, you need to sit him down and talk to him. Tell him how you feel. Maybe you can agree not to party together all the time.

The most important thing is to talk to him and not let the situation get out of hand.

All reasonable queries will be answered.

Please send your questions to The Equinox, Attention: "Dear Olivia," MS 2702.

Movie Review



Todd Edwin VanDell
The Equinox

Just a short time ago in Southern California, the radio station, KMET 94.7 FM, was the epitome of cool for more than 20 years.

KMET helped originate the album-oriented rock format. FM radio stations like KMET ushered out the obnoxious, used-car-salesman approach to disc jockeying and ushered in cool, laid-back, smooth-voiced deejays who played extended sets with few commercial interruptions.

Instead of sounding like snake-oil pitchmen, FM DJs sounded like they were talking to every listener as if that person was the only one listening. It was magical.

Then, money became an issue and competition got cutthroat.

The Fox Broadcasting Company bought out KMET's parent company and, one day, the mighty MET disappeared forever.

Computer Generated Visuals Accompany New Age Music In 'Mind's Eye' Trilogy

In its place, somewhat precariously, stood The WAVE (KTWV), purveyors of a different type of music than the Rock 'N' Roll KMET played: New Age.

What does this have to do with computer animation videos?

The WAVE bought commercial time on local television stations to entice viewers to tune in to their radio station.

To grab potential listeners' eyes as well as their ears, The WAVE used brief, computer-animated commercials set to the New Age music listeners would find when they tuned in their radio station.

In those computer-generated images, this usually very mellow music—often generated by synthesizers connected to computers (or vice versa)—found its perfect symbiotic companion. A match made in micro-chip heaven, you might say.

It was difficult to be impressed with any of these. It was like watching a lengthy virtual-reality video game—except that you couldn't play it, you had to just watch it.

If virtual reality is your cup of tea, these

get down to the meat and potatoes of it, neither has much, if any, heart—in most cases.

Both are mostly cotton candy for the ears and eyes. Neither remains in the memory for long.

Miramir Images, Inc., for some inexplicable reason, saw fit to release three New Age video albums titled "The Mind's Eye," "Beyond The Mind's Eye," and "The Gate to The Mind's Eye" (oooh-what originality).

Miramir calls them computer animation odysseys. They should call a spade a spade: These are MTV videos for the crystal-wearing crowd.

The first "The Mind's Eye" video from 1990, featured music by lesser-known New Age artist James Reynolds. For the second outing, 1992's "Beyond The Mind's Eye," Jan Hammer provided the music. (Trivia note: Years ago Hammer and his band were one of guitarists Jeff Beck's many back-up groups.)

You probably remember Hammer as the guy who did the theme music for the hit 1980s television series "Miami Vice.")

The most recent release, 1994's "The Gate to The Mind's Eye," features music by that quirky computer-popster himself, Thomas Dolby. Talk about symbiotic companions.

Many computer animators put in a lot of effort to make these videos.

Unfortunately, these are still soulless. Too many cooks spoiled the broth.

It was difficult to be impressed with any of these. It was like watching a lengthy virtual-reality video game—except that you couldn't play it, you had to just watch it.

If virtual reality is your cup of tea, these

videos may be right up your alley and might impress the heck out of you.

On the other hand, if you like regular, every-day, garden-variety reality and still enjoy the astonishing animation work created by Disney or Don Bluth's studios, save your money.

These computer animation videos may leave you cold.

Is there anything redeeming about these videos take make them worthy of recommending? Unfortunately, not much. On the first tape, the segment called "Love Found" is kinda sweet and kinda cute—once.

The only consistently enjoyable part of the experience may be the music. Interestingly, Miramar must be aware of the problem: The music is available separately on cassettes and compact discs for those discriminating individuals who don't want to watch computer animated drivel. Yet these videos would be unwatchable without the soundtrack.

Remember the advice the pop group The Buggles gave soon-to-be video generation when MTV made its debut: "Video Killed the Radio Star" (that, ironically, was the first music video MTV played when it premiered more than a decade ago).

If videos like The Mind's Eye series become popular, a new slogan might be "computer animation killed the video stars."

Equinox Rating System

- ☆☆☆☆ - I saw it again and again ...
- ☆☆☆☆ - See this one in the theater
- ☆☆☆ - Wait for video
- ☆☆ - Maybe on a Sunday afternoon ...
- ☆ - Don't bother

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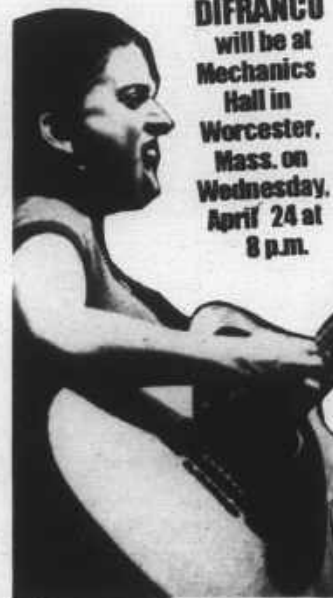


THE BOBS,
who performed at the
Colonial Theatre in March,
will be at the Iron Horse
Music Hall in Northampton,
Mass. on Monday, April 15.

Wednesday, April 10

Resume workshop
3 pm @ Career Services
Elliot Hall
KSC Lacrosse
vs Bridgeton Academy
4 pm @ Owl Stadium
Theremin:
An Electronic Odyssey
7 pm @ Putnam
KSC Chamber Singers
8 pm @ Alumni Recital Hall
Arts Center on Brickyard Pond
Comedy Night
9:30 pm @ NOC

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Shanghai Triad
2, 7 & 9 pm @ Putnam
International Dinner
7 pm @ Newman Center x2100
The Persuasions
7 pm, \$11
Iron Horse Music Hall
Northampton, MA
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Patty Larkin
at Emerson Umbrella
call (617) 641-2131
Doo-Rag & Rex
@ TT the Bear's
Cambridge, MA
(617) 492-BEAR

Monday, April 15

Shanghai Triad
7 pm @ Putnam
KSC Baseball
vs American International
3 pm @ Owl Stadium
The Bobs
four-part a capella
7 pm, \$14
Iron Horse Music Hall
Northampton, MA
Golden Smog
Paradise Rock Club
Boston
(617) 562-8800

Tuesday, April 16

Resume Workshop
3 pm @ Career Services
Elliot Hall
Final Exam Prep
4:30 pm @ Aspire
Conference Room
Shanghai Triad
7 pm @ Putnam
What's Yours is Mine:
Some American Indian
Literary Strategies
Dr. William J. Sullivan
12:30 pm @ Parker 211
KSC Baseball
vs American International
3 pm @ Owl Stadium
Dave Mason
guitarist for the 60s
supergroup Traffic
7 pm, \$15
Iron Horse Music Hall
Northampton, MA

Sunday, April 14

Shanghai Triad
2, 7 & 9 pm @ Putnam
Acoustic Music Series
featuring Ellis Paul
open mike begins @ 7:30 pm,
featured artist @ 8:30
free for KSC students,
\$5 general public
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Collegium Musicum
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Alumni Recital Hall, free
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Friday, April 12

Shanghai Triad
7 & 9 pm @ Putnam
Dance: Swing into Spring
dancing to the music of the
LeRocquier Band, a 52-piece
concert band
7 pm @ MBR
\$15 general admission,
\$10 KSC and other students
Concerto and Aria Concert
directed by Dr. Carroll L. Chman
8 pm @ Alumni Recital Hall
\$5 general public, \$3.50 for senior
citizens, faculty & students, etc.
Dan Hicks and Paul Geremia
country blues and early jazz
7 pm, \$12
Iron Horse, Northampton
Taj Mahal
\$11.50
Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel
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Saturday, April 13

KSC Lacrosse
vs North Adams State
1 pm @ Owl Stadium



SINKING INTO DEBT

Graduate Students Struggle With an Increasing Debt Load

Colleen DeBaise
College Press Service

Mark S. Luce poetically describes his student loan as a "golden time bomb." "It's great to have the gold because it allows you to stay in school," explains the graduate student in American Studies at the University of Kansas. "But eventually, no matter how much you defer or forbear, that bomb is going to go off."

Like a growing number of graduate students who choose to finance the increasingly high cost of education through student loans, Luce will graduate from UK this August with a master's degree and a pile of debt—in his case, about \$31,000 worth.

Even before he receives his diploma, he will start shelling out roughly \$400 each month to pay off the loans. He plans to do so each month for the next 10 years, slowly chipping away at the \$23,000 in loans he borrowed for graduate school, and the \$7,000 loan for his undergraduate education.

"Frankly, the situation scares the hell out of me," says Luce, who hopes to get a teaching job. "I am talented, I have a solid resume and have performed very well academically, but that does not guarantee me a job that will pay enough money to survive and not default."

For Luce, and countless others like him, paying for graduate school has become as much of a challenge as getting accepted. Between 1993 and 1994, the volume of government loans made to graduates increased by a mind-boggling 47 percent, according to American Council of Education research.

The council attributes the explosive growth to the 1992 Higher Education Amendments, which expanded the federal student loan program and allowed more students to borrow even larger sums of money. But the council is troubled that the increase in the amount loaned by students has not been matched by fatter starting salaries.

"Kids are borrowing more and more and more," said Fred J. Galloway, the council's director of federal policy analysis. "And their first jobs aren't paying more and more and more."

For example, the council's research reveals that between 1981 and 1994, the average debt owed by public medical school graduates increased from about \$18,000 to more than \$54,000, or by 206 percent. For private medical school graduates, the

debt increased from about \$22,000 to nearly \$78,000, or by 248 percent.

Yet the average first-year stipend paid to hospital residents in that same period increased from \$17,641 to only \$29,632. While that's a 68 percent increase, the average med students' debt load continues to pile up.

The fact that tuition skyrocketed in the late 1980s is partly to blame. Confusion on the part of the student as to how much they are sinking into debt is another culprit, the council found.

"I am talented, I have a solid resume and have performed very well academically, but that does not guarantee me a job that will pay enough money to survive and not default."

• Mark S. Luce
Graduate Student

"There's not much sophistication among student borrowers," Galloway said.

Although often compared to families who take out mortgages, student borrowers often leave school without a clear idea of what they've gotten themselves into, as evidenced by the council's study of the most frequently asked questions by borrowers to two major student loan companies.

They include:

- "You mean I have to pay interest on my student loan?"
- "Do I have to pay you every month?"
- "I didn't know I had to request a deferment."

• "What does 'unsubsidized' mean?"

To combat the confusion, some loan companies, such as private educational lender KeyCorps, have begun urging student borrowers to consider their future earnings before going into debt.

Kevin G. Boyer, executive director of the national Association of Graduate-Professional Students, said he agrees that students should not be shocked when they graduate and discover they owe sometimes more than \$80,000.

"We're highly concerned about increasing debt," he said. His organization advises students to weigh their earning potential heavily when contemplating the price of graduate school. "To take on a large debt...without any expectation of net return is not very smart," he said.

Students also need to compare the tuition of public schools with that of more expensive, often more highly ranked private schools, he said.

The U.S. News and World Report re-

cently released its seventh annual "America's Best Graduate Schools," a ranking of top programs as determined by surveys on faculty, test scores, reputation and other factors. Not surprisingly, private schools once again topped the list among the disciplines of law, medicine and business.

"In some fields, ranking of the schools makes a big difference," Boyer said. For instance, "America's Best Graduate Schools" lists the median starting salary of graduates from top-ranked Yale University law school at \$82,000. In comparison,

Now earning more than \$50,000 three years after graduation, Headrick is not finding it difficult to pay back his student loan.

However, he has friends that aren't as fortunate—namely, friends who went to private law schools and must pay back as much as \$80,000, he said.

"The people from Harvard graduate with a lot of debt and pretty much the same salary," he said, basing his opinion on his own experience. "I'm not sure it represents such a big jump in salary."

He has friends who are doctors that pay as much as \$1,500 each month to their student loan companies. "They're having no fun, even though they might have bigger salaries."

"It's possible to shop around for inexpensive grad schools," he added.

Earning potential weighed heavily on the mind of Christopher Serb when he chose to take out loans totaling \$24,000 to attend graduate journalism school at top-ranked Northwestern University.

Unlike Headrick and others in law or medicine, Serb expected to earn about \$18,000 to \$22,000 at his first job after graduate school. Although he considered attending an unranked journalism school at the public University of Illinois, he said, "I wouldn't have gotten a better education or as good a job."

Now an associate editor at a Chicago-based magazine, Serb earns \$22,500 and will begin paying off his loans in a few months. Does he regret borrowing so much?

"The jury is really still out," he said. "It was a tough choice. I don't regret it as far as what I learned."

He admits, however, that there are times when he worries about paying off the loans. "Right now...I'm a single man living at home," he said. "When my life starts to change in bits and pieces, I do worry about that. I'll probably have a family before I pay off my loan."

Serb said students might want to talk with parents, bosses and friends who are good at math before making the decision to borrow money. Also, "I would say first look real hard at your balance sheet before going into graduate school," he said. "If I had gone [in debt] over \$30,000, it wouldn't have been worth it."

Luce, the graduate student at Kansas, adds: "papers and presentations will always get done. Loans simply do not go away for 10 to 20 years."

"I cannot stress how the specter of loans hangs over the heads of graduate students—constantly."



IN CONCERT - Harpoon will perform at 9 p.m. on April 11 in the Mabel Brown Room at the Lloyd P. Young Student Center.

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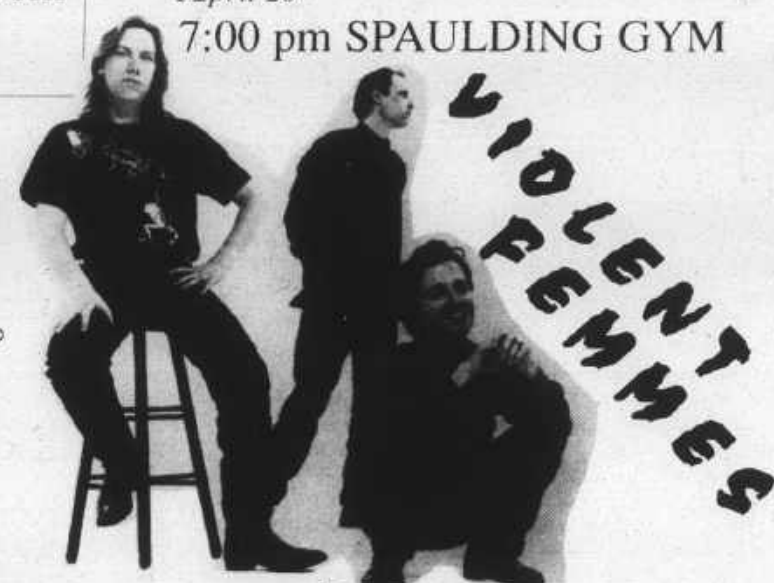
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Award Winning Ellis Paul to Wrap Up Nite Owl Cafe's Acoustic Music Series

Neil Morse
Contributing Writer

Acclaimed Boston folk singer/songwriter Ellis Paul will perform at the Acoustic Music Series finale in the Nite Owl Cafe, Sunday, April 14.

This year has seen a wealth of nationally recognized folk artists like Ani DiFranco, Vance Gilbert and Michael Jerling, but few come as touted as Ellis Paul. The Boston performer pulled off an unprecedented feat, winning the Kerrville New Folk Award at the Kerrville Music Festival and the Boston Music Award for the best singer/songwriter in 1994.

Paul has a current record out on Rounder Records entitled "Stories" and recently appeared on "To Die For," author Joyce Maynard's promotional compilation "Where Love Goes" (which also features Nancy Griffith and Emmy Lou Harris). The "Where Love Goes" project



benefited Keene area charities and was packaged and mailed by local citizens.

While Paul's records have been doing well in stores, he has been out touring the United States, putting in over 150 annual appearances playing prestigious clubs and festivals such as The Troubadour, Carnegie Hall, Newport Folk Festival, The Ark and Passim in Boston. Paul has also been gaining fans in the area playing at the Hooker-Dunham Theatre in Brattleboro, Vt. and the Ironhorse in Northampton, Mass.

Paul was born in northern Maine and still considers Presque Isle to be his hometown. His sense of New England realism comes out in his songs on "Stories." "Autobiography of a Pistol" is a good example. Told from the point of view of the pistol it has a sarcastic bite: "Guns don't kill people it's the bullets that do."

Few singer/song writers have the respect that Paul has garnered over the last few years.

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How Planning Ahead Equals Success

By Keoki Johnson, Student Affairs Office



Are you totally bugging because we're four weeks from finals?

Do you foresee [sic] yourself having a hard time managing your time; if you do, this article will apply. It's on Study Skills. I interviewed Maria Dintino, the Assistant Director of Aspire.

Before you begin preparing for finals, what should you do?

You have to: know how many finals you have; know when they are; know which ones are cumulative; and what type of essay it will be, said Dintino.

How many finals can you have in a day?

College policy says that a student cannot have more than three finals in a day. Dintino said, if you have more, you can reschedule one for another time during finals week.

How do I prepare for fi-

nals?

"The way to prepare is to begin reviewing and working with class material," said Dintino. "This includes: all your class notes, all the chapters you've read in the textbook, the study guide (if there is one), and all quizzes, tests and assignments. To do well, you must plan ahead."

How do I plan ahead?

"A good way to plan ahead is to make a shortened semester planner, a weekly planner and to work in time this weekend and next," said Dintino. "You should also schedule a few hours for each class between now and the end of next week. After doing these, prioritize according to significance and timeline. Also, it is a good idea to do big projects early."

How do I review my notes?

"You can: review nad [sic] highlight them, copy them into a computer, create study sheets which summarize [sic] important information, create questions while you review and quiz yourself for mastery," said Dintino. Anything that makes

you an active learner is a good way to review.

How can I physically prepare for finals?

"It is very important to be physically prepared as well as mentally prepared for finals," said Dintino. "A good way to do this is to stick to your normal daily schedule, get enough sleep, don't skip meals and to avoid all-nighters. All these can add stress and make you lost performance. It is also a good idea to exercise [sic] at least three times a week; anything to get the heart rate up like aerobics are good."

How important is time management?

"Time management is crucial," said Dintino. "It can make or break you. One of the things that you can do is to look at your study environment and ask yourself whether it is conducive to study; if it isn't find a place that is."

What is the best way to study?

"The best way to study is in small amounts of time, rather than do-

ing it all at once," said Dintino. "One surprising fact is that an adult has an attention span of 20 minutes; you can take advantage of that by studying for an hour, taking a short break, and studying for another hour. It is a good idea to supplement the studying you do by yourself with study groups."

Some interesting facts to remember are that we remember: 10% of what we read, 20% of what we hear, 30% of what we see, 50% of what we discuss with others and 95% of what we teach. You should use your weekends wisely and use the big chunks of time available to you to get work done. Just four hours on Saturday and four on Sunday can make a real difference.

What can you do if you need help with studying or time management?

"Aspire is offering help with preparing for final exams on April 16 and 17 (Tues. and Wed.) at 4:30-5:30 in the Aspire office. Everyone is welcome."

KPD: Patrol Will Control Mischief

Keith Moriarty
The Equinox

Keene's vandalism problem may be held to a minimum this summer with the addition of a new foot patrol system, and increased bike patrols on and around Main Street.

The Keene city council recently asked Chief Thomas F. Powers III of the Keene police, to issue recommendations to solve the problem of what has been addressed as "a problem that's escalating," according to Randy Filiault, chairman of the health, safety and human services committee.

The recommendations have come back to the council, and one of a few solutions is to put "more focus on downtown," Filiault said.

In the past, Keene was separated into five patrol areas, Filiault said. Main Street and the downtown area were the intersection of the patrol zones, and was almost ignored as a result.

Police Chief Powers said there will be a new officer in Keene in

the future, who will be dedicated to patrolling the downtown area as long as Main Street continues to be a problem area. He called the new patrol a "proactive" situation.

Powers said the downtown patrol isn't just for criminal mischief cases. He noted the officer will also enforce crosswalk issues, and the problem of bicycles on sidewalks as well.

"Sometimes there isn't a lot to do for young people, so we need to change that."

— Randy Filiault

Chairman of the Health, Safety and Human Services Committee

The warmer temperatures may lead to increased numbers of people gathering downtown, looking for something to do, Filiault said.

The "something to do" is soon to come. Filiault said the city plans to build a rollerblade/skate-

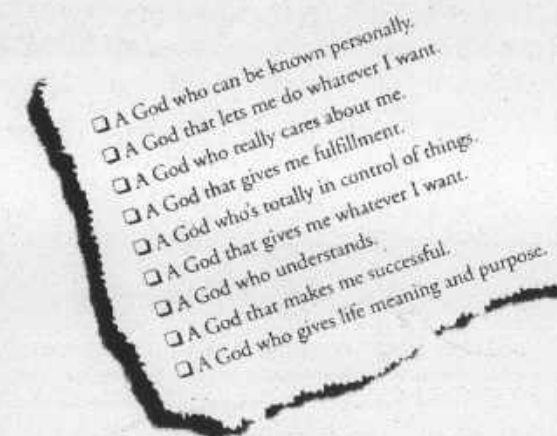
board rink on the city-owned property between Keene Mill Outlet and the bus station. He said there are also plans to build more outdoor basketball hoops in town, when the space is found.

Filiault said he does not think these solutions are a "cure-all," but "it's a start."

Some towns have implemented curfews to help curb the problem of criminal mischief. Filiault doesn't think keeping people inside is a viable solution, saying city council has to deal with those individuals who are looking for something to do, and those individuals looking for something illegal to do. He said towns that have curfews are not approaching the problem correctly.

Filiault said he wants the youths of Keene to understand city council is not "so far removed."

"We do listen," he said. "We can work with them. Sometimes there isn't a lot to do for young people, so we need to change that."



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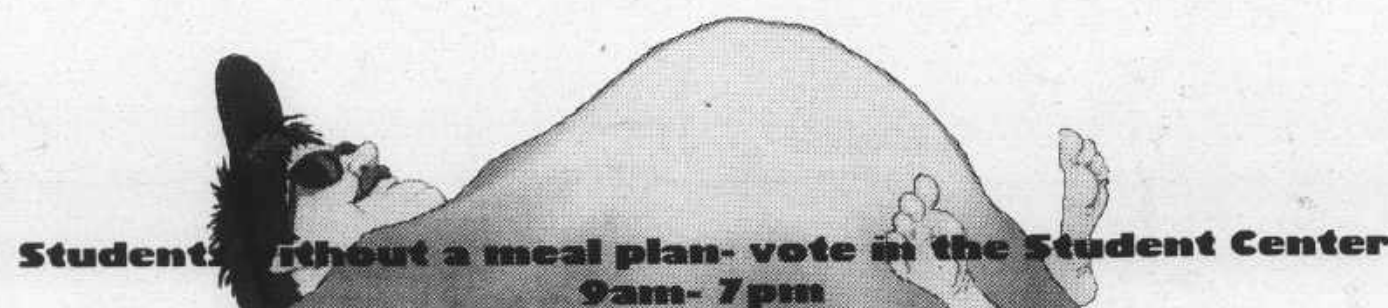
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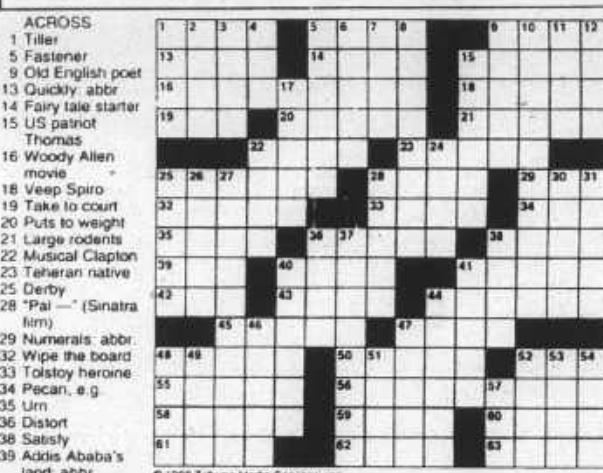
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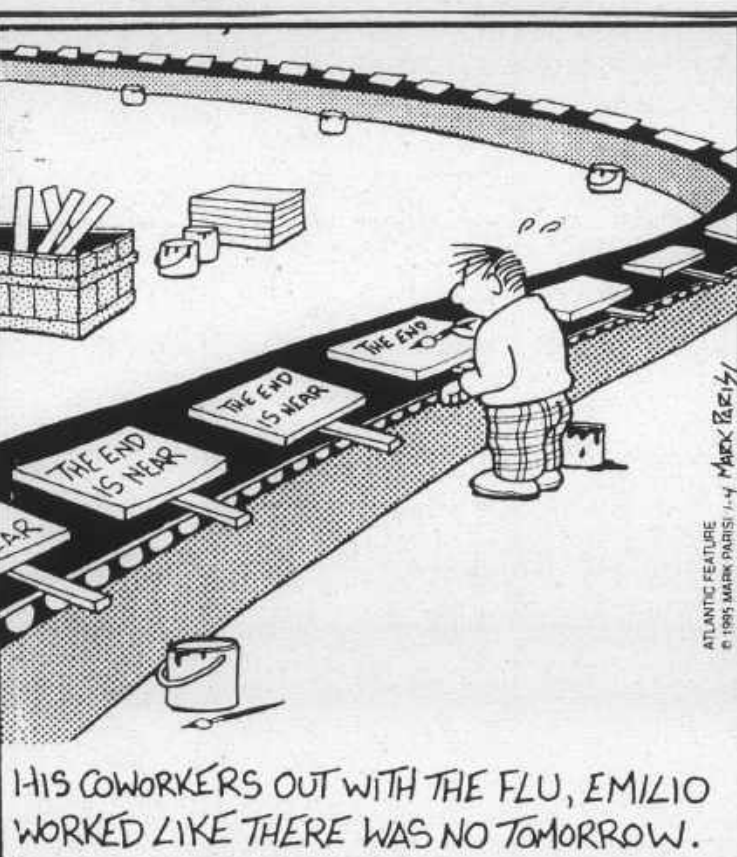
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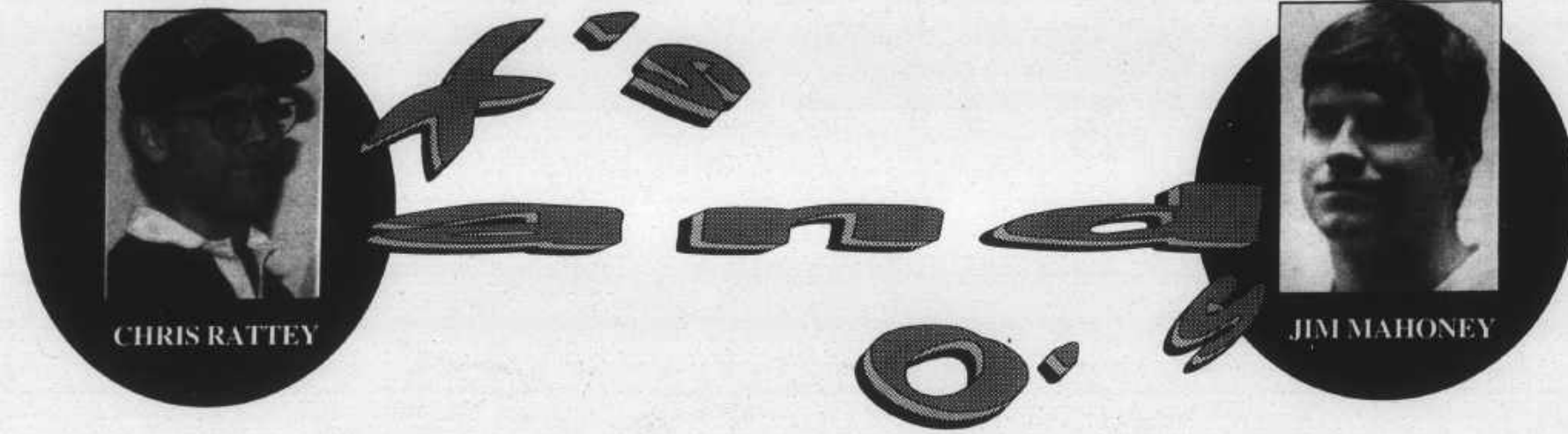
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Who Are the Worst Franchises Ever in the History of Sports?

Some teams were made for greatness. Every aspect from the players to the management present nothing but pure class and take the game to another level.

Then there are teams that just plain suck, and always will.

What's the most common phrase said by a San Diego Padres fan?

I don't have five bucks for a front row seat, and I have to do my laundry.

The only problem the Padres have is that they simply don't want to win. They enjoy being piss-poor every season, and never knock when great talent is knocking on the door of the front office.

These players could still be part of San Diego if the team had a pulse: Fred McGriff, Sandy Alomar, Jr., Roberto Alomar, Tony Fernandez, Benito Santiago, Joe Carter and Gary Sheffield. All are former Padres... all former All-Stars.

Tony Gwynn is arguably one of the greatest hitters in the game, but he's entering his twilight years and is suspect to injury.

The acquisition of Ricky Henderson was a great move, possibly four years ago. Seventeen seasons have worn down one of the greatest lead-off hitters, but the end is closing in.

The Padres are simply continuing the precedence former San Diego teams have set in the past: an aura of utter disgust.

J...E...T...S... Jets, Jets, Jets!!!

Don't whine Jets' die-hards, escape from your Broadway Joe years, and deal with the ever-depressing present.

This team is terrible. How did they attempt to solve this problem?

By forking over a nauseating amount of cash for a middle-of-the-road quarterback, who happened to miss a quarter of last season and had the best receiving core in the NFL.

Why didn't the Jets beef up a horrible offensive line that were responsible for all of Boomer's concussions? Instead, they gave up the only part of the team anyone liked.

Esaiason may have a few years under his belt, but he is not the all-time passing leader of lefty QB's for nothing.

I wonder who the Jets' first round pick will be in this year's draft. It won't take

much to improve on last year's mind-boggling choice, tight-end Kyle Brady. Did the Jets forget they had former pro-bowler Johnny Johnson? (Picks after Brady: Warren Sapp, J.J. Stokes and Rashan Salaam to name a few).

Enough about the team that is too embarrassed to say they are from New Jersey, let's talk some hockey.

The Buffalo Sabres... who are you and what is your mission?

Back in the days of the Adams Division, this poor team had the privilege of playing Boston or Montreal whenever they made the playoffs.

Now that Pittsburgh, Philly, New York, Washington and the Devils are added to the playoff wall Buffalo will have to climb, the Sabres have a snowman's chance in hell of making the post-season.

The only reason you can respect this team is that they are the most penalized team in the league.

But this isn't because they are a team full of brawlers. Buffalo is a team of hackers, holding and slashing opponents for pure balance, hoping to not trip over the blue line.

The Sabres are too easy to focus on, which creates a perfect segue into the most irrelevant team to ever exist in the world of sports, the L.A. Clippers.

Crap.

The only word that comes to mind when thinking of the Clips is a slang word for fecal matter.

Who would root for a team in the same city as a rich, booming franchise?

Loser.

People who like to lose, know how to, and are prepared for it. If for some unknown reason you are a fan of this putrid organization, mum's the word.

Save yourself the embarrassment and keep it hidden from the world.

Hey, every league needs these teams, and everyone needs to tilt their cap to the die-hard fans who root these poor, poor teams on game in and game out.

But simply put, these teams cannot, have not, and will not win as long as they continue to play.

Ever.

What do the Milwaukee Brewers, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Hartford Whalers, and New Jersey Nets have in common?

How about the fact that in each of their respective leagues they represent the worst franchise ever assembled. Four teams that have always been terrible, and shall continue to be for as long as they exist.

The Milwaukee Brewers are hurting real bad, and their future looks even more dismal than their past. For crying out loud, how miserable can things get? This team's best player is John Jaha! John Jaha? Jaha could be the tenth best starting first baseman in the American League (what a stud).

The Brew crew may have gone to the series in 1982, but that occurrence could be classified as more rare than Haley's comet.

The only reason people in Milwaukee look forward to a day in the ballpark named after the beer company that owns it is to drink the product and put money on who will win the 7th inning stretch race. The race that pits 3 legends of the nursery rhyme world against each other, the butcher, the baker, and the candlestick maker!

The Brew Crew is loved by everyone in the American League for the lone fact that they know when the crew comes visiting ball parks, so do automatic W's for their opponents. Rumor has it that the one and only reason the National League players were in favor of interleague play was the easier schedule that comes their way when the Brewers are added to it. They are the worst team ever.

Sports have many legends, myths, and superstitions within their walls. Another thing they have are facts. And the fact in the National Football League that looms over the big sombrero in Tampa is that the Buccaneers always have and always will suck!

The Yucks bandwagon was as full as ever this past season, with many feeling, that the hump known as a .500 season (or eight wins) would finally be overcome. Whatever happened? The same as every other year. They blew the head gasket, the radiator cracked, and they got three

flat tires.

This machine called the Buccaneers is built to lose. It doesn't matter who they sign, draft, steal, kill, or kidnap, they will always be losers.

Hey Hartford Whalers! What the hell have you done for New England lately? Absolutely nothing. Any team that gives up three consecutive first round picks to the Boston Bruins for Glen Wesley should be immediately disbarred from the NHL. How can one argue in favor of the Whale's tale?

Their only purpose is to make Connecticut people feel like they can't count in the sports world. Guess what? They don't.

With one division title ever (1986-87), even that happy face was quickly punched out by the fourth seeded Montreal Canadiens in the first round. What a disgrace.

I have three letters for Hartford- AHL. N---E---T---S! Nets! Nets! Nets! After years of following the NBA, I have reached a conclusion. The New Jersey Nets serve only one purpose- to give residents of the largest city in the US, something to do when their beloved Knickerbockers are on a long road trip.

The Nets, Mets and Jets are just mere junior varsity entertainment for the inhabitants of the Big Apple. They could get lottery picks for twenty years, and they still would find a way to finish in 12th place. There is simply one word to describe this organization- DOOMED! Oh! I'm sorry, I forgot they picked up Shawn Bradley, possibly the biggest lottery bust since Walter Berry, Waymon Tisdale, or Dwayne "Pearl" Washington.

Change their team uniforms, or colors. Move to a bigger city or a smaller one. Build a state of the art megaplex, or stay in their same old crummy facilities. It doesn't matter. The Yucks, Sewers, Failers, and JV team from NJ, always have been and always will be a pointless existence. They have done nothing in the past, or present. They will do less in the future. All those seasons surmounting to an astounding number of championships- 0!

Four teams, four embarrassments, four losers. Enough said.

Bruins Remain Optimistic About Playoff Possibilities

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

For the last 28 years the Boston Bruins have been a mainstay in the NHL playoffs. At mid-season it appeared as if this could be the year that the tradition would end.

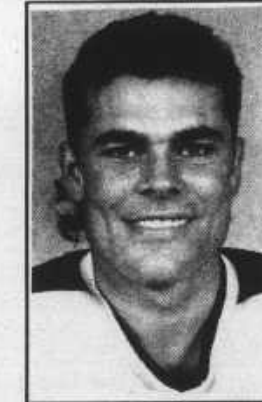
Now with only three games remaining in the Bruins season, it looks as if the streak will continue.

Currently Boston is tied with Florida and Washington for the fifth playoff spot and have a three point lead over the New Jersey Devils, who currently hold the final playoff position.

This is not the time of the season that a team wants to see its roster change due to injuries, but that is what is happening to the Bruins.

Todd Elik, who was playing his best hockey of the season, is finished for at least the regular season and part of the playoffs with a fractured wrist.

Defensemen Rick Zombo and Dean Chenoyth are out with minor injuries, but should return sometime early in the playoffs.



COURTESY PHOTO

LEADER ON THE ICE - Boston center Adam Oates is one of the main contributors to the late season playoff run for the Bruins. Oates will have to step up his play even more with the injury of Todd Elik. The both had been clicking until Elik fractured his hand in a recent game.

John Gruden, who has seen little playing time after being in the line up most of last season, was called up from Providence to take the place of one of them.

Al Iafrate, who has not played in two years, skated an entire practice this past weekend. Boston hopes he will be ready to begin playing early in the playoffs.

On Sunday the Bruins traveled to the Spectrum in Philadelphia to face the Flyers. Fortunately for Boston, the Flyers weren't all on the ice.

Philadelphia was missing last season's MVP Eric Lindros, who was injured in a game against the New York Rangers.

Bill Ranford made his 15th consecutive start and his 27th in the last 28 games.

The Bruins jumped in front first when Adam Oates made a pass from behind the net to an open Rick Tocchet for a power play goal.

Four minutes after the Boston goal, the Flyers tied the game with a power play goal of their own. Pat Fallon fired a slap shot

from the right point. Ranford was screened out and didn't see the puck until it was too late.

Boston spent the remainder of the period holding the puck in the Philadelphia zone. Ron Hextall made some spectacular saves at the end of the period to keep the game in a 1-1 gridlock.

Boston was lucky to get out of the second period without any injuries as the Flyers went on a checking spree. Several times Bruins lay on the ice attempting to recover from seeing the boards up close.

Midway through the period and a Philadelphia power play, Kyle McLaren intercepted a pass and dished the puck to Dave Reid who scored his sixth short handed goal of the season, his third in as many games.

During the same power play the Flyers tied the game when Dale Hawerchuk deflected a shot by Ranford.

Philadelphia kept the pressure on the Boston goaltender for the remainder of the period, but Ranford responded with lightning reflexes and a sure glove-hand.

Forty-two seconds into the final period, Oates put the Bruins up for good. Shawn McEachern made a backhanded pass to the crease where Oates swatted the puck to the back of the net.

The puck control of Boston gave the Flyers few scoring opportunities. With only three minutes left in the game Philadelphia attempted to dump the puck into the Boston zone. The puck bounced off from a linesman's skate and into the net. The goal was waved off but gave the Bruins a scare.

McLaren finished off the game with an empty net goal with 11.1 seconds remaining on the clock for a 4-2 victory.

Boston is unbeaten in their last six (4-0-2). They have a home-and-home with the Hartford Whalers starting tomorrow night in the Fleet Center, and in The Mall Friday night. The Bruins finish the regular season this Sunday with a game against the Eastern Conference leading Pittsburgh Penguins.

Briefs

Track Team Finishes First In Invitational

Keene State College track and field finished tied for first in the Fitchburg Invitational last weekend.

It was the first time since the mid 1970's that Keene State had won the invitational.

The Owls dominated the throwing events.

Kevin Howland finished first in the hammer with a throw of 128' 7". He also won the discus with a New England record toss of 144' 10".

Andy Cannell finished second in the hammer with a hurl of 103' 3", discus, and a javelin throw of 159' 9" to help out the Owls in the victory.

Matt Kocyba ran a New England qualifying time of 9:40.5 in the 3000 meter steeplechase. He also topped the field in the 1500 meter race.

HEY!!!!
The Equinox needs a sports editor and sports writers for the Fall semester. Call x-2414 if you are interested!

Lacrosse Match To Determine Team's Future

The Keene State Lacrosse club faces a huge battle tonight when they host Bridgeton Academy.

Bridgeton is made up of division I players that could not compete because of academic eligibility problems.

If Keene State were to beat this team they may have their best season ever. Co-captain CJ Knudsen says "The possibility of an undefeated season lies solely on the outcome of this game."

Currently the club has a 5-0 record and has hopes of keeping an goose egg in the loss column.

"I see the game as being really tight. Of course, I want a win but I would be pleased just to keep it close" said Knudsen.

Keene State travels to Williams College on Friday and hosts North Adams at Owls Stadium on Saturday at 1p.m.



Equinox/Jacob Mical

GET OUT OF MY WAY!!! - Keene State Lacrosse Club is hoping to make today's upcoming game against Bridgeton Academy a sign of the rest of the season.

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SPORTS

Keene State College Athletics



Softball

Lady Owls Head Inside as Winter Weather Hits

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

Keene State traveled to the University of New Haven on Saturday looking to improve upon their 7-11 record.

The Chargers were ready for the Lady Owls however, and took both games of the double-header 7-0 and 2-1.

In the first game, Lindsey Blood pitched well for Keene State but New Haven was able to get a piece of the ball and send it just out of reach of the Lady Owl fielders.

"Except for two, all of the hits were not solid but were just out of reach," explained coach Charlie Beach.

"We deserved better. Nothing was going our way."

•Charlie Beach
KSC Softball

Haven's Betsy Wiaderski was able to control the plate.

In the second game, fabulous freshman Carrah Fisk put forth a great pitching effort, giving up only four hits, four walks and striking out two.

Keene State jumped in front in the second inning when Jess McCourt walked and then scored on a Beth Comer single.

By the fourth, New Haven had taken a 2-1 lead.

The Lady Owls had a chance to tie the game in the seventh. Comer bunted on to base and then proceeded to steal second.

Brenda Sepanek was robbed of a hit and an RBI when the New Haven fielder made a spectacular catch to end the game.

Coach Beach characterized the game as "frustrating."

"We deserved better. Nothing was going our way."

The Lady Owls season continues Friday when they host Springfield College at 3 p.m.



Equinox/Angelo Puglisi

WINTER WONDERLAND - The KSC baseball and softball teams had games rescheduled due to the snow fall over Easter weekend. The Owls are hoping to proceed with their season outside as softball hits the field on Friday and baseball returns to the diamond on Saturday.

Basketball

Search for Men's Basketball Coach Narrows

Dave Haley
The Equinox

For the Keene State men's basketball program, good news has been hard to come by.

The next few weeks may see that change. Athletic Director John Ratliff is expected to announce the successor to Don Kellick as the new Owls head coach.

The process of naming the head coach is now in its final phase as six candidates have emerged from a field of over one hundred candidates.

A search committee, headed by NCAA faculty representative Vince Ferlini, has met in recent weeks to find "The best candidate available for the men's program," according to Ferlini.

The goal, inevitably, will be to find the candidate that will best lead the program back to respectability. The Owls have languished in the conference cellar for years. A new head coach combined with an already promising base of young talent, could change all that.

The six remaining candidates for the position all have significant coaching experience.

The first of those candidates is Paul Booth. Booth is currently the head coach at Norwich University in Vermont. Booth previously coached at Thomas College and Springfield.

Gene Delorenzo is the men's coach at Oberline College (Ohio), located near Cleveland. His previous experience found him as an assistant at highly regarded Colby

College.

James Cosgrove is currently serving as an assistant coach under Paul Dickson at Division II power St. Anselm.

Cosgrove previously coached at Milford High and served as an assistant at the University of Hartford.

Rob Colbert is currently the Keene State men's assistant coach. Colbert is known for his recruiting ability and previously served as coach at Dutchess Comm. College and Bard College.

Phillip Rowe is currently the Athletic Director at Daniel Webster College.

Rowe is an intense coach who helped turn the Plymouth State College program around in the mid 80's before becoming an as-

sistant coach under Bob Brown at Boston University.

Finally, Brian McDermott is currently the head coach at Dakota State, where he took a perennial loser and turned it into a winner. McDermott previously coached at South Dakota.

The search committee expects to make a recommendation to Athletic Director John Ratliff in the next week. Some time thereafter, an offer is expected to be made.

The six-man field appears to be a strong one. The job of turning the program around will not be an easy one. The hiring of an energetic new coach would seem to send the Owls in a very positive direction.

Good news for a program that needs all it can get.

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Senatorial Hopefuls Come to KSC

Swett Wants to Stop 'Polarization'

Anthony B. Vogl
News Editor

Increasing the minimum wage and providing the nation's workers with "the tools to help themselves" are the keys to the future growth of America, Dick Swett, U.S. Senate hopeful, told a crowd of about 20 Keene State College students last Wednesday.

Swett, formerly a U.S. Representative from New Hampshire, said health care and the welfare system continue to demand the attention of legislators from both political parties.

"The country needs to get away from polarization," Swett said.

The Democratic candidate said fiscal responsibility should be one of



Equinox/JONATHAN E. COOPER

Q AND A - U.S. Senate hopeful Dick Swett fields a question during his visit to Keene State last week.

the main concerns of government.

He believes non-government spending should be cut and supports education.

"Without an educated middle class, we will fail," he said.

At one point during the Q&A

portion of Swett's visit, a student explained her father's anti-Department of Education stance, and asked Swett to explain his feelings on the department, which has taken much criticism

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Rauh Stresses Education

Keith Moriarty
Style Editor

John Rauh is "not for sale."

The Senatorial candidate, in a visit to Keene State College last week, made his issues clear, and stated why he feels Keene State students

should vote for him in the upcoming primary against Dick Swett, and, if applicable, the general election in November against incumbent Bob Smith.

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Alumnus Bids for Governor

Robert K. Wollner
Contributing Writer

What does a former school teacher turned businessman, who has never held public office, have in common with the office of the governor? If you're Frederick J. Bramante, hopefully a lot.

Bramante, a 1970 graduate of Keene State College, announced yesterday at the Legislative Office Building in Concord that he is a candidate for governor.

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Policy Offers Quick Get-a-way Express Check-out May End Move Out Gridlock

Aaron Kay Sales
The Equinox

There are few things more irritating than "moving-out day." Resident Assistants must find a balance between their final exam schedule and checking out their residents.

In an effort to make the process more convenient for all involved, the Residential Life Office is now offering express check-out, a more efficient check-out process.

A letter from Residential Life and Dining Services distributed to students last week, stated that students, "have the option of sav-

ing time by doing an Express Check-out."

According to the letter, students must inform their RA they will be using the express check-out by April 26. They will then obtain an express packet from the RA that must be filled out and returned, along with room keys, access cards and/or front door keys.

By choosing the express option, students are "giving their RA or RD permission to compare the Room Condition Form to your room's current condition, reporting any damages after you leave campus."

According to Michel

Williams, associate director of residential life: housing services, "One thing that has continued to resonate is conversation around what a tremendous amount of work it is for our staff and what a hassle it is for students in getting out of the buildings."

"The new procedure has been developed over the last two semesters," Williams said, "gathering information from other institutions and talking with our staff ... what pieces need to be put into place ... how a new process like this is going to make it easier on students."

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