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What is Clemens thinking?

MIKE MACIEL
The Equinox

So I was the only one watching game 2 on Sunday night who thought that Roger Clemens looked like a 10 year old who just got pulled out of his first Little League game?

First of all I need to mention where I fit in this situation. I am not a disgruntled Boston fan who is stuck in the past, to me Clemens is just another spoiled brat who gets to play the game that I love.

Second, I do not appreciate the fact that my World Series has been ruined by two teams from New York. The Yankees buy championships, and I have no respect for that is the downfall of baseball.

So here I am trying to salvage what I can and simply enjoy a baseball game when an overpaid baby decides to throw a piece of a bat at another player.

I want to be fair to Clemens since, I am at least trying to become a journalist, and fairness is a key.

Maybe he did think it was the baseball. I noticed his lips move and that was the first thing that he seemed to say to Piazza. I also understand what it feels like to be on the mound and to see any object flying back in your direction, not pleasant.

But this wasn't a baseball. It was a barrel of a bat with a jagged end that could have seriously hurt someone.

Recap Clemens throws two fastballs to Piazza (the last time they faced Piazza ended up lying in the dirt practically unconscious). His third pitch is once again inside and shatters the bat into three pieces.

The handle stays in Piazza's hands, the middle splinters off to the side and the barrel lands near Clemens, who proceeds to fire it into foul territory, the bat booming about a foot in front of Piazza and then flying by him.

Piazza then looks at Clemens in awe and appears to mutter a few mean words as the benches clear.

If it was my call, I would have thrown his overpaid butt right out of the game, but lucky for him it was the World Series.

My one regret is that the way the pitching has worked out Clemens will probably not have to pitch in Flushing, where National League rules would force him to bat and he could find out how the game was meant to be played by taking one in the ribs.

This events back to another topic of conversation. The American League should get rid of the DH. It is a stupid rule and it always has been.

The pitchers can get away with anything. Yeah sure, they are all tough guys when they don't have to get up the next morning.

I am sure that if Clemens was scheduled to bat the next inning he would have thought twice about firing a "weapon" in the direction of the opposing team's closest catcher.

The other thing about the DH is it takes a great portion of the strategy out of managing a baseball team. It is a lot easier to go through the game and not have to make a double switch or even a substitution.

Oh course the player's union would never allow this to come about. The DH allows a number of players to continue playing well past their days of usefulness. Look at the Red Sox. They keep those guys in business like Jack Clark, Tom Browning, etc.

Women's soccer earns top seed

KSC CHARGES INTO THE LEC TOURNAMENT

ERIC LOVELY
The Equinox

After wrapping up regular season play this past weekend with authority, the Keene State College Women's Soccer team will be the top seeded team of the Little East Conference tournament this year.

Keene State outscored its opponents 14-0 this past weekend picking up wins at home on Friday against Beloit College, 6-0, and at UMass-Boston on Sunday, 8-0.

The Owls are undefeated in the last 10 games (8-0-2) and also remain unbeaten in conference play (4-0-3).

At 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Keene State will host the winner of a Rhode Island College-Plymouth State match to begin the LEC Tournament.

Freshman Jennifer Ortisi powered her way to her first ever collegiate three-goal hat-trick in Sunday's match against UMass-Boston. Jessica Williams also added two goals in that game.

Other scorers for Keene State were Lauren Dayne, Suzanne Heinzel, and Liz Thornton, who had



The Lady Owls are ready to take on the rest of the LEC, which couldn't hand them a loss this season.

The idea of two-touch is that each time one of the girls got possession of the ball, she had only two touches before passing.

Lyons added that it was not their intention to show up anyone, and that the 74 shots proved that they need to work a little bit harder on finishing off their opportunities.

"Right now our goal is to win the LEC tournament to earn the automatic bid to the NCAA's," she said. In Friday's game Celena Chickering had two goals to lead them to a 6-0 victory.

Keene State seniors Tia Meiler, Randi Grosky, and Thornton also had big days on Friday against Beloit College playing in their last regular-season home game.

Meiler scored her 11th goal of the season, Grosky netted her first goal ever for college, and Thornton ended the game with two assists.

Ortisi and Dayne also scored for the Owls on Friday.

With Southern Maine's 1-0 double-overtime win over Western Connecticut on Sunday, Keene State jumped into first place in the conference.

Western Connecticut had been the top seeded LEC team before its USM loss.

Keene State had already beaten USM earlier in the season.

The Owls play the first game of the LEC tournament at 2:30 on Friday afternoon out at the field. Be sure to go out and cheer for the girls as they attempt to run the tournament and earn an automatic bid to the NCAA Tourney.

The Coach's Corner: Denise Lyons

MIKE MACIEL
The Equinox

This week the Coach's Corner takes a look at a very interesting member of the Keene State College community, Denise Lyons, women's soccer head coach.

Lyons, a former member of the Irish National Soccer team, came over to Keene State originally on an athletic scholarship.

She didn't disappoint, scoring 26 goals and dishing out 31 assists in her four-year career. The 31 assists is still a Keene State record.

Lyons was named to the All-New England team in each of her four seasons as she led the Owls to four post-season appearances and two trips to the D-II nationals.

The former All-American standout became an assistant coach after her playing career was over and two years later was at the head of the ship.

The job of head coach is no vacation. Lyons has one thing that she thoroughly enjoys.

"I like coaching a team that works very hard. Their dedication is what makes it exciting for me," she said.

This season the Owls began with one win and three losses. To the naked eye, this may have seemed like a disappointment, but the girls were on a path to greatness.

A lot of people thought the number one team in the country and two others in the top 20. A lot of people thought they were going to lose, but we played some of the best soccer in the country.

The job of head coach is no vacation. Lyons has one thing that she thoroughly enjoys.



Coach Lyons doing her thing on the sidelines.

"I believe in my girls, lets take care of business."

The Player of the Week: Jennifer Ortisi

The Outstanding Owl this week is Jen Ortisi of the Women's soccer team, who scored the first hat trick of her college career this past weekend in an 8-0 romp of UMass-Boston.



Outstanding Owl Jen Ortisi

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KSC students gather on the quad to carve their way to a new record



An extraordinarily detailed carving. One of many at the annual pumpkin test this year.

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For the record

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World record is broken again

Angela Watson
The Equinox

3,727 Jack-O-Lanterns were lit Saturday night in Keene, breaking the town's own world record from two years ago.

According to the website for Center Stage, a volunteer organization in charge of putting on the Pumpkin Festival, the goal for the year 2000 was to have 20,000 pumpkins.

The official count was announced well after 8 p.m., and those who braved the cold cheered as fireworks were set off in celebration, according to the Keene Sentinel.

Corporal Eli Rizerc, of the Keene Police Department said the estimated number of people who brought their jack-o-lanterns and to see the sights was 50,000 people.

"Everything ran smooth," he said, and "there were no major

problems." The day before, over 1,000 of those pumpkins were being carved on campus at Pumpkin Lobotomy on the Fiske quad. Paul Strifolino, the student government advisor, said there were about 1250 pumpkins.

The event was sponsored mainly by the student government, and, according to some upset students, and the pumpkins were gone in the first hour.

"I've never seen

them go as quickly, everyone showed up," said Strifolino.

Matt Ulvila, student body president, said "In the four years that I have been here this has been the most successful one."

For the most part, students were happy, except for the com-

plaints about the number of available pumpkins.

"There were not enough," Katelyn Cromer, a sophomore said, "we got there at four and there were none left."

Another sophomore, Katelyn Foster, said "I was really upset when there were no pumpkins."

Strifolino said "as far as I know, I checked with the pumpkin supplier and he said he even threw some extras in."

Ulvila estimated that there were about 800 to 1000 people on the quad.

Strifolino said "this is the most amount of people I have seen out here at one time than in the past," and many students agreed.

"I didn't realize there were so many people on campus. I'm just

amazed at how many people were here," said Adam Hathaway, a sophomore.

One thing that could have helped with the turnout was the good weather.

"It didn't rain, the rain held off. I said it wasn't going to rain and it didn't," said Ulvila.

As was also noticed at the festival on Saturday night, many people had a lot of spirit. Ulvila said the Lobotomy is "one of those events that everyone can go out and do something."

Sophomore Shannon Fitzgerald said "It's a great way to get all the students together," and "it shows Halloween spirit."

"It's a big Halloween carving party," Strifolino said.

A few people were sent to the hospital with wounds from carving pumpkins, according to Ulvila.

Debbie McNulty, a Registered

Nurse from Health Services said "it's a dangerous activity, there have been over 23 lacerations."

"It's just fun to see everyone together and having a good time," she said.

Ulvila said a lot of changes have been made to Pumpkin Lobotomy this year to make things run smoother. He said the pumpkins were all put out on the quad so people could help themselves, and new banners and signs were added to help students find their way around.

Part of the entertainment on the quad was provided by WKNH in the form of live music from bands Mr. Clean and Anger Management Seminar, said Ulvila.

Strifolino said there were 25 different student organizations there, such as the Outing Club, Social Activities Council, and the Ski Club.

Children's Lit Festival another success



This years Lit Fest logo

Richard Surrette
The Equinox

Stories of personal child abuse, how to make shadow puppets, and why Native Americans are not getting the treatment they deserve, were all spoken of at the 24th Annual Children's Literature Festival on Saturday in the Mabel Brown Room.

Anne Turner, the second author to speak, talked about her transition from historical fiction books directed to young children to her new poetry book, which deals with the summer she was sexually abused as a child.

"I'm on a new journey," she said, talking about going into edgier material, and saying, "you take others with you."

She said that the book of poetry about her abuse is called 'Learning to Swim' because the summer she was abused "was the same summer that I learned to swim."

The book is supposed to teach children and adults that it is possible to survive from sexual abuse and come out of it as a nor-

mal person, according to Turner. She said she's glad that "there's some hope, there's healing."

Caldecott Award winner David Wisniewski was the first person to speak at the event. He started his speech by saying that writing children's books is definitely a "profession that keeps you humble."

Before speaking, Wisniewski was introduced by Festival organizer David White, who said the author is also a puppeteer and was once a clown for Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus. Wisniewski said that after his work in the circus, he worked with hand puppets, where he found he was good at making props. Then, he said, he began doing shows with shadow puppets, which eventually led to his unique style of art in his books.

After giving many examples of the fun things that can be done with shadow puppets, he talked about the time he was on the Today show for winning the Caldecott for his book, 'Golem.'

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CAMPUS SAFETY LOG

Tuesday October 24th - Sunday October 29th

Tues. October 24

5:54a.m.-The Carle RA reported that a student alarm clock was going off continuously. No one responded to phone calls or knocks at the door. A campus safety officer turned off the clock alarm.

7:23p.m.-A Unico employee reported flooding from a toilet problem in the men's room on the first floor of the Adams Technology Building.

Wed. October 25

4:17p.m.-A fire alarm was activated in Huntress Hall due to steam in the basement.

Thurs. October 26

7:25a.m.-A call came in about a vehicle in the Elliot lot putting out a lot of smoke. It was found to be a Unico employee warming their vehicle up to go home.

8:08p.m.-A student left a bookbag under the table she was eating at in the dining commons and needed items in it that night.

10:45p.m.-An officer witnessed tow persons rolling a construction tube around near the art gallery. The tube was put back in its original location after it was determined that no harm was intended.

Fri. October 27

6:49a.m.-An unsecured bicycle was found by the maintenance entrance of the library.

8:38a.m.-There was a report of a car with a KSC decal displaying a handicap tag in the Fiske lot for several days. It was advised that the vehicle owner is on the girls volleyball team. It was believed to be a fraudulent use of the handicap tag.

6:24p.m.-The Human Relations director reported a suspicious individual in the Fiske Annex office. The individual was the son of one of the Annex staff.

10:15p.m.-The Randall RA reported a male passed out in a bathroom. The subject, a non-student, was transported to Cheshire Medical Center.

11:54p.m.-An officer was approached in the Fiske lot by a mother who was trying to locate her sixteen-year old son who was at a ifrat party. The party was apparently at the corner of Pearl and Island Street.

Sat. October 28

12:39a.m.-An officer was off with two subjects with a handicap sign.

12:46a.m.-There was a report of some subjects

walking from Wyman Way going toward the Student Center with open containers. An officer followed the subjects through the Science Center parking lot to Huntress Hall. No open containers were observed when he saw them. They stopped in front of Huntress. Hall staff was advised to not let the subjects in unless they were escorted.

1:20a.m.-There was a report of a large group of people in the Tisdale parking lot having a party. The officer reported the subjects did have open contain-

ers. The subjects emptied the containers and agreed to quiet down.

3:10a.m.-Soft fencing was torn down in an area by the gym. An officer attempted to put the fencing back up.

4:35a.m.-10-15 cars had wiper blades pulled away from the windshields, but no apparent damage was found.

8:29a.m.-A resident of the Tisdale apartments stated that a pumpkin was stolen from her property.

8:42a.m.-The Physical Plant was advised that there was a skunk in a trap under the President's house.

Sun. October 29

12:16a.m.-The RD on duty requested an officer and the Keene Police to respond for a person in Randall Hall on some type of substance. The subject was combative. The subject was transported to Cheshire Medical Center.

12:49a.m.-There was a subject running on campus with only his

underwear on.

1:46a.m.-There was a complaint of people making noise bringing leaves into Owl's Nest 6.

10:15a.m.-There was a report from custodial of several students smashing pumpkins by Carle Hall trying to get them lodged into the basketball hoop in the bullpen.

4:01p.m.-An officer met with a Carle RA to talk to a resident about her roommate. The roommate went on a blind date the afternoon before and had not been heard from yet. The RA called back later and the subject had been located.

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HERE ARE THE UP-COMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

Come Join the Fun!

Shed Build

KSC HFH will be having a weekend shed build on Saturday and Sunday November 4th and 5th on the Student Center Lawn. The build will take place each day from 8am to 5pm. We will be building two sheds that will be donated to Habitat houses in the area. There will be food and music. No experience is necessary. If you have tools, bring them, if you do not they will be provided. Hope to see you there!!! It will be a lot of fun!

Great American Sleep Out

In honor of Hunger and Homelessness Week, KSC HFH will be holding the annual sleep out on the Student Center Lawn. We will be building shelters out of cardboard boxes, and we will be sleeping outside around a campfire. This event will be held on Thursday November 16th, 2000. If you are interested, the event will be from 8pm until 7am the next day. This event will be to experience first hand what it is like to be a homeless person and to also raise awareness.

Lego House

KSC HFH will be holding a fundraiser from November 13th until November 21st in the Student Center Atrium. This project will be used to help the KSC HFH campus chapter. We will be building a house out of Legos. Each piece will cost \$1.00, and each participant will be able to add their piece to the house.

Come and Support Us!



Goldberg predicts election results

THE EQUINOX

Jonah Goldberg said he believed Vice President Al Gore would be toast early on in the 2000 presidential election.

"The country has only elected two vice presidents to the presidency in history," he said, "and that was back in the 1800's."

Goldberg, a columnist for the National Review, spoke last Thursday night in the Mabel Brown Room to give an overview of Election 2000, in an event sponsored by the Social Activities Council.

He said that there is a "VP curse" which he believes is holding Gore back, and the reason he can't get a substantial lead over George W. Bush.

Goldberg analyzed the Democratic candidate's running style. "Gore appears scared, which is why he is campaigning in Washington, Tennessee, and Oregon, which have all been traditional republican states."

He started off speaking about the election in general, saying the polls are all over the place, and no one really knows who is going to win. "It's going to come

right down to the wire," he said. Goldberg said this is the first time since 1960 the polls have been as close as they are after Labor Day.

He summarized his thoughts of Bush and said "Basically, this is a compassionate and conservative is a republican version of Clintonism. It's a real disappointment that since 1968 there has either been a Bush or Dole on the Vice President or Presidential ballot."

Goldberg mentioned some major differences between Bush and Gore, on some of the major issues, such as social security and education.

"Bush has a great social security plan. He wants to give you a sizable amount of your money to put away, and do what you want with it. That money is yours and the government can not touch it."

"Gore on the other hand, has a social security plan that you get to put away some money, and then in ten years or so, the government wants to take back the money they gave you," Goldberg said.

On education, Goldberg explained that Bush wants to cre-

ate vouchers to give to predominately poor, inner city kids so they can go to a good school and get a good education.

"Gore wants to make the public schools better, so that kids will get a good education without having to go to a private school," he said.

Goldberg believes this year's election will have a very low turnout. "There are undecided people out there who, after all the debates, are asked who they are going to vote for, say they want more information."

"With all the messages, websites, and policies, public information, these people should have all the information they need. I think that those people are lazy."

He also said that many people really don't care all that much. "If you don't care, you shouldn't vote," Goldberg commented.

He said that according to the polls, 50 percent of Americans don't know what the Supreme Court does.

"Those people shouldn't be voting either," Goldberg stated. Goldberg also spoke about Green Party candidate Ralph Nader. "Nader believes the

Constitution has merit," Goldberg said.

"That's admirable within the American tradition. He could change the election and the history of American politics."

Goldberg also commented that contrary to what people think, Nader isn't taking that many votes from Gore.

"People are just voting for him so they will vote. Otherwise, they wouldn't vote at all," he said.

Goldberg commented that Bush and Gore are inflating the importance of this election.

"In all honesty, not many people care about this election," he said. "Life will go on the day after the election; after a Bush or Gore victory."

He also said that Gore's campaign ad scare people by attacking Bush. "It's really the only way to get people motivated about the election," Goldberg said. "This election is ugly now, and will get uglier before it's over."

Students upset about rec center

The Equinox

Students upset about the proposed recreation center brought up their issues at last Tuesday's Student Assembly meeting.

According to Student Body President Matt Ulvila and Vice President Michelle Scott, members of the track team were upset that the new building's track will not be made for competition.

However, Ulvila and Scott noted this Tuesday that the facility is supposed to be for recreation, and not athletics.

They also mentioned that there will be a final vote on Nov. 15 from the board of trustees as to whether or not the rec center will be a reality.

Another issue discussed at the meeting last week was a problem with the shuttle van not running often because there have not been people able to drive it.

It was announced that there are advertisements going around the community, and the Assembly is exploring alternatives.

There were two funding requests at the meeting, the first of which was made by members

of the Academic Integrity Committee.

Two members of the group want to attend an educational conference in Colorado, and they needed \$275 to pay for airfare, according to Scott and Ulvila. There was a unanimous decision to grant the money.

A representative from Sexual Assault Harassment Education and Prevention talked at the meeting about a speaker the organization is bringing to the college.

Ulvila and Scott said the speaker, Nancy Hulse, will be coming to talk about subjects such as rape with a multimedia presentation on Nov. 16. The group had asked for \$1500 to pay for the speaker.

Another financial matter was brought up when a representative from the Women's Rugby team said that they wanted to transfer funds in their account to use for transportation.

Due to an oversight by the Equinox staff, nobody was sent to the Student Assembly meeting last week. Most of the information from this story was taken from the minutes of the meeting and Matt Ulvila and Michelle Scott.

Making a difference



Campus Ecology and Phi Kappa Omega working together.

AUTUMN MAURA
JASON TURNER
Campus Ecology

About 25 Keene State College students took time out to volunteer at Stonewall Farm on Saturday, Oct. 21, as part of Make-a-difference day.

Members of Campus Ecology and Phi Kappa Omega worked together to move a greenhouse (by hand), dig raised beds, clean up the garden and trails, and on various other projects.

The farm is an example of com-

munity supported agriculture at work. They are not-for-profit, and provide the community with education on agriculture as well as some tasty vegetables. Both groups had a great time, getting their hands dirty, and working pretty hard.

Both of the different organizations were seen working hand-in-hand and having a good time together. The volunteers said the entire experience was motivating, and both organizations expressed their appreciation to Stonewall Farm for the opportunity.

Looking to get involved?

Write news, sports, or feature stories.

How about taking photographs, drawing cartoons or writing a commentary?

No experience necessary.

Come to our meeting tonight

at 9:30

Keene State College Creates World Aids Day Program

A week of programs and activities on the Keene State College campus will focus on World AIDS Day (12/1/00) from November 29-December 6. The program is spearheaded by three campus groups—Delta Nu Psi, Kappa Gamma and KSC PRIDE—in conjunction with AIDS Services for the Monadnock Region. In order to raise and expand awareness about AIDS, a number of activities are planned.

The Penny Project, 2MP4Y2K! (Two Million Pennies for the Year 2000!), will raise funds for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation on campus from November 6-December 6. In 1986, Elizabeth and Paul Glaser (known for his role on the popular 80's television show "Starsky & Hutch") discovered that their daughter, Ariel, and their son, Jake, were infected with HIV through maternal transmission from a blood transfusion. Since nothing was being done in the United States for children with AIDS, the Glasers joined with friends to create the Pediatric AIDS Foundation. In 1988 it was renamed in Elizabeth's honor; she died from complications of AIDS in 1994. Donation containers will be placed in campus residence halls, high traffic areas, and administrative offices. Student organizations can choose to be in competition with one another in an effort to raise 2 million (20,000) pennies. Call Beth Mundahl at 358-2433 for more information.

KSC students and staff will also create individual squares for pediatric quilts, which are then distributed to hospitals through At-Risk Birth Children International (ABC). Collaborating with the Monadnock Quilter's Guild and the Moses House, members of the college community will piece together children's quilts. Fabric markers and stencil patterns will be available to interested persons from 11am-2pm each day between 11/29 and 12/6 in the campus Student Center. Original designs are also welcome. The public is invited to join in this campus effort by visiting the Student Center to pick up materials.

On December 6, the number of pennies collected on campus will be announced when the Bank of New Hampshire visits the Student Center with a coin counter. Later that afternoon, at 6pm, a vigil will be held on campus in front of the Student Center to commemorate World AIDS Day.

AIDS Services for the Monadnock Region, founded in 1989, is a non-profit organization committed to serving people living with HIV/AIDS in Cheshire County, southern Sullivan County and western Hillsborough County. Reach ASMR by calling (603) 357-6855, or stop by the office located in the Miller Forge Building, 103 Roxbury Street in Keene. ASMR is funded, in part, by The Monadnock United Way.

Gore's Brave Decision

Diversity is important, especially when we are talking about the governmental body that will make important decisions for the general populace. If we are not represented by a diverse body, we can hardly expect our diverse American population to be fairly represented.

There has been a lot of debate as to whether Al Gore has done the right thing in choosing an Orthodox Jew as his running mate. Perhaps we should be inspired, instead, because Lieberman was not discounted for eligibility because of his minority status.

Gore is careful to stress the importance of cultural diversity in his campaign, and has received a rather wary response. Instead, we should be cheering. The halls should be resounding with, "It's about time, already!"

We applaud Gore for his courage in actively promoting diversity in the White House, and in putting this issue forward to the American public.

Of course, he is consciously making this choice for the image it puts forth. He has to, he is running for president. Due to the superficiality of us voters, he must be extremely cautious of the image he portrays to the American people right now, and he has chosen diversity as an important part of his image. Wearing the wrong necktie could be political suicide. And yet he has chosen to take a high risk stance that a Jew could be a good vice president.

The cynical response he has gotten has only served to show what a closed-minded opposition he is up against. Critics act as if Lieberman is the first minority to run for office. Let's not forget the great example of JFK, our nation's first non-WASP president. He soon became one of this century's most beloved presidents.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt was in a wheelchair, but that certainly didn't influence his decisions. It was never even debated that he shouldn't be a president because of his polio, because most Americans didn't even know about it. Our politicians today, however, could only aspire to be as "disabled" as that great leader.

How insulting is it that our media is telling us to question whether a man can be an effective vice president of our country, and be a Jew at the same time? Are we really falling for this? Is this really a question in our minds?

We hope that in the year 2000, we are not still grappling with the idea that minorities can perform just as well as old white men. In fact, many would argue that it's about time that we get a fresh perspective in the white house, and hopefully a man like Lieberman can give us just that.

Do we really want to admit to our grandchildren one day that we were so backward that we were afraid to elect a man because he openly practiced a minority religion?

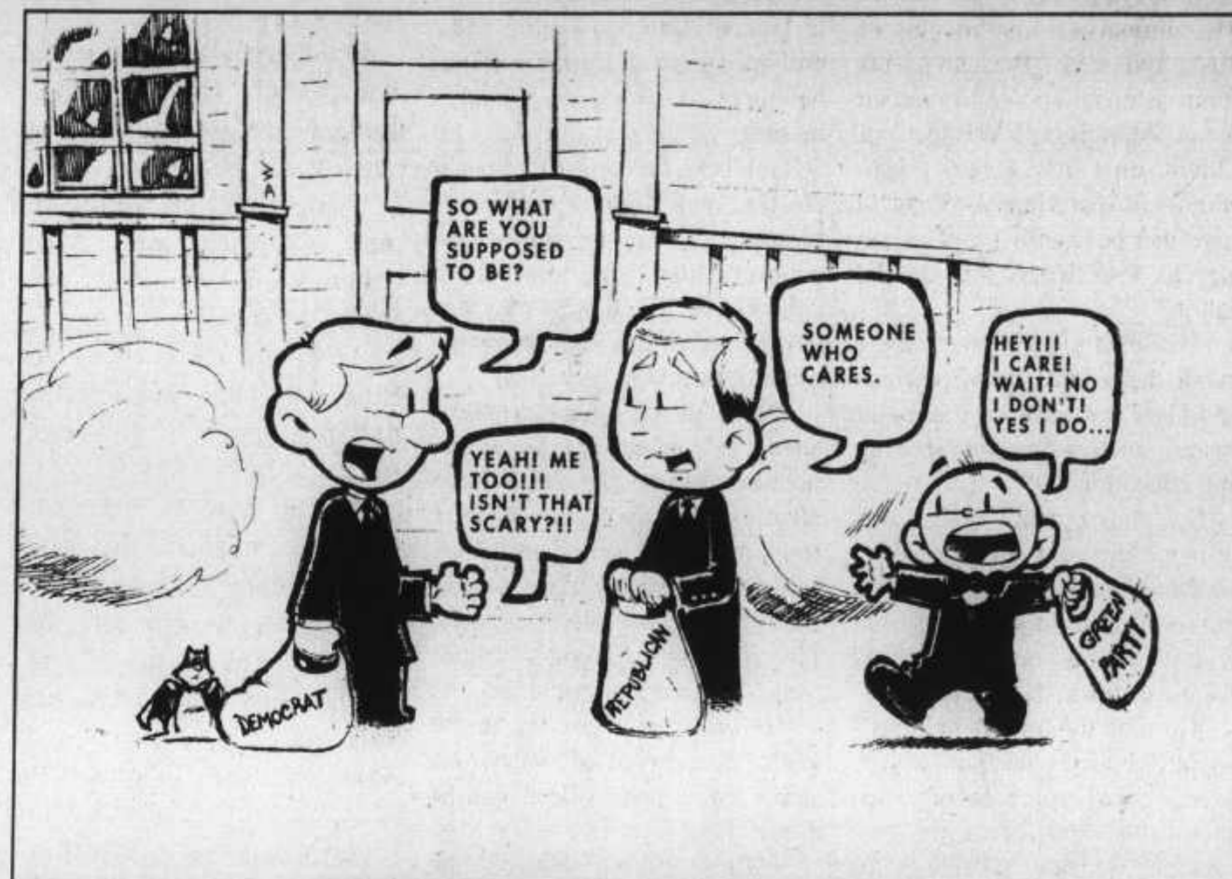
Or shall we applaud Gore for taking a stand on this issue? Shall we stand up and say that he has made the right choice in choosing Lieberman for a running mate?

Why is there a question as to whether Gore has made the right decision? It seems that the only appropriate critique in this situation is, "Why has it taken us this long to have a Jewish vice presidential candidate? Are Americans really that bigoted today?"

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Thomas Jefferson, founding father of our nation

"Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

STAFF COMMENTARY

Yes, Another Editorial Urging You to Vote

Forget Pamela Anderson's V.I.P. Move over Maxim. Throw "Coyote Ugly" out the window.

Truthfully, politics are the sexiest thing out there.

I have fond memories of listening to John McCain tell lame jokes in the freezing New Hampshire December, getting numerous phone calls from Daddy's Junky Music owner and former gubernatorial candidate Fred Bramante late at night, and getting the big f-u spin-off from Jeanne Shoben's press secretary.

I saw Gordon Humphrey tear into the Blue Ribbon Commission and I shook Steve Forbes' frighteningly cold hand.

The power and beauty of politics are America's best kept secret. Meeting these people, these powerful people, gives me a sense of wonder and awe. No matter what level of politician they are, and no matter how brief the encounter is, I feel like I'm a part of the larger picture.

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Candidates ask questions like, "What do we do with the 'Native Americans'? How can we improve the lives of 'lower income families'?"

This fragmentation is far from strengthening our nation. We need to move away from numbers and categories and move toward a more universal view. These issues can be addressed without talking about minorities like they are the plague.

As you all know, my governor is none other than Jesse the Brain or Body or whatever. On the day he was elected a wave of confusion swept the country. How did a pro wrestler get elected to office? Simple: he spoke to everybody. Just to warn you, I can't stand Jesse. But in every one of his speeches, he addressed everybody. There were no boundaries, no dividers. Jesse didn't talk about the "rich" vs. the "poor" or "black" vs. "white." He talked about Minnesotans. As a result Jesse produced the greatest turnout of 18-24 year-old voters in Minnesota history.

This doesn't mean Jesse is the smartest guy in the world. Frankly I feel that he stumbled upon the answer by accident. What he figured out was that you must talk to the voters at eye level. Just in case you missed it: TALK TO VOTERS AT EYE LEVEL!

Yes, that's right, get down off of your soapbox and talk to us. We'd much rather be "talked to" than "talked about." This isn't about lowering the voting age or sending out flyers or making phone calls. This is about bringing politics back to its roots -- what it was way back on the Mayflower. Everybody huddled around that table on that boat and decided the rules. I realize that the population of these United States has risen considerably since then, but that is no excuse for moving away

Reversing Cynicism Through Better Choices

Political inactivity on the part of young Americans stems from one fundamental source -- a general cynicism about the American political process. This disdain for politics is perpetuated by a lack of voter education and needless arcane voting procedures that create unnecessary barriers to voting.

Only when American citizens are better represented in the political process will young Americans be truly compelled to vote. One way to achieve this goal is through adoption of a system of proportional representation, in which like-minded voters win seats in proportion to their share of the vote. This reform, combined with the implementation of Internet voting, increased voter education and same-day voting, will encourage a rise in voter turnouts and youth participation in government.

With its accompanying strategic gerrymandering, incumbency advantages and governmental unresponsiveness to constituent desires, the current system of winner-take-all elections deters even the most politically conscious person from voting. For many young voters, the realization that their vote is likely to have little impact on elections prevents them from becoming involved in the electoral process altogether.

With the implementation of a proportional representation system, the voice of more American voters can be heard -- and a more representative government created. The exorbitant amount of wasted votes in today's system will be greatly reduced. The lower threshold of votes needed to elect a candidate will allow smaller groups to elect representatives more in tune with their political philosophy without having to constitute the majority of the voting body. The vote of each person will carry greater weight. By providing these incentives to vote and increasing opportunities for third-party candidates, proportional representation ensures a more representative government that will better serve the American people.

Furthermore, proportional representation eliminates much of the opportunity to predetermine elections through gerrymandering, again allowing for a more accurately representative government. Winner-take-all elections are far too

LETTERS AND EMAILS Iverson's Rap Worse Than Unguarded; '40 Bars' Could Get Someone Killed

Parking Reminder

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If you currently have a KSC parking decal, please park in the appropriate lot. Questions about the City of Keene parking ordinances should be directed to the Keene Police Department of Campus Safety at extension 2227

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Last season, Allen Iverson wore a bracelet with the letters "WWJD," which means, "What would Jesus do?" The 76ers' star guard said he wore it to remind himself to think about the consequences of his actions before doing something stupid.

I have to think Jesus would not threaten to kill someone who made a sexual advance, which, as we all know by now, is what Iverson said he would do in his new rap song, "40 Bars."

To the best of my knowledge, Jesus never mentions homosexuality in the Bible. His overwhelming message is one of love. And even the most conservative Christians talk about loving the sinner (us), while hating the sin (homosexuality).

So maybe the 76ers' star guard has found it in his Christian heart to realize his lyrics were wrong because he apologized for offending people. NBA Commissioner David Stern says Iverson told him he would change the lyrics before the full album, "Non-Fiction," is released in February.

How naive must Iverson have been to think death threats -- even in the guise of a song -- would not be offensive, or even dangerous? If he's pretending that he didn't realize that people might get offended by it, then I think he's not going to feel the rest of us. He's a grown man," said Billy Bean, a retired ballplayer who spent six seasons in the major leagues, with Detroit, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Soundoff

"What are you going to be for Halloween?"

Interviews and pictures by Melissa Deppe



"I don't know, probably a gelsha"
Jen Berk
Senior
English/Second Ed



"A juice maker because I'm very fine"
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Occupational Safety



"I'm going to be a cow-girl from Coyote Ugly"
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Laura Richard
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OPINION

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Gore's Brave Decision

Diversity is important, especially when we are talking about the governmental body that will make important decisions for the general populace. If we are not represented by a diverse body, we can hardly expect our diverse American population to be fairly represented.

There has been a lot of debate as to whether Al Gore has done the right thing in choosing an Orthodox Jew as his running mate. Perhaps we should be inspired, instead, because Lieberman was not discounted for eligibility because of his minority status.

Gore is careful to stress the importance of cultural diversity in his campaign, and has received a rather wary response. Instead, we should be cheering. The halls should be resounding with, "It's about time, already!"

We applaud Gore for his courage in actively promoting diversity in the White House, and in putting this issue forward to the American public.

Of course, he is consciously making this choice for the image it puts forth. He has to, he is running for president. Due to the superficiality of us voters, he must be extremely cautious of the image he portrays to the American people right now, and he has chosen diversity as an important part of his image. Wearing the wrong necktie could be political suicide. And yet he has chosen to take a high risk stance that a Jew could be a good vice president.

The cynical response he has gotten has only served to show what a closed-minded opposition he is up against. Critics act as if Lieberman is the first minority to run for office. Let's not forget the great example of JFK, our nation's first non-WASP president. He soon became one of this century's most beloved presidents.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt was in a wheelchair, but that certainly didn't influence his decisions. It was never even debated that he shouldn't be a president because of his polio, because most Americans didn't even know about it. Our politicians today, however, could only aspire to be as "disabled" as that great leader.

How insulting is it that our media is telling us to question whether a man can be an effective vice president of our country, and be a Jew at the same time? Are we really falling for this? Is this really a question in our minds?

We hope that in the year 2000, we are not still grappling with the idea that minorities can perform just as well as old white men. In fact, many would argue that it's about time that we get a fresh perspective in the white house, and hopefully a man like Lieberman can give us just that.

Do we really want to admit to our grandchildren one day that we were so backward that we were afraid to elect a man because he openly practiced a minority religion?

Or shall we applaud Gore for taking a stand on this issue? Shall we stand up and say that he has made the right choice in choosing Lieberman for a running mate?

Why is there a question as to whether Gore has made the right decision? It seems that the only appropriate critique in this situation is, "Why has it taken us this long to have a Jewish vice presidential candidate? Are Americans really that bigoted today?"

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STAFF COMMENTARY

Yes, Another Editorial Urging You to Vote

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I have seen firsthand what it takes to get the younger generation to vote. Rule number one: Throw out the term "younger generation"; we hate that. It seems as though our male-dominated, over-50, white-washed government system has a tendency to categorize. Everything needs to be correlated and filed away.

Candidates ask questions like, "What do we do with the 'Native Americans'?" How can we improve the lives of "lower income families?" This fragmentation is far from strengthening our nation. We need to move away from numbers and categories and move toward a more universal view. These issues can be addressed without talking about minorities like they are the plague.

As you all know, my governor is none other than Jesse the Brain or Body or whatever. On the day he was elected a wave of confusion swept the country. How did a pro-wrestler get elected to office? Simple; he spoke to everybody. Just to warn you, I can't stand Jesse. But in every one of his speeches, he addressed everybody. There were no boundaries, no dividers. Jesse didn't talk about the "rich" vs. the "poor" or "black" vs. "white." He talked about Minnesotans. As a result Jesse produced the greatest turnout of 18-24 year-old voters in Minnesota history.

This doesn't mean Jesse is the smartest guy in the world. Frankly I feel that he stumbled upon the answer by accident. What he figured out was that you must talk to the voters at eye level.

Just in case you missed it: TALK TO VOTERS AT EYE LEVEL. Yes, that's right, get down off of your soapbox and talk to us. We'd much rather be "talked to" than "talked about." This isn't about lowering the voting age or sending out flyers or making phone calls. This is about bringing politics back to its roots -- what it was way back on the Mayflower. Everybody huddled around that table on that boat and decided the rules. I realize that the population of these United States has risen considerably since then, but that is no excuse for moving away

Reversing Cynicism Through Better Choices

Political inactivity on the part of young Americans stems from one fundamental source -- a general cynicism about the American political process. This disdain for politics is perpetuated by a lack of voter education and needlessly archaic voting procedures that create unnecessary barriers to voting.

Only when American citizens are better represented in the political process will young Americans be truly compelled to vote. One way to achieve this goal is through adoption of a system of proportional representation, in which like-minded voters win seats in proportion to their share of the vote. This reform, combined with the implementation of Internet voting, increased voter education and same-day voting, will encourage a rise in voter turnout and youth participation in government.

With its accompanying strategic gerrymandering, incumbency advantages and governmental unresponsiveness to constituent desires, the current system of winner-take-all elections deters even the most politically conscious person from voting. For many young voters, the realization that their vote is likely to have little impact on elections prevents them from becoming involved in the electoral process altogether.

With the implementation of a proportional representation system, the voice of more American voters can be heard -- and a more representative government created. The exorbitant amount of wasted votes in today's system will be greatly reduced. The lower threshold of votes needed to elect a candidate will allow smaller groups to elect representatives more in tune with their political philosophy without having to constitute the majority of the voting body. The vote of each person will carry greater weight. By providing these incentives to vote and increasing opportunities for third-party candidates, proportional representation ensures a more representative government that will better serve the American people.

Furthermore, proportional representation eliminates much of the opportunity to predetermine elections through gerrymandering, again allowing for a more accurately representative government. Winner-take-all elections are far too

static to be adequate for the dynamic needs of the American people, and especially American youth. Proportional representation, on the other hand, allows for the evolution of American thought by creating a governing body that will change with the electorate, rather than one that continually alienates voters by ignoring their demands.

Providing a more representative system through proportional representation is only the first measure in ensuring that young Americans will take part in the electoral process. Starting from a young age, Americans need to be better educated about the political process and the issues that they will face as voters. The ideological platform of various parties should be introduced so that when students come of voting age, they have the background to vote for the parties that will best represent their interests. Being informed about the effects of existing legislation, the process of running for office and the current political events are as important as learning about literature and chemistry. The more informed youth are about issues, the more informed a decision they could make during elections.

Education of youth about political matters will prevent them from voting based on propaganda and buzzwords and force them to focus on the reality of the issues at hand. Furthermore, educating young Americans about political issues will help in getting older Americans to participate in elections. Just as parents can educate their children, children too can educate their elders about the need for political participation.

Greater ease in casting ballots will also increase turnout. The Internet has the potential to provide a great deal of ease for voters, allowing them to vote from the comfort of their home or even a college dorm several states away. States should begin to offer Internet voting and registration as a supplement to already existing options. For those that do not own a computer, vote by mail is a plausible alternative.

Americans need to take every vote counts, but unfortunately in today's system this is false. A great deal of our votes count for nothing at all. By implementing proportional representation, however, America will move toward actually making every vote count and every perspective heard. If used in conjunction with programs to increase voter awareness and voting ease, proportional representation will ensure a more politically involved youth and a more democratic democracy.

LETTERS AND EMAILS

Parking Reminder

Along with the advent of cold weather comes concerns of snow and snow removal in the City of Keene. From November 1 until April 30 NO vehicles will be permitted to park along any Keene city streets between 1-6 a.m. The Keene Police Department advises that violators will be ticketed and/or towed.

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Robert Christopher
Interim Director
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Iverson's Rap Worse Than Unguarded; '40 Bars' Could Get Someone Killed

Last season, Allen Iverson wore a bracelet with the letters "WWJD," which means, "What would Jesus do?" The 76ers' star guard said he wore it to remind himself to think about the consequences of his actions before doing something stupid.

I have to think Jesus would not threaten to kill someone who made a sexual advance, which, as we all know by now, is what Iverson said he would do in his new rap song, "40 Bars."

To the best of my knowledge, Jesus never mentions homosexuality in the Bible. His overwhelming message is one of love. And even the most conservative Christians talk about loving the sinner (us), while hating the sin (homosexuality).

So maybe the 76ers' star guard has found it in his Christian heart to realize his lyrics were wrong because he apologized for offending people.

NBA Commissioner David Stern says Iverson told him he would change the lyrics before the full album, "Non-Fiction," is released in February.

How naive must Iverson have been to think death threats -- even in the guise of a song -- would not be offensive, or even dangerous?

"If he's pretending that he didn't realize that people might get offended by it, then I think he's not going to fool the rest of us. He's a grown man," said Billy Bean, a retired ballplayer who spent six seasons in the major leagues, with Detroit, Los Angeles and San Diego.

"I think a lot of times, people like that don't really understand or embrace the responsibility that goes with being a \$100 million athlete, a spokesperson for the city of Philadelphia, basically the most famous athlete in the city," Bean said.

"I think he was trying to speak to a very select, intimate group of friends and speak the language that they speak among each other."

"And when you're going to record something and distribute it and try to make money off it and sell it to the mainstream world, he has to account for it. And I think he should be held accountable for it."

Iverson claims his music, which also is said to be violent and anti-women in content, speaks of his reality, tells of his life in the streets.

Well, also in the streets is the blood of gay men and lesbians killed for who they were and how they lived their lives. Twenty-nine anti-gay homicides were reported to the National Coalition of Anti-Violence Projects in 1999.

But worse than the insensitive comments by Atlanta Braves pitcher John Rocker, Iverson is out to make money.

But issuing statements and changing lyrics are hollow gestures if Iverson still thinks it is OK to kill someone who makes a pass at him. And that, we don't know.

And we don't know if he already has planted the seeds for the next senseless death.

Soundoff

"What are you going to be for Halloween?"

Interviews and pictures by Melissa Deppe



"I don't know, probably a gelsa"

Students find nude man and abused sheep in college farmhouse

by Matthew McGuire
TMS Campus

A 46-year-old man broke his parole after students at Hawkeye Community College found him having sexual intercourse with a sheep in the school farm hof. Richard A. Broderson was arrested for animal abuse, a misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison, and criminal trespass, a misdemeanor carrying a maximum 30-day jail sentence, said Black Hawk assistant county attorney Daniel Davis. The county attorney has not yet formally indicted Broderson on the charges, she said.

Several students and a faculty member found Broderson at 8:04 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, naked in the hayloft with the sheep tied up in a corner, police said. Police found a blue nightgown next to the sheep, but it was not clear if it had been worn by Broderson, the sheep or at

all. "The farm manager and the students just kind of stood there, shocked, until the police arrived," said Deb Martin, director of public relations for the Waterloo, Iowa, college. The farm manager, a faculty member at the college, later examined the sheep and found that it was sexually assaulted, she said.

Broderson remained in the Black Hawk county jail as of Tuesday, Oct. 31. The county attorney office said bond was set at \$75,000, while the county jail reported that Broderson was being held without bond because of the parole violation.

Iowa has no specific laws pertaining to bestiality, said Waterloo police Capt. Steve Witt, and therefore charged him with animal abuse. "I don't doubt it happens, but in my 30 years on the job I can't remember anyone actually being arrested for anything like this," Witt said.

BMG Drops Suit, Forges Partnership With Napster

by Matthew McGuire
TMS Campus

In a move that could temporarily save the Internet file sharing web site Napster, Bertelsmann said it will team up with Napster to form a membership-based site that will dole out royalties to music rights holders.

Once the new site is up and running, Bertelsmann's music subsidiary BMG will in turn drop its lawsuit against Napster and make its music catalog available through the Internet site.

This recent development will be the largest step the music industry has taken to embrace the new file sharing software that has spread like wild fire throughout the Internet. However, Napster is no longer the main music swapping Internet site.

Other sites such as Gnutella, Hotline, JungleMonkey and FreeNet have increased in popularity and use technology that allows users to swap files without a centralized network. With no centralized network, the recording industry may find it hard, if not impossible, to shut

down the music swapping technology.

Bertelsmann and Napster announced the deal Tuesday, Oct. 31, and also included plans to seek support and membership from other four major recording companies, Sony, Universal, Warner and EMI. The other record companies have made no announcements.

Under the deal, Bertelsmann will loan Napster the money to develop the new service and retain rights to purchase a portion of Napster's equity.

Napster's legal woes aren't completely over, however. The company is still caught up in court over the Recording Industry of America's December 1999 lawsuit, which alleges copyright infringement. In July, a federal judge ordered the company to remove all copyrighted material from its network until the outcome of the pending trial. And less than a day later, a U.S. District Court Of Appeals granted a temporary stay of an injunction that would have shut Napster down.

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Campaign trail winds its way through middle school

by Mary-Kathryn Craft
Knight-Ridder Newspapers
October 31, 2000

HEMINGWAY, S.C. — Carvers Bay Middle School seemed like just another stop along the campaign trail.

Candidates argued, audience members asked questions and some children even tuned in on television.

"Vice President Al Gore" (really history teacher Jeff Mezzatesta) and "Texas Gov. George W. Bush" (science teacher Aaron Pope) debated at the school, often spouting phrases familiar to the election season.

"My name is not Bill Clinton," Mezzatesta said. "Do not, and I repeat, do not vote for me based on that I'm Bill Clinton's vice president."

The students wrapped up their study of the electoral process with a mock presidential election.

Schools throughout Georgetown and Horry counties are learning the importance of democracy and their role in the voting process during this election season.

Many of the election-related activities are done through Kids Voting, a national nonprofit non-partisan organization that strives to teach the importance of voting and democracy. Kids Voting has a curriculum for teaching about democracy, voting, citizenship.

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On Election Day, children can go with their parents to the polls and cast their vote at Kids Voting sites throughout the country, Horry and Georgetown counties both will have Kids Voting sites at all precincts.

Activities like the Carvers Bay Middle debate are taking place at schools across the country, said Dee Dee Murphy, states coordinator for the national Kids Voting USA.

"The great thing about Kids Voting is the teachers have tremendous opportunity to focus attention of students on what's going on in the real world, in real time on a very critical election," Murphy said.

The group's goal is to excite children about the process and create a generation of informed voters. There are Kids Voting programs in 38 states.

"My wish is adult voters — not only kids voters — would be excited about the closeness of race and having the opportunity to make a difference," Murphy said.

Both presidential candidates have developed their own ways of attracting children's attention to the election. Gore has a link from his Web site called "Just for Kids," which includes a game starring the family dog Daisy. Bush has a link called, "Youth Zone," which features the story of his cat Ernie.

At Carvers Bay Middle, each homeroom adopted a state name

and was given an electoral vote count based on its enrollment. Students named states after homeroom teachers, devised state mottos, and decorated classroom doors with posters about their states. Some of the states are Mississippi, New Hampshire, Great Britain and Mezzopatamia.

Electoral vote allocations ranged from two to five. When students voted for president, their votes counted toward the class' electoral vote.

The project was designed to teach students how the presidential election process works, Mezzatesta said. Most students didn't previously understand the Electoral College, which allocates a certain number of votes per state based on population.

A state has the same number of votes that it has members in the U.S. House of Representatives. For example, South Carolina has eight electoral votes where larger states such as California and Texas have 54 and 32 respectively. It takes 270 votes for a candidate to win the presidency.

All eighth-graders viewed the debate in the school auditorium. Sixth- and seventh-graders watched the event on closed-circuit television. They were allowed to phone in questions from their classrooms.

Many questions asked about education, school safety and school resources officers. Others

focused on the environment, gas prices and taxes.

Before the debate, students ran campaigns for each candidate, which included hanging posters in halls and producing commercials for the school's morning news show.

Eighth-graders Sierra Turner and Ronald Williams, both 13, organized the campaign for Gore. They made commercials and developed slogans such as, "Vote for Gore, He won't make you sore," Turner said.

Both said they learned a lot about politics and might want to work on a real campaign in the future.

"I don't want to go about life not knowing how to go about voting," Williams said. "When I'm older I want to be able to explain it to my children."

At North Myrtle Beach Middle School, students will start similar activities in the coming weeks. Last week students learned about the history of political parties and qualifications of candidates, according to teacher Brenda Kidd.

This week they will talk about choosing running mates, propaganda and the Electoral College. Students are planning campaign speeches, a televised debate, television commercials and a mock election Nov. 3.

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Playstation2 has makings of another holiday craze

by Deborah Lohse
Knight-Ridder Tribune
October 27, 2000

Around this time in 1983, parents around the country were beating each other up to get their hands on a Cabbage Patch Kid. A perplexing shortage in 1994 of Mighty Morphin Power Rangers spurred many Toys R Us stores to ration them one to a family. And two years ago, savvy collectors pocketed \$150 or more in markups by stockpiling the Furby.

Here we go again. Thursday, Sony's hotly anticipated Sony PlayStation2 became the latest, most expensive — inductee into the Hall of Fame of hot, hard-to-get pre-Christmas items that inexplicably grip the country in a frenzy almost every year.

Even though the PlayStation is pricier, more technologically advanced and more adult-oriented than Elmo and the Ninja Turtles, it has all the elements of Christmas crazes past, market-

ing experts say: a highly fortuitous mixture of advertising-stoked demand scarcity and savvy marketing that doesn't insult its audience.

"Part of what feeds a frenzy is the lack of supply of a product," said Melissa Williams, an analyst with Gerard Klauer Mottison in New York. "The only difference with Sony is the order of magnitude."

That alchemic mixture is expected to torpedo the PlayStation — \$299 price tag and all — past other year-2000 holiday "It" toy contenders such as miniscoters and electronic dogs like Poo-Chi.

"It's no surprise that there's one hot thing again this year," said Ron Goodstein, a marketing professor at the McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University. In addition to the scarcity value, caused by a shortage of parts industry-wide, Sony "did a good job of advertising before the release," he said.

The hysteria began Wednesday, as throngs of largely male, 20-something enthusiasts stacked up outside Kmart, Wal-Mart and other stores to be among the lucky 500,000 recipients of the first of a batch of 1.3 million consoles Sony plans to release by Christmas.

Although toy marketers frequently walk a fine line between underestimated demand and creating fake shortages — a charge that rang with each announced "retirement" of popular Beanie Babies — experts say it's "conveniently true" that component parts are in scarce supply for the PlayStation, along with other electronic gadgets. An earthquake in Taiwan cut supplies of one particular Pokemon Game Boy game last year, helping feed that frenzy, some said.

PlayStation is also following in the fine tradition of the Furby and Cabbage Patch Kids by commanding a steep black-market markup by enterprising types who have gotten their hands on

a few hard-to-get products. Furby and Cabbage Patch Kids were reportedly changing hands in privately negotiated deals for three times or more their retail value in the days leading up to Christmas. Sony's consoles, meanwhile, are being priced over \$900 on eBay.

"I don't think I need to make a big deal here," said one seller in his eBay posting. "Better get while you can."

Pent-up demand leads nicely to another component of a respectable frenzy: finding a few "early adopters" to proselytize the virtues of the snazzy games and keen graphics. Hype over Cabbage Patch Kids and Tickle Me Elmo got fevered after Amy Carter and Oprah Winfrey, respectively, were seen toting them.

In that regard, Sony's got a great foot soldier in Scott Ong, a 23-year-old San Francisco electrician who spent Wednesday night traveling the Bay Area to find a store with available game

consoles. He started at the San Francisco Metreon, visited two stores in nearby Colma, Calif., and landed at 3 a.m. at a Santa Clara, Calif., Kmart, on a tip from a friend, and was rewarded two hours later with a ticket, number 15, entitling him to one of the 20 available systems when the store opened at 8 a.m. "There's 500,000 of these in the country and I have one of them," said a triumphant Ong. "It's kind of a rush thing," he said of the adventure.

Goodstein said people like Ong are vital to keeping a good product buzz going. "These are the kids who are going to be seen as cool," he said. "All of a sudden all the parties are going to be at their house. If the product delivers, it's going to spread demand."

Experts said Sony also helped tip itself into a full-fledged craze with its marketing campaign, which doesn't overreach into the realm of corny or manipulative. Instead, they feature movie-trail-

er-style snippets of the games themselves, rather than presenting an obvious "isn't this cool?" commercial script.

Goodstein recalled that Mattel flopped with a Barbie commercial years ago that ended with two little girls gushing "We're into Barbies." Once they sounded that false-sounding note, "nobody believed them anymore," he said.

One thing that clearly sets PlayStation apart is its cost. "Probably cost has become one of the ingredients of a craze," said Charles Panati, author of the book "Panati's Parade of Fads, Follies and Manias."

Although Panati and others say next year's It toy could easily fall back to the more normal \$30 to \$35 price point, "if it's a little more than mom and dad can afford, it's all the more desirable," he said.

Americans go the distance in international sex survey

by Billy O'Keefe
TMS Campus

The Olympics in Sydney proved that America's athletes are at the top of their class when it comes to physical prowess. The 2000 Durex Global Sex Survey proves that the rest of us aren't doing too shoddy, either.

According to the survey, which queried 18,000 people from 27 countries, the United States is at the head of the class in terms of sexual initiation, consistency and promiscuity.

Among those polled, 16.4

percent of Americans admitted to being younger than 16 years old the first time they had sex, beating the Brazilians to the finish line by a mere tenth of a percent.

Americans also took home the gold in consistency, with 132 sexual encounters a year. The Russians picked up the silver with 122 escapades, while the Greeks took home the bronze with respectable 115. Only four percent of those surveyed fessed up to having sex every day, while 64 percent said that, like

NBC's "Must-See" Thursday, they enjoy sex once a week.

Americans lagged, however, when it came to promiscuity, with an average of 11.7 sexual partners per person surveyed—no match for the French, who have amassed a staggering average of 16.7 partners in their time. The staggering rise in world averages is likely due to participants aged 16-20, who claimed to have an average of 5.1 partners already.

For Americans who might oppose wild, promiscuous

sex, the news isn't all bad: more than any other country, 22 percent of Americans aged 16-20 consult their mothers for advice concerning sex, a 10 percent jump above the national average.

Additionally, more than half the world's population has taken a more mature and conservative approach to sex due to concerns with HIV and AIDS, while 92 percent of all 16-20 year-olds said they practice safe sex regularly.

The survey is the fifth annual study conducted by

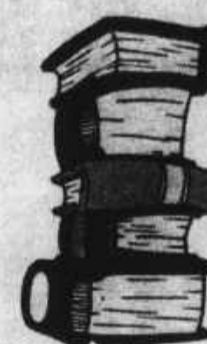
Durex, a manufacturer of condoms. Participating countries, in addition to the United States and the aforementioned countries, include Holland, Hong Kong, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Poland, South Africa and the United Kingdom.

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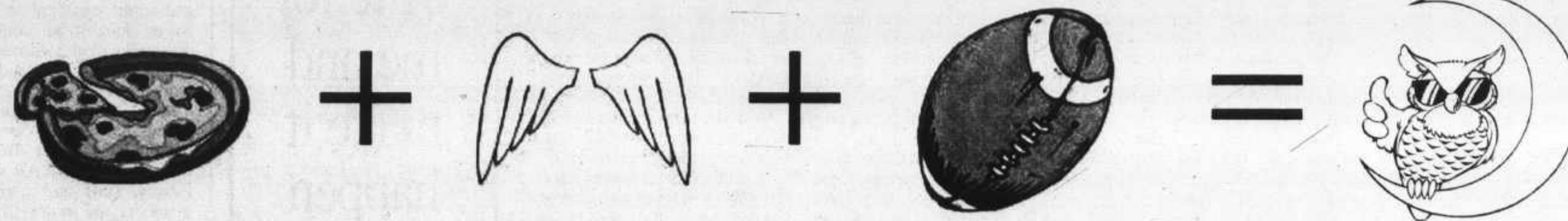
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"Weird" Tom: Never a Dull Moment

RICHARD SURRETTE
THE EQUINOX

Some people walk through life going against the grain of society, but very few have names like "Weird Tom."

Tom Clark, 22, is a senior majoring in film production at Keene State College, as well as his own music producer, and part time inventor of cardboard contraptions.

Since he was a senior in high school, Clark had been thinking of making his own kind of music, using just a computer and his own voice.

He said that he has completed 17 songs, but has a total of 22 that he is working on or has given up on.

"Some of them I just don't like," he said, because, "I wasn't able to fully execute the idea."

While he has completed a CD of his music, Clark has not yet tried to release it to the public, but he will play it for his friends and residents of Fiske Hall, where he lives.

His reasoning is not that he doesn't want to be famous, but because he thinks Napster would ruin any chance he'd have at a fortune.

"Basically I would sell one CD and everybody could have it for free," he said. He said this is because after a few hours of his music being on the download service, it would be downloaded by the entire campus, eventually to the world.

Although he said, "I just made

the songs to entertain myself and my friends," he does believe that "money would be a neat thing coming your way."

While he won't release his songs because he thinks others could get them for free, he does use the Napster service in the production of his songs.

Even though the fact that he downloads other people's songs for free may sound hypocritical, he said he takes songs with techniques in them that sound like something he would be interested in trying out how to do.

"I want to see if I can take what I like out of that song," he said, and then he tries to "create a similar sound in my own song."

Some of the songs he has attempted and failed were results from the songs that he said were too similar to the Napster ones.

He said that they sounded too much like the original songs and he "gave up on them," because "I want it to be new."

Clark said that he is always experimenting with new song techniques on his computer and is still teaching himself some of the ropes.

While the music may not seem very out of the ordinary, one need only spend a day or so with Clark to understand how odd he can be.

John Bennett, a friend of Clark's, said, "We call him Weird Tom because he does weird things, [such as] making things out of cardboard that really work."

Clark said that he likes to challenge himself when he sees something that could be made better



Tom and his Fiske Hall costume for Halloween
Equinox photo by Richard Surretto

with something made from cardboard.

Last year, he built "a working cardboard chair that swivels," and this year found an interesting way to separate his room into two halves.

Because he lived in the same room in Fiske Hall last year, he knew the layout of the room, and noticed that there were two doors that go into the same room due to the fact that the building is very dated and walls have been

removed in the past. Because of this single oddity, he decided he would try to give his roommate a room and make a separate room for himself so both doors could be utilized.

Clark made a wall out of dressers and a "zigzag computer box," and then connected the room with a "working cardboard sliding door."

While he doesn't think his innovative ideas are anything more than a fun thing to work on while he's bored, he said he just likes how useful cardboard is.

"It's free," he said, taking into account that what he gets has been "cast aside as useless and taken to the recycling areas," which he often frequents to find his quality construction material.

After thinking about some of the odd things that he does, he said, "I do enough unconventional things often enough that it is applicable to call me Weird Tom."

Longtime high school friend Richard Halliday said that Clark is "probably the most interesting person I've ever met."

"Tom's always trying to find a way to do something," Halliday said, adding, "He doesn't make things [such as the chair] for classes, but for fun."

Jon Ayers, a Resident Assistant in Clark's residence hall, says that "Tom is a microcosm of Fiske Hall," and he "puts in about two to three hours every night of talking to the night attendant and people in the lounge."

Movie quote of the week

NO KNOWS

Women's Center Meeting this Friday

JOE JOHNSON
THE EQUINOX

Where has the Women's center gone?

That is what Keene State students are asking.

A group of students and professors would like to change that and are asking all interested students for help.

On Friday, Nov. 3rd, all students, faculty and staff are encouraged to stop by 15 Appleton Street at five in the evening to share their ideas.

Sarah Melady, a junior at Keene has put a lot of effort in to the project explains: "There is a women's study room in the Joslin House which is a good start, but we need a bigger, more accessible space."

We want an area where all students, male and female, children and adults can explore women issues. Ideally we could have drumming circles, film festivals, poetry workshops, and dance workshops."

Paige Lussier, a junior at Keene has helped Sarah with pursuing the center. Both girls want to stress that All students, faculty, staff and community members are more than welcome to attend the meeting.

"We want people to look at this center as not only a women's center but a house dedicated to diversity."

Sarah has spoken with several professors at the college who are excited about the Center. Along with the chance to have meeting place it explore issues through writing, conversation and artistic means.

Sarah is looking forward to getting more people involved with leadership classes and political gatherings such as Take Back The Night Marches.

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First Down and a Long Way to Go...

KSC's chances of a football team unlikely to happen

KEVIN NORRIS
THE EQUINOX

Starting a football team at Keene State College would cost a lot of money, but it would help enrollment and school spirit.

The issue of starting a football team at Keene State has been around for a long while.

People talk about a college that does not have a football team and they do not think that is true.

Well, Keene State is a college with out a football team and people have mixed feelings about weather to start up a program or not.

John Ratliff, Athletic Director at Keene State talked about both sides of the issue.

He talked about how much money it would cost to start a program and also how it would bring in a lot more students to Keene State College.

He also talked about the Title Nine-gender equality law, which says that there has to be an equal amount of spaces on a team for both males and females.

"If you start a football team, then you need another 80 spots for women athletes," said Ratliff. Keene State would need to add three or four new women's teams to make to make it equal for men and women, he said.

If Keene State had a football team, then the numbers of students who enrolled would go up. This would bring in about 60 new students a year, he said. It would

help get more students here.

Ratliff then continued to talk about how expensive it would be to not only starting a team, but to also keep the program running. Where would the football team practice?

"We would need a minimum of two more fields," said Ratliff, for the team to compete and practice on.

With already six fall sports, field space is very tough as it is, let alone having a football team.

"We would need five or six coaches, two full time, and all the equipment," he said. That is a huge amount of money.

Then he said, once you started a football team, KSC would need to get enough money together to start new sports for girls.

As it is now, 70 percent of the student fees go directly to the athletic department and if they start a football team then the fees would have to be higher, he said.

He also talked about the Little Nine-gender equality law, which says that there has to be an equal amount of spaces on a team for both males and females.

"If you start a football team, then you need another 80 spots for women athletes," said Ratliff.

Keene State would need to add three or four new women's teams to make to make it equal for men and women, he said.

If Keene State had a football team, then the numbers of students who enrolled would go up. This would bring in about 60 new students a year, he said. It would

played football in high school, the opportunity to play football while in college."

Senior Gerry Boggis feels that we do not need a football team here at all.

"Soccer has always been the main fall sport at Keene State," said Boggis. "We do not need to spend a lot of money to try to change what has been so good for so long."

Mike Smith, a senior agrees that Keene State does not need a football team because of the amount of money it would cost to have a team.

"There is not enough support financially for athletes as it is now," said Smith. "Athletes have to pay to use the weight room here, and they think they have enough money to start a football team. Let's take some of that money and allow athletes to work out for free."

Jim Goodwin, a senior said, "I like to watch football. I wish we had a team so I could see some games live instead of watching them all on television."

The school would have to increase tuition, he said, but he thinks this would be a great addition to Keene State College.

"If every student gave had to pay an extra \$100, then Keene State could be well on their way to starting a team," said Goodwin.

Junior Jamie Delong said, the school could run fund raisers and try to get sponsors from the area to help pay for the cost of starting the team.

"If you started a team, then the team would generate more money for the school," said Delong.

"Local football programs in the area, would give money, so they could send their players to play in college close to home."

Once you get these sponsors and you get enough money to start a football team, you need money to keep it running, said Ratliff.

"If someone gave \$100,000 to start a football team, (at KSC), then I would say, now we need a \$100,000 to start female sports," said Ratliff.

Now you need sponsors to help with the football team and also with starting new girls teams.

A problem with raising every-one's tuition to start a team is that it only helps the players and coaches of the team.

No one else gets to use that money and you need for other sports as well.

"If you give all of the money to start a football team, then what is going to happen to the quality of the sports we already have," said Boggis. "Keep giving the money where it has been going and forget about a football team."

Junior Ross Carroll felt that we do not need to spend all that money to start a program and pay more coaches.

"We already have too many bad coaches, we do not need anymore," said Carroll. "Keep the money going to the sports that we already have."

SUNDAY WKNH RADIO THEATRE

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in addition to re-creations of old radio from the 1930's and 40's.

TRANSMISSION

W/ Chris

I could call out when the going gets tough
The Things that we learned are no longer enough
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To synchronize love to the beat of the show
Dance, Dance, Dance to the radio.

- Joy Division

MONDAY KATE'S CORNER

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Modern, non-overplayed, alternative music.

I play a lot of good stuff that you may not have heard of before.
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Will play just about anything!
Call and I will play whatever you want to hear and even talk to you about anything!
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W/ DJ Chuck

Hip-Hop, Funk. Look out weekend cause here I come.

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8AM to Noon

A Joyous, up-tempo, shape shifting, moderately sonically caffeinated, brew of tunes to help get you up and out into your Friday. A tasty blend of jazzy ambient worldbeat, New Age, Folk, with some songs of humor mixed in. Awake alive and go from smiling to humming a happy tune!

THE MEDICINE SHOW

W/ Dr. Quinn

Noon to 2PM

Back to the real roots of Rhythm and Blues with artists such as Etta Jones, Big Joe Turner, and The Five Royales. Doo-Wop, Soul, and a pinch of pop spanning from the 1930's through the early 1970's. Every Friday from Noon to two, James Brown, Otis Redding, Carla Thomas and Aretha all say: "Have you heard the news, there's good rockin' on WKNH."

LOST PLANET AIRSHOW

W/ DJ Cali and DJ Dave

4 to 6PM

We may be fools, but we're entertaining fools. So please listen as we spin a mixture of the coolest old and new alternative rock. As always DJ Cali will continue to be obsessed with female vocalists and DJ Dave will be obsessed with picking on Cali about it.

CHEAP THRILLS

W/ Ringo

WKNH's Midnight Double feature. Two hours of the weirdest, funniest, and even the worst of records from Ringo's personal collection of old vinyl. With records so played you can hear the snaps and clicks of rice krispy music. From Weird Al, and Frank Zappa, to the strangest novelty tunes Ringo can find you will be sure to be entertained. Listeners are advised that for best aural pleasure to enjoy cheap thrills in the back of your car.

SATURDAY PLANETARY PRISMATIC SONICS

W/ Mitchell

8AM to Noon

Rise with the eagles and glidepath your Saturday with a beautiful array of New Age and World Beat music. From 8AM to 10AM it's a smooth flow of New Age and Contemporary instrumental music. 10AM to noon takes us into the World Beat realms of "Bordercrossings." Ecstatic Jams for the eclectically inclined.

MIKE AND SCOTS MUSIC REVIEW

W/ Mike and Scott

We play a variety of music that is all new so New Hampshire listeners can hear it before it reaches the shores. It's everything from blues to jazz to big band to alternative rock.

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W/ Squidge

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What's Happening In and Around Keene This Week?

Friday 3

Music at Amherst, the Whelan String Quartet, from the Czech Republic, will play quartets by Beethoven and Janacek, 8:00pm. Buddy Recital Hall, Amherst College, Mass. For more information or for tickets call 413-542-2195 or go to www.amherst.edu/~concerts.

Leo Kottke, ace guitarist to share a bill with the duo Tuck & Patti at 8:00pm in the Colonial Theatre on Main Street in Keene. Tickets range from \$25.50-\$29.50. For more information or for tickets call 352-2033 or go to www.thecolonial.org.

Antioch Visting Day—For those individuals who are interested in doctoral programs in environmental studies come to get some information between 2:00pm-6:00pm. Antioch New England Graduate School, 40 Avon St. Keene, NH. For more information call 357-6265.

Monday 6

Geography Awareness Week, Info booth in the Student Center.

6:00pm Founding Mothers Potluck & Sing-a-long, in the Night Owl Cafe.

7:30pm Film at the Putnam "Saving Grace".

8:00pm History Club Movie Night "Glory" in the Student Center Room 307

9:00pm Monday Night Football in the Night Owl Cafe.

Red Cross Blood Drawing, from noon-5:00pm at the St. Bernard's Church in Keene. For more information call 800-843-3500.

Monday Music and a Movie Series, with Jack Kid, new folk fingerstylist/guitar and vocals, music from 6:50pm-7:25pm (free) movie 7:50pm (\$6.50 regular admission; \$4.50 seniors) The Colonial Theatre, Main Street, Keene. For more information call 352-2033 or go to www.colonial.org.

Thursday 9

Last Day to Withdraw from a Class

7:00pm Film at the Putnam "Saving Grace".

7:30 pm Film in the Night Owl Cafe "The Promise"

Deep Banana Blackout, plus Peter Prince, 8:30pm The Pearl Street Nightclub, Ballroom, Northampton, Mass. \$14. For more information call 800-THE-TICK or go to www.ihg.com

Margarita Shevchenko, piano, 8:00pm at the Silver Arts Center, Plymouth State College. General Admission \$12; Seniors \$11. For more information call 535-ARTS or 800-779-3869.

Jay Craven filmmaker, to introduce and screen his film "A Stranger in the Kingdom" followed by a Question-and-answer session, 7:00pm, Wheeler Hall, Ware Campus Center, Colby Sawyer College, 100 Main Street, New London. \$30-\$3000.

Thursday 2

7:30pm Little Feet, a blend of rock, funk, folk, and jazz. At the Lebanon Opera House. This is by reserved seating. \$25 a seat. For more information call 445-5400 or go to www.lebanonoperahouse.org.

Tango Mujer—this is a five women dance group who use modern techniques to stretch the possibilities of the tango, in their latest work Vice Verso. This is at the Redfern Arts Center of Brickyard Pond at Keene State College. Tickets \$5-\$18. For more information call 358-2166.

Internet Safety and Computer Crime, with an agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigations—7:00pm at the Dion Center Board Room at Rivier College, 420 Main Street in Nashua, NH. For more information call 897-8633.

Saturday 4

Cotton Wood, 7:00pm at the Iron Horse Music Hall in Northampton, Mass. Tickets are \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets call 1800-THE-TICK.

White Mountain Blue Grass, with Gopher Broke and Northern Roots, two shows (1:00-5:00pm) and (7:00-11:00 pm). A pork supper is served at 5:00pm. Adults are \$10; Children are \$5. At the Weston Playhouse, in Weston, VT. For more information call 802-824-6674.

New England International Auto Show, featuring several hundred 2001 foreign vehicles, factory and dealer representatives will be on hand to answer questions. November 4th-12th at Bayside Expo & Conference Center, 75 Mt. Vernon Street, Boston, Mass. Adults are \$8; Children are \$4. For more information call 800-258-8912 or go to www.autoshow.reedexpo.com

Tuesday 7

7:00pm Film at the Putnam "Saving Grace".

9:30pm \$1 Movie Night with valid KSC ID, "Gossip" at the Night Owl Cafe.

Siam Poet Steve Colman, award-winning poet, spoken word performer, and activist. 8:00pm at Wheeler Hall, Ware Campus Center, Colby Sawyer College, 100 Main Street, New London. For more information call 526-3000 or go to www.colby-sawyer.edu

Max Creek, 8:30pm The Pearl Street Nightclub, Northampton, Mass. Admission is \$10 For more information call 800-THE-TICK or go to www.ihg.com.

Free Salsa Dance Classes, learn to dance and all for free. Tuesdays starting today from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Unitarian Parish House, Walpole. For more information call 756-4787.

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Sunday 5

Walter "Wolfman" Washington & the Roadmasters, 7:00pm at the Iron Horse Music Hall in Northampton, Mass. Tickets are \$12.50 For more information call 800-THE-TICK.

2:00 pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm Film at the Putnam "Saving Grace".

Fantasies and Reflections: A Journey Toward Peace, new music by Curt Cacioppo inspired by Native American, African American, and European traditions. 8:00pm, Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage Hall, Smith College, Northampton, Mass. For more information call 413-585-2190 or go to www.smith.edu/newsoffice.

Mysteries in the Forest, sponsored by the Keene Parks and Recreation Department, practice the skill of reading clues in the forest's a way to read the history of the land, 1-3pm meet at the Goose Pond parking lot, in Keene. For more information call 357-9829 or go to www.ci.keene.nh.us.

Wednesday 8

7:00pm Film at the Putnam "Saving Grace".

7:00pm Recital in the Redfern Arts Center.

Burning Spear, 8:30pm at the Pearl Street Nightclub, Ballroom, Northampton, Mass. \$17.50 For more information call 800-THE-TICK or go to www.ihg.com.

Fact and Fiction in Contemporary Portrait Photography, a gallery talk with Brian Miller, Instructor of Photography, Department of Studio Art, Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, Hanover. For more information call 646-2804, or email hood.museum@dartmouth.edu or go to www.dartmouth.edu/~hood.

Sandip Berman and Triok Girtu, 7:00pm at the Iron Horse in Northampton, Mass. \$14. For more information call 800-THE-TICK or go to www.ihg.com.



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Theater Review

The Capitol Steps: Is There Humour in Politics?

BY DIANE CYR
The Equinox

Humour and politics are not usually roaming hand in hand but when a character introduces himself as Bill Clinton and starts singing "when the wife is out, interns sure putout," you realize that the two mix quite well. Capitol Steps, the group who "put the mock in democracy" came to our Redfern Arts Center and thoroughly entertained their audience.

Unfortunately, there was not much of a younger crowd in attendance at the performance. The few students that were there, had sceptical looks on their faces, as if their parents had dragged them there. The piano, four microphones, and small backdrop saying "Capitol Steps" upon the stage did not help them know what to expect.

Once George Bush Senior introduced himself and referred to George Junior as "a little son of a Bush" we began to realize what these people were all about. George Junior came out from behind the backdrop and said to his dad "I'm not a bush yet, I'm a wee shrub." He then broke into song.

The Capitol Steps are a musical group much along the lines of Weird Al. They sing parodies of songs and keep along a political theme. Hillary Clinton sang a song from Madonna's Evita starting with "Don't cry for me Julianny" and finishing with "I'll defeat him, I'm much more famous."

Those of us in attendance who don't keep on top of the latest political news were not left behind as sus-

pected. Each character introduced himself, and through jokes, explained his or her position in the government.

Bill Clinton introduced himself by saying "Bill Clinton here, good to see you," and followed that by pointing to a lady in the audience and saying "how you doin sweetheart?" He took on the mixed personas of Elvis Presley and Andrew Dice Clay.

Al Gore walked stiff legged across the stage and did a quick "parade wave" to the audience before asking: "What would Al Gore say if he were alive today?" He then broke into song about raising candidate money which goes: "put ten grand in the hand of the man..."

At this point the audience was nearly in stitches from laughing so hard but it became even worse when Tipper Gore joined her husband on the stage and sang to the theme of "I'll Survive."

Capitol steps realizes that not everyone is offended when they scorn their political candidates or the president of the United States. To make up for this, they also pick on Vermonters, Scots, the army, and angry feminist women.

A freakish woman introduces herself as Dr. Ivanna Kilman (I wanna kill men), a women's studies professor at Keene State College. She proceeded to read a poem from the "unappreciated care giver" (mother) goose book she brought with her. It went something like this: Rub a dub dub, three women in a tub. We need a man like a fish needs a tun, so they moved to Vermont to get married."

Dr. M. Fasima (emphesema) was there to talk about how she's "been

smoking for years and her lung, it feels great." There was also detective Hugh Jim Bisil (huge imbecile) who was supposedly offered money to be Hillary's jiggalo. He asked for "\$4000 an inch but she didn't have the twelve grand." He quickly corrected himself and asked for thirty-six grand but it was too late.

At the end of the show there were nothing but good things said about

the performance. "Was that good or what?", "That was excellent!", and "Awesome" were the most popular comments but people also talked about the great lines.

Debra Moody loved how "they switched the letters to words around to make it sound better that if he had said it normally." She was referring to a character who switched the first two letters of words around, and

then laughed at us for not understanding what he was trying to say. He had such lines as "U-phold the American Lay of Wife," and "A Sail of two Times," while also referring to "Gush and Bore" quite often.

Elementary education major, Jared

see CAPITOL STEPS, page 12



The local band, "Mr. Clean" perform in front of the Keene State Library last Friday for the annual Pumpkin Lobotomy.

Film Clips

BY MICHAEL WILLIMINGTON
Tribune Media Services

(RATINGS: The movies listed below are rated according to the following key: 4 stars -- excellent; 3 stars -- good; 2 stars -- fair; 1 star -- poor.) (M.C. -- Mark Caro; M.W. -- Michael Wilmington; J.P. -- John Perakis; L.C. -- Lou Carozzo; M.R. -- Maureen Ryan; R.K. -- Rick Kogan; M.E. -- Monica Eng; B.S. -- Barbara Shulgasser; A.J. -- Allan Johnson; V.E. -- Vicky Edwards; R.E. -- Robert K. Elder.)

ALMOST FAMOUS. Cameron Crowe's rapturously entertaining picture, based on recollections of his own experience, centers on a nerdy high school senior who lads an unbelievably cool job as a rock journalist in 1973 and goes on a cross-country tour with a band. It is packed with music and laced with heart-piercing wit and romanticism. R (language, drug use, sensuality). 2.0. 4 stars. -- M.W.

BAMBOOZLED. This deliberately outrageous Spike Lee movie is a shock-comedy about the evils of African-American media stereotypes. Starring Damon Wayans,

Michael Rapaport, Savion Glover and Tommy Davidson, this film takes you from uproarious laughter to discomfort to stunned silence. Stay until the credits are done because the end-title sequence is a marvel of wit, rage and tenderness. R (strong language and some violence). 2.15. 3-1/2 stars. -- M.W.

BARENAKED IN AMERICA. A lighthearted rockumentary about the Barenaked Ladies band that showcases their talent and includes backstage and on the road footage. Directed by Jason Priestly. No MPAA rating (some nudity). 1.30. 3 stars. -- J.P.

BEAUTIFUL. Sally Fields' directorial debut about a self-absorbed woman (Minnie Driver) who will cross anyone to win beauty pageants. This confusing film sends mixed messages and has utterly unlikeable characters. PG-13 (language, thematic elements). 1.53. One star. -- M.C.

BEDAZZLED. A poor remake of the neglected 1967 classic about a man (this time around, Brendan

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Peep Show The Colonial

"Bittersweet Motel"- Starts Sunday. Call the box office at 352-2033 for details.

Putnam

"Saving Grace"- Friday at 7 and 9; Saturday at 5, 7, and 9; Sunday at 5;

Monday- Thursday at 7.

Hoyt's

"Charlie's Angels"- 1:20; 3:50; 6:40; 9:10
"Blair Witch 2"- 1:25; 4:10; 7:00; 9:25
"Little Vampire"- 1:30; 4:15; 7:10; 9:35
"Lucky Numbers"- 1:15; 4:00; 6:50; 9:30
"Meet the Parents"- 1:10; 3:55; 6:35; 8:55
"Bedazzled"- 9:20
"Pay it Forward"- 1:00; 3:45; 6:30

Music Commentary The Fall in Venice

BY JEFF COMEAU
The Equinox

The Doors were the first band that gave me a reason to love music, so while on the West Coast I visited the town of my music's birth, Venice.

What exactly was I going to find there? I had been following them since the resurgence four or five years ago. It all started way back during a high school summer while vacationing in Vermont. My destiny would change when I entered an antique/used stuff shop in Orleans.

While rummaging upstairs through old toaster ovens, tin toys, silverware, and other I assorted crap, a headache from the dust and mildew forced me to leave. On the way out there's a stretch of hallway decorated and littered with yellow paged, dog-eared books and novels. As I passed, one stood out having a faded red and yellow cover and once removed from the shelf, the title spoke to me: No One Here Gets Out Alive.

I purchased the well-worn copy for fifty cents and completed the biography within a day and a half. From that moment on an insanity for the Doors flourished. I bought all the CDs, vinyls, shirts, movies, biographies, poetry, posters, interviews, memorabilia, and limited edition

everything. I constantly sought ways to relive the Doors. I talked to my second grade teacher who had seen them at the Hampton Beach Casino when she was sixteen, went to Boston to see John Densmore speak and play, and had friends of mine take pictures of Morrison's grave in Paris, because I didn't have the money to go.

A friend and I became followers in our own Morrison cult, him being "Chief Mojo Rissin'" and myself, the "Lizard King." We would go to Greeley Park all the time, hang out, write poetry, and discuss the Doors. Emulation of the icon that was Jim Morrison became my sacred quest.

What a life to live; chicks, spouting half lucid poetry, booze, drugs, creating scenes; everything a teenager could want. Self-destruction; the goal to be strived for. I didn't know any better.

After a long twisting episode of achieving my dreams, I woke up, to the empty bed of myself. Where did I go wrong? The steps were easy enough.

I tracked down the origin of my chosen fate, Venice Beach, California. The sky, hazy with the sun desperately trying to break on.

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Man or statue? Pondering the roles of music, culture, and commercialism on the wild streets of Venice, California.

The Fall in Venice

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through with no avail, loomed as I scanned the deserted beach.

Scattering the boardwalk, which closely resembled Hampton Beach with palm trees, were hippy artists, tourists, burnouts, sidewalk shows, gang-bangers, foreigners, and a couple truth seekers.

A beach, vacant as the surrounding soul, cried out to be comforted. Walking the sands I questioned the

cool air. No answers were whispered on the wind, tunneled up

through the sand, fallen from the atmosphere, to give me reasons or hope. Unsatisfied with uncase, I decided to walk past the shops. There was an organized pattern: hot dog stand, t-shirt shop, tat-

too parlor, head shop, CDs and tapes, five for five socks, t-shirt shop, hot dog stand, t-shirt shop

and on and on it went, in that fashion. I felt like I had to purchase something, a jersey, a seven-foot bong, a postcard, to feel an ease. But my Eden did not consist of those things.

I sought out peace of mind, an intellectual plateau, an overwhelming sense of self-identity, but the choking commercialism sent me into a rage of doubt and futility. There was no monument, no statue, no plaque, no crayola sketch of the man who started a revolution, my revolution.

There was a huge billboard of Kobe Bryant though. Maybe I expected too much. Maybe I expected too much from the beginning.

BY TERRY LAWSON
Knight-Ridder Tribune

They told Jeff Daniels he could never make a living or a reputation as an actor if he moved back to his Michigan hometown of Chelsea, but he did it anyway, and they were wrong. And they told him that forming a theater company in a town 20 miles from Ann Arbor and an hour's drive from Detroit was folly, and he did it anyway, and they were wrong.

And they told him that even though audiences howled at his first play, "Escanaba in da Moonlight," when it played at Chelsea's Purple Rose Theatre, a comedy about Upper Peninsula deer hunters couldn't cut it with more sophisticated audiences in Detroit, and they were wrong. After a year's run at the downtown Gem Theater, it is the longest-running play in Detroit history.

So Daniels didn't put much faith in "they" when he decided to make the film version of "Escanaba," which had its gala world premiere recently in Detroit.

"I knew from the beginning this would be a difficult sell in Hollywood, because they had never heard the way people laugh at the play, and they didn't know from deer hunting, much less from Yoopers, the name for Upper Peninsula residents, and they certainly wouldn't want to make the movie in Michigan," says Daniels. "But we believed we had something fresh and funny, and we still do."

Daniels has traditionally hosted local premieres benefiting Purple Rose for his Hollywood films, like "101 Dalmatians" and "Pleasantville," but "Escanaba" is a

special case. The comedy, in which he stars as the only member of a UP deer-hunting family who has never bagged a buck, is his debut as a writer-director. It was filmed entirely in Michigan, with money raised in Michigan by Daniels' partner in Purple Rose Films, Bob Brown. Most of the cast and crew are Michiganders, and the score was composed by Alto Reed of Bob Seger's Silver Bullet Band.

This premiere is also different from the others in that "Escanaba" will not immediately move to the multiplexes. The comedy has yet to attract a national distributor, though Brown and Daniels believe it is just a matter of time.

"It was always a gamble," says Brown. "The subject matter is so foreign to Hollywood that it pretty much had to be made independently. But most independent films that get picked up by the first-tier boutique distributors like Miramax and Fine Line are what Jeff calls 'dark and edgy.' 'Escanaba' is original and offbeat, but it's basically a crowd-pleaser with a lot of heart and a lot of laughs. So that leaves it somewhere in between the two poles. But we know that this movie will have a life beyond the premieres. And we know that Purple Rose Films has a future."

Daniels and Brown had hoped to premiere the film at last September's Toronto Film Festival, which had given big send-offs to Daniels' films "Fly Away Home" and "Pleasantville." But the film wasn't chosen from the thousands of submissions the festival receives.

Daniels' Hollywood agent has been arranging screenings for distributors in New York and Los Angeles for the past three weeks, and Brown believes "Escanaba" will eventually be shown theatrically. "It's just a matter of finding the right fit." If not, he says, the Michiganders who invested \$1.5 million in the production will still likely recoup their money in cable television and video sales.

"But that's still a long way off right now." Meanwhile, the Michiganders who are part of the film were happy to finally see it on a home town screen. Wayne David Parker, who originated the role of Jimmer, the gibberish-speaking hunting companion of Rueben (Daniels), brother Renner (Joseph Albritton) and father Albert (Harve Presnell), said he had about "25 sisters, aunts, cousins and friends" to see him reprise the role at the premiere.

"It's great for those of us who have chosen to stay here in Michigan to be part of something like this," says Daniels, page 13



Chuck Barry and Al Cambell, members of the local band "Anger Management Seminar" perform at the Night Owl Cafe Sunday October 22. This photo is reprinted from the last issue after a production error resulted in the photo not printed properly.

Music Reviews

Music Reviews
by Keith Harrison
TMS Campus

"Selmasongs," Bjork (Elektra) 1 star

If there were two functioning synapses left in what remains of the brain trust at "Saturday Night Live," they'd have long ago unfurled a sketch starring an inexplicably revered pop star named Bdkor - an oddball Nordic sprite who bangs away tunelessly on assorted electronic gadgetry, regularly lets loose with a nails-on-chalkboard screech, and maintains an altogether unhealthy fascination with lousy Broadway show tunes.

"Selmasongs" is music from the supposedly fantastic film "Dancer In The Dark," in which Bjork herself stars and apparently does a bang-up job. Maybe so - but none of that is going to help you through the misery that is this record. Sure, Bjork's character in the flick is obsessed with show tunes - but anyone who has followed the Annoying One throughout her career knows that she shares that affliction in real life, and this soundtrack has just given her license to torture the rest of us

with it at length. Oh, and you get a few electronic squiggles and an orchestral swell here and there, the best of which only manage to reach the level of "not altogether excruciating." Look, here's a sure-fire cure for those who still believe that this butt-naked empress is sporting Versace: Make 'em listen to 107 consecutive spins of the song "107 Steps," which consists, entirely, of Bdkor counting, crooning and screeching her way to 107. We'll give her one star just for having mercy on us and skipping a few numbers along the way.

"Eat At Whitey's," Everlast (Tommy Boy) 8 stars

Let's get this straight: Though it was kind of nice that Everlast's breakthrough single, "What It's Like," was empathetic to the plight of the underclass, that's not the reason it blew up. The former House of Pain white-boy rapper scored because he fused hip-hop with folksy rock and drove it all home with baritone-on-steroids vocals. It wasn't revolutionary and it wasn't high art, but it sure sounded great on the radio, and in these days of lowered expectations,

that's not bad. So anyone looking to "Eat At Whitey's" expecting a Dylanesque voice-of-his-generation thing is going to be rather disappointed. Instead, Everlast - no dummy, him - focuses on perfecting his specialty sound: He works that line between rap and his acoustic rock, sometimes favoring the hip-hop, but always making sure the bass lines rattle your ribcage and the melodies get your head bobbing. Essentially, it's the sound of "What It's Like," expanded upon slightly and most definitely tightened up. No great artistic leap forward, no piercing social commentary - but perhaps the year's best soundtrack to just hanging out in the dorm room with friends.

"Warning," Green Day (Reprise) 7 stars

Way back when a graying Pete Townshend first had his "hope I die before I get old" line thrown back into his face, the idea of rock-'n'-rollers growing up and growing old drew all sorts of suspicious looks. By now it's, er, old news - but doesn't make it any easier, as anyone from Perry Farrell to Run-

DMC could attest. "Warning" finds the one-time snootcore kings in Green Day wrestling with the maturity thing, and, to Billie Joe Armstrong's credit, earning themselves a split-decision victory. Yes, the acoustic guitars show up just about as often as the electric ones, but you can relax: They're not trying to wring any more cash out of that charming, mid-tempo "hope you had the time of your life" sound. Billie Joe's still wearing his tattooed head out on his sleeve, certainly - sweetly trying, in one song, to strike a deal with a lover that accepts Sunday church in exchange for a few more Friday nights out. But the music kicks just a bit harder - not as much as the old three-chord romps, for sure, but enough to rage against the dying of the neon lights - at least until it's time to get home and relieve the babysitter. There's an ill-advised stab at woozy cabaret vamping and a few paint-by-numbers filler tracks, but mostly "Warning" sounds like a commencement day for these punks, marking their successful, if not entirely smooth, transition from adolescence to adulthood.

Photo by Tim Gurezak

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Film Clips

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Fraser) who makes a deal with the devil (yikes, Elizabeth Hurley) in which he gets seven wishes in exchange for his soul. PG-13 (sex-related humor, language and some drug content). 1.33. 2-1/2 stars.—M.W.

BEST IN SHOW. Dog shows are a potentially rich but largely untapped vein of cinematic humor. Another of Guest's ensemble improvisatory comedies, like his 1997 sleeper hit "Waiting for Guffman" -- and star-

ring many of the same hilariously gifted actors -- this movie mines dog shows for every laugh they can reasonably provide, steeping us in the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat, champion-doggie style. PG-13. 2-1/2 stars.

THE CONTENDER. This is a smart, tense political drama about presidential politics and sexual scandals. And, though it has large flaws and several unbuyable plot points, there's something salutary about the attempt. R. 2-1/2 stars.

DR. T AND THE WOMEN. Movie-maker Robert Altman, who grew up among the upper classes of Kansas City, Mo., knows the rich murderously well, and he's able to skewer them again in "Dr. T & the Women," a comedy-drama about Dallas society gynecologist Dr. Sullivan Travis (Richard Gere), a

man who loves his job and his women. It's a joy. Altman does Dallas the way he did Nashville in "Nashville" or Hollywood in "The Player"; he presents the real city and people, filtered through fantasies. R. 4 stars.

INTO THE ARMS OF STRANGERS. Britain's Kindertransport program rescued more than 10,000 Jewish and other children from Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia in the nine months preceding World War II. Mark Jonathan Harris, the writer-director of the Oscar-winning documentary "The Long Way Home," and producer Deborah Oppenheimer, whose late mother was saved by the Kindertransport, have recounted this massive rescue mission by presenting a panoramic oral history. "Into the Arms of Strangers" was made in conjunction with the U.S. Holocaust

Memorial Museum. It preserves and presents the memories while making the stories live -- triumphantly -- for current and future generations. 3 stars. PG.

MEET THE PARENTS. An exhausting nightmare comedy about a guy (Ben Stiller) who meets his fiancée's (Teri Polo) parents (Robert De Niro and Blythe Danner) and makes all the wrong moves. Directed by Jay Roach of the "Austin Powers" movies, this comedy scores almost all of its laughs out of extreme anxiety and embarrassment. PG-13 (sexual content, drug references and language). 1.48. 3 stars.—M.W.

NURSE BETTY. This comedy centers on a nutty waitress (Renee Zellweger) who embarks on a zany cross country chase when her husband is killed and the murderers

chase her to do her in as well. Also stars Morgan Freeman, Chris Rock and Greg Kinnear. R (language, violence and sensuality). 1.48. 3-1/2 stars.—M.W.

PAY IT FORWARD. A drama about a teacher (Kevin Spacey) who gives his students a homework assignment to help fix the world, and it changes many lives. Also stars Helen Hunt, Haley Joel Osmet, Jay Mohr and Jon Bon Jovi. PG-13 (mature thematic elements including substance abuse/recovery, some sexual situations, language and brief violence). 2.04. 2 stars.—M.C.

REMEMBER THE TITANS. A good true-life sports movie about a high-school football team at a newly racially integrated school and their determined and successful effort to beat the odds. This totally absorbing film starring Denzel Washington

makes it all the way to paydirt and glory. PG (thematic elements and some language). 1.53. 3-1/2 stars.—M.W.

SPACE COWBOYS. A charming comedy about four aging ex-test pilots (Clint Eastwood, James Garner, Donald Sutherland and Tommy Lee Jones) who as young men had been ousted from the space program but who get a second chance to prove themselves during a crisis. PG-13 (some language). 2.03. 3-1/2 stars.—M.W.

THE YARDS. A coming-of-age story about an ex-con (Mark Wahlberg) in the world of crime and urban families who gets caught up in a whirlpool of gang wars and scandal when his first job results in a death by his friend, Willie (Joaquin Phoenix). R (language, violence and a scene of sexuality). 1.55. 3 stars.

Movie Review

Blair Witch 2: Not Worth It

BY CHRIS HEWITT
Knight-Ridder Tribune

MTV newshound Kurt Loder's wizened face is the first image in "Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2," and that's about as scary as this loser movie gets.

It's such a mess that identifying where it goes wrong is like identifying which parts of a cue ball are white. First, it doesn't make sense, beginning with the title. In fact, for the rest of this review, I will decline to call it "Book of Shadows," since there is no book of shadows -- whatever that is -- in the film.

"Blair Witch 2" follows three separate, randomly nonchronological timelines, two of which have to do with five young people who go back into the first movie's Burkittsville woods, planning to exploit the tragedy from the first film but ultimately getting caught in the same kind of Outward Bound/satanism hugger-mugger. The third timeline involves flashbacks of one of the young people, who was detained in a creepy nuthouse for no reason other than to give the movie a little extra ooga-booga.

The new movie begins well enough, with scenes making fun of the "Blair Witch" hype. ("We sold some 'Blair Witch' rocks on the Internet, but not too many. It costs a lot to ship rocks," says a goofy woman who's supposedly a resident



Jeffrey Donovan and Erica Leerhsen in Artisan's Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2 - 2000

of Burkittsville). But, almost immediately, it becomes the same old slashy movie we've seen a million times, in which a gang of pretty people kill each other inventively.

In order to make it seem scary, the filmmakers include plenty of loud sound effects and actors staring creepily into the camera, especially

at a convenience store of the damned frequented by our young heroes (incidentally, this note is for future visitors to Burkittsville: If you have somebody in your group named Tristan, of course you're going to encounter demons).

"Blair Witch 2" cost something like 50 times more than the first one (the

body-piercing budget alone would probably top "Blair Witch 1"), but all that money bought is a cuter, hammer cast and a script that borrows heavily from the "Evil Dead" movies without equaling their humor or quality.

Daniels Hits It Big With 'Escanaba'

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Parker, who has been acting for 25 years. Prior to "Escanaba," his only film roles had been in industrial movies and a brief appearance in "Renaissance Man," written by Plymouth screenwriter Jim Bernstein and partially filmed in Detroit.

"We had a screening of 'Escanaba' for the cast and crew a couple of weeks ago, and we were all knocked out by how great it looked, and how good it sounded, and I think we were proud it was all done here in Michigan. It should show a lot of

people the depth of the talent we've got here. I mean, there's no reason we couldn't be making a lot of movies in Michigan. The talent is here."

Daniels and Brown obviously agree. Brown, who had a thriving career raising millions for franchise investments before hooking up with Daniels to form Purple Rose Films, says he's already begun raising the \$3.5 million they'll need to make the next film, based on an original script. Daniels is writing. It's a comedy about the competition between an

ambitious door-to-door vacuum cleaner salesman, a role likely to be played by Daniels, and his mentor, who now works for a competing firm. The plan is to shoot it next year, in a mid-sized Michigan town, perhaps Ann Arbor. "I haven't been able to actually use the word 'producer' yet," says Brown, "but I guess that's what I am. It still sounds funny. 'Movie producers from Michigan.' But we'll get used to it."

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The right direction. The right choice.

In this class, professors are the ones taking the exams

By Scott Powers
Knight-Ridder Tribune

ORLANDO, Fla. — Rollins College English professor Maurice O'Sullivan doesn't lock students out of class for being late any more; he empathizes with them instead.

Like many professors, O'Sullivan used to send stern messages occasionally to remind students to make getting to class on time a priority. Sometimes a tardy student would find the solid wooden door to O'Sullivan's classroom closed. The student would have to listen to the lecture in the hall, and pass notes under the door to participate.

That was before O'Sullivan signed up for Rollins' "Spanish for Professors" course this year. It was before he was tardy himself, more

than a few times, and came to realize how easy it was for simple but important encounters to delay him.

It was before O'Sullivan was reminded what it was like to be an undergraduate. He's one of 45 Rollins professors, deans, directors and staff members who this year are sweating through what is essentially freshman Spanish. Rollins set up the class as an experiment to immerse more faculty and staff in Spanish and Hispanic culture, to both help them be a part of Rollins' and Orlando's Hispanic community and increase the college's prospects to work internationally.

But the class has become a phenomenon on campus. Class members rave about reclaiming the simple joys and frustrations of being a student

again. "We spend enormous amounts of time as colleagues talking about the process of teaching, the nature of learning. But we do it mostly from the outside, as teachers, and from what we learn from our reading," O'Sullivan said. "It's completely different for us now when (Spanish professor) Roy (Kerr) hands out an exam for us to take home. People start thinking, how do I deal with this?"

In this course, class distinctions mean nothing. Everybody struggles, regardless of whether they have doctorates, or where they earned them.

"Ignorance in this particular case is a great equalizer," said Barbara Howell, an administrative assistant with a bachelor's degree. She has taken a little

Spanish before and sits in the advanced group, but said the distinction is lost in class. "There can be no hierarchy here," Howell added. "Our custodian speaks Spanish; when we're going off, we try to piece together a sentence and he corrects us."

English professor Lezie Couch concedes she has mangled more than her share of the Spanish language in class. Such foibles, she said, help class members see past each other's positions and pretensions.

"It's so cute to see them working hard and struggling and laughing together at each other's goofs," Couch said. "There is no politics in this room."

Kerr, a professor of Spanish and Portuguese, and Alberto Prieto-Calixto, an assistant professor of Spanish, hatched the idea and teach the class.

They expected only a handful of people to voluntarily give up two or three lunch hours a week for a year. But 80 expressed interest. The class was capped at 45.

"One of the things they told us was, 'We live in a Hispanic culture. I want to be able to listen to Spanish radio, to understand what is said at the grocery store, to talk with my neighbor,'" Kerr said.

But it's clear that the students are learning more than Spanish.

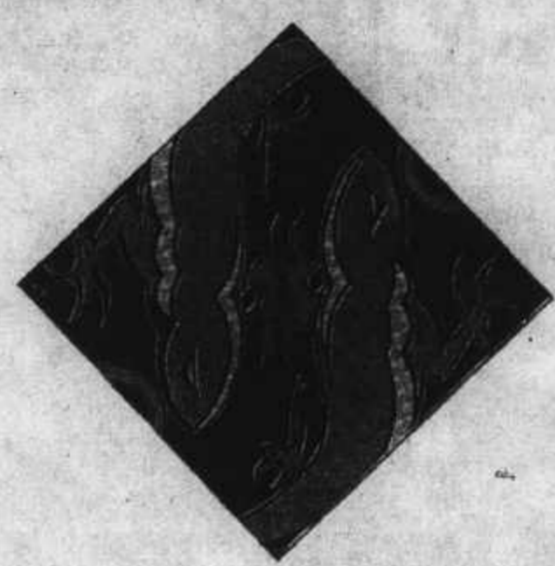
"I realize that when I'm teaching accounting to my students, I may be talking in

a foreign language," said Sherry Fischer, director of Rollins' arts and sciences internship program and an accounting instructor. "Alberto sometimes has to talk really slowly for us to understand. As a teacher, you have to get that."

Teacher becomes student. And student becomes teacher. "I've been talking to some of my students in Spanish. When I walk in, they say, 'Did you do your homework?'" Fischer said. "I said, 'OK, I'll help you in accounting if you help me in Spanish.'"

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-While Governor of Texas, he signed a law that prohibits school-based health centers that receive grants from that state from providing reproductive services, counseling or referrals (Texas House Bill 2202, 99).
-He promises to fund abstinence-only education and spend less on contraceptive programs.
-Bush is pro-life with the exceptions of rape, incest and life of the mother (www.georgewbush.com).
-The Bush administration plans to support mandatory federal parental notification laws.

Ralph Nader: "I don't think that government has the proper role in forcing a woman to have a child or forcing a woman not to have a child" (Meet the Press, 5/7/00).

Green Party Candidate
-Only candidate with a female vice-presidential running mate, Winona LaDuke.
*****A vote for Nader in New Hampshire could be throwing a vote to Bush!*** Pay attention to the polls before deciding. We are a Republican state that has been voting Democrat; it could go in either direction. Don't get me wrong, I am a member of the Green Party however there are serious issues to consider this year.
**** If you are voting by absentee ballot for another state take a look at the most recent polls.

Unless women can decide whether and when to have children, it is difficult for us to control our lives or to participate fully in society (Our Bodies, Ourselves, 1984).

Let there be no doubt, women's bodies are on the ballot this year and we are left up to 3 candidates "promises". Did you know that as of 1996 only 14% of the counties in our country performed abortions? We are losing skilled medical professionals, who are willing to perform abortions, due to fears of personal safety and the possibility of losing their own lives to anti-abortion violence. This topic of women's healthcare that used to be a personal issue between a woman and her physician is now a hotly debated political concern! What we need to realize as educated voters within American democracy is that abortions will go on regardless of their legalities. It is up to you, the voter, whether we make these abortions safe or dangerous. A recent study in NYC showed that over 45% of women who had legal abortions would have tried to get them even if they had been illegal (Our Bodies, Ourselves, 1984).

If you care about the women in your life, if you want to see them healthy, happy and educated do not let abortion become illegal! No one should be forced to stay pregnant or become a mother against her will. On November 7th, choose your presidential candidate accordingly. Protect choice!!!!



Boston Women's Health Collective



Lit Fest cont. from pg. 1

He said that he didn't like having makeup on, and that while waiting in the 'green room' before going on the show, he had to wait with the Goldman family from the OJ Simpson trial, which was not comfortable for him.

During the question and answer session after Wisniewski spoke, he said he wanted to do a Polish spoof of the famous "Where's Waldo" books, titled "Where's Stanislaw?" For examples, he said someone could "open the book and he's right out in the open," or "he's the only thing in the desert."

Shonto Begay, a Navajo Native American, spoke after Turner, and gave many examples of the illustrations he has done. During his speech, he said that when he was a child he was in boarding schools with religious education that he claimed tried to "strip us of our culture."

He said his art reflects things

that "normally aren't given the spotlight."

Also, Begay told of how Native Americans are simply put into one category by Americans. He said there are over 350 tribes in this country, and "some of us are as far apart as the Germans are from the Japanese."

When it came to his books and his love for literature, he said that "reading... changed everything," and "I had an advantage growing up without television."

The last speaker of the day was Natalie Babbitt, author of the famous "Tuck Everlasting." Most of her speech was about an article she had read about storytellers not always knowing what they say.

"There is a difference between meaning what you say and saying what you mean. Most writers mean what they say, but do we say what we mean," she asked.

After speaking on the topic for a while, she questioned if every story has some kind of sublimi-

nal message that authors might not know go into their own stores. "If this is so," she said, "are children picking up all these subliminal messages?"

Her response was that she hoped that was not true, but admitted, "readers will take from books what they wish to take."

"All of us who work with and for children don't pretend hope," she said. She said there is hope "for peace, reason, justice, and a meaningful life."

Another speaker, David McPhail, talked about the tools he uses when illustrating and writing his books. "I was going to say something about the history of pencils," he said, "but I didn't look it up."

When talking about a book he finished three weeks ago, McPhail said, "it won't be out until the spring of 2002," because of how slow the pub-

lishing process is. At the end of the festival, David White announced that at next year's 25th annual Children's Literature Festival, many speakers from previous years would be there to give presentations. They are Jane Yolen, Patricia and Frederick McKissack, David Shannon, Patricia MacLachlan, and the duo of Trina Schart Hyman and Tomie DePaola.

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Women's bodies are on the ballot By: Martha Jane Goldstein

IMAGINE THIS....It is the year 2003. George W. Bush is president and he has appointed pro-life Supreme Court justices that have made all abortions illegal. You (or your girlfriend) unexpectedly become pregnant and you do not feel as if you are in the right situation to bring a child into this world. You decide to terminate the pregnancy. Here are your extremely dangerous options:

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All of these could take your life!!! Are you ready to risk it? NO? Then Consider This....dating back a mere 40 years ago these were women's unwanted pregnancy alternatives! As a result, about a million illegal abortions were performed in the United States and over a thousand women died each year as a result. Many who recovered found themselves sterile or chronically ill (Our Bodies, Ourselves, 1984). On November 7th it will be decided if history repeats itself! Before you enter the voting booth (or fill out your absentee ballot) consider these facts about our candidates:

Al Gore - "I will always, always defend a woman's right to choose" (Women for Gore Speech, 6/1/99).

-He increased family planning services funding.
-Gore fought off mandatory parental consent laws (these laws delay women's access to first trimester abortions, which is when complications to the woman's health are lowest).
-While in Senate, he cosponsored the Freedom of Choice Act, which sought to codify the Roe v. Wade decision in federal law so that states could not limit or chip away rights provided by the decision (www.algore.com).
-He supported the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act, which established a safety zone around women's health clinics to prevent violence and intimidation against women and their doctors (www.algore.com).

A vote for Gore will ensure a woman's right over her own body, her right to choose.

George W. Bush: "I will do everything in my power to restrict abortions" (Dallas Morning News, 10/22/94).

-Bush promises to ban a non-existent abortion procedure by using vague pro-life terminology: Seeking the enactment of "method bans", anti-choice activists have called for legislation prohibiting "partial birth abortions", a political term that has no medical definition (Clinician's Guide to Medical and Surgical Abortions, 1999).

*****Bush and other pro-lifers are playing off of the American public's ignorance to medical terms. They seem to be gaining support by using such unofficial terminology. Bush and cohorts know that placing the words "birth" and "abortion" together scares people and most importantly, it confuses the voters.*****

Halloween back with a vengeance at Southern Illinois University

BY MATTHEW MCGUIRE
TMS Campus

For the first time in six years, bars and restaurants on the Southern Illinois University campus stayed open for Halloween weekend. And without hesitation, a mob entered the downtown area and wreaked havoc on local businesses.

Carbondale police arrested 78 people over Halloween weekend, after crowds broke storefront windows, tore down business signs and set fires in the streets.

"Most of the arrests were alco-

hol related -- public consumption, public drunkenness and underage drinking," said Deputy Chief Steve Odum. "At least a couple of arrests were for the vandalism. But when you have a group that packed, and things fly out of the crowd that break windows, you can't always identify who threw it."

The arrests were split over Friday and Saturday night, when crowds between 1,500 and 2,000 gathered each night in the downtown strip, about three-quarters of a block long with storefronts on either side of the street.

Revelers broke at least four

store windows and pulled down several business signs by climbing telephone pole to reach them, Odum said.

Jimmy John's sandwich shop, located in the middle of the mayhem, had its sign pulled down Friday night and windows broken Saturday night, said shop co-owner Becky Butler. Damage has been estimated between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

She spent the weekend sweeping up glass, boarding up the windows and removing the chunks of asphalt that had been thrown into the store. And while furious by the vandalism, she said she's equally annoyed by the protection police offered over the weekend.

"The police just sat there and watched. There were 70 officers on duty, including the police chief, who just sat there and watched," Butler said. "I went up to him and asked why he was



Kent Butler confronts a rioter who had been pounding on his storefront windows Saturday morning. Butler traveled from his home in Evansville, Ind., to protect his store from Halloween revelers who gathered on the Strip in Carbondale, Ill., near the Southern Illinois University campus. The windows and sign of his Jimmy John's store were later smashed.

letting this go on and he said that he didn't want to jeopardize his officers' safety -- he thought the crowds would retaliate."

Crowds gathered when the bars closed at 1 a.m. and weren't dispersed until after 4 a.m., when police used mace, she said.

"Everyone disappeared as soon as the mace came out," she said. "Why did they wait so long?"

Chief R.T. Finney was out of the office until Wednesday and unavailable for comment. Odum said that police did not change their strategy from Friday to Saturday night and said when dealing with a disorderly crowd, police need to proceed with cau-

tion. "We were cautious in our response," Odum said. "For officers push their way into the crowd to make an arrest would only incite the crowd. So we were pretty cautious about doing that. It's balancing call for us."

The bulk of the crowd had been dispersed at the beginning of each night, and those who stuck around were looking for a confrontation, he said. "By the time we moved people off the street it had begun dissipate on its own. It was our goal to let people disperse on their own," Odum said.

The destructive crowd was anything but the sort of behavior the Carbondale city council had

hoped to see when they voted in March to allow bars and restaurants to remain open over the Halloween weekend. After a similar debacle in 1994, the city voted to close any establishments that serve alcohol over the holiday weekend to prevent a repeat.

The school followed suit and in 1995 instituted a fall break over the Halloween weekend when the campus would shut down. The city's restriction ended this year, but SIU still scheduled the fall break. City and school officials had assumed that the break and celebration's five-year hiatus would curb a repeat fiasco.

UK to let college grads test graduate school waters

by Holly E. Stepp
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

So it's been years since you matriculated from the Old State U and you're thinking about heading back to the ivy-covered walls to earn that graduate degree.

But you are little worried whether the old noggin is ready for the challenge.

Worry not; the University of Kentucky wants to help you test the waters.

This spring semester, UK will let any college or university graduate take one three-credit-hour graduate-level course for free.

"A lot of people who have been out of college for a while are curious about graduate school but aren't ready to make that decision," said Mike Nietzel, UK Graduate School dean. "This will give them the chance to try out a graduate course."

"They are intellectually curi-

The tuition for one graduate course normally is \$591.

The pilot program, dubbed GIFT: The Graduate Incentive Free Tuition, is open to those not part of a formal master's or doctoral program. Students are expected to do all of the required course work and take the class for a grade.

The rules to qualify are simple. To be eligible, students must have earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. They don't have to complete the Graduate Record Exam, which is normally a requirement for graduate programs.

The offer doesn't apply to UK's professional schools, such as law, medicine and dentistry.

It's not unprecedented for colleges to offer some classes for free. Eastern Kentucky University, for instance, recently embarked on an effort to let high school seniors take one course for free. But the programs are usually focused on the undergraduate-level classes.

Nietzel said the GIFT program was a way to introduce new people to graduate school and focus on a different type of student.

"We have a number of post-baccalaureate students who come in and take one or two classes," said Nietzel.

"They are intellectually curi-

ous and are interested in other parts of the world, and decide they want to take a class in it to learn more about them," he said. "Or they find they need more skills for the job."

About one-quarter to one-third of those post-baccalaureate students eventually end up in UK's graduate program, Nietzel said. UK's graduate school enrolls about 5,100 students.

Officials have not set a goal of the number of students they want to attract.

There is no limit on the number of students who can apply, and the cost of the program will be covered by the reallocation of internal funds in the Graduate School.

UK will evaluate the initiative at the end of the semester, looking at how many students participated, the number of those who actually enroll in the graduate school, and the responses from the course evaluations. That evaluation will determine if the program will be repeated.

Nietzel said students already in the graduate school will benefit from the experience as well. "These new students will be ones who have been in the work force for a while and will add a broader experience to the classroom than the one you get when the students are just out of an undergraduate program."

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There's no excuse for student voter apathy, former prez says

by Andy Argyrakos - TMS
Campus Correspondent -
Benedictine University

Former President George Bush, along with his wife and former First Lady Barbara Bush, feel young people within society need to take a proactive stance within the nation's current political realm. The couple is tired of hearing the media speak of declining voter turnout and apathy amongst the college aged citizens of the United States.

For many college students, this year's election marks their first as being old enough to go to the polls, but the Bushes don't want to hear any complaints when it comes to this year's candidates not appealing to young people, including those against their son George W. Bush, Texas Governor and Republican presidential hopeful.

"I am not particularly sympathetic to those who say 'What are you going to do for me' or 'Are you going to get me involved?'" Bush said on Sunday, Oct. 22, when TMS Campus caught up with him before a lecture at Benedictine University in Lisle, IL. "Well, suit up and go down to some campaign headquarters and support a candidate. You have to get out there and get involved."

The couple has recently relived the former president's 1988 and 1992 campaigns as they watched their son experience the same triumphs and challenges. However, they made it very clear that in the case of their son, or any other candidate in this election, it is crucial for young people to get out on their campus and in their town to spread the word. Bush noted

that students during this election year have many more ways to get informed about a candidate than they did just over a decade ago when he ran for office.

"They ought to get out and work for a candidate," he said. "College kids have plenty of access. They have all those computers they use these days and can get on that Internet and get more information than they can digest."

The former President went on to mention that each voice that gets involved in the political scene, regardless of who they support, adds fuel to the fire of anyone that cares about the future of government. "It doesn't matter where you start, but pick a candidate [whether it be] a Republican or Democrat, liberal or conservative and get in and work," he said.

"Then you're going to be part of the process. The minute you do that, you disproportionately can be heard over the people who sit around and complain and whine that nobody understands them."

The couple wanted to use Benedictine University as a platform to share such thoughts because of its location just outside of Chicago and the connection Mrs. Bush already had with the university. "They have a speaker series here and Barbara was a huge success last time," laughed the former President. "The college thought it was a huge success before and I enjoyed it a lot," echoed his wife, who last appeared on campus in 1998.

Despite the warmth the couple received this time around from the university's administration,

their afternoon speech as part of the university's "Great Issues, Great Ideas" lecture series was sparsely attended by Benedictine students, making a case for the couple's frustration with apathy on college campuses.

However, the couple still had some specific advice to share about maintaining a successful balance throughout the college years. Mrs. Bush broke up her code for success in school into a simple, yet poignant formula. "First you have to study hard. You've been given a wonderful gift, not just to learn, but to learn at a college institution," she said. "Next, play hard. Life is meant to be fun after all. Just don't break the rules. [Finally] in your mad dash around campus everyday, don't forget to cherish your relationships with your friends and family. You won't regret failing a test or not closing a business deal at the end of your life, but you will regret [neglecting] those relationships."

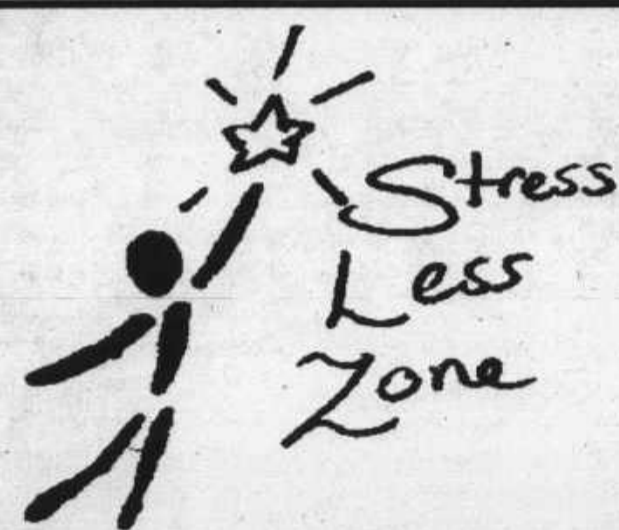
Her husband mirrored such statements, adding that a complete person needed to also be active in their community and always seek to help others. "There is no definition of a successful lifestyle that does not include service to others," he said. "We live in an era of prosperity that mankind has never known before. Good people can get involved and make a difference no matter what."



Former president George Bush discusses the role students must play in the upcoming election during a visit to Benedictine University in suburban Chicago.

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Taurus
April 20-May 20.
You and a partner can bail out a friend on Monday. Don't take a financial risk on Tuesday. Wait until it looks like a sure thing. Confer with your partner on Wednesday and then push your plan forward. You're pushed on Thursday, but that's OK. Stick up for your rights on Friday. Don't budge from what's right on Saturday, and the others might bend your way.

Gemini
May 21-June 21.
You're anxious to get going Monday, but don't jump the gun. Something you learn by Tuesday could change the direction you're headed. A friend's in a tizzy Wednesday and Thursday. Advise discretion and guard against gossiping yourself. You'd only make matters worse. Settle in for the long haul Friday and Saturday. Your plans start flowing on Sunday.

Cancer
June 22-July 22.
Monday's a hassle, but that night could be romantic. Surprises at work add stress Tuesday. Try not to get rattled; the outcome is positive. You should be prepared for an exam on Wednesday. The boss has a short fuse both then and on Thursday. By Friday the pace slows, not a moment too soon. Plans may change on Saturday.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 22.
The money's tied up most of Monday and Tuesday. By Wednesday you're ready, but your partner's not. More complications surface on Thursday and Friday. Don't rush, or you'll have even more messes later. Consult with an older adviser Saturday. Then forget your troubles with friends by playing on Sunday.

Virgo
Aug. 23-Sept. 22.
Support your mate's ideas on Monday and Tuesday by adding a measure of good common sense. The money is flowing on Wednesday and Thursday. Work messes with travel on Friday and Saturday. A parent's delighted to see you on Sunday, and then loads you down with goodies and love.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 23.
Creativity's challenged on Monday and Tuesday. It isn't all easy, but work could pay well. Your partner's obnoxious on Wednesday and Thursday. Don't let your own stresses get into the mix. Check over your checkbook to be sure on Friday. Then shop on Saturday as if you were broke. That way, you'll have plenty for travel on Sunday.

Scorpio
Oct. 24-Nov. 21.
Watch for surprises when bartering Monday. Find out what you're getting first; then set the price. Wonderful romance could sour on Tuesday. Don't make commitments you can't keep. A household project's expensive on Wednesday. Measure it three times before cutting once. A co-worker's advice helps you fix it on Thursday. Familiar hassles with your mate on Friday go through Saturday without relief. Agree to disagree by Sunday.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22-Dec. 21.
Household affairs have you jittery Monday. Keep talking Tuesday, and wisdom prevails. True love emerges

from the chaos Wednesday. By late on Thursday the bond has been made. Business demands your attention on Friday. Study Saturday to get the best deal. Hand the car keys to your partner on Sunday. Just sit back and enjoy the great view.

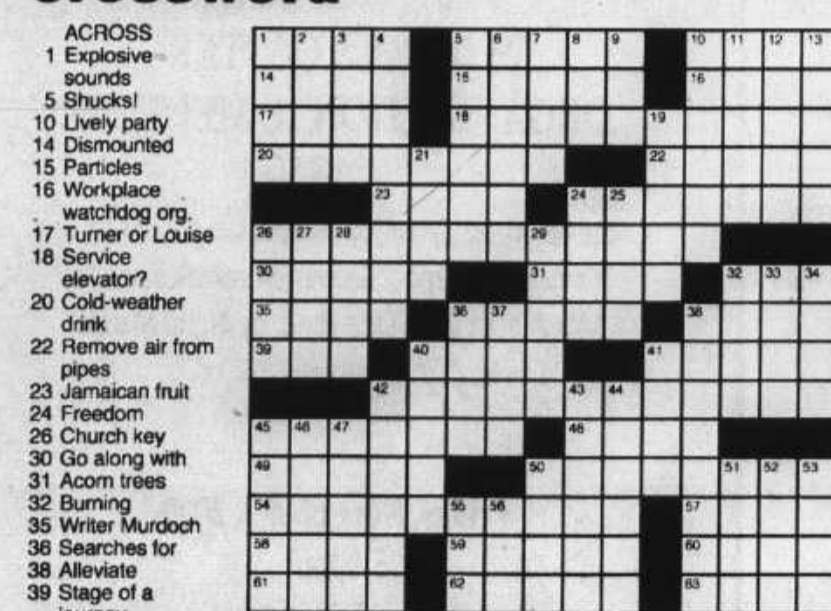
Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 19.
Something you're learning could explode on Monday, making a mess that takes days to clean up. Exercise caution most of Tuesday. Financial woes are annoying on Wednesday. Try another store Thursday. What you find there may be better. Romantic feelings stir on Friday. Don't spend too much, though, 'cause that's a turnoff. On Saturday later is better for dating. Finish your paperwork Sunday and read.

Aquarius
Jan. 20-Feb. 18.
Leave your checkbook in a safe place on Monday. If they're still pestering you for cash on Tuesday, offer your skills as a way to help. You and an older jerk clash on Wednesday. Thursday is better, due to a new interest. Friday is slower, but don't give up hope. Sleep in for most of Saturday. You won't compromise and neither will they. Sunday's better for good conversations. Everyone's learning then, even the jerks.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20.
You could have the winning idea on Monday. Distant connections bring higher esteem. Something you're planning starts happening Wednesday. It's not quite what you thought, but it's OK. Ask for the money on Thursday and get it. Study on Friday to upgrade your skills. Postpone your travel for most of Saturday. You can find everything closer to home. Hang out with family and talk on Sunday. You may discover you have more than you thought. Be a better person for it, too.

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10 Lively party
14 Discounted
15 Parades
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22 Remove air from pipes
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30 Go along with
31 Acorn trees
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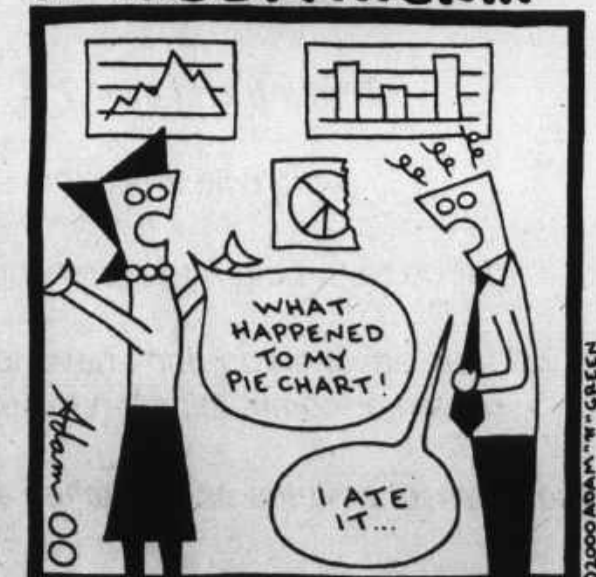
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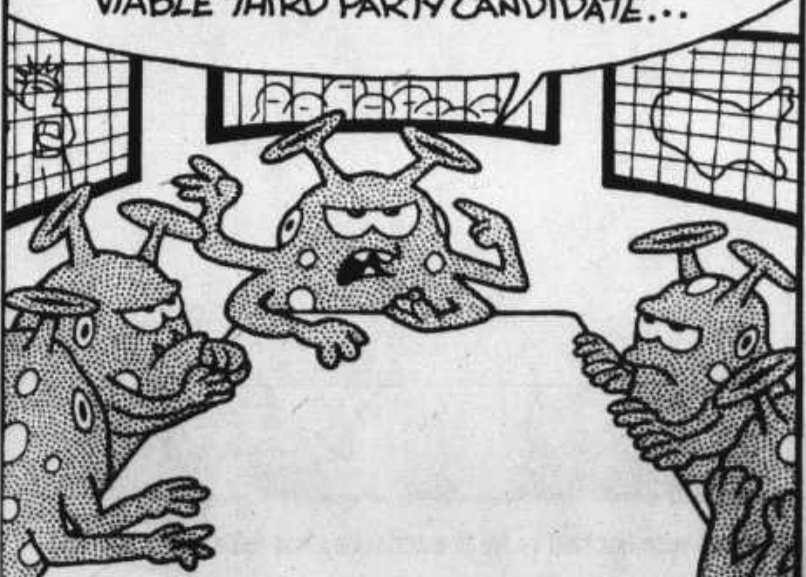
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T-wolves misbehave, lose big in the end

SAM SMITH
Chicago Tribune

Remember the good old days when there used to be an NBA franchise in Minnesota? Tuesday of last week for instance?

NBA Commissioner David Stern imposed Wednesday what is believed to be the harshest penalty in the history of American team sports on the Minnesota Timberwolves.

The forfeiture of five No. 1 draft picks and a \$3.5 million fine for signing forward Joe Smith to an illegal secret contract designed to circumvent the

league's salary-cap rules.

The ruling is expected to have wide-ranging ramifications that could lead to the suspension or resignation of General Manager Kevin McHale, the loss of Smith and perhaps a forced trade of star Kevin Garnett.

Timberwolves officials declined comment on the ruling. In it, Stern ordered the Timberwolves to forfeit their No. 1 draft pick in each of the next five years through the 2004-05 season.

It is a shocking penalty, because the NBA considers No. 1 draft picks so vital to a team's future that it doesn't allow teams

to trade them in consecutive seasons.

Fined the team \$3.5 million, the maximum allowed. Voided Smith's contract for the coming season, the illegal second contract that was to pay Smith about \$86 million over seven years starting next year and the two previous one-year contracts that Smith had with the Timberwolves since the 1998-99 season.

Smith appears to have little incentive to re-sign with Minnesota, even though it was his desire to stay which prompted the illegal contracts that resulted in the penalties. The only

two teams with room under the salary cap are the Bulls and Los Angeles Clippers.

The Clippers have about \$4 million available and the Bulls about \$5 million, although they could get close to \$6 million if they cut some marginal players.

Also, the Miami Heat is awaiting an NBA ruling on a medical exception for Alonzo Mourning. If granted, it would give the Heat \$3.88 million to offer Smith.

Smith, 25, the No. 1 pick in the 1995 draft from Maryland, figures to suffer the least because of the ruling.

Although he has been viewed as something of a bust for a top

pick, his career averages are 14.5 points and 7.5 rebounds.

He averaged 18.7 points and 8.5 rebounds at Golden State before questionable associations and lack of discipline caused his game to slip.

The big damage will be to the Minnesota franchise and its fans. The penalties come just two days after the University of Minnesota basketball program was hit with major NCAA sanctions for academic fraud.

Officials around the NBA were stunned at the forfeiture of five No. 1 draft picks.

Because of the huge contracts the Wolves have given Garnett

and Terrell Brandon, they will be over the salary cap through at least the 2002-03 season.

That means they cannot pursue free agents. All they would have to do to improve the team is the salary-cap exception, and it seems unlikely any top players would choose to go there in light of the team's dire situation.

And this is a franchise that never has advanced past the first round of the playoffs.

Stern's statement said additional proceedings before an arbitrator will precede possible suspensions. Thus many believe McHale will walk away from the franchise.

Irish sneak by Air Force in OT

AVANI PATEL
Chicago Tribune

He didn't do what he was supposed to do. He didn't carry out his assignment exactly as it had been scripted. He followed instinct over reason.

Sometimes, seasons are saved and destinies met not with logic, but magic.

Glenn Earl's block of David Adams' field-goal attempt as time ran out in regulation Saturday did not win the game for Notre Dame.

That would come later, in overtime, when Joey Getherall took the ball on a reverse and ran 9 yards for his third touchdown of the game, securing a 34-31 Irish victory over a resilient Air Force team at Notre Dame Stadium.

But as Earl deflected Adams' kick off its path and preserved a 28-28 tie, he claimed for his team the type of magic that separates the select from the standard.

"Not for one second in that game did we ever think we were going to lose," Earl said. Not even as Air Force was lining up for the chip-shot field-goal attempt that would have given it the victory as time expired?

"I was just thinking, 'All right, I've got to push (teammate) Tony Weaver, and if I can't, I'm going to leap, regardless of what they tell me, because I can't live with myself if I don't give it a shot,'" Earl recalled.

Despite squandering a 28-10 lead, the Irish improved to 6-2 and preserved their chance, albeit slim, of being invited to a Bowl Championship Series game at the end of the season.

Air Force is 5-3. After ceding

the Falcons a 10-7 halftime edge, the Irish looked to have the game comfortably in control when they scored three third-quarter touchdowns to lead 28-10.

But Air Force turned the tables in the final period, holding the Irish to 45 yards and two first downs while putting together three scoring drives to tie the game 28-28.

Air Force answered on its next possession as quarterback Mike Thiessen lofted a rainbow pass to Leotis Palmer in the right flat.

Palmer, wide open, turned upfield and carried the ball 15 yards to the end zone, tying the score at 7-7.

Pass-interference and personal-foul calls against the Irish later gave Air Force first and goal at the Notre Dame 2, but the

lead.

Givens' 37-yard jaunt on a reverse increased the lead to 21-10. Less than three minutes later, Getherall scored the second of his three touchdowns, grabbing a 68-yard strike from LoVecchio to put the Irish seemingly comfortably ahead 28-10.

But the Falcons are a veteran team with skilled playmakers. Wide receiver Ryan Fleming, despite playing with a separated shoulder, caught eight passes for a career-high 163 yards, including a 42-yarder over Shane Walton that set up the Falcons' game-tying field goal.

"I think Ryan proved today that he's one of the best receivers in the country," Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry said.

Williams broke the stalemate as the fourth quarter a defensive collapse.

"I give Air Force credit," Davis said. "As much as I respect them, I didn't want to see them celebrating on our field."

Earl's block ensured that he didn't have to. Air Force, which had the ball first, kicked a field goal in overtime.

Notre Dame, which had been 0-3 in overtime, including a loss to Air Force in 1996 and a loss to Nebraska in this season's second game, answered with Getherall's touchdown and the victory.

"It was unfortunate that we didn't pull it off," Fleming said. "Some things weren't meant to be."

Davis agreed. "The momentum went back and forth at the end," he said. "But a team that won't be beat can't be beat."

Notre Dame gave up a big lead, but they hung on in the end to win 34-31.

The Irish opened the scoring in impressive fashion, marching 84 yards in 18 plays.

Matt Lo Vecchio's touchdown pass, intended for David Givens in the right corner of the end zone, was tapped by Falcons defensive back Wes Crawley into the arms of Javin Hunter, who hung on to give the Irish 7-0 lead two minutes into the second quarter.

Falcons had to settle for Adams' 27-yard field goal and a 10-7 halftime lead.

Notre Dame's offense overcame its sluggishness in the third quarter.

Julius Jones returned the kickoff 41 yards to the Notre Dame 46. Six plays later, Getherall hauled in a 28-yard Lo Vecchio toss for a touchdown and a 14-10

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The ruggers went out and got their new duds dirty this weekend as they beat on PSC.

Ruggers end on high note

COREY LAWSON
The Equinox

The Men's Rugby Club at Keene State split its final two matches of the season with a 21-0 loss to Williams and a 49-15 crushing of Plymouth State.

In the first game, the club went to Williams with barely enough players to field a team, and inexperienced players were thrown into a starting role against one of the best teams in New England.

"The rookies did a nice job, we just had no reserves to send in," said Coach Dean Guatieri. Williams broke the stalemate about nine minutes into the game, scoring due to some poor tackling by the defense.

"Tackling has been a problem all season. If we'd tackled well, we would be undefeated right now,"

said veteran Tom Kivela. The back line was not able to pass the ball effectively, due to speed and precision tackling by the Williams defense.

One more try was added to the scoreboard by Williams, and the halftime score stood 14-0.

The second half was a different story, as the Keene Ruggers came out intense and hitting hard.

Steve Short summed up the teams sentiments saying, "We were fired up for the second half. We knew we weren't out of the game yet, and we wanted a win."

The tackling shaped up, the scrums started really pushing Williams back, but a score just wasn't in the cards.

Williams added a late-game try to seal the win 21-0.

The final score of the B side

game was a 5-0 win for Williams, but Keene's defense was the real story.

Shane Elder made a spectacular play to save a ball from going out of bounds, jumping in the air and slapping the ball in bounds before he hit the ground.

The Keene forwards stopped Williams several times on the try line, the only score came on a very controversial call, when a Williams player appeared to pass the ball forward en route to a score.

The Plymouth State match was a late-season addition to the fall schedule, and the Men's Rugby Club gave Plymouth a proper welcome by pounding them 49-15 Saturday in Keene.

"We were scoring almost at will, they couldn't stop us in any part of the game," said Josh

English.

The Keene lineouts were a very big on defense, as spoils by Corey Lawson, Tom "Ace" Kivela, and Brendon "Maliaki" Calderon stopped several advances by the Plymouth team.

Scoring for Keene were Shane Elder, Brendon Calderon, Ian "in bounds" Flannigan, and Mike "Apu" Kamal among others. Tackling was superb, every time a Plymouth player got the ball, he was swiftly brought down by a defender.

Plymouth did not put a tally on the board until the end of the first half, when a fluke breakaway run resulted in a try.

Paul Fiaccone and Sam Berry combined to convert all seven of Keene's kicks to knot the score at 49-15.

Corey Lawson is a member of the Rugby Club, and also a writer for The Equinox

Owl spikers have tough weekend

RICHARD EGAN
The Equinox

Tri-Captain Abbe Robichaud was awarded player of the week in the Little East Conference despite Keene State's bad showing in the Middlebury Tournament this past weekend.

"It's flattering to get acknowledged for your hard work and effort in a sport. I am excited that I have been named player of the week, however, I wouldn't be able to get to where I am without the help from everyone on my team," she said.

"So thank you for noticing my talents and thank you to all of my teammates," she added.

Last weekend Keene State secured the 6th and final seed in the upcoming Little East Conference Tournament.

Although they would rather be a higher seed it's still an honor to make the tournament.

This past weekend's tournament was a good warm up for the LEC tournament because of the quality of their opponents. St. Lawrence College, Plymouth State, and Middlebury College.

These are all good teams who have high expectations for this up-coming postseason.

In the first game of the tournament the Owls faced off against St. Lawrence College.

Keene played its best game of the tournament winning the third game of the match (15-13), but could not continue the comeback losing (12-15) in the fourth and final game.

The team was lead by two of their three Tri-Captains, Abbe Robichaud and Marla Malinauskas.

Together they combined for 24 kills, four blocks and 10 digs.

The next opponents for the Owls were rival Plymouth State; Plymouth dominated the entire match winning three games to none (8-15, 8-15, 11-18).

Again the team was lead by two of the tri-captains, Robichaud and Malinauskas.

Keene State was flat and had trouble terminating the ball.

The Owl's first round opponent in the LEC tournament will be Plymouth State.

If the girls play up to their potential then they have a good chance of upsetting the powerful Plymouth team.

"I think that this loss to Plymouth will give us more incentive to beat them in Wednesday's tournament," said Sophomore Katie Shea.

Host College Middlebury was the last team Keene had to face in the tournament and for the regular season.

Middlebury dominated the game from start to finish beating the Owls three games to none (5-15, 2-15, 6-15).

This loss was the third in a row for Keene State during the tournament and dropped their record to 12 and 24 on the season.

However the girls' games turn out this week they have worked very hard this season and it should begin to show in the very near future. Good season guys.

Owl harriers cruise at LEC championships

WILSON PEREZ
The Equinox

The windy conditions and the leaf covered (or what Keene called ankle breaking) trails did not stop the men's and women's programs from bringing home both Little East Conference victories.

The Keene State College women won their first LEC championship with a minuscule 17 points.

The women also beat last year's defending champions, UMass-Dartmouth, who scored 87 points.

The University of Southern Maine was third with 89 points.

The lady owls were led by sophomore sensation Mary Proulx (1st). Proulx finished the 5,000-meter race in 19:10 to take individual honors.

"I wasn't pressed at all and ran the whole race really steady," she said. Freshman harrier Meaghan Mathews (2nd) and Hannah Horton (3rd) ran the race pretty much attached to the hip until right at the end.

They worked the course together and wouldn't let each other pull away from one another. Mathews was clocked at

19:44 while Horton was just one second behind in 19:45.

Freshman Katey DeVille was the Owls 4th finisher in a time of 20:22.

Sophomore Amella Bentley finished 5th for Keene and 6th Over all in a time of 20:26. Keene's top five girls earned All-Little East recognition.

"If these girls keep working hard, I wouldn't doubt it if they do some damage at the regional meet in two weeks," said coach Peter Thomas.

Senior Amber Webster finished 22nd with a time of 21:41.

"It was great to win a team title, especially being my senior year," said Webster. "We have never won the LEC before because we always get plagued with injuries at the end of the season."

Amanda Amend (39th) in 22:42, Johanna Linberg (43rd) in 22:52, Kristen Burns (44th) in 22:55 and Courtney English (62nd) in 24:29 rounded out the Owls final finishers.

On the men's side, Keene State won its fourth strait LEC Championship and did it in almost perfect fashion.

The men scored 16 points, just one point shy of a perfect score of 15. The University of Southern Maine was second with 60 points

while UMass-Dartmouth grabbed third with 114 points.

The game plan for the men's team was to run as a pack for the first three miles and then make a move.

Matt St.Germaine was the first to respond with a quick burst of energy, then Mark Miller, then Joe Dunham and then Godfrey Berger.

Wilson Perez was the last to respond and quickly took the lead and pressed the pace for the next half-mile.

Dunham then took the lead in the last mile getting about three seconds ahead of Perez, Berger, and Miller.

"It was my first time leading this year and it felt good," said Dunham. "I took two wrong turns and I lost it more mentally than anything."

"I found out after that he went off course and the other guys caught him," said Coach Peter Thomas. "I don't think he will have to worry about getting lost at Nationals," he added.

Perez made one final move at a half mile out and broke the pack up a little.

"He got about 10 meters on us in no time, I couldn't even react," said Miller.

Perez eased up the last 10 meters knowing he had secured the win.

He ended up winning the five mile course in 26:13 while Miller was a close second in 26:16. Berger (3rd) and Dunham (4th) were 26:17 and 26:19.



Wilson Perez and the rest of the Owl harriers dominated at the LEC championships.

"I was just in cruise control the whole race and was not worried about place," said Berger.

St. Germaine and Josh Ferenc were 6th and 7th overall. Ferenc, who had hung with the lead group until the three mile mark, said he is getting stronger.

"My calf has been sore but I am going to do my best to try and make an impact on this team," said Ferenc.

Sophomore Paul Phelps fin-

ished 9th overall and was the Owls 7th finisher. Phelps was clocked at 27:15 with the tough conditions of the course.

David Ames (16th) in 27:40, Paul Visser (18th) in 27:50, Casey Cole (38th) in 29:06, Andrew Bonner (39th) in 29:10, Todd Piper (43rd) in 29:23, Josh Brodie (59th) in 30:12 and Kevin McGrath (62nd) in 30:30 were the Owls final finishers.

The Varsity Women along with

the Sub-Varsity Men will head to Tufts University to compete in the ECAC Championships this weekend.

Good Luck to all of the Owl runners.

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Staff Commentary: Can we still cheer for our Celts?

JOHN TIERNEY
The Equinox

I love this game! The popular slogan of the 1980's and 1990's for the National Basketball Association when it was in its heyday.

When number 23 was astounding fans everynight with his high-flying act.

When the Celtics were dominating, winning championships 14, 15, and 16 for the greatest franchise in basketball history.

Now does anyone in Boston really love this game?

The Celtics were off on the right direction a few years back, when coach M.L. Carr better known for his towel waving in 1964, than his coaching tanked the season, giving the Celtics two lottery picks.

The Celts then hired Rick Pitino, who was thought to be the savior.

The Celts hoped for either of the top two picks, but ended up with three and six.

They wanted Tim Duncan or Keith Van Horn, but they ended up with Ron Mercer and Chauncey Billups.

Mercer was a great pick and he became an instant fan favorite, but Pitino traded him because he needed a rebounding power forward in Danny Fortson.

Well that didn't work out either, because Pitino is an idiot and traded him.

Trading Ron Mercer was probably the dumbest thing they could've done because they had a solid nucleus for the future, but it is no more.

Billups was also traded for Kenny Anderson, who has played well for the Celtics in his three seasons, filling the void of a veteran point guard.

The Celtics are an embarrassment and most experts choose them to finish 11th this year in the Eastern Conference.

They did nothing in the draft and added no big name free agents in the offseason.

It seems like the Celtics only hope of Celtic fans is to hope Larry Bird buys the team soon. That way he can take over the organization and have a fire sale, and try to start over.

The Celtics are the greatest basketball franchise ever, and one of the best sports franchises ever, but as of now, they're a disgrace to Larry Bird, Bill Russell, Bob Cousy, John Havlicek, Kevin McHale and every other great Celtic that ever put on the green.

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Owls dominate in 7-0 win

Peralta sparks KSC off of the bench to lead the Owls to a decisive victory against Eastern Connecticut

JOHN TIERNEY
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Trick or treat! The Keene State College Owls definitely got a treat on Halloween even before they went trick-or-treating, when they blew out Eastern Connecticut University 7-0 in the quarterfinals of the Little East Conference tournament Tuesday.

The Owls first got on the board after Peter Peralta came into the game and gave an immediate spark to the team late into the first half of play.

"We came out thinking it would be tougher than the last time we played them. I was getting anxious, and I wanted to make a difference. I knew I could do something," Peralta said.

"I wanted to prove I can play, I guess that's my job, to come off the bench and spark my team," he added.

Midfielder Mike Norton scored the first goal and the only goal the boys needed at 28:11, assisted by Peralta, and John Cortese, who also had a goal for Keene.

"John had an outstanding game for us," Coach Butcher said.

"At halftime I told my players that we need to keep the ball on the ground. We played extremely well in the second half, and good overall," said Butcher.

"We really seem to have this team number. A lot of other teams struggle against them. We've scored 15 goals against this team in the last two games," he added.

The Owls were playing very disciplined soccer for most of the first half, constantly receiving instructions from a frustrated Butcher, who looked a lot like Bill Parcells barking orders from the sideline.

Butcher even got into a heated argument with Greg Lam after Lam said something to his coach about getting him the ball.

Robby Carson and Mike Monteiro both scored goals for Keene State as well as Mike Arduini, who scored on a penalty kick, and Colm Kennedy scored on a breakaway in the final minutes of the game.

Keene State fired 18 shots on goal and had 9 saves to Eastern Conn's 9 shots and 7 saves for the game.

The Owls next game will be on Friday at UMass-Dartmouth, the number two seed in the LEC Tournament.

"Patience! They (UMass-Dartmouth) are a really good defensive team. They have the leading goalie in the conference. They're tough at home," Butcher said on the Owls semifinal match up against UMass.



Equinox photo by Max Piergallini

Hopefully Lakota Denton and the rest of the boys can have a few more celebrations like this one in the postseason.

The Coach's Corner: Scott Price

MIKE MACIEL
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While it may seem strange that some of his players have been around the game for as long as he has, it only takes a minute to realize that Scott Price is the real deal.

His practices seem laid-back, but competitive at the same time. This is more a reflection of Price himself.

Price, 34, is in his second year as the head coach of the Keene State College women's volleyball team and hopes to be around for a few more.

"I like to play hard opponents in a fast-paced game, he said. "It always brings your level of intensity up and you can concentrate more when you know that the opponents are going to be tough."

As for the competitive side of him, it doesn't make him a drill sergeant type of coach. In practice he will yell his voice, but when the players look at him he

still has a big smile.

"I don't like to bark orders. I would rather teach and explain," he said, "and certain gestures mean a whole lot more than yelling."

Price says that he sees volleyball as a sport which depends on teamwork, due to the amount of players on a team, a tight women's ball coach Scott Price.

"As a team you have to have a good working relationship and the coach should set the example."

Price likes to talk to his coaches, and the Keene State Community, and why not? They have the responsibility and the money to back it up.

"You know what you can pick up, but you can't make all the difference," he said.

"It's all about what you need at that time. Maybe someday I'll have a team where I want to scream, but I don't want to scream players like that."



Photo courtesy of Scott Price

The player of the week: Peter Peralta

The Outstanding Owl this week is Peter Peralta of the Keene State College men's soccer team.

Not only was Peralta selected to the LEC honor roll for his performance last week, but he came off the bench to give a

crucial spark to a team that needed it Tuesday afternoon in the tournament.

Peralta is a freshman from Raymond, NH. He has seven goals and six assists this season.

CONGRATS PETER!!

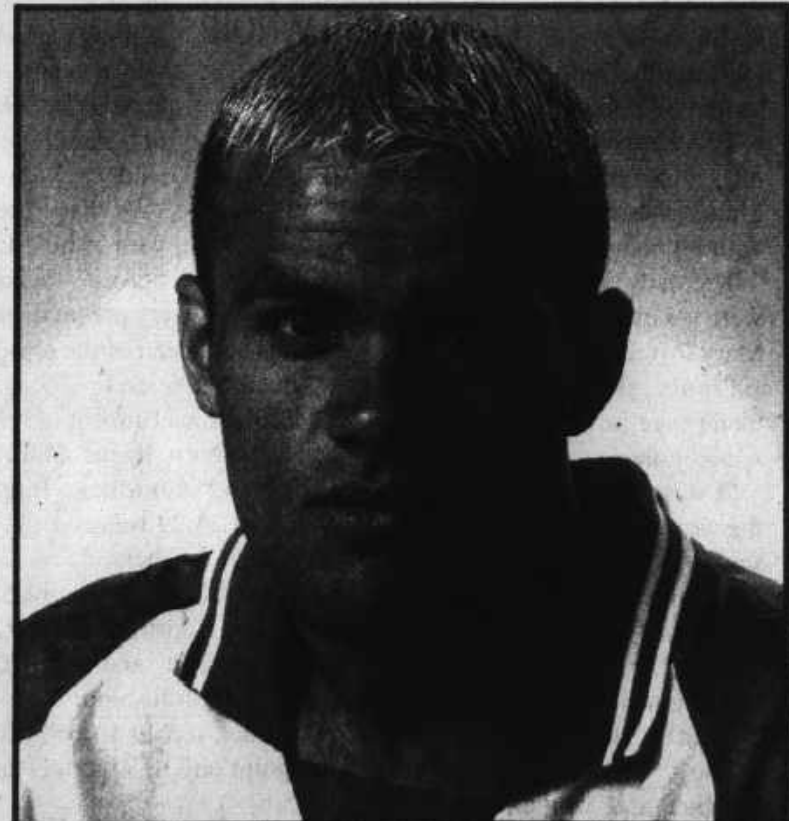


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Outstanding Owl Peter Peralta

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Leaky pipes lead to campus dig

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The cause for the digging on campus over the last few weeks has been underground pipes leaking and the repairs necessary to fix them, according to officials.

Bill Rymes, the head plumber on campus, said that the first problem was a pinhole leak in a condensation pipe behind the dining commons. During the week of Oct. 9, a lot of steam was noticed coming from manholes, said Rymes.

The hole was discovered that same week, but construction was delayed due to the fact that supplies needed to be ordered. According to Rymes, the same pipe burst about two years ago.

The physical plant, which is handling the situation, began digging along the length of the pipe to find the leak. Rymes also said that about 80 feet of pipe has had to be replaced since the last time that this particular pipe burst.

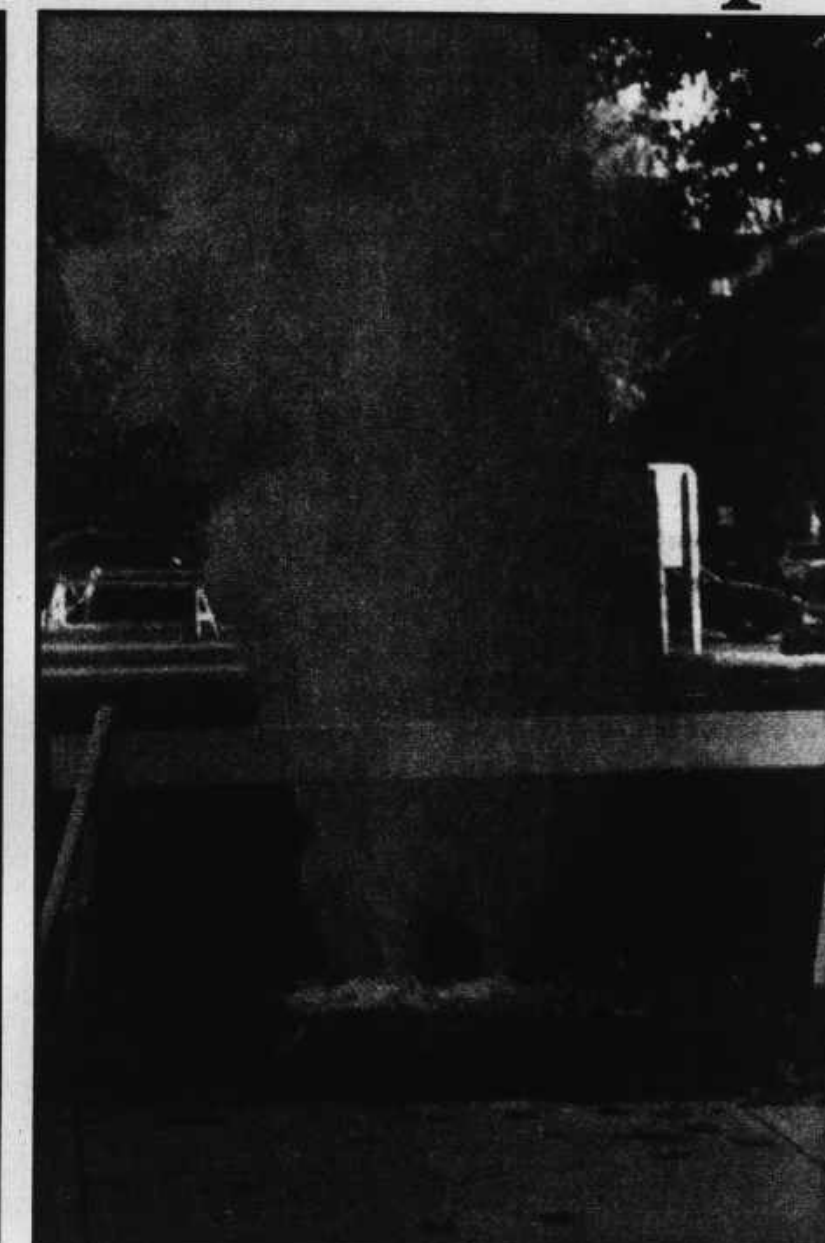
Frank Mazzola, the director of the physical plant, was unavailable for comment.

Rymes said that Keene is built on an old lakebed, and that "when you dig down, you eventually hit groundwater."

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Exposed pipes outside the Zorn Dining Commons

Bush wins? Maybe not. KSC not a Bush Supporter

Angela Watson
The Equinox

Although George W. Bush was the announced winner, a vote re-count places Al Gore closer than many thought.

In a random, unscientific poll Al Gore is favored with 25 votes out of 50 among Keene State College students who took a survey in the Student center on Tuesday.

George W. Bush came in second with five votes, then Ralph Nader came in third with three votes, and John McCain got one write-in vote. The rest of those surveyed either didn't vote or chose not to say whom they voted for.

Helen "everybody's grandmother" is fired from Food Court

SARAH SHELTON
MAX PIERGALLINI

Helen Sherrick, a longtime employee of Keene State Food Services, was fired from her position as cashier in the food court last Thursday after giving away a cup of coffee to a new employee of the student center.

She said she

there is a double standard of how policies are followed on campus.

"This seems ridiculous, mainly due to the fact that on numerous occasions I was asked by

upper management [the food court and dining commons] to prepare meals for them to take home with them."

Faculty and staff that have spoken to the Equinox but wish to remain anonymous said they felt

Of the 50 students who were polled, nine were not registered, giving reasons such as lack of interest or not having the time.

"Everyone should vote, and if they don't, they don't have a right to complain about politics," said one student.

The other 41 students who were registered voters participated in the election.

When asked what students thought about the candidates' opinions differed among those polled.

"I think that they both have very good ideas, but I like Gore's education plan better."

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a cup of coffee does not warrant firing someone, especially if they are going to retire in the next couple of months. As a result of this, they have decided to discontinue purchasing food at the food court.

Last semester, Sherrick underwent heart surgery. She wasn't sure if she would return to work, but after

receiving all of the cards and wishes of good will from the campus community, she decided to return.

To the students, faculty, and staff, she was like a

grandmother. "She remembered everybody. It must have been a big part of her life if she came back after her surgery," said sophomore John Bolster.

Phil Harty, one of Sodexo-Marriot's managers, claimed Sherrick's termination was a

decision controlled by company policy. "I really like her. She was a comforting person for all but I could not allow it to continue. Company policy tied my hands," he said.

When rumors of the probable boycott of the food court on Helen's behalf reached Harty, he said "I am concerned with it. I feel we are here to take care of the students, faculty, and staff, and we have done a good job thus far. A public response to this issue is forthcoming."

When asked about the example of a student being given a free cup of coffee after helping Sherrick fill the cream and sugar holders after a long day, Harty said, "this was an acceptable situation because her actions benefited the company."

Harty said there are currently no security cameras to help reduce theft or gifts. After having spoken with employees of the food court, management came to the conclusion that surveillance cameras would give a "prison-like atmosphere."

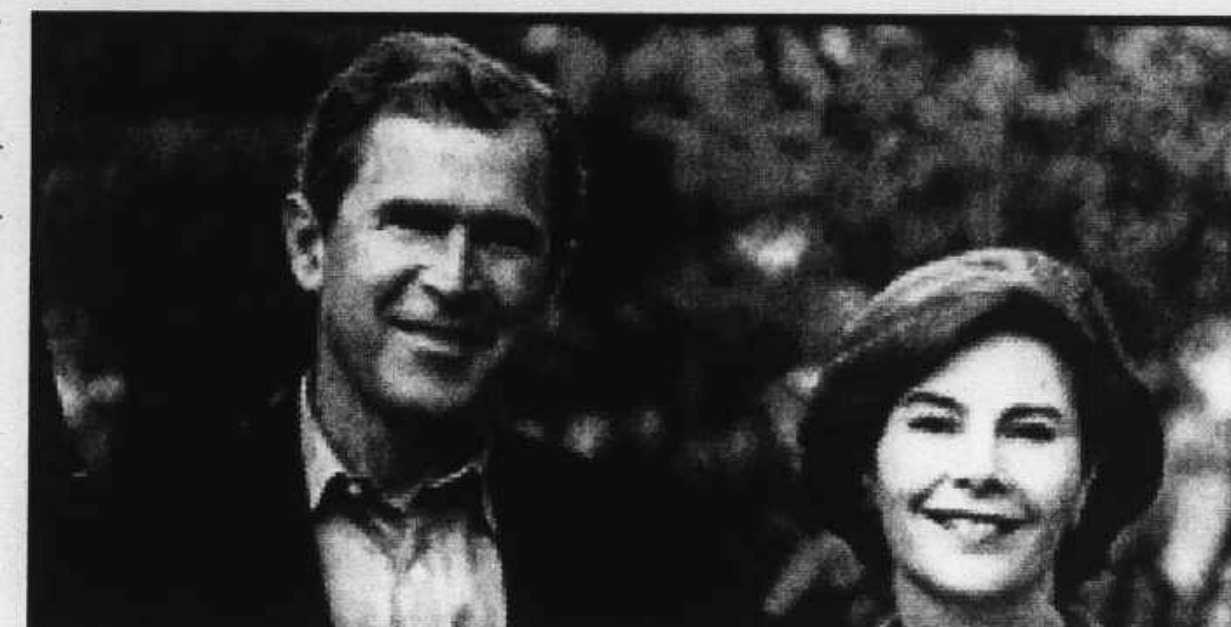
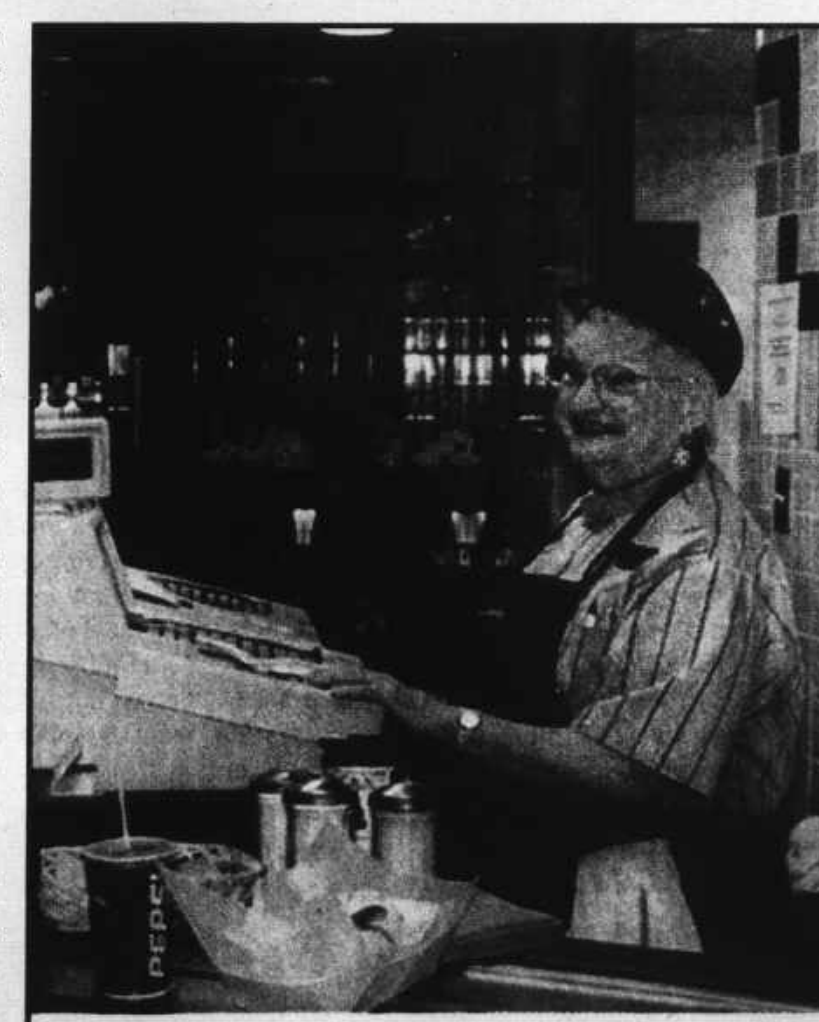


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The next president of the U.S.



Equinox photo

Helen flashes her warm smile to yet another Food Court customer