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The Equinox Sports



Angela Muirhead and the other Lady Owls finished their season this weekend at Southern Connecticut, during the NECC tournament. Keene State's record was 13-22 over the season.

Volleyball team doesn't fare well during weekend tournament

Jacob Mical
The Equinox

Some years are better than others. This is how you could describe the Keene State College volleyball season, which came to a close on Saturday.

The Lady Owls were competing in the New England Collegiate Conference tournament in West Haven, Connecticut.

Unfortunately, Keene State was unable to match up well with some of the powerhouses of New England volleyball. On the first day of the tournament, Keene State did not fare well.

In the first match, the Lady Owls faced UMass-Lowell. The Riverhawks dominated the first game, winning 1-15.

The Lady Owls charged back in

the second game, but fell short of victory 19-21. UMass-Lowell finished off the Lady Owls in the third game, 2-15.

Keene State met Southern Connecticut in the second match.

The Lady Owls still couldn't break into the win column, dropping three straight games, 9-15, 10-15, and 9-15.

The Lady Owls charged back in

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Coach and athletes receive honors

Coach Denise Lyons, several of her athletes, and several of the men received honors this week.

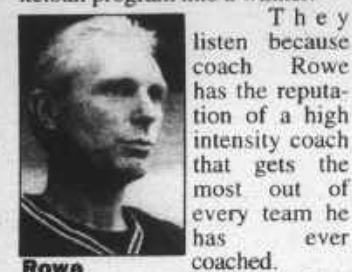
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Hoop season full of promise

Owls outlook hopeful under first-year head coach Rowe

David Haley
The Equinox

When new Keene State College head coach Phil Rowe speaks, his team listens. His team listens because he has been hand picked from among 300 applicants to turn the school's beleaguered basketball program into a winner.



Rowe

They listen because coach Rowe has the reputation of a high intensity coach that gets the most out of every team he has ever coached.

Usually though, they listen because he is speaking very loudly.

You will have to forgive coach Rowe for that. What he inherits is a program that last had a winning

season in 1980-81, or about the time most of his current players were four or five years old.

Keene State's mens basketball program has amassed a record of 29-153 since 1989 and as of last year, showed little sign of progress.

"The biggest philosophy we employ is to work hard every minute of every game all season. I think people will enjoy watching this team play."

• Phil Rowe
Owls head coach

Athletic Director John Ratliff decided to begin the search for someone to change all of that through a nation wide search that yielded over three hundred applicants.

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Lady Owls banking on senior experience to lead team

Paul Silverfarb
The Equinox

Following a 1995 2-22 overall season record, the Keene State College women's basketball team is looking for something to make their last Division II season a memorable and successful one.

Although the Lady Owls' record was a disappointing one, the bright spot for this season is knowing that all five starters are returning.

The outlook sees a strong backcourt, but the frontcourt still has several holes which must be filled.

Senior tri-captain Kerri Martin and sophomore Lindsey Arnold are going to be needed to lift the frontcourt to a decent status. Coach Boucher will rely heavily on that tandem. Martin finished

last year with 10.2 points and 7.5 rebounds per game.

Arnold was the Lady Owls' top rebounder last season, pulling down eight boards per game.

With her great ability to stick the outside shot she will also be a great asset for the Lady Owls.

Megan Jalbert, the freshman who will provide the added boost in the frontcourt, and the return of sophomore forward Alice Adams who pitched in for the Lady Owls last year, will be a great duo for the frontcourt.

With a knee injury plaguing her all last year, senior tri-captain guard Debbie Hammond is ready to return to the line-up and show why she is known for her clutch shooting and tough defense.

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PARKING CRUNCH



TOO MANY CARS, TOO FEW SPACES

Equinox photo by Lisa Robichaud

Sean Cronin tickets a car illegally parked behind Elliot Hall. Parking continues to be a concern of many students as the administration searches for answers.

Kimberly L. Szidlo
The Equinox

Keene State College students often complain about the parking situation on campus, and although their voices are being heard, officials say there is no clear solution.

Vernon Baisden, director of campus safety, the office in charge of parking, says the most frequently-voiced concern is that there are too few parking spaces for commuter students.

"I think it's ridiculous," said Kerry St. Pierre, a commuter student. "Between 9 a.m. and noon you have to come 20 minutes early to get a spot."

While he recognizes that there is a problem, Baisden says there has not been a formal discussion on the subject.

"We can only hope that something will be done," Baisden said. While students make up the ma-

jority of those concerned about parking on campus, faculty and staff have also made complaints.

When students purchase parking decals they are not guaranteed a parking space, Baisden said.

He says he doesn't know of any colleges that make such a guarantee.

Contrary to popular belief at Keene State, the parking office does not require its ticketers to fulfill a quota. Tickets are issued when commuters break the parking rules, such as parking in fire lanes or on the grass, Baisden said.

Parking problems also stem from students misunderstanding or disregarding lot regulations. Parking hours vary lot to lot. Stu-

dents are not allowed to park in certain lots at all, and in others, parking hours are restricted.

Of course, those who feel they were unfairly ticketed have the option of appeal. Campus Safety's "Parking Rules and Regulations" pamphlet states that appeals must be filed within seven business days after the ticket was issued. Requests for appeals must be made in writing and submitted with the original ticket at an appeals session.

Students must present a valid reason for filing an appeal when going before the appeals board. Excuses such as "I was late for class," will not be accepted, according to the pamphlet.

St. Pierre says she received two tickets this semester and has not had to pay either one.

"I won both of the appeals," she said.

The parking office operates on a fixed budget that has remained at about \$200,000 for the last few years, Baisden said. About 50 percent of which goes to a mortgage held on the Winchester Street lot. The remaining money goes toward maintenance on the parking lots and salaries for parking office employees.

The office also generates revenue from the sales of parking decals and fines from parking tickets, Baisden said.

The parking office follows up on all parking tickets. For students, an ignored ticket could mean a delay in the release of their transcript.

Non-students are sent bills for tickets. The parking office can also trace license plates, Baisden said.

Baisden said he does not know why the set rate for tickets on campus is \$30. He said this fee

was in place long before he worked at Keene State.

Decals are sold at a ratio of two decals per parking space. Baisden says the parking office sells more decals because students come and go throughout the day.

The distribution of decals for the Winchester Street lot, which serves both on-campus and commuter students, works differently than the on-campus lots. In the Winchester lot students are guaranteed spaces, because the lot is primarily used by non-commuters, who leave cars there for extended lengths of time.

One of the causes of the problem, Baisden says, is that the college has grown substantially in the last few years. The parking facilities, on the other hand, have not grown with the school and therefore cannot accommodate the increase of cars on campus.

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Campus Safety Log

November 22 Friday

1:45 p.m. There was a report of a hit and run accident in the Science Center parking lot. The owner of the car was contacted and there was no new damage to the car found.

4:45 p.m. There was a safety hazard reported from the Student Center about grease overflowing from a dumpster into the sewer drain. Caution tape was out around the dumpster and someone was called to clean it up.

November 23 Saturday

1:01 a.m. A caller from Holloway Hall reported someone had smeared chocolate frosting on their door.

November 24 Sunday

1:20 a.m. The bulletin board from a wall in Holloway Hall was ripped down and items from it

were stomped on and smashed.

2:06 a.m. The Keene Police Department responded to the Westwood Health Care Center across from the campus. Sounds of gunfire were reported.

10:29 a.m. There was a report that substantial damage was done to a new stereo system in a room in Holloway Hall. During the night, (words deleted by Campus Safety) was taken (words deleted by Campus Safety) in his room.

12:26 p.m. A vomit clean-up was requested for the 3C floor bathroom in Carle Hall.

2:04 p.m. An RA found vomit in the kitchen sink on the 2B Carle Hall floor.

3:44 p.m. RA Joshua Farr requested that the second floor bathroom in Monadnock be cleaned again because there has still a strong smell of vomit.

9:24 p.m. There was a report that

a window in the north fire exit door in Owl's Nest 3 was broken. A parking sign was pulled out of the ground and a window in the northwest exit door was cracked.

10:35 p.m. A resident from Holloway Hall reported that the license plate from his/her car was stolen while parked on Coolidge Street.

November 25 Monday

4:38 p.m. There was a call regarding ants in the west stairwell of Fiske Hall near rooms 126-129.

6:27 p.m. There was a caller requesting information about a bike he left in the Student Center area several days ago asking Campus Safety if they had picked up the bike.

The dispatcher told him he was unaware of any bike found recently and told the caller to file a report. The caller did not identify him or herself and said if Campus Safety

did not have the bike, then it was stolen and stolen bikes do not get returned, and the caller hung up.

November 26 Tuesday

1:27 a.m. There was a fire cracker thrown out of a window in the Randall/Monadnock complex.

November 27 Wednesday

2:33 p.m. A Campus Safety officer responded to RD (words deleted by Campus Safety) belief that there is a (words deleted by Campus Safety) in room. There was a (words deleted by Campus Safety) but officer noted it's size and make-up do not constitute a (words deleted by Campus Safety).

November 29 Friday

1:52 p.m. A window was found partially opened in Huntress Hall and a hole in the plaster near the north stairway railing was also

found.

November 30 Saturday

12:46 p.m. A Campus Safety officer found an opened window on the west side of Huntress Hall and a two more opened windows were found in the building.

December 1 Sunday

3:11 p.m. RD Kim Schmidle-Gagne reported that residents of Holloway Hall thought their phone may have been stolen.

7:18 p.m. RA Jodi Briggs called to report a possible theft of a laptop computer from a room in Holloway Hall.

December 2 Monday

2:40 a.m. There was a report from Owl's Nest 6 that someone was trying to fit a key in all the doors in the building.

Keene Police Log

November 30, Saturday

10:05 a.m. disabled motor vehicle, Winchester Street parking lot, vehicle moved, services rendered

8:50 p.m. motor vehicle stop, Winchester and Ralston Streets, summons issued for speeding

9:31 p.m. caller from the Sports Corner stated that two males were rolling a marijuana cigarette in the pool table area and were heading outside to

smoke it, subjects were gone on arrival

10:41 p.m. motor vehicle stop, Winchester and Island Streets, illegal U-turn

10:41 p.m. Jesse Lafayette, arrested, Winchester and Island Streets, suspension of license privilege for failure to report, released on \$800 personal recognizance bail until a hearing on Dec. 23

December 1, Sunday

12:11 a.m. Gregory Lounder, arrested, Beaver Street, released on \$300 personal recognizance bail until a hearing on Dec. 19

12:12 a.m. subject taken into protective custody, Beaver Street

2:38 a.m. loud music, 55 Beaver St., party broke up, parking tickets issued, services rendered

10:01 a.m. motor vehicle stop Winchester Street parking lot,

summons issued

3:05 p.m. motor vehicle stop, Main Street by Keene State, unregistered vehicle

7:33 p.m. Holloway Hall room 313A, report filed

December 2, Monday
3:35 a.m. fire alarm pull, Carle Hall, report filed

3:57 a.m. to campus regarding the fire call

8:58 p.m. called by Campus Safety, concerning a theft in Holloway Hall

10:27 p.m. report of theft Holloway Hall

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Keene Fire Log

November 20, Wednesday
2:03 a.m. Carle Hall, smoke detector A-wing

November 21, Thursday
10:43 p.m. Huntress Hall, medical emergency

November 22, Friday
12:54 a.m. Owl's Nest 8/9 smoke detector, set off by smoking

November 23, Saturday
7:29 p.m. 8 Madison St., smoke detector in southern section of the basement

November 26, Tuesday
(Time Unlisted) 83-85 Blake St.,

automatic fire alarm, second floor hallway

November 30, Saturday
10:20 p.m. Redfern Arts Center on Brickyard Pond, smoke detector in south hall by construction

December 1, Sunday
(Time Unlisted) Monadnock Hall, medical emergency

December 2, Monday
3:33 a.m. Carle Hall, automatic fire alarm, third floor D-wing, false alarm

3:52 a.m. Carle Hall, assist medical emergency



Study of Division 1 universities links criminal behavior to athletes

Mike Waller
The Daily Iowan
University of Iowa

IOWA CITY - When former University of Iowa basketball player Jeff Walker was charged with eight felony counts of forgery for using a stolen ATM card on Oct. 11, he became another NCAA crime statistic.

Athletes are becoming participants in illicit activity at an alarming rate across the country, said S. Daniel Carter, regional vice president of Security on Campus Inc.

Programs at the University of Miami, Florida State University and the University of Nebraska have received extensive negative publicity after incidents such as assault, Pell grant fraud, domestic assault and attempted second-degree murder.

The UI is no exception when it comes to troubled athletes. Current football tight end Zeron Flemister and basketball player Greg Helmers have been in trouble with the law, as well as former Hawkeyes Chris Kingsbury, Marcus "Tex" Montgomery and Walker.

Tom Cressett, a sports management professor at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, conducted a study over 18 months that looked at 30 Division I universities.

Compared to male non-athletes, male athletes were involved in a disproportionate number of sexual assaults.

His study concluded 3.3 percent of the student populations studied were male athletes, but that same group committed 19 percent of the reported sexual crimes.

Carter said athletes seemingly get in trouble more often than non-athletes for two reasons: attitude and publicity.

"Athletes are trained to be more aggressive," he said. "Their popularity makes them feel that they are above the standards that are set for others, and that's unfortunate."

The Virginia Tech football team has had seven players charged with various crimes since November 1995, and at least 15 more have been accused of beating up a member of the school's track team.

Of the seven Virginia Tech players who faced a combined total of 13 charges, ranging from shoplifting to malicious wounding, nine charges were dismissed, and the

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Burglars hit Holloway over Thanksgiving break

Jonathan Cooper
The Equinox

According to the Keene Police Department and the Office of Campus Safety, six rooms in Holloway Hall were burglarized during Thanksgiving break.

Sgt. Barry Wante of the Keene Police Department says burglars made off with a number of compact discs, a walkman, VHS movies, a cordless phone, a calculator textbook and a Macintosh Powerbook.

In all, the property taken totaled \$2,500, Wante said.

Both Wante and Director of Campus Safety Vern Baisden said there was no evidence of forced entry into any of the rooms.

"One of the concerns is how many pass keys there are and who knows the combinations," Wante said. Rooms in Holloway Hall can be opened by keys or by combination locks.

Wante says the KPD has not pinned down a time when the burglaries took place, but he says they

believe it took place after 5 p.m. on Nov. 27 and before 5 p.m. on Dec. 1.

While Director of Residential Life Anne Miller says the break-ins are upsetting, she is not sure what action administrators will take.

"What we need to do is to continue what we've always done," Miller said, "we need to make sure the windows are closed and locked and the rooms are locked." She says that students must continue to watch their belongings.

Miller says the college does not

insure student property while students live in dorms. If they want insurance, students must register their possessions under their parents homeowner's policy or purchase additional insurance.

Wante says that while this is the first burglary at Keene State in some time, he says it is not surprising that it happened. He says students have a tendency to feel secure in an atmosphere where maybe they shouldn't.

Miller says the aspect of student safety combined with security is

something which concerns her.

She says the goal is to develop a sense of community, but this sense of community can also make students too comfortable.

Both Miller and Wante said students should take possessions home during breaks when the campus and dorms are closed.

Baisden says his office plans to review policies concerning patrolling during holiday breaks.

Neither Campus Safety nor Keene Police have any leads at this time.

Popular dance professor dies

Dana Matteucci & Hanna Snyder
The Equinox

Keene State staff member Alta Lucile Townes, 57, died Dec. 1, 1996 at her home in Swansey leaving behind mournful alumni and the thriving college dance program which she single-handedly created.

Townes joined the Keene State faculty in 1975 and she proceeded to found an eleven-course curriculum, including annual concerts, graduate courses, a minor, and a major concentration under the theater arts discipline.

"The department wouldn't even be at Keene State if she hadn't been here ... now there's a well established dance program and she made that happen," said Alana Rancourt, a former Townes' student and KSC alumnus.

From 1988 to 1989 Townes was The New England Regional American College Dance Festival coordinator at Keene State.

In the fall of 1992, Townes became a theater arts, speech and film department coordinator.

In April of 1994, Townes was honored for 20 years as director of "An Evening of the Dance," Keene State's premiere dance recital.

"Dancing is dancing, anyone can do it, but knowing how and why you're doing it is most important. Me and my colleagues started dancing because we were inspired by her passion and knowledge for modern dance," Rancourt said.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 6, 1939, Townes graduated from Coral Gables (Fla.) High School, and earned her undergraduate degrees in 1961 from Salem College in Winston-Salem, N.C. and in 1962 from UCLA.

In 1980, she received a masters degree from Smith College. "She was soft spoken, but she knew every ounce of information about modern dance," Rancourt



Courtesy Photo

Alta Lucile Townes

said. A memorial service will be held today in the Alumni Recital Hall at 4 p.m.

Contributions may be made to the Alta L. Townes Memorial Dance Prize, Keene State College Office of Advancement.



Equinox photo by Sue Ashman

Sara Garneau grimaces as she gets pricked with a needle during the Red Cross Blooddrive on Wednesday, Nov. 20.

Construction underway on Young Building

Sandi Duggan
The Equinox

Renovations, not a tornado, are what turned part of the former Loyd P. Young building into a pile of debris.

Construction has begun on the first phase of the project that will renovate the former student union into classrooms and laboratories.

Phase one of the renovations includes building two 90-seat classrooms, three 40-seat classrooms, seven 20 to 25-seat classrooms and new computer labs, according to college relations.

Neil Montgomery, psychology department head, said the real advantage of the renovations will be the new classrooms.

"That's what we really need," he said.

The building will also house the education and psychology departments when phase two of the project is completed, according to college relations.

Planning for the renovations have been under way for about three years and the sooner it is done the better, Montgomery said.

Phase one will cost approximately \$2.2 million.

Keene State College received the money from the state government.

Keene State and the University System of New Hampshire are seeking \$5.4 million for phase two from the next state budget.

Susan Ericson-West, secretary to the dean of professional and graduate studies, said a new annex building will be built off the renovated building in phase two, which will house the Education and Psychology faculty offices.

The psychology department is located in four different places right now, Montgomery said.

He said it will be nice to see his psychology colleagues.

Phase two will not be completed for at least another year, Ericson-West said.

Visitor parking has been permanently moved to Wyman Way, according to college relations.

The new lot has more spaces and better lighting, said Retha Lindsey Fielding, director of college relations.

Fielding said she has heard no complaints about the move.

The former Loyd P. Young building was originally constructed as a gymnasium in 1928.



Equinox photos by Matt Daly

The construction of the former Loyd P. Young Student Union began this week. After the removal of one wing of the building, construction will begin on two 90-seat lecture halls, two 40-seat classrooms and other classroom and office space.



Graphic design lab gets a technological upgrade

Molly Wheeler
The Equinox

The graphic design lab in Butterfield Hall is stepping into the 90s with new technology upgrades.

The graphic design program at Keene State College is 10 years old and the lab space has been up and running for eight years. Last year the lab was upgraded and new equipment was purchased. This improvement was needed according to students and faculty.

"No more than three years ago we were working on Mac Ses

"There is more use and interest because of the new computers."

• Heather Gendron
ITS faculty

which are only black and white, designing color, which is trouble," Ken Blair, executive editor of the *Kronicle*, the Keene State yearbook.

Upgrades have allowed students to do higher level work in the graphic design department. see LAB, page 23



Rene Murad works on one of the new computers in the graphic design lab.

Equinox photo by Josh Lynn

campus briefs

AmeriCorps continues at KSC

Keene State College has a new AmeriCorps member. Jessica Lynn Fredette of Auburn, NH hopes that her position can help to expand Keene State College and community partnerships with area K-12 schools.

As part of the Keene State community service office, Fredette recruits, trains and develops the leadership skills of student volunteer programs.

Fredette worked for the Manchester Health Department as a research assistant. She analyzed immunization records for all elementary schools and surveyed participants at health clinics for research on the affects of low immunization rates.

At the Bartlett Elementary School in Goffstown, Fredette worked as a conflict resolution instructor. She continued her work for children in her internship at the Children's Rights Council in Washington, D.C. Fredette lobbied on Capitol Hill for issues such as child welfare, grants and other funding for nonprofit organizations and researched issues surrounding child support and custody.

Fredette earned her bachelor of arts degree in sociology, with a concentration in social work, May 1996 at Saint Anselm College in Manchester.

At Saint Anselm's she was a member of the Social Work Club, Spanish Club, Biology Club, intramural volleyball and Protestant Fellowship.

KSC observes World AIDS Day

Students and the greater Keene community celebrated World AIDS Day on Sunday, Dec. 1 with a candlelight vigil and a fire-side chat.

This year's theme, "One World, One Hope," responds to the evolving global epidemic. World AIDS Day is designed to send the message that there is hope for eliminating HIV/AIDS if families and communities work to educate their members.

Sunday's events began with a nondenominational worship service at St. James Episcopal Church. The event was sponsored by AIDS Services for the Monadnock Region.

A candlelight vigil began at the end of Appian Way and continued up Main Street to Central Square. After the candlelight vigil, people were invited to the Great Hall of Holloway Hall for a fireside chat with HIV-positive speakers and their families.

Keene State President Stanley J. Yarosewick and Keene Mayor Pat Russell spoke to the group.

The week preceding World AIDS Day, Nov. 24-30, the Student Center at Keene State students displayed a lighted Remembrance Tree to remember loved ones who have died or are sick.

Downtown merchants, displayed red ribbons to commemorate those who have died of the disease.

Shaw's Supermarket displayed art work from two local elementary schools following the "One World, One Hope" theme.

World AIDS Day, which is observed annually on Dec. 1, will be commemorated in 190 member nations of the World Health Organization. The WHO hopes to draw attention to the worldwide threat to public health.

Tuition lottery winners named

With the rising costs of a quality college education, the parents of Megan Travis should have been happy to win the cash equivalent of a semester's worth of tuition, room, board, and mandatory fees.

It has been a tradition at Keene State for the Senior Class to offer a lottery to matriculated students and their parents, and the grand prize totals \$4,161.00. Second, third, and fourth place prizes are awarded in the forms of Keene State bookstore gift certificates.

Thomas Stanton and his parents won \$200, Robert Scalzo and his parents won \$100, and Janet Swartout won \$50 for her son or daughter at Keene State.

Lottery tickets cost ten dollars a piece and the money helps to fund Senior Week. Tickets are only available to matriculated Keene State students and their families. If the grand prize winner is not returning to Keene State in the spring, a cash equivalent will be awarded.

U.S. 5th largest exporter of services

The Institute of International Education reported Monday that foreign students spent more than \$7 billion on college tuition, fees and living expenses during the 1995-1996 academic year.

This report makes U.S. colleges and universities the nation's fifth largest "exporter" of services. The information comes from "Open Doors, 1995-96," the annual report of foreign students attending U.S. colleges and universities and Americans studying abroad.

Foreign students have an impact on both the U.S. economy and our

own local and regional economies. Keene State College is host to 100 international students and faculty from 28 different countries and 109 Keene State students are studying abroad in 13 countries.

KSC to host national historians

On Saturday, September 20, 1997, Keene State College will host the first symposium of the New England Regional World History Association.

Historians from all across the United States will visit Keene State for sessions devoted to the teaching of world history at high school and college levels.

The Keene State History Department is encouraging teachers and professors of history who have recently written or are writing a paper on a topic related to world history and who would like to present it at the symposium, to contact Wilfred Bisson, professor of history, at 603-358-2961, or e-mail at fbisson@keene.edu.

Equinox teaches third-graders

Woodward and Bernsten may have some competition at *The Washington Post* in the next few years.

Students at the Mt. Caesar Elementary School in Swanzy are preparing to make their own school newspaper, in Jeanne Minnich's third grade class.

Minnich, a 1988 graduate of Keene State College, is being assisted in her efforts to introduce the students to journalism by Amy Lewis, a Keene State student who is student teaching at Mt. Caesar this semester.

Equinox staff visited the class, giving students a basic look at how weekly newspapers are made, teaching the students what headlines and bylines are, and talking about current news stories featured in *The Equinox* such as the Pumpkin Festival that was held in Keene last October. *The Equinox* is also supplying the students with reporter's notebooks to assist the students with their reporting.

Students who will be helping to write and edit the Mt. Caesar newspaper include Joseph Babonis, Tyler Croteau, Ashley Stewart, Matt Bause, David Barry, Sarah Wyman, Emma Pantescio, Andrew Cox, Jason Gearhart, Karen Sullivan, Julia Preus, Emily Wood, Alyssa Therrien, Dan Hitchcock, Rusty Blodgett, John Nason, August Baur, Christopher Davis, Katie Zitta, Elyse Cote, and David Bielunis.

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Opinion

KSC: Don't even *think* about parking here

Editorial

We've all been there. You're in a hurry, late for class or a meeting, you drive into a campus parking lot and, lo and behold, there are no parking spaces.

You soon discover that there is not a single parking space, in fact, in any of the campus parking lots. Finally, you find one space - the last parking space on campus - and pull in.

Guess what? The sign in front of the space says you can't park there. You are not a member of the staff. You either park there and get a \$30 parking ticket, or move on.

You realize you don't have an extra \$30. You park on Main Street somewhere, throw some coins in the meter, and hope for the best.

The punchline is - you've already paid for a parking decal. It's right there, in plain sight, on your car window. You faithfully bought this decal, assuming the college would keep its end of the bargain and provide adequate parking. Yet, your little sticker does you absolutely no good, because there are no parking spaces left.

Do you see a problem here? You should. Anyone, including the campus parking office, should realize a major crisis exists here at Keene State College regarding the acute lack of parking.

There are many commuter students who rely on adequate parking. They live in the towns surrounding Keene, drive into Keene daily for classes, yet they cannot find a parking space when they get here.

We already pay enough to attend classes at Keene State, so why can't the college provide enough spaces for all of us?

It's not as if the college does not realize there is a problem. It's as plain as can be - complaints roll into the parking office on a regular basis from students who can't find a place to park.

So what does the parking office do? They spend half of their \$200,000 budget to pay employees to write \$30 tickets for students who, in sheer desperation, parked where they weren't supposed to.

The parking office sells more decals than there are parking spaces. Yet, for the Winchester Street lot, only a certain

number of decals are sold, because there are only a finite number of spaces available.

Does this mean the college believes there are an infinite number of spaces available around the rest of the college?

That's certainly not the case. If there are only a certain number of available spaces, why is there a double standard?

What can be done to ease this problem? First the campus parking office needs to stop selling more decals than there are spaces. Second, more spaces need to be made available. This can be accomplished by either easing parking restrictions in existing lots or creating new ones. Only then will the parking space crisis be resolved.



Soundoff

Photos and interviews by Lisa Robichaud

"What do you want for Christmas/Hanukkah?"

"Money! Lots and lots and lots of money!!"

• Jim Kivikoski
junior
history

"A vacation."

• Tim Puls
sophomore
undecided

"A good education."

• Tim Nash
sophomore
health and fitness

"New clothes."

• Rachel Wilson
junior
elem. ed./special ed./theatre



Marijuana may cause greater health risks than you might expect



Jim Matthews

Often I hear students justify their use of marijuana by comparing it to alcohol. They believe marijuana is somehow better than alcohol. It is, however, more accurate to consider marijuana simply as a different drug than alcohol, having its own unique problems.

Yes, marijuana use does not result in violence like alcohol use sometimes does.

Yet marijuana use can result in behaviors at the opposite end of the spectrum which are similarly disempowering and potentially destructive, such as apathy, amotivational syndrome, disinterest, lethargy and an inability to care

about people, activities, situations and/or ideas.

Yes, people do not vomit due to marijuana use. But the suppression of the vomit reflex is a side effect that can be extremely dangerous in situations of alcohol poisoning and other poisoning where vomiting is a protective mechanism.

Since people can use marijuana for medicinal purposes, some believe it should be legalized. Yes, marijuana can be of value to people on chemotherapy or in other situations where severe nausea is a complaint.

In addition it can be used by those with glaucoma to relieve the pressure in their eyes. Yet, these symptoms can be treated with other drugs with less dramatic long term side effects than marijuana.

Yes, high risk alcohol use can result in a miserable hangover. There may be no immediate residual effect from marijuana use, yet it is critical to understand that

Marijuana use can result in a greater risk for lung cancer, lowered sperm counts, decreased testosterone, breast development in men, reproductive problems in women, birth defects, mental deficiencies, and possible addiction.

THC, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana, is stored in the fat cells of the body, particularly in the fatty tissue of the brain.

And, the half life of marijuana can be from 3-5 days. Therefore, THC settles and collects in the brain of someone who smokes on a weekly basis. As a matter of fact, THC can test positively for weeks and sometimes months after continuous use.

People who are stoned tend to believe they think more clearly and some even believe they drive better than when drunk. Realistically, however, marijuana use results in a misperception of clearer thinking.

Reason and cognition are nega-

tively affected. The ability to respond to stimuli is also negatively affected, including an inability to judge distances accurately as well as impaired tracking (following a moving object) skills.

Yes, no one ever died from an overdose of marijuana. However, the effects of marijuana use are long term, not short term.

Marijuana use can result in a greater risk of lung cancer, lowered sperm counts, decreased testosterone, breast development in men, reproductive problems in women, birth defects, mental deficiencies, and possible addiction.

Actually, there are a few similarities between alcohol and mari-

juana use. Both have the potential to become an addiction. Another similarity is the misperception that everyone does it.

Yet, more than half of Keene State College students do not use marijuana regularly or drink at a high risk level. The third similarity is the belief that drinking or smoking enhances socialization.

My experience has convinced me that rather than enhance socialization, it more often inhibits personal development and healthy, honest, meaningful interaction between people.

High risk drinking and marijuana use can have serious short term and/or long term negative consequences. Consider how it may be affecting your personal development and the attainment of your ultimate life goals.

-Jim Matthews is the special assistant to the vice president for alcohol and other drug programs at Keene State College.

Letters to the Editor

Women need to support women

I am writing this letter to express my disappointment with many of the full time female faculty members here at Keene State College.

For part of an independent study on women, law, and politics, I tried to conduct a survey of all female faculty members which investigated their attitudes toward unions in general - and toward their own union.

My goal was to correlate theoretical attitudes about social change with practical activism. I hand delivered the surveys which consisted of 12 multiple choice questions and three short answer questions. In acknowledging that faculty members are busy, I purposely kept the survey short and simple.

On a cover letter attached to the survey I explained my reason for conducting the study, my goals, as

well as instructions for professors to tape the results outside their doors. I explained I would retrieve them in a weeks time. All results were to remain anonymous. I made every effort to make this as quick and easy as I possibly could.

Much to my dismay, out of the 49 surveys I distributed I received only 13 back. I am particularly disturbed that five of the 10 women's studies professors failed to return the survey. I have had classes with most of these professors and have learned that in the wide scope of feminist theory women need to support women, a global sisterhood if you will.

If women don't help each other then who will? I think maybe these professors need to reconsider a page out of their own books and practice what they preach. With such poor results I was unable to draw a valid conclusion, which means I am, in a sense, cheated out of information I needed.

I have a minor in women's stud-

ies and am also attending Simmons College next semester to begin a master's degree in the field.

This experience has made me question my future as well as the dedication of the female faculty members on this campus.

Perhaps in the midst of trying to get on the tenure track you have forgotten the students. It is we who pay your salary. It is we who you are here to teach. It is we who want to acquire knowledge, but it seems you have forgotten that. It was I who was left with questions unanswered. I encourage your responses on this matter.

Jessica Brewin
Keene State College senior

Assess Greeks on quality of members

With my college career winding down, I find myself thinking back in moments of retrospection. I think back to a time when Greeks worked to empower themselves.

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So, hard work and dedication does pay



Joel Kastner

If I said the time had flown by, I'd be outright lying.

This semester has, without question, put the phrase "time stands still" into the forefront of my consciousness. Lately, days seem like weeks, weeks like months, months like ... well, I'm sure you get the picture.

So, I ask in all sincerity, is there anyone in the world more looking forward to the winter break than I?

But enough of the self-pitying crap ... although drawn out, there is a point to all of this; and wouldn't you know, it has Equinox branded all over it.

We at *The Equinox* are well aware of our shortcomings - we know we miss news, we know we can't copy edit to save our lives ... does this recognition exonerate us in any way? Of course not, but at the very least it gives us something to strive for.

Two weeks ago many members of our executive board flew to sunny Orlando to attend the Associated Collegiate Press' annual convention. While hopes were high, surprisingly enough (note the sarcastic undertone)

we were not the recipients of the coveted "Best in Show" award. Nor did we place second, third or for that matter, at all.

At least not officially ...

What *The Equinox* did garner however, and what quite possibly may be an acceptable alternative to the trophies and plaques of the "real" winners, was respect. Respect for our design - respect for our effort. Now of course it would have been more fulfilling to receive this respect in the form of an award, but, and I say this quite frankly, will take what I can get.

Take what I can get because back home it's a battle field. And it begins on Sundays, and continues right through the week - sometimes sparing us a brief rest on the weekends, other times not. This newspaper, as anyone who works for it will tell you, is all consuming. (If you really want to know, ask the professor of an *Equinox* e-board member about class attendance records - then you'll understand).

Far too often I think, is it worth it? Is the time, the energy, the frustration, the aggravation, is anything at all worth what I and my coworkers go through on a weekly basis?

And then it all seems clear ... The recurring sense of anguish is worth it in the end.

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Clinton is hungry, campus safety is (deleted) ... predictions abound



Peter Lambert

With the 1996 year coming to an end in less than a month, we have now turned our thoughts to 1997.

It is popular for many people to make resolutions for the coming year. Approximately 99.8 percent of these resolutions will not make it past February, but we try anyway.

Also popular is to make predictions for the next year. What events will occur in 1997? What will happen in the world of politics? Of sports? What about natural disasters? Here's my little list of predictions for 1997.

January 20 - President Clinton is sworn in for his second term in office. In a moving part of the ceremony, he plays "America the Beautiful" on his saxophone sur-

rounded by 3,000 Elvis impersonators flown in from Las Vegas especially for the event. In his inaugural address, he calls for "a double cheeseburger and a side of fries."

January 26 - The New England Patriots win the Super Bowl, defeating the Dallas Cowboys 46-10. Coach Parcells finally smiles.

February 15 - Russian officials disavow the persistent rumor that President Boris Yeltsin is deathly ill, saying that he "only has a bad head cold."

February 17 - Attending the funeral of Russian President Yeltsin, Vice President Al Gore is mistaken for the corpse and accidentally buried instead. He is safely retrieved.

March 3 - A giant earthquake, measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale, hits southern California, shifting Los Angeles 350 miles north. The Giants and Dodgers are once again cross-town rivals.

April 14 - Keene State College officials announce that the red

or individuals life.

I mentioned the scrutiny towards Greek life that has been increasing the past few years. One great example of this is the lovely little administrative "Greek Assessment." Let me be clear that I am not condemning the practice of assessment unless it is done improperly. Good assessment practice programs can be very helpful to the college.

However, I have some deep reservations about this one.

First of all, warning lights were triggered when I discovered that Greeks are the only group at Keene State College being assessed. Why is this? What about the other organizations on campus? Rugby and other sports clubs are not being assessed, what about SAC? Lord knows they need one!

The answer to the question why is simple, it is an ancient process called scapegoating. The administration would love to blame all their problems on Greeks.

But did you know that out of over 750 judicial incidents on campus during the 1995/1996 academic year, only four were Greek related and only three were actually found guilty. (It's easier to blame Greeks right?)

My second reservation about the Greek assessment is the criteria being used to assess us. At Greek Senate, the assessment team stated that they wanted to come into the Greek houses to "check things out." HOLD ON! Did I hear that right? Gee, no violation of right to privacy there! Not to mention that a Greek house has absolutely nothing to do with the quality of a Greek organization.

Greeks are in the business of offering learning and leadership opportunities to students at Keene State. If the school really wants to assess us, then do it based upon the quality of our members. How the organization helps individuals to grow and become responsible leaders.

Assess us on the success our survival, and how we manage to run our organizations in such a dynamic environment. Assess us on our commitment, loyalty, hard

work and spirit.

Our house is where we eat our meals and sleep each night, nothing more.

I don't recall signing my rights away on any registration form at Keene State, and will most certainly stand up for myself as the assessment team does their work. Good luck to all organizations out there.

Daryl Eames
Phi Kappa Theta

Adjunct criticizes The Equinox

I am an adjunct lecturer in the Physical Education Department, teaching only one course. I have enjoyed reading your publication periodically (pun intended - ask Jake Mical).

This past issue was informative, and yet displayed your wonderful brand of humor. With the Superman changing booth, to not quoting Coach Boucher properly, to your ever entertaining police lineup (for which, I understand, numerous students use their creative

genius to attain the status of appearing in such list).

But none was as entertaining as when you quoted an archaic dress policy that saw males students required to wear "Dresses and skirts" in the Dining Commons ("30 Years Ago - November 18, 1966", listing number three, main section leading to part A.).

I'm sure that there must have been numerous national publications, including the *New York Times* (sic), *Life*, *Dining Commons Gazette*, the *National Inquirer* (sic), competing to photograph such an event. In the next issue, you might want to resurrect one of those 8" x 10" black and white glossys, and put in on the comics page.

I commend you for a professional publication. And for having its editorial style falling somewhere between *The Union Leader* and the *Boston Phoenix*.

Keep on keeping on.

Jud Thomas
Keene State College
adjunct

Worthwhile

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When I heard the words "One of the best designed college newspapers in New England - period ..." suddenly I felt all right.

Now it's Tuesday night again, and I new dose of rage has settled around me, but I'm remembering those precious words I heard in Florida, and I'm again reminded, this ain't so bad.

As I wrote in the first issue of the semester, last year was our rebuilding year. We turned the paper

around - got it back on its feet again. This year was to be a growth year, and I believe that it has been.

The college newspaper business is funny. As soon as you get comfortable in your current position you are thrust into a new role, one in which you know next to nothing, but which you are expected to be a "professional" in from the start.

Bearing that in mind, it's easy to see why high turnover can lead to a thoroughly disappointing product. The area that I am most proud of this year, is our new-found ability to retain staff members. Without this commitment, none of the

strides the paper has taken would have been possible.

But the fun doesn't end there ... equally impressive, I believe, from an outsider's point of view, are the cosmetic changes we've made to the paper.

Despite the inherent troubles we face each week with color photography, we managed to get color on almost every issue (yeah, I know, funny time to be saying this, what with this issue black and white and all), a goal that seemed almost too much to tackle at the onset of the semester.

We have also, and this one I hope you don't notice, gone al-

most exclusively to computer-aided photography. What this means, is that in the very near future, *The Equinox* will cut its environmental - harmful wastes almost entirely. Using disks rather than paper and scanners in place of darkroom chemicals, the newspaper will soon be far more cost effective and resource friendly than ever before.

But do we stop here? Of course not - this is only the beginning.

Next semester, look for far more in-depth news coverage as we shift the feel of *The Equinox* to a feature-oriented newspaper.

cluding over 100 new prisons for political dissidents alone.

July 9 - The (words deleted by Campus Safety) of the (words deleted by Campus Safety) is told that the (words deleted by Campus Safety) was in the (words deleted by Campus Safety) all along, in a possibly related manner.

August 17 - President Clinton, deciding that his wife Hillary should have a more limited role in government, nominates her to become ambassador to Bolivia, secretary of commerce, head of the joint chiefs of staff, and chief of naval intelligence.

September 15 - An alien spacecraft from the planet Mylanta 4 lands in Dallas. Four short aliens with huge ears and whiny voices exit the craft and announce they have come to take Ross Perot back to the home world, saying he failed in his mission to infiltrate earth's political system and will be terminated.

October 30 - Keene's annual Pumpkin Festival is a huge suc-

cess, with 24,000 pumpkins lining Main Street. Once again Nashua competes, and checks in with 16 pumpkins and a large zucchini.

November 14 - The first of the political candidates contending for the New Hampshire primary, Sen. Lester R. Hockmeyer, R - KY, arrives in the North Country. He is immediately fed to the bears at Clark's Trading Post.

December 9 - Following its successful acquisitions of Touchstone pictures, ABC Television, and almost every other corporation known to man, the Walt Disney Corporation announces its plan to buy Australia and turn it into a giant theme park to be called "Mickey's Outbackland."

Remember, you read it here first. Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, Happy Solstice, and a Happy New Year everyone!

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Keene State College student on her way to nation's capitol

Kimberly L. Szydio
The Equinox

ers in society.



Coleman

Every college student understands the growing need for real work experience. Next semester one Keene State College student will be given the opportunity to prove herself in the nation's capitol.

Joy-Ellen Coleman, a senior psychology major at Keene State has been selected to participate in the Washington Center's Minority Leaders Fellowship Program in Washington, D.C.

The fellowship, which will take place from January to May 1997, is designed to provide minority students with tools and opportunities to examine their roles as lead-

Coleman will participate in a 14-week academic internship, which she hopes will be in the clinical counseling field.

Coleman said the internship will provide her with valuable hands on experience and help to open doors for her later in her career. "Employers love to see experience," she said.

In addition to the experience she will gain from the internship,

Coleman said she wants to be sure that clinical counseling is the field she would like to go into, before she goes on to graduate school.

The fellowship is a 15-week program with one week devoted to a seminar on leadership and diversity. The seminar will be followed by weekly sessions examining problems in the United States and looking for solutions.

Keene State will pay for Coleman's living expenses and airfare. Washington Center will provide the funding for her tuition.

Dr. Stanley J. Yarosewicz, president of Keene State College, endorsed the fellowship in order for the college to provide Coleman with the necessary funding.

Coleman said she thinks her involvement in the fellowship will not only benefit herself, but Keene State as well. It will bring positive publicity to the college, she said.

After searching for internship opportunities, Coleman became interested in the fellowship last spring and applied.

"I was accepted for the fellowship at the start of this semester," Coleman said.

Coleman will earn full-time credit while participating in the fellowship. She is a member of the Student Advisory Board for Keene State's Counseling Center, vice president for Psi Chi, the Psychology Honor Society and a

member of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society.

Last spring, she was named to Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges Students.



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Athlete

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remaining charges were carried out as suspended sentences.

"The Virginia Tech football team has had a series of violent and non-violent crimes over the past year," Carter said. "The problem is that the athletes are getting away with it. They're having charges dropped or given light sentences. It's not always a non-biased process," Carter said.

Carter said many athletic departments handle the charges internally in an attempt to keep publicity at a minimum. They conduct their own investigations to determine wrongdoing.

The Ohio State University men's basketball team had several incidents involving its players, which led to the dismissal of three members of the squad during the 1994-95 season.

Michelle Willis, Ohio State University women's associate athletic director, said the athletic department lets campus police handle any investigations.

"The student-athletes were suspended pending the investigation of the allegations," she said.

"After investigations by university police proved true, they were dismissed from the team."

Ann Rhodes, vice president for University Relations, said the UI does as much as it can to prevent public controversy.

"Generally, we try to recruit people that we don't think will have trouble obeying the law," she said. "When we run into trouble, we take it on a case-by-case basis to decide what measures will be taken."

She said while "innocent until proven guilty" is a guarantee in criminal proceedings, athletes are often withheld from competition until the situation is resolved.

"Sometimes an incident involves the breaking of team rules," she said. "But we do not

take the position that we're just waiting for the courts to decide everything."

John Bennett, assistant professor in the UI School of Journalism and Mass Communication, said it is important not to overgeneralize when studying the role of athletes in campus crime.

"The problem is that the athletes are getting away with it. They're having charges dropped or given light sentences. It's not always a non-biased process."

• S. Daniel Carter
regional vice-president of
Security on Campus Inc.

"I don't think most of us look at the media systematically enough to be able to make valid generalizations about much of anything," he said. "To make generalizations you need to do thorough research and define who the athlete is."

Bennett said it's important to identify athletes because some get more publicity than others.

"Certain high-profile athletes do get a lot of public attention," he said. "You don't see publicity for softball players or pick-up basketball players that get in trouble."

Willis said the number of athletes who get in trouble is not much different than those in other sectors of society.

"It's reflective on the rest of society," she said. "Unfortunately, with the atmosphere of sport in our society, athletes get a lot more attention."

Clery and Rhodes said some programs don't do all they can to curb athlete crime. Clery said some schools tend to overlook background records when they see a great athlete.

"I think it depends on where you look," Rhodes said. "Some programs have not dealt effectively with their legal problems."

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Style

Keene State discovers

body piercing

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A FEW YEARS AGO, A PIERCED NOSE WAS A TRAIT OF ONLY ROCK STARS AND REBELS.

But times have changed and the 1990s have seen body piercings from the navel to the nipple become common place among people of all ages.

The body piercing procedure consists of two main parts. First, a barbell shaped piece or hoop is placed inside a hollow needle.

Second, the needle is pushed through the skin making a hole and leaving behind the piece of jewelry.

The hollow needle is slightly larger than the piece of jewelry to prevent discomfort during piercing and to make healing less painful.

An ever increasing assortment of body parts can be pierced, and degree of pain varies according to the sensitivity of the area.

The body parts which are most commonly pierced are belly buttons, ears, noses and tongues.

Jon S., a Keene State College junior who did not wish to have his last name used, has been piercing for two years.

Jon said he started piercing because he wanted his nipples pierced and was too young to have it done legally.

Derek Frankart
shows off his pierced
nipple.

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Ouch!

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"I ordered a book and it came with clamps, needles and hoops. Every issue shows how to pierce a different place on the body," Jon said.

Jon met a man from Nashua who gave him some more resources.

He then found some people to practice on and started piercing.

"It wasn't something I'd told myself I'd been wanting to do. I sort of just stumbled on it," Jon said.

There are different reasons why people get their bodies pierced.

Some people like it for decorative reasons and some for the sensation experienced during the piercing procedure.

Noah Hallaway, a Keene State freshman who has seven piercings, says he likes the pain of the piercing process.

Michael Roman, a Keene State junior, said "It's a challenge to see if you can really do it, go through the pain."



Sarah Poirier shows off her eye brow piercing.

Although Jon does piercing out of his home, there are other options available.

Mom's Tattoo Parlor on Roxbury Street also offers piercing. The price is \$30 per piercing plus the cost of jewelry which can be purchased at the shop.

Jon charges half of the standard

shop price and makes his own jewelry out of low-carbon stainless surgical steel.

Unlike body piercing shops, there are certain body parts Jon will not pierce.

"I won't pierce a woman's clitoris because of the risk of losing sensation," there are just too

many nerves in such a small area to really mess around with it," Jon said.

"I also won't do guiche, apadavra or ampallong piercings. Guiche is the area between the rectum and the genitalia, the ampallong is a piercing in which a piece is placed horizontally through the head of the penis. Someone could bleed to death if this is improperly done. The apadavra is a vertical piercing through the head. Even if someone wants me to and says 'I trust you', I won't. Any piercing I've done, I've done to myself first. Except for the bridge."

"The bridge" is located on the bridge of the nose and a barbell is usually worn through it. Much caution should be taken when piercing, gloves should be worn and everything used should be sterilized, Jon said.

Caring for a piercing is not complicated but very important, an antibiotic ointment should be applied to keep it moist and to aid in faster healing.



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Arts & Entertainment

Bob, you're under arrest

Local DJ goes to clink for Muscular Dystrophy



WXOD Radio's Bob Packer, one half of "The Bob and Sean Show," the station's morning show, sports his handcuffs. Packer spent an hour in "jail" to raise money for the New Hampshire chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Keith Moriarty
The Equinox

It was just another morning for WXOD Radio's Bob Packer, one half of the station's "The Bob and Sean Show."

He was on the air, minding his own business, and in walked Rosemary Hendrickx. She promptly arrested Packer, and took him away. That was Tuesday, November 19.

"Cuff me, baby!" Packer said. While Hendrickx hauled Packer away, his morning-show sidekick Sean Sullivan shouted "The show is mine!"

Packer's mug shot was taken, he was issued a striped prison suit, and put to work not on the chain gang, but on the telephone lines. He is back on the streets now, however. The event was staged.

He served an hour of time for the New Hampshire chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association's "Jail and Bail" program. Hendrickx is the district director for MDA.

Packer took phone calls at Masiello Real Estate Agency on Island Street, which were forwarded there from WXOD, in an attempt to raise bail money.

The forwarding of the calls "forced everybody who wanted to make requests feel guilty," Packer said. Even though the request callers didn't get quite what they expected, "the main thing was getting awareness out there," Packer said.

Hendrickx said the event was "very successful." While the amount of money Packer raised could not be tracked, she said MDA raised about \$26,000 in Keene, three times what they made last year.

MDA provides services for 550 families in the Granite State, and all the money raised in Keene will stay in New Hampshire.

The organization provides diagnostic and follow-up testing at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Clinic in Lebanon, and the Leahy-Hitchcock Clinic in Manchester.

Additionally, they offer summer camps for youths ages six to 21, and support groups for family members. MDA also purchases and repairs wheelchairs, and helps to fund medical research.

WXOD tries to work in community service "every season at least," said Packer, who is also the station's director of programming and operations.

"I was glad to help them out," he said. "There are a lot of good community-active charitable organizations in this town. What I like is that it's people helping people... rather than just paying their taxes and hoping the money goes to the right place."

As Packer said, this is simply the most recent in a series of community service projects the station is involved in.

During the summer WXOD held an on-air auction and raised \$2,000 for Cedarcroft, a home for special needs children.

'Strangefolk' coming to Keene State College

Vermont band in the Mabel Brown Room on Friday

Keith Moriarty
The Equinox

Once again, it's time to sit back and relax before finals. Just before you start flipping out and cramming for all your tests, you should head down to the Mabel Brown Room Friday night at 8 p.m. and check out Strangefolk.

• See related story, page 20
They're a laid back quartet of folk/bluegrass rockers from Burlington, Vt. Strangefolk carry on a tradition that began

in the late 1960s and early 1970s with the Grateful Dead, but don't tell them that.

Everything in their massive press kit contains a reference to either the Dead or Phish, and Strangefolk's attempts to escape the genre and just worry about playing their own music.

The Village Voice calls Strangefolk "another Northeast jam band on the ascent... rambling improvs, emotional grooves... and soaring guitar."

Strangefolk has played across the country, as far west as California.

In the Northeast, Strangefolk has performed at such venues as The Wetlands in New York City, The Paradise in Boston, and The Iron Horse Music Hall in Northampton, Mass.

The Paradise gig, with Percy Hill, was a CD-release party which sold out the venue.

They have opened for such regional favorites as New Hampshire's Percy Hill and Colorado's Acoustic Junction, and nationally known acts like The Band and Dave Matthews Band.

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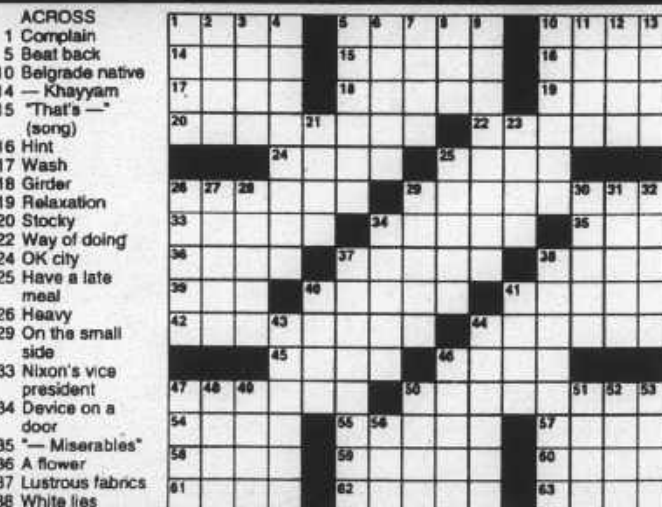


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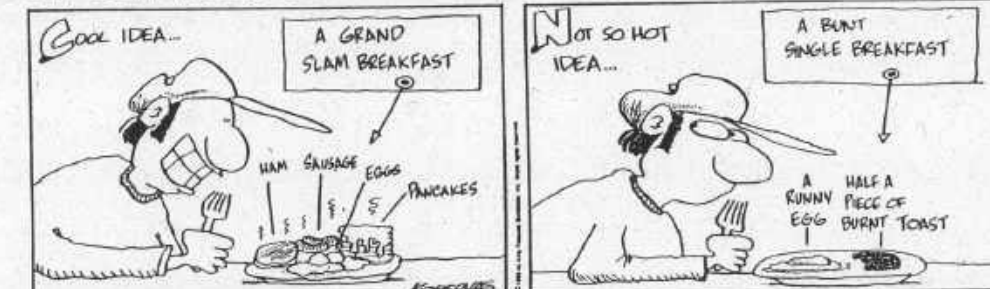
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Natasha's Stars



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Make plans to spend more quality time with loved ones. Changes in plans made a while back are possible concerning travel. This isn't the week to take on that home decorating project. You need to think about the upcoming holidays instead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Advice that a friend has for you concerning a business matter is sound. This week, you derive most of your pleasure from cultural or academic interests. However, your judgment is off concerning finances, particularly while shopping this weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your artistic sensibilities are acute this week. Later in the week, feel free to share good times with friends. This weekend, though, it's not a good time to mix business with pleasure.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Ideas that come to you this week are positively brilliant where your career is concerned. A community or civic project is on the agenda later in the week. Keep peace with family members who are cantankerous over the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An inspiration you receive is directly related to business. Going out to a movie or another such quiet entertainment fills the bill as the week draws to a close. This weekend, avoid friction with a friend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You take center stage on the social scene with great flourish this week. However, it's better to go visiting than to have people into your home. This weekend, make discreet inquiries before agreeing to any major business deals.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It's best to do any socializing early in the week. You've been burning the candle at both ends, and you need to get more rest. Unwind and relax this weekend. In

fact, if at all possible, try to go away on a renewal retreat.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A slight misunderstanding is possible with a family member early in the week. While socializing is a good idea, some time should be spent on finishing up that project you started a while back. Domestic chores are on the agenda this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some are ready to embark on a new career endeavor that is rife with opportunity. Your rapport with a loved one is simply remarkable this week, so take advantage of it. Watch your wallet this weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You derive most of your pleasure from pursuing mental interests this week. It's also a good time for a trip to a library or museum. This weekend, your intuition is sharper than usual.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You know how to sniff out a bargain and can get some great deals for those on your holiday list. Good taste and good judgment make up your unbeatable combination. A friend is cranky this weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You are at your charming and persuasive best this week. Those around you are quite willing to let you take the lead. A creative project is favored for the weekend.

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This Week In History

December 4, 1783, George Washington bade farewell to his officers at Fraunces Tavern in New York City ... **December 6, 1790**, Congress convened in Philadelphia, the new temporary Capitol ... **December 2, 1823**, the Monroe Doctrine was enunciated, opposing European intervention in the Americas ... **December 2, 1859**, abolitionist John Brown was hanged for treason by the state of Virginia ... **December 8, 1865**, the 13th Amendment, abolishing slavery, was ratified ... **December 8, 1886**, the American Federation of Labor (AFL) was formed by 25 craft unions ... **December 7, 1915**, President Woodrow Wilson asked for a military fund increase ... **December 5, 1933**, the 21st Amendment, repealing the 18th (Prohibition), was ratified ... **December 7, 1941**, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, 7:55 a.m. Hawaiian time; 19 ships were sunk or damaged, leaving 2,300 people dead ... **December 8, 1941**, the U.S. declared war on Japan ... **December 2, 1942**, the first nuclear chain reaction (fission of uranium isotope U-235) was produced at the University of Chicago under physicists Arthur Compton, Enrico Fermi and others ... **December 8, 1950**, the U.S. banned shipments to Communist China and to Asiatic ports trading with it ... **December 2, 1954**, the Senate voted 67-22 to condemn Senator Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis.) for contempt of a Senate elections subcommittee, for abuse of its members, and for insults to the Senate during his Army investigation hearings.

This is Our Musicby
Brendan P. Murray**Okay kids,
here's my top 10 list ...**

As I always say before I do this, Top Ten lists are lame but ...

As always, these are in no particular order.

1. **Tortoise** - "Millions Now Living Will Never Die" - A epoch of a record. Tortoise combines hip-hop beats, analog synth manipulation and jazz bass phrasing to create a sound entirely their own. The 22-minute opener, "Djed," is one of the most stunning studio creations I've had the pleasure to hear.

2. **Fugees** - "The Score" - While this is one of the more popular records of the year, it still stands as an amazing achievement. Combining East Coast hip-hop, reggae, Haitian dance-hall and soul, The Fugees create aural history of African-American music, replete with live instrumentation. A lot of bad music writers slapped Fugees with the "future of music" tag, and I guess I'll have to agree with them.

3. **Everything But The Girl** - "Walking Wounded" - I've caught a lot of flak from my indie-rock purist friends, but I will continue to defend this record. A lovely mixture of heavy jungle beats and austere, gorgeous vocals courtesy of Tracey Thorn make this the most danceable sadcore record ever made.

4. **Tricky** - "Pre-Millennium Tension" - Tricky is every critic's darling at this point, and I guess I'm no exception. All of the hype surrounding this artist is invariably warranted, considering he released no less than three records in 1996, all of which are different and yet still bear the trademark Tricky sound: slow, blunted beats with terrifying lyrical delivery and insane sampling acumen. Check the cover of Eric B. and Rakim's "Lyrics Of Fury" and tell me if you still doubt the strength of this truly original artist.

5. **Jeremy Enigk** - "Return Of The Frog Queen" - After dissolving his emo-core band Sunny Day Real Estate at the height of their popularity, Enigk cut a solo record and made a complete about-face in his approach to music. "Frog Queen" is a short and lovely orchestral pop record that bears more than a slight resemblance to "Abbey Road"-era Beatles. At the ripe old age of 21, Enigk is poised for an amazing career.

6. **Rex** - "C" - This Maine-to-New York band abandoned the four-track, lo-fi approach that marked their first record for a full-on, 60-minute epic of an album. With sad, plaintive guitars and more than a slight nod to Neil Young, Rex have truly come to fruition as a band with this album.

7. **Red House Painters** - "Songs For A Blue Guitar" - After being dropped from their first label and nearly breaking up, Red House Painters persevered and continued making their potent slow-folk rock. This time, they've upped the ante with louder guitars and playful covers (like The Cars' "All Mixed Up" and Paul McCartney's "Silly Love Songs"). It's nice to have them back.

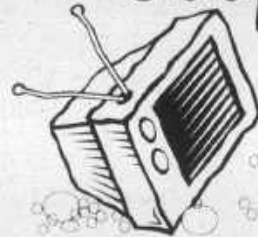
8. **For Carnation** - "Marshmallows" - Brian McMahon, formerly of the seminal creep-rock band Slint, returns after a long absence with a new band and record. These six songs are like individual short films, each of them telling stories of fear, alienation and loss. Save this one for a late night.

9. **Unwound** - "Repetition" - Olympia, Washington's prime export deliver another hard-lashing of punk energy, shrill lyrics and taut song structures. This was the only punk record I needed this year. Forget Rancid's costume rock and get Unwound.

10. **Magic Hour** - "Secession '96" - This psychedelic four-piece from Boston delivers an all-out instrumental assault similar to what Hendrix attempted to do with the guitar, find all the wrong noises and put them in the right places. The title refers to the band's general disgust with the Boston music scene, which would rather pay attention to lame "singer-songwriter" hacks like Tracy Bonham instead of this truly original local band.

Well, that should do it. I'd like to thank all of you who were nice enough to offer your comments on this little column.

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

Scopin' the Soaps

(This column presents on air summaries for the week of Nov. 25-29, 1996.)

ALL MY CHILDREN:

Marian alerted Erica to the fact that Kinder is alive and well in St. Justin. Jonathan was a rested and the charges against Erica were dropped. After Maria suddenly fainted, she took a home pregnancy test and was overwhelmed by the results.

Laura was stunned to overhear a phone conversation in which Noel urged Red to face up to what really happened to his wife. Privately, Red gazed at a picture of someone who looked like a younger version of Myrtle. Julia was tormented by the prospect of living in fear forever. Coming: Liza covers her reaction to Tad's behavior.

ANOTHER WORLD:

Ryan used mental powers to get Bobby to save Steven's life. Lorna became suspicious when Cindy managed to spoil her getaway with Gabe. Josie decided to rejoin the police force. Sofia was disturbed to learn that her internship will be at The Herald. Cody's mother left a clue for Gary and Joe to find that could lead them to reopen the case against him. Bobby was about to reveal his feelings for Vicki when he found her in a compromising situation. Coming: Jake won't abandon his quest for Vicki.

AS THE WORLD TURNS:

Dani was read the riot act when Nikki found her in bed with Ryder, who also blasted Dani for her seduction attempt. A crushed Dani tried to run away, but Ryder persuaded her to come home. Lily was surprised to see the mystery woman leaving Diego's apartment. Later, Pilar told Diego that she's not leaving town, then proceeded to flirt with Mike. Aware that Lee and his thugs intend to dump Lisa overboard, John and Barbara were horrified to discover that the Jade Princess was sailing away. Mark kept a vigil at the seriously injured Jones' bedside. Coming: Lisa stands up to Martin.

BOLD & BEAUTIFUL: James proposed to Maggie, who happily accepted, agreeing to drop

the charges against Sheila. Mike tried to convince a devastated Sheila to go away with him but she refused, determined not to let James go. Macy told a delighted Thorne that she's ready to start a family. Claudia admired Thorne but was warned by a coworker that he's out of her league. Ridge threatened Grant, who was taunting him about Grant's apparent intimacy with Brooke. Brooke appealed to Ridge's sense of family to try to win him back. Coming: Sheila can't give up on James.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES:

Peter's death as a result of the night devastated Kristen and Jennifer. Kristen insisted that Jack be arrested for murder. Stefano made a vow not to stand by and watch them bury Peter, but was foiled in his unknown plan when Lexie and Celeste turned up at the morgue. Franco intended to make sure that Bo doesn't find Jill at the hospital. Meanwhile, Billie visited with "Jane Doe," unaware she is Jill. Sherry-Douglas insisted that Bo and Hope's rift is his fault. Sam forced Kate to promote Carrie, then shipped her out of Salem.

Coming: Marlena has Kristin on the spot.

GENERAL HOSPITAL:

Brenda began to see that Sonny's warnings about the Jax family are true. Miranda exploded at Brenda when she caught her reading Jax's old love letters. To retaliate against Bobbie, Tony spent Thanksgiving with Carly and their son, over Bobby's strong objections. Luke tried to save Lucky when the Timon game took a deadly turn. Keesha announced to A.J. and Justus that she wants to join the police force to fight drugs. Monica tried to be brave as Dorman went ahead with his sexual harassment lawsuit.

Coming: Jax feels pressured to choose.

GUIDING LIGHT:

Phillip figured out that Rick had fathered one of Blake's babies, and argued with Rick to reveal the truth now. Sarah's deathbed confession unnerved Reva, who poured out her heart to Josh in a cafe — where Annie found them. Roger realized he has no place in the lives of Holly, Blake and the children. Nola was pleasantly surprised when Quint kissed her. She

was later shocked by the letter Zachary gave her. Aunt Meta, newly arrived at the Bauer home, planned to bring some order to the household. Coming: Nola decides to help a dear friend.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE:

Andy and Antonio made love, although she was still suspicious about his possible involvement in Carlo's murder. Marty and Patrick fled the Wild Swan just in time to escape the explosive death Kenneally had planned for them. Kenneally was finally arrested. When Hank questioned Todd about Carlo's death, Todd tried to put the blame on Patrick.

Hank grilled Alex concerning her whereabouts at the time Carlo was killed. After a candid conversation with Max, Maggie went to speak with Mother Superior, having made up her mind about her future. Coming: Everyone has a suspect in mind.

THE CITY:

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YOUNG AND RESTLESS:

Nina was heartbroken when she discovered that Cole had left the note for Vicki, and was hoping to give his marriage one last chance. Danny and Phyllis were overwhelmed with joy when Daniel's fever finally broke. Dru agreed to be the model for an ad campaign to be photographed by Malcolm, but wanted to conceal it from Neil. Grace's former lover, Tony, arrived in Genoa City, and tried to rekindle the flame between them. Kurt was shot and gravely wounded while saving Ashley from being raped.

Coming: Ashley prays for her benefactor's recovery.

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Movies

The holiday season means new releases. Here's some flicks you may want to check out in the upcoming months.

By Keith Moriarty

"Michael"**"Phenomenon"**

Part Two? Not quite, but it certainly looks like another feel-good movie starring (surprise!) John Travolta. This time out, he's an angel who "turns naysayers into lovers and makes believers out of cynics."

Robert Pastorelli, William Hurt and Andie MacDowell co-star. "Michael" was directed by Nora Ephron, who wrote the screenplay for "When Harry Met Sally ..."

The film opens Christmas Day.



Travolta

"In Love & War"**The ever-present**

Chris O'Donnell and Sandra Bullock finally get together in this World War I-era romance. Bullock plays Red Cross nurse Agnes Von Kurowsky, mothering a young Ernest Hemingway back to health from a battlefield injury.

If it sounds a bit like Hemingway's "A Farewell to Arms," that's probably because this story is where he got the idea.

The script was based on Kurowsky's diaries. It opens on Dec. 18 in L.A., and Jan. 24 nationwide.

"Love and War" was directed by Richard Attenborough.



Bullock and O'Donnell

"Jackie Chan's First Strike"

Another round of non-stop action from Chan, directed by Stanley Tong. Considering Chan's record, the plot shouldn't really matter, but we'll tell you anyway. He's a Hong Kong cop contracted by the CIA and a Russian intelligence organization to retrieve a stolen Ukrainian nuclear warhead. Chan strikes Jan. 10.

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"Turbulence"

Lauren Holly gets to take on the male-oriented "Die Hard" action sub-genre as a flight attendant trying to keep her flight in the air.

The trick is both pilots are dead and there are two criminals loose on the plane (Ray Liotta and Brendan Gleeson).

You can see "Turbulence" on January 31.

"Trial and Error"

Michael Richards (Kramer on "Seinfeld") and Jeff Daniels star in this courtroom comedy about an actor posing as an attorney defending a man on trial for fraud. It was directed by Jonathan Flynn, who directed "My Cousin Vinny."

"Trial and Error" opens on Valentine's Day.



Daniels and Richards

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Calendar



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Wednesday, December 4

Women's Basketball
vs. NH College
5:30 p.m. @ Spaulding Gym
Men's Basketball
vs. NH College
7:30 p.m. @ Spaulding Gym
Jazz Ensemble
8 p.m. @ Main Theatre
Arts Center on Brickyard Pond
St. Nicholas Party
9:30 p.m. @ Newman Center
Robyn Hitchcock
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse
20 Center St., Northampton, MA
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Thursday, December 5

Beau Jockey
& the Zydeco Hirollers
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse
20 Center St., Northampton, MA
(413) 584-0610
Gallery Showing
"Zhu Quizhan" and
"Selections from the Collection"
running until December 8
Thorne Sagendorph
Free admission
Schleight plus E.D.O.
10 p.m. @ Iron Horse
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Friday, December 6

Last Day of Course Withdrawal
Richard DuBois
& the Snakecharmers
@ Mole's Eye Cafe
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Fantastic Friday
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Dartmouth College
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Howard Armstrong
& Paul Geremia
7 p.m. @ Iron Horse
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Ninth Annual Invitational
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Strangefolk
8 p.m. @ Mabel Brown Room
Student Center

Saturday, December 7

Craft Fair
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Wheelock School
Vibro Kings
@ Mole's Eye Cafe
4 High St., Brattleboro, VT
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Saturday Night Jive
7 p.m. @ Mabel Brown Room

Sunday, December 8

Survival Kit Distribution
noon to 6 p.m.
Atrium of Student Center
The Youth Chorus
4 p.m. at Main Theatre
Arts Center on Brickyard Pond
Winter Holiday Celebration
4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Traditional tree lighting ceremony
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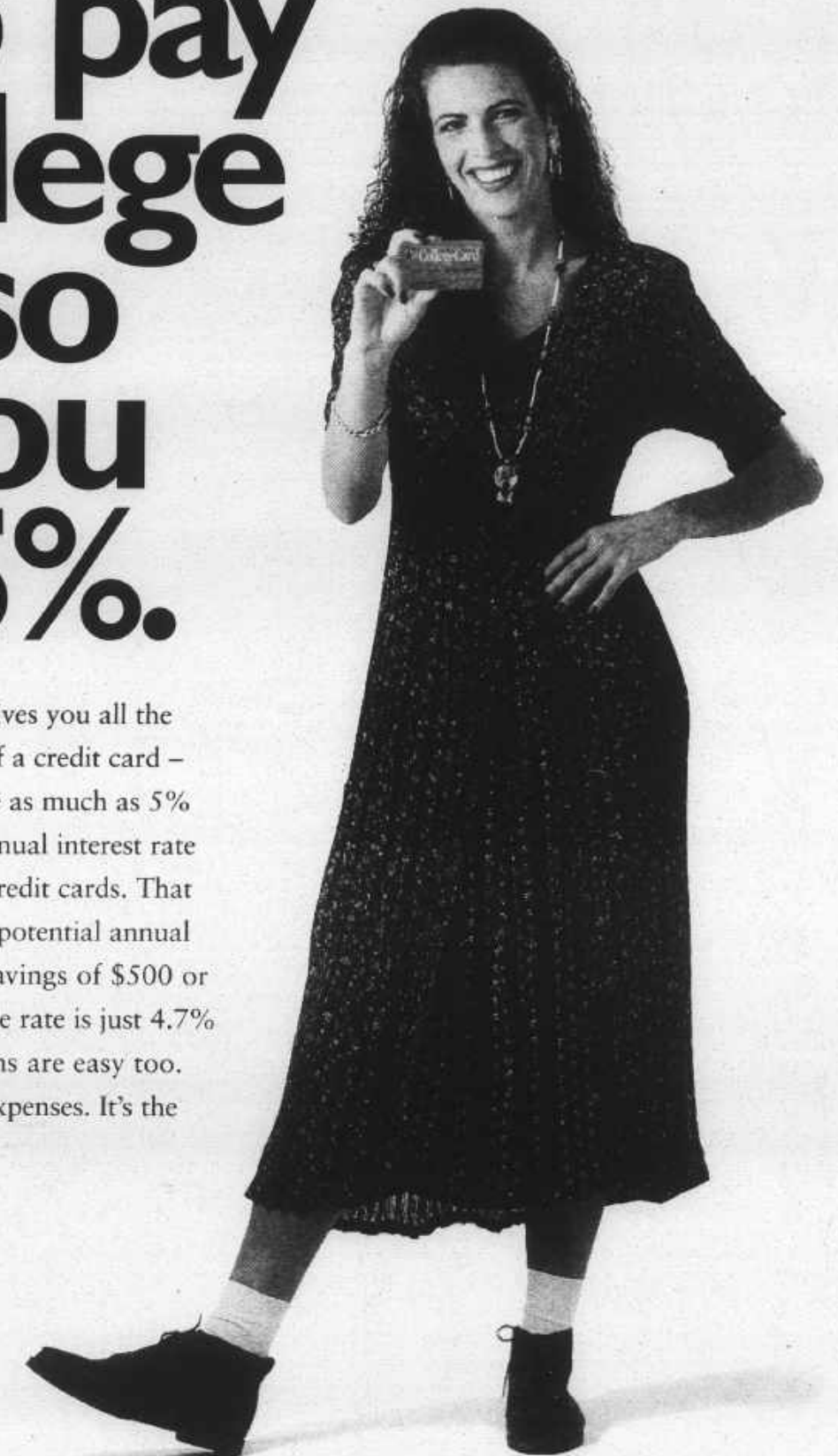
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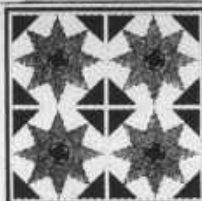
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So, they write good songs. So does Martin Gore of Depeche Mode. Song quality isn't enough to save either of these bands from the fate they deserve.

-Keith Moriarty

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It's kind of strange that this album's coming out now, considering John Salvi just killed himself last week.

But here it is, a collection of 16 near-perfect pop songs donated especially for this project.

While Letters To Cleo suffered a sophomore slump with their last album, their "You Dirty Rat" (with Charlie Chesterman) is a strong enough song to kick off the CD, setting a pace that - even during the acoustic songs - doesn't let up.

While these songs aren't all heavy and emotional (can anyone take The Mighty Mighty Bosstones seriously at this point?), they do work for the better of the listener.

Jennifer Trynin shows off her dark side in "Don't Take It Out On Me," and Juliana Hatfield makes up for all of her own disposable material with "Waves," a contemplative rocker about driving.

The CD has two peak moments where the music transcends all else. First is track 6, Aimee Mann's beautiful "Driving With One Hand on the Wheel." Mann is poised to be the "next big thing," and well she should be. This song (or any of her songs for that matter) could fit on "Help!" by the Beatles or Sugar's "Copper Blue."

The other high point is Scarce's acoustic version of "Naked Freakshow." Unfortunately, Scarce recently broke up, so there's no future in store from this very promising band.

-K.M.

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Ian Spelling
College Press Service

NEW YORK - Not that long ago, grunge music was an underground thing. That was before it landed Top 40 playtime, fueled a fashion trend and helped make Seattle a hip place to live.

Now grunge is passé, says filmmaker Doug Pray, who directed a film about the grunge music phenomena called "Hype!"

"The timing couldn't be worse, coming out in 1996 with a film about something that was hugely popular four years ago. Therein lies the irony of the film," says Pray. The acclaimed "Hype!" tracks the evolution of grunge rock phenomenon that, along with coffee, put Seattle on the map. "Therein also lies why I would strongly urge people who think the timing is terrible to go see the film. It's really about the birth, explo-

sion and mass consumption of an underground culture. We could not have come out with "Hype!" in 1992. It took four years to tell the story because the story is really about a four-year period."

Over lunch at an Italian restaurant in midtown Manhattan, Pray and his "Hype!" partner, producer Steven Helvey, do their bit to promote "Hype!"

Both Pray and Helvey come across as decent guys thrilled that

their film is seeing the light of day. "I want to clarify one thing Doug just said," Helvey says. "What would be absurd is if we came out now with a movie that said how cool grunge is, because it is now so passé. People in Seattle in 1992 were telling us it was over, though it really wasn't. If you look at 'Hype!' 10 years from now, it will still have its valid sense of the scene."

The film looks back and captures a pop culture cycle in which Seattle was the focus of all the energy. But no one should look at the film as a puff piece about grunge or Seattle.

Indeed, "Hype!" is clearly a labor of love that evolved over a long period of time. Like most first-time filmmakers, Pray and Helvey struggled to raise funding, lived off credit cards and struggled to get some of the bigger names in grunge to participate in the project. "Early on, we didn't have Nirvana, Soundgarden or Pearl Jam in it," says Helvey. "We had Mudhoney, The Fresh Young Fellows, Screaming Trees and other groups like that, who were instrumental in creating what became known as grunge. We didn't have stars, so we got a lot of potential investors saying, 'Nice to meet you' and 'Good luck. I'm pulling for you.'"

Eventually, financial backers came through with money. Soundgarden agreed to appear in the film, and Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder sat for an interview. Pray and Helvey also landed footage of what's purported to be Nirvana's first live of the grunge anthem, "Smells Like Teen Spirit." The filmmakers eventually had countless feet of material which took a year to edit into a final form. "You never knew exactly what you got until you looked at it," Pray says

of the editing process. "You'd conduct an interview that seemed totally bad. You'd sit and think, 'I'm wasting film right now, which is too bad, because this guy SHOULD be interesting.'"

"Then, later in the depths of editing hell, you'll go back to that interview you thought was a waste and find what you need. It suddenly comes to life and is right in context. That happened again and again. Other interviews you think you're nailing while you're doing them, but they're not usable. They may be impossible to edit."

Helvey interrupts, saying, "What was interesting about doing the interviews was that these guys and women weren't stuffy. Most of them were very funny and didn't take themselves or even the music too seriously. The fact that the whole world took the music so seriously was so absurd. Journalists came in and tried to define the grunge sound, the scene, the fashions. It was a big joke. That's what the movie's all about."

Pray and Helvey know "Hype!" could be their foot in the door for careers in Hollywood. The two are looking for projects to do together and apart, documentaries and features alike. All that, however, is a bit down the road.

First, Pray and Helvey must criss-cross the nation in their effort to hype "Hype!"

"We're learning, right now, first-hand, a lot about what the bands in the movie are talking about," Helvey says. "We made a film, somehow got it made."

We got it seen, very fortunately, at the Sundance Film Festival. Suddenly, we're meeting all these industry people and all these media people. Now, the film's getting released, and we're doing more interviews. It's so ironic.

Lab

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"With the new PowerMacs, a color printer and high grade scanners, students are able to do commercial level work," Rick Foley, assistant professor of the industrial technology and safety department, said.

New programs are also being used this year, Foley said, such as QuarkXpress, a program for commercial publication work, PhotoShop, a scanning program that scans and treats photographs electronically, and Adobe Illustrator, a program which allows the user to illustrate and create images from scratch and to manipulate them. Illustrator also allows text work to be incorporated with the images.

"There is more use and interest because of the new computers. More sections of classes have been added due to the demand from students," Heather Gendron, ITS faculty said. "I think it's great that so many students are excited, and due to the excitement, the quality of their work is improving."

The new equipment added includes 11 new PowerMacs with high speed color graphic, a new color scanner and a new color printer.

The only old equipment that remains are printers, Gendron said.

The only problem facing the lab at this point is that many students feel there is not enough lab time available to them, Gendron said.

The upgrade's effect can be seen with this year's yearbook, Blair said. With the help of

"The capabilities are much better, the screen is larger, the computers are finally up to date with the graphic design world," Laura Piazza, a senior said. "It saves us a lot of money with the new color printer because we do not need to get a professional printer to print out our work as in previous years."

Kristie Guerin, a senior majoring in art and graphic design, likes the new computers but finds frustration in the small amount of lab time offered.

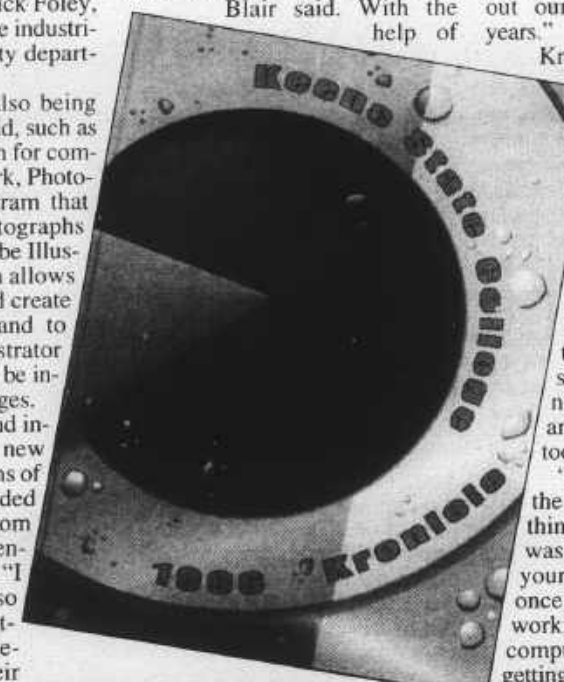
"You have to come here really early or late to get a computer," Guerin said. "I am happy I have the chance to use these though, especially since their upgraded. The new equipment is faster and allows us to do more too."

"Last year before they got the new computers everything worked very slowly, it was hard to imagine what your work would look like once in color since we were working on black and white computers. I have no problem getting in here to work and get a computer. The hour situation could be much worse," said Keene State student Marc Belli.

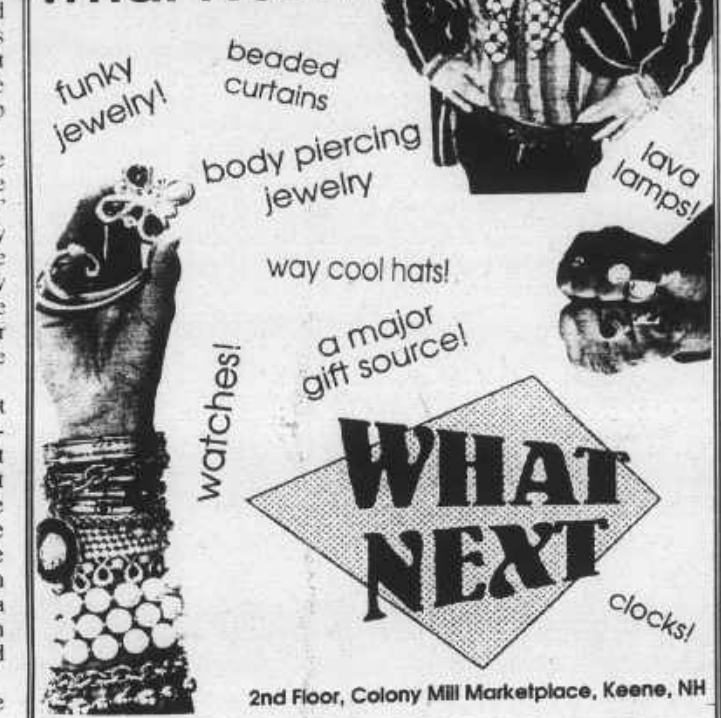
Karla Whitney was unavailable for questions.

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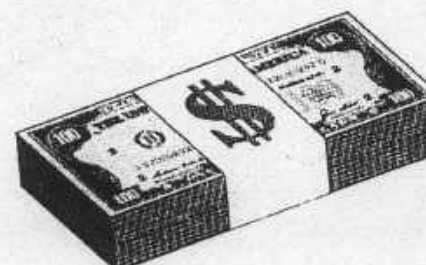
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Ruling to be made on treatment

Supreme Court to decide to put sexual predators into mental institutions

Aaron Epstein
Knight-Ridder/Tribune News

WASHINGTON - It was one of those horrible crimes that roused people to action.

A Kansas college student was raped and strangled in 1993.

Outraged people, led by the young woman's parents, demanded that the state legislature do something to keep dangerous sex criminals off the streets.

They're "animals," testified Carla J. Stovall, then a parole board member.

Result: The Kansas Sexually Violent Predator Act of 1994, which provides a way to use mental institutions to confine rapists, pedophiles and other dangerous sex offenders beyond their prison terms.

The first person confined under the law was a Wichita man named Leroy Hendricks, now 62, who has molested children nearly all his adult life.

When asked at his commitment hearing whether he could promise to change, he replied: "The only way to guarantee that is to die."

Hendricks is also the first person to challenge the law's constitutionality. If he wins the highest

court in Kansas declared the law unconstitutional and the Supreme Court will hear the case Dec. 10, he would be freed from the mental institution where he is locked up.

But Stovall, now the state attorney general, hopes to rescue the law by convincing the justices that it provides the most humane way of protecting the public from people she calls "the worst of the worst."

Six states—Arizona, California, Kansas, Minnesota, Washington and Wisconsin—have so-called predator statutes, and others are considering them.

Despite the understandably popular appeal of predator laws, many civil libertarians and defense lawyers strenuously object to them.

They say and the Kansas Supreme Court agreed that the laws unconstitutionally permit the "lifetime preventive detention" of people who, like Hendricks, are ineligible for ordinary civil commitment because they do not have a recognized mental disease.

In addition to predator statutes, states across the nation are exploring other legislative routes to cope with sexual offenders.

California, for instance, recently

passed a law requiring twice-convicted child molesters to be injected with drugs that reduce their sex drives.

New federal laws require all states to register released sex offenders with the police and inform communities when sex offenders move in. The community-notice provision is known as "Megan's law," named for Megan Kanka, a 7-year-old New Jersey girl who was sexually assaulted and strangled to death by a convicted pedophile in 1994.

"It's a tremendous problem nationwide," Stovall said as she prepared for the Supreme Court case. "We've had 45 states and territories side with us. Several state attorneys general have told us they would like to have similar (predator) laws."

Since Washington state enacted the first such law in 1989, scores of violent sex offenders have been locked in mental institutions for treatment instead of being set free when their prison terms ended. Some complained that they were being punished a second time for the same crimes.

"The purpose of this law is punishment, not treatment," protested Thomas Weilert, a Wichita lawyer who represents Hendricks.

"The attorney general herself called them 'animals' to be kept off the streets indefinitely. You don't call people 'animals' or 'sexual predators' if you intend to treat them. The real intention is to keep them locked up," he said. Weilert refused to let reporters interview Hendricks.

Hendricks served in the Air Force, was married and divorced, worked in an electronics repair shop and has been unable to keep

his hands off children. Over a 40-year period, he was repeatedly convicted of fondling them.

"(He) has now served the criminal sentence imposed by the state and under the law must now be released, even if he has an anti-social personality."

• Tyler Lockett
Kansas judge

In late 1994, Kansas used its predator statute to send Hendricks to a state mental hospital as he was about to be released from prison. He had served almost 10 years for molesting two 13-year-old boys.

The state law allows a judge to commit individuals if a jury finds beyond a reasonable doubt that they suffer not from mental illness but from a mental abnormality or personality disorder that makes them likely to commit rape, sodomy, sexual battery or sexual offenses with a child if they are set free.

They are entitled to the assistance of a lawyer and a mental-health professional before the jury and while confined. There is no time limit on these civil commitments, but those sentenced must be reevaluated once a year.

In Hendricks' case, the jurors concluded he was mentally defective and likely to prey upon young children again.

A state judge then committed him to the maximum-security Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility in central Kansas. Eight others, also found to be sex-

ually violent predators, have followed Hendricks to Larned.

The Kansas Supreme Court, splitting 4-3, ruled the law an unconstitutional deprivation of liberty without due process of law.

Citing a 4-year-old Supreme Court interpretation of due process, the state's highest court said the Kansas law lacked a critical element proof that the individual to be confined was mentally ill.

A mental illness, the court said, is a clearer, more limited category than the murkier terms: "mental abnormality" or "personality disorder"—used in the sexual predators statute.

According to the state's chief psychologist, a personality disorder is "acting in such a way that it ... causes society trouble, is considered abnormal (and includes) disregard for the rights of others, exploitation of others, untrustworthy, egocentric, those types of things."

A mental abnormality, the doctor said, is a condition "affecting the emotional and volitional capacity which predisposes the person to commit sexually violent offenses in a degree constituting a menace to the health and safety of others."

Tyler Lockett, the state judge who cast the pivotal vote, observed: "Leroy Hendricks has an anti-social personality. He is not mentally ill and could not be committed for treatment to protect society."

"Hendricks committed sex crimes against children ... (He) has now served the criminal sentence imposed by the state and under the law must now be released, even if he has an anti-social personality," Lockett wrote.

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If you would like to talk to any of the current board members, please contact: Chandra Beach, Angela Beauchesne, Joy Coleman, Margaret Faust, Kristina Kirschner, Bette Norlund, or Tamara Zimmerman.

Fast and easy credit results in hard times for university students

Darcy A. Copponi
Free Press, University of Southern Maine

When University of Southern Maine sophomore Carrie Heslton received her first credit card, she felt like she won the lottery.

"It just came in the mail one day, and I was like 'Yeeee-hahh-hhh!'" she says. Carrie, then 19, bolted 10 steps to the nearest pay phone, activated the card and rushed to L. L. Bean.

With no money and no job, Carrie had filled out the credit card application in the campus center two months prior because her car tires were so old she needed the free tire gauge AT&T Universal offered.

She never thought she'd actually get the card.

"It felt like I found \$800 in the gutter to do with as I pleased," she says. "I went nuts. It was like, 'Oh, I really love that dress, I have to have it. Oh, hey! I have a credit card!'"

Or, "does anybody want to go to lunch? You don't have any money? Oh, hey! I have a credit card! And, 'oh, shit, I don't have any gas. Oh yeah! I have a credit card!'"

At first, Carrie kept track of what she was spending, but after awhile she said, "To hell with that." She says she lived only for

the immediate gratification of material objects.

Meanwhile she moved from her dorm room and into an apartment, never informing AT&T of her new address. So she never paid a bill, never saw her monthly statement.

She figured she'd pay the bill with the money she made waitressing over the summer. But she says she wound up needing it for school because she didn't get the financial aid package she expected.

AT&T eventually found Carrie's parents and began calling them. When her mom and dad found out Carrie was issued a credit card they were infuriated with AT&T—not Carrie—for issuing her the card in the first place.

When creditors finally tracked Carrie down, they began hounding her over the phone.

She's been threatened with bad credit, lawsuits and even jail time.

"They'll say anything to get the money out of you," she says. Her parents seemed the natural candidates to pay off Carrie's debt, but instead they're helping her to find other avenues, such as the Consumer Credit Counseling Services (CCCS) in Portland, which

Carrie has tried. But when CCCS found she had no job, they

dropped her.

Now Carrie's being sued for \$1,600—twice what she spent.

Attorney Peter Rodway of USM Student Legal Services says he sees students all the time who have credit card problems.

It isn't illegal in Maine to issue credit to people who have no money, so students are being targeted, he said.

A recent mass marketing flyer put out to USM student organizations who need "easy fund-raising" strategies offers up to \$5 to student organizations for each credit card application filled out at a campus table.

Rodway says parents are not legally responsible for their college student's debt, and that if debtors like Carrie are being badgered by a creditor, there's a Maine statute that can protect one from harassment. He further asserts that bad credit can be repaired, but that negative marks on a credit report can make it difficult to get credit in the future.

Now Carrie says she is \$1,600 in debt, and all she has to show for it is the backpack she bought at L. L. Bean the day she got her credit card.

Carrie smiles, "It's a damn nice one, though."

Credit Card Quiz

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- c. Only the minimum payment.

2. When do you tend to pay your credit card bills?

- a. When received.
- b. As close to the due date as possible.
- c. Skip some payments.

3. How much of the credit line on your credit cards do you owe?

- a. None, I pay my entire balance each month.
- b. Less than one-half.
- c. I have charged to the maximum.

4. Do you know your credit card debt?

- a. Yes.
- b. Rough estimate.
- c. Afraid to add it up.

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BY KEOKI JOHNSON

Mr. Rodger's Neighborhood: A Strong Sense of Community
By Keoki Johnson
Student Affairs Reporter

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in a place where everyone knew each other? Wouldn't it be nice to experience a place where the question, "Won't you be my neighbor?" was more of an overall feeling than just another children's television memory? Well, for Residence Assistant Greg Rodgers and the 35 mostly first year students of 331 Main St. (the Environmental Minihouse), this dream is a reality. I invite you to come with me to a place where the idea of community is genuine, and the only "Land of Makebelieve" is in your mind.

How do you like living in the Environmental Minihouse?
It's "better than the rest of the dorms," said Michael Palumbo, "we arworktogether." "Wehaveastrongersenseofcommunityhere," said Any-Jo Lutz. "We study together, and help each other proofread papers." I like the way that everyone's so friendly in the house," said Jason Carter. Therese

Hughes said that "It's fun and a little crazy living in this house." "It's fun," said Melissa Colpitts. "We done lots of fun gs like when we went trick or treating here on Halloween."

How do you like the classes that you take together?

"English 101 is sweu; it's related to Environmental Studies," said Michael Palumbo. Am@jo Lutz said that Intro to Environmental Studies is fun. "Both class are challenging," said Jason Carter. English is pretty nifty because it's related to Environmental Studies," Therese Hughes said. "English is more intimate than Environmental Studies," said Melissa Colpitts.

Is there a strong sense of community here?
"Yes," said Lutz. "We all know each other; sometimes we do have problems, but we're like one big happy family and visitors notice." "It's fun to get to know everyone," said Hughes, "because then you have someone to go to when you have problems." "One g that we did as sort of

a bonding exercise, was to go to Brew Bakers" said Colpitts. "We have a bunch of really hip, community-minded people living here," said Greg Rodgers. "Compared to my last living assignment in Monadnock, this is a treat."

How did you like cleaning up the Ashuelot River on Set 2?

I thought that it was a success, said Palumbo. "We pulled 21 shopping carts out of the river," Jason Carter said that it was "coming together of the whole community" "It wasn't mandatory to attend; we got extra credit for it in ENST 100.11" said Hughes. "I did the pr ary organizing of this dorm's effort," said Rodgers. In the future, we plan to do more for the community."

Being the RA and the only "person in authority," do you feel that you have a harder job than other RAs who can rely more on each other to help residents?

"There is more pressure; I feel like I do have be around more for MY residents," said Rodgers. It also takes me longer to do rounds because I have to do rounds in

all the minihouses, plus Pondsde and Bushnell."

How do you like being residence Director?

"It's a fun and neat experience," said Jim Rowell, Residence Director of Pondsde/Minihouse complex. "I spend more time over there because the students need more time spent with them; they're all going through their first year at Keene State either as first year students or transfers."

What is the purpose of the Environmental House?
"The purpose is to bridge the gap between dorm life and academia," Rowell said.

How does it differ from other dorms?

"They have the same policies as the other dorms except they share a common bond of attending one or two classes together," said Rowell. "In the preliminary studies that we've done, these students attend class more often and have more work improvement than other first year students. They have a strong community bond."

Bucky the Badger busted for doing wrong

Paul Alongi
The Daily Cardinal
University of Wisconsin
MADISON, Wis. - Bucky was arrested for body passing during the fourth quarter of the Wisconsin-Minnesota football game Saturday afternoon.

It all started when Bucky tried to rile up fans in the vicinity of sections O and P, row 33, as the Badgers' team entered the final moments of their 45-28 triumph over the Golden Gophers.

An overzealous fan lifted Bucky and passed him toward the top of the stadium.

"What scared me the most was that people were starting to say 'Over! Over! Over!'" said James Keefe, the man inside the Bucky Badger suit, who changed into a green shirt and tan vest for a television appearance Monday night.

By the time he reached row 48, police officers had pulled Keefe down. Town of Madison Police Sgt. Burt Boldebeck said he tried to yell commands to Keefe through the bulky Badger head-dress.

Keefe, however, ignored the officer and started slapping high-fives with fans.

According to the police report, Boldebeck and another officer escorted Keefe to the police booth, where he reiterated time and again he did not hear Boldebeck's commands.

Nevertheless, Keefe was issued a \$141 citation for body passing.

"When we got in there, I still

couldn't believe it," Keefe said. "I was cracking jokes left and right. And then he asked me for my last name and I told him 'Badger, that's B-A-D-G-E-R,' and he was really upset about it."

Finally, Keefe, who had played Badger for his final game, was escorted out of the stadium.

However, the Bucky Badger show did not stop there. Keefe handed his costume over to a fellow Bucky Squad member who played mascot for the fifth quarter.

Keefe's court date is set for 9 a.m. Dec. 6. Although he could simply pay the \$141 fine and have the incident over with, Keefe plans to contest it.

"If I write out that check, that's saying that I planned to do a body pass and that's something I didn't plan on and that's something I need to prove," Keefe said.

Hosts of the morning show on Z104, Marc Anthony and Vicki McKenna, are supporting Keefe this week with their "Pass the Buck for Bucky" programs.

They ask listeners to call in and pledge \$1 to "The Bucky Defense Fund" to help Keefe with his legal fees.

"The ground swell of support has been awesome," Anthony said the night after the first fundraiser, where he helped pull in about \$25.

"What the great thing about it is, is that they didn't even call me. I got the support like that," Keefe said while he snapped his fingers.

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Patriots open eyes with win

Mike DeFina
The Equinox

While the over zealous New England Patriots fans were trying to order Super Bowl tickets and airplane fare to New Orleans after New England's 45-7 hammering of the San Diego Chargers on Sunday, the more down to Earth fans sat back and thought about what the next couple of seasons of NFL football in New England are going to be like.

But for now I would like to concentrate on the remainder of the season.

Sunday's game was probably the best all around game I have seen the Patriots play the entire season, and perhaps the past couple seasons as well.

New England dominated every aspect of the game.

Drew Bledsoe, who is still gaining the confidence which he lost last season, had another great game, as he completed 19 of 29 passing, for 232 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions.

Bledsoe expressed his feelings on the game by telling Associated Press writer Bernie Wilson, "I think this is the best game we've played since I've been here."

As for the rest of the offensive

squad, standouts included veteran tight end Ben Coates, who had six receptions for 71 yards.

First round draft pick Terry Glenn was also a notable in the offense department, as he had five receptions for 63 yards and one touchdown.

Second year running back Curtis Martin continued his excellent season gathering 63 yards on 19 carries.

But everyone knows what the Patriots offense can do. The real punch for New England on Sunday came on the defensive side of the ball.

The Patriots defensive squad has historically been looked upon as the weak link in the chain for New England. This team is no different.

However, the performance against San Diego opened up the eyes of the doubters, as well as the critics. The defensive unit forced five turnovers, and caused havoc all over the field.

In the third quarter, Patriots tackle Mike Jones ended the night for Chargers quarterback Stan Humphries by giving him a severe concussion, and making him questionable for Sunday's game against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

This game epitomized the amount

of talent that the Patriots possess.

New England is still a very young team, and still have many lessons to learn before they can attain the ultimate prize.

Not to say that I don't want the Patriots to go to the Super Bowl, but I don't see it in the cards.

They still have their inconsistencies, not every player is on the same page every game.

As for this season, I do see the Patriots getting beyond the first round unlike the 1994 playoffs, but they will probably be knocked out by either the Steelers or the Denver Broncos.

I would include the Buffalo Bills, but they are still trying to figure out how they are going to choke this year.

Bledsoe has done his job this season, as he is exorcising the ghosts from former Patriot stars who couldn't lead them to a Super Bowl win, particularly Steve Grogan and Tony Eason.

Bledsoe, Martin and Glenn are paving the way for future New England success.

So in the next couple of years, fans will be able to watch a Sunday night blow-out and order those Super Bowl tickets with confidence that the Patriots will actually be there.

Equinox Staff Picks

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

NFL LINES

Boston Globe
Dec. 3, 1996
Home Teams are bolded.

Favorite	Line	Underdog
Patriots	11.5	Jets
Eagles	4	Colts
Bills	5	Seahawks
Bears	6.5	Rams
Bengals	3	Ravens
Cowboys	10	Cardinals
Lions	2.5	Vikings
Packers	7.5	Broncos
Oilers	6	Jaguars
Dolphins	7	Giants
Saints	PK	Falcons
Steelers	6	Chargers
49ers	9	Panthers
Redskins	3	Bucs
Raiders	2	Chiefs

Last Week's Record	
Jake Mical	6-9
Mike DeFina	10-5
Jennifer Kuehn	5-10
Overall Record and Win %	
Jake Mical	52-70 43%
Mike DeFina	52-70 43%
Jennifer Kuehn	31-41 43%



Jake Mical
Sports Editor



Mike DeFina
Sports Editor



Jennifer Kuehn
Sports Writer

Patriots	-11.5	Patriots	-11.5	Jets	+11.5
Eagles	-4	Colts	+4	Colts	+4
Bills	-5	Bills	-5	Bills	-5
Rams	+6.5	Bears	-6.5	Rams	+6.5
Ravens	+3	Ravens	+3	Bengals	-3
Cowboys	-10	Cowboys	-10	Cowboys	-10
Lions	-2.5	Vikings	+2.5	Lions	-2.5
Broncos	+7.5	Packers	-7.5	Packers	-7.5
Jaguars	+6	Jaguars	+6	Jaguars	+6
Dolphins	-7	Giants	+7	Dolphins	-7
Falcons	PK	Falcons	PK	Falcons	PK
Steelers	-6	Steelers	-6	Steelers	-6
49ers	-9	49ers	-9	49ers	-9
Redskins	-3	Redskins	-3	Redskins	-3
Chiefs	+2	Raiders	-2	Chiefs	+2

Fall

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Right now our challenge as a team is to grow as a program. The players are still getting acclimated to the system and it will take some time. One thing for sure though is that this team is giving a tremendous amount of effort," said Rowe.

Freshman point guard Reuben Taylor-Green led the Owls with 19 points and seven steals, while transfer Eric Von der Linden controlled the boards.

"He (Von der Linden) is giving us some good minutes in the paint right now," noted coach Rowe.

In the season opener at Division III nationally ranked Rhode Island College the Owls cut the lead to only three points with four minutes remaining but were unable to capitalize and dropped the decision.

Led by All-American candidate Alex Butler, Rhode Island College were a step ahead of the Owls all night on the way to the season opening win.

"Maturity hurt us in the opener, particularly in the backcourt," added Rowe.

Rich Bahlman led the way for the Owls with 12 points while Doug Jenkins added 10 to the cause. Sophomores Ryan Hooper and Ryan Cauley had strong games off the bench for Keene State.

Keene State men's basketball teams of the past have sometimes

resembled squads trying to figure out exactly what inning they are in.

However, 1996 finds the Owls implementing an up tempo pressure defense game that seems sure to bring dividends in the future. "This team has had to change its mental approach and learn what it takes to be competitive," Rowe points out.

Brutal would be the only way to accurately describe the schedule ahead for the Owls. Nationally ranked New Hampshire College comes to Spaulding Gymnasium Wednesday night for the conference opener.

The Penmen are led by Shawon Moncrief and Scott Smith and come in 4-0 and ranked in the nation's top 10. After the Penmen, Southern Connecticut and Albany will offer identical 4-0 records for the Owls.

"We are definitely getting into the meat of the schedule right now," Rowe offered as a mild understatement.

All and all though, the 0-2 start seems to have done little in the way of discouraging the man hired to turn around the beleaguered men's basketball program.

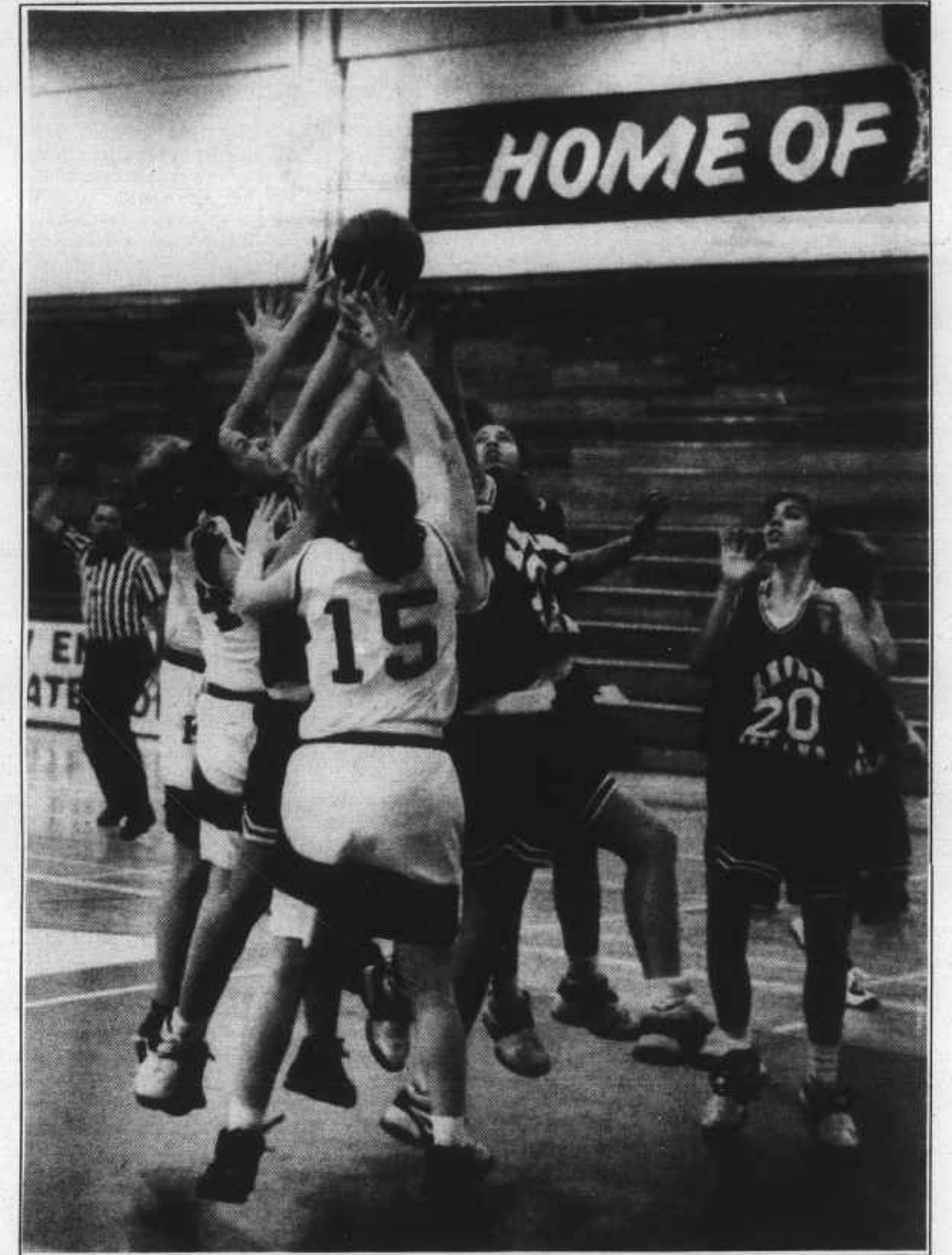
"The kids are working very hard. It will take time for the players to fully understand the system to the point where we are executing on a consistent basis. New Hampshire College will provide us with our biggest test thus far because of their quickness, we will have to be sharp."

Associated Press men's college basketball rankings

Monday, December 2, 1996

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 1996-97 records through Sunday, Dec. 1, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and last week's rankings:

Team	Pts	Pvs
1. Kansas (58) (5-0)	1759	2
2. Wake Forest (12) (4-0)	1704	3
3. Utah (1) (3-0)	1572	4
4. Cincinnati (2-1)	1459	1
5. Villanova (3-0)	1442	5
6. Kentucky (3-1)	1370	8
7. Michigan (2-0)	1264	7
8. Indiana (5-0)	1206	20
9. Iowa St. (2-0)	1175	9
10. Duke (3-1)	1013	6
11. New Mexico (5-0)	954	19
12. Clemson (4-1)	869	10
13. Fresno St. (4-0)	837	15
14. North Carolina (2-1)	831	14
15. Arizona (2-1)	756	11
16. Minnesota (5-0)	679	24
17. UCLA (0-1)	662	13
18. Texas (2-0)	612	18
19. Syracuse (3-1)	462	12
20. Boston College (2-0)	410	23
21. Tulsa (2-1)	405	22
22. Arkansas (2-1)	323	16
23. Xavier, Ohio (3-0)	164	--
24. Stanford (2-1)	154	21
25. Virginia (3-1)	151	--



Sophomore guard Amy Smith, 15, battles Rhode Island College opponents for a rebound during Sunday's Holiday Classic win. The Lady Owls record now stands at 2-0.

Tourney

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Judy Izzo was the other player on Keene State to receive All-Tournament status.

In regard to the tournament Lady Owl Lindsay Arnold said, "with the record we had last year, we wanted to play our hearts out and win for the seniors."

Freshman guard Erin Bowley added, "we had to step up the defense, because they (Rhode Island College) pushed the ball (well)."

In order to get to the finals, the Lady Owls had to play Western New England College.

WNEC was the season opener for the Lady Owls, and they handled the task with ease, winning the game 71-44.

Keene State started the massacre with a 21-7 run. They finished the half with a comfortable 37-20 lead.

The second half was almost a carbon copy of the first half as Keene State exploded right from the start.

Tenacious defense and a high-powered offense totally blanketed Western New England College, which had no clue what happened to them.

Sophomore Judy Izzo came off the bench and scored 20 points to lead the Lady Owls to victory.

Kerri Martin had 12 points and added six rebounds.

Arnold matched Martin with six boards. Eileen Monaghan had 14 points and six rebounds in the losing effort for Western New England College.

"We wanted to get off on the right foot," said Arnold on the 2-0 start. Arnold continued, "we have a little more experience than last year."

Keene State (2-0) will test their experience when they compete in their first NECC game of the season when they play New Hampshire College at 5:30 tonight at Spaulding Gymnasium, and travel to Southern Connecticut State on Saturday.

December 4, 1996

The Equinox Sports

Men's hoop fall in double OT

David Haley
The Equinox

A funny thing happened on the way to the first victory of the season for the Keene State College men's basketball team. They forgot to hit their foul shots.

Fifty three percent shooting and some untimely turnovers combined to erase a late game lead for the Owls against Daniel Webster College. Keene State dropped their home opener 94-86 in a double overtime thriller at Spaulding Gymnasium.

"When you shoot 53 percent from the line, your not going to win many games," noted first year head coach Phil Rowe. "Right now we are a team striving to find itself. We'll learn from this and improve upon it."

The 0-2 start for the Owls is all too familiar to Keene State students and fans, but upon closer analysis, there is a very different feel to this outfit. "The Daniel Webster game was one we should have won, and if this game was later on in the season I think we would have."

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Lady Owls win tourney

Paul Silverfarb
The Equinox

The Thanksgiving break gave the Keene State College women's basketball team an early Christmas present, as they captured the crown of the Keene State Holiday Classic.

The Lady Owls took the title by beating the Anchorwomen of Rhode Island College 80-77 in the final game.

The first half brought an onslaught of offense for both clubs. Rhode Island College shot 44 percent from the field, while Keene State shot 50 percent.

Even though Keene State had a better shooting percentage, Rhode Island had a 45-38 lead at the half.

In the second half, the Lady Owls slowly chipped away at the lead thanks Lindsay Arnold, Kerri Martin and Judy Izzo.

With under a minute to play, the trio brought the Lady Owls within a basket.

Arnold then tied the game 69-69 with 35 seconds left in regulation.

When the buzzer sounded 35 seconds later, the game was still knotted at 69 a piece.

In overtime, Arnold hit a base-

line jumper which put the Lady Owls up 78-75, but with only 31 seconds remaining in overtime, Jessica Schiano got Rhode Island College within one with a nice lay-up.

That is as close as the Anchorwomen would come, as Kelly Martin hit two free throws to ice the game and the tournament for Keene State with an 80-77 victory.

Martin and Izzo each had 18 points and 10 rebounds, while Arnold had 18 points and seven boards.

"With the record we had last year, we wanted to play our hearts out and win for the seniors."

• Lindsay Arnold
Lady Owls center

Kelly Hall helped in the victory as she posted eight points, 10 assists and four steals.

That performance boosted the Lady Owls and awarded her Most Valuable Player in the tournament as well as a place on the All-Tournament Team.

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Lady Owl Alice Adams takes it to the hoop against Rhode Island College in Sunday's OT win.

Equinox photo by Jesse Stenbak

Swimmers post records

Equinox Staff

Records are made to be broken. That was the theory the Keene State College swim team followed two Saturdays ago, as they set five new school records.

Katie Guerra posted two new records while leading the Keene State women to a 117-91 win over visiting Bentley College.

Guerra's record breaking events were the 50 yard butterfly and the 100 individual medley.

Along with her two record wins, she also topped the field in the 1000 freestyle.

Lissa Cross and Melanie Tripp also set records for Keene State in

the 50 backstroke and 50 breaststroke, respectively.

Tim Aeschliman lead the way for the Keene State men with three individual wins, as they defeated Bentley College 159-129.

Aeschliman earned a school record in the 100 IM with a time of 59.52 seconds. He also won 50 breaststroke.

Gavin Kane closed the record book for the day with a 28.20 time in the 50 backstroke. Kane also captured the 1000 freestyle.

Keene State travels to Bridgewater State College on Saturday for their final meet before winter break.



Keene State swimmer Tim Aeschliman set a school record in the 100 IM in a recent meet.

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Is romance dead? Students are no longer following traditional dating values.

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KSC wants \$5.4 million

Money needed for renovations

Kimberly L. Szydlow
The Equinox

In an effort to complete the renovations to the former Lloyd P. Young Student Union, Keene State College is requesting \$5.4 million from the state of New Hampshire.

The University System of New Hampshire is asking the state for approximately \$30 million to be divided between Keene State, the University of New Hampshire and Plymouth State College, Frank Mazola, physical plant director, said.

"President Yarosewick and the legislative delegation from Cheshire County have invested a great deal of time in making the legislature aware of the need for



Mazola

additional funding to renovate the former Young Building," Jay Kahn, vice president for finance and planning said.

Keene State is asking that a portion of the \$30 million be used to complete phase two of the renovations to the former Young building.

Phase one of the project, which is taking place right now, is expected to be completed early this summer, Mazola said.

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Equinox photo by Jesse Stenbak

The Mabel Brown room of the former Lloyd P. Young Student Union held many dances and bands. When the renovations are completed, the room will hold classroom space for the English and psychology departments. The building is expected to be in use in the fall of 1997.

Conference looks at college future

Anthony B. Vogl
The Equinox

A new student walks down Appian Way with his propeller hat on his head, looking at the Keene State College of the future with his father who is wearing a green bicycle helmet. This helmet is later discarded as he realizes Keene State is a safe college.

They discover some classes are taught by holograms, vast amounts of electronic information is stored in the Mason Library, student support services are easily accessible, internships are easily arranged, and later that Keene State graduates are high in demand.

This is one of the scenarios of the Keene State of the future that was played out during the Future Search Conference.

The conference, which was held January 13, 14 and 15, brought to-

gether 80 individuals from Keene State and the local community to discuss the future of the college.

"We represented a diverse group but we came together for the same purpose and that was to find a preferred future for Keene State," said Eric Hadd, a junior who was selected to participate in the conference.

Students selected to attend the conference had to send a letter to the student body president. Faculty and staff sent in letters to the college president.

The Future Search Conference was designed "to find common ground between faculty, staff, students, administration and the external community," President Stanley J. Yarosewick said.

Twenty-five faculty members, 10 students, seven administration, 16 staff members and 22 local

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Equinox photo by Jesse Stenbak

Water rushes over a dam in the Ashuelot River Park on West Street. With rising temperatures, and more precipitation expected for tonight, the river should be flowing faster than usual. Both sides of this dam are more accessible due to the bridge which was finished in the fall by The MacMillin Company, Inc.