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Taking Back the Night



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The UNH community gathered last night for Take Back the Night, a celebration to help women walk the streets without fear.

Senate approves Jandreau/Cummings

Students, senators debate for nearly six hours in emergency meeting

By KIMBERLY FUSARO
and PETRA GUGLIEMMETTI
Staff Reporters

UNH students officially have a student body president — at last.

In a meeting that lasted nearly six hours, more than 100 senators and members of the general public argued whether to overturn the results of last week's student body presidential election.

As 3 a.m. approached, the senators voted 34 to 12, with 6 abstentions, in favor of making the results official. This achieved the two-thirds vote required to ratify the election that named sophomore Brian Jandreau as the new student body president.

Senators at the meeting were being asked to reconsider a vote that was taken Sunday, in which senators voted not to ratify the results of the election between current SBP Tito Jackson and Jandreau.

Some senators said they felt the meeting could have been avoided, as there was no basis for overturning the election in the first place.

"A lot of what's going on here is not about the rule of the law. It's not about morality. It's about the rule of the gun. People who don't like how things turn out decide to use a weapon. The law gave us no reason to overturn the vote. There was no justification," said

commuter senator Dave Shaw.

However, many members of the student senate said they felt it was necessary to continue the meeting until all possible grievances and concerns were addressed.

At the end of the meeting, Congreve senator Ben Delisle said the meeting was one of the best he had ever witnessed.

"This to me has been some of the most productive five or six hours," he said. "Look around the room. These are people who really care. This is the most informed group of people on this issue."

The concerns that were discussed were divided into six categories: computer fraud, election committee bias, ballot box stuffing, TNH bias, campaign rule violations and an "other" category.

Erin Buzuvis, speaker of the senate and election committee chairperson, spoke at length, giving a detailed explanation of the computerized voting system and ballot box procedure. She came to the conclusion that it would be nearly impossible to tamper with an election.

Even after Buzuvis gave her explanation, Jackson, Phaedra Starr and many others maintained their doubts about the way in which the election had been run.

"I support another election, but not ■ see SENATE, page 6

University 'sheepish' over new project

By PETRA GUGLIEMMETTI
Staff Reporter

They could have been used for sweaters and lamb chops, but Dick Henry has other plans for the 500 sheep that were just delivered to a UNH farm from Montana.

Henry has persuaded the Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) to take a chance on an innovative idea. Based on research Henry has

conducted in the past, PSNH is going to try using sheep instead of clunky machinery to tame the tangled undergrowth along transmission lines in Durham and several surrounding towns.

The project's concept sounds deceptively simple: the sheep will be brought out to transmission lines along Route 4 in Durham in late May or early June and will be directed along a 13-mile stretch of land through Barrington, Lee, Madbury, Rochester and

Nottingham. As they move, they will eat woody plants that otherwise would grow tall and interfere with power lines.

UNH became involved in the project when Henry consulted researchers and specialists at the university's cooperative extension for advice last year.

"When I first heard the idea, I thought it was interesting but didn't think it would come to bear," said Bruce Marriott, program leader of agricultural

resources at UNH.

However, after university researchers examined Henry's ideas and research, they decided that the project sounded feasible. Henry then presented his idea to PSNH, which also recognized its potential benefits.

Now the experiment is set to begin. The year-old sheep, which would have been slaughtered for meat in June, were delivered last week to the UNH-owned Burley-Demerritt farm in Lee, where they

are undergoing training under Nova Scotian shepherd Kate Broadbent and her trained dogs. After training, the sheep will be taken out to the transmission lines to begin their work.

PSNH hopes the sheep will eliminate many species of plants, including beech, birch, maple, oak and white pine. The benefit, according to Henry, is that the sheep will leave other plants — such as juniper, sweet fern and ■ see SHEEP, page 6

Between-hall room draw fierce, disappointing

By JENNIFER DILLON
Staff Reporter

The line stretches all the way from the Granite State Room to the MUB mailboxes. Freshman Karen Everett clutches her hands together and nervously moves around the line. Her three friends look anxious too, but keep telling Everett to "chill."

The four women are trying to get a quad in Jessie Doe. There's only one left, and they are number 288.

Between-hall room draw is a process that puts students on edge.

"There are 800 to 1,000 people who go through this," says Kathy Irla-Chesney, assistant director of housing. "It's inevitable that not everyone will get a high number."

The numbers are distributed according to class standing. People who will be seniors go into one bracket, juniors another, and so on. The higher your class standing, the better your number bracket. Within each class bracket, the numbers are drawn randomly.

The event commences at 6 p.m. sharp. Inside the Granite State Room, hall directors man their tables. They are prepared for the rush of students about to pour in.

Lord Hall Director Eric Gregoire says he feels the system is the best way to dole out the rooms, and he even enjoyed spending five hours of his Monday night this way.

"I had a great time last year, despite the swearing, pouting and foot stomping, and hope to again this year," he says.

Dave Zamansky mans a table that is usually not very busy at first: the Stoke table. However, Zamansky says due to the good community developing in Stoke, more and more people are choosing it as their first choice.

Congreve is usually one of the most popular halls. Congreve Hall Director Kait Buckley says before the process begins, she has

"**Nobody better get it before us; if I find the person who gets our room I'll probably fight them.**
—Meghan Gibbons, freshman

78 spaces open and expects to give them all out within the first hour.

Outside the Granite State Room, Everett is getting closer to the front of the line. Her prospective roommates, freshmen Stephanie Dubois, Janet Esposito and Meghan Gibbons, look nervously into the room.

"Oh my God, are you serious; what is this?" says Dubois as they enter the room. The scene is one of chaos; the room is buzzing.

Gibbons is the one who got the lucky number, 288. She says she feels fortunate to have gotten such a high number as a freshman. The next-highest

number of the four is in the 500s.

Former Williamson Hall Director Mo Phillips monitors the line, yelling through a megaphone, "There are no more singles in Congreve. There are still triples in Hetzel."

Everett and Esposito wonder if they should ask about quads for fear that someone in front of them will go for their room if they know it's available. Finally Esposito takes the risk. "What about quads?" she asks.

"There's one left in Jessie Doe and a few left in..." The four women shriek before Phillips can finish. Esposito and Everett hug and jump up and down.

"Oh guys, if we don't get it I'm going to freak out," says Esposito. "Are you sure she said Jessie Doe?" She is told to calm down by Dubois.

"Nobody better get it before us; if I find the person who gets our room I'll probably fight them," says Gibbons.

Phillips finally yells through the megaphone, "Go ahead in; walk don't run!" The four walk quickly over to the Jessie Doe table. They slap down their slip of paper requesting a quad.

"No more quads," says the man behind the table. The four women's jaws drop. "They took it; it's gone," says Dubois. They all stand there in disbelief trying to decide what to do. One option is two doubles, but they really all want to live together. They decide to try the triples in Hetzel. They have two rooms,

and hopefully one can be converted into a quad.

Once at the Hetzel table, they wait in line for about five minutes before getting to the front and requesting a forced quad. "We don't do forced quads," says the man behind the table, Hetzel Hall Director Gavin Henning.

"You're kidding me!" says Esposito. "Oh s**t."

Their option now is again

not behind them. Everett goes back in and asks them why they aren't going out with them. "Let's all go back out now, and we can come back in together and get two doubles in the same dorm," she says. Gibbons looks skeptical.

Suddenly two of their friends notice them and ask what they are so upset about. Everett explains their situation. Their friend, Katherine

"**I had a great time last year, despite the swearing, pouting and foot stomping, and hope to again this year.**
—Eric Gregoire, Lord hall director

to get two doubles. However, only one of them, Gibbons, has a good number, and they were all going in on that number. Two would now have to go out and wait until the 500s go in. Henning tells them that there will be no doubles left by the number 500.

Everett begins to cry. All four of them are really upset. Splitting up was not supposed to be an option.

Everett and Dubois begin to walk out of the room and go get in line with the 500s, but Gibbons and Esposito are

Mooney, invites one of them to join her and her roommate in a triple.

After some quick deliberating, the four women decide this is a good plan. They find two triples on the Hetzel blueprints, rooms 27 and 28, and the rooms are right next to each other. They sign up for both rooms.

"Everything worked out for the best," says Gibbons. "But we're never doing this again."

"Next year we're going for an apartment!" says Esposito.

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Marching for an end to violence



Marchers participate in Take Back the Night on Thursday night.

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UNH office explores new recycling method

By JENNIFER DILLON
Staff Reporter

UNH scientists are doing their part for the environment by testing waste materials for use in roads.

The Recycled Material Resource Center, based at UNH, has been approved for federal funding by the Highway Bill, which is scheduled to pass in May. The bill will allow at least \$5 million for the Center's research over the next five years.

The Recycled Materials Resource Center is experimenting with waste such as coal, ash, dredge spoils, construction debris, glass and tires for use as fillers in concrete.

According to the Resource Center's director, Taylor Eighmy, these materials usually get put in landfills, but can be put to use in roads, providing that there are no environmental complications.

These potential environmental complications are what the Recycled Materials Resource Center is focusing on. With a group consisting of faculty, research scientists

and students, the center is trying to find out the causes of complications that arise when waste materials are added to concrete.

Structural engineering graduate student Tony Coviello is working on the structural part of the concrete. He said he'll study the concrete and tell the scientists whether or not the structure is capable of holding waste.

The most prominent experiment the Center is working on now involves concrete from Iowa.

Research scientist Brad Crannell said he and Coviello drove to Iowa and dug up a four foot by six foot section of the road. The concrete the road was made out of had waste in it that leaches out.

Coviello said they believe this happened because the concrete was made incorrectly. Crannell said another reason could be the way the concrete was laid in the road.

"When you pour concrete onto the road you go over it with a vibrating machine," Crannell said. "If you over-vibrate it, you knock out all the air bubbles."

“The ultimate goal of the process is to find out whether or not we can safely use waste materials in the roads, if we can then there will be less waste for landfills and less use of our natural resources for roads. It's like killing two birds with one stone.”
—Jeannie Spear, graduate student

According to Crannell, these air bubbles are needed to ward off natural elements, such as freezing, that wreak havoc on concrete. Without the air pockets, the concrete cracks and the waste leaches out, Crannell said.

In order to assure people that it was not the waste material that failed but the concrete, the Center is running a number of tests, three of which include aging concrete, said Coviello. They have created concrete exactly like the

Iowa kind and are having it undergo aging processes so it will be as old as the Iowa concrete.

One test involves the scientists cooking the concrete in a hot oven. "In effect, it will simulate close to 20 summers," said Crannell.

Another process is cyclical stress. This simulates having 18-wheelers drive over the concrete all day long. The third test involves freezing the concrete, melting it and freezing it again. This process cre-

ates cracks in the concrete's pores.

Once these processes are completed, the concrete should be the same as the Iowa concrete. That's where Environmental Research graduate student Jeannie Spear comes in. Spear said she will be crushing up and leaching the concrete after it goes through the aging process.

The scientists believe the waste materials will leach out of the concrete just as they did in the faulty Iowa concrete. If this happens, it will prove that it was the composition of the concrete that was at fault and not the waste materials themselves, since both batches of concrete will have been made the exact same way.

There have already been instances where waste materials in concrete have not leached.

"The ultimate goal of the process is to find out whether or not we can safely use waste materials in the roads, if we can then there will be less waste for landfills and less use of our natural resources for roads," Spear said. "It's like killing two birds with one stone."

Fun and games at Smith Hall's Fiesta



Sarah Parker/Staff Photographer

The Smith Hall Fiesta will take place today.

By JESSICA SMITH
For TNH

Warm weather, tasty food, music and laughter are all the ingredients needed in the Smith Hall's recipe for spring Fiesta.

Today from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Smith Hall will host its annual Fiesta. The Fiesta will be held outside the hall and on the dorm's first floor. The event is free to everyone.

Smith Hall, UNH's international specialty dorm, hosts several international programs each year: the Fiesta is one of their spring events. This will be the Fiesta's 15th year.

Rob Tower, a senior resident of Smith Hall, said one of the many purposes of the Fiesta is to promote diversity on campus. Tower said many of Smith's residents realize that other students think Smith Hall is only for international students.

"The Fiesta helps make people comfortable with the dorm," Towers said.

The Fiesta is a student-run event. The 87 residents are responsible for planning and managing the Fiesta. All of the residents are required to help organize and participate in the event.

Kate Dobe and Mark Polumbo are the general managers for this year's Fiesta. The general managers organize and coordinate Fiesta's seven committees, which include fundraising, budget, grounds and roads, vendors, games and booths, entertainment and publicity. The Fiesta is funded by SAF, the Student Activity Fee, and PFO, the Program Funding Office.

This year's event boasts local and international bands. Inca Sapi, a traditional Andes mountain music group, will play, as will the local band Say Zuzu. Other groups scheduled to

play are DJ Embe Safara, Loose Caboose and Wildest Dream.

Food is also an important part of the Fiesta. The food choices will range from The Licker Store cuisine to a "Taste of India" booth.

Smith Hall invites vendors and sell clothing and crafts representing various cultures. Face painting, piñata breaking, T-shirts decorating, origami demonstrations and other games will be part of the entertainment at the 1998 Fiesta. There will also be a dunk tank.

"We are very excited about the Fiesta. It is always good," Tower said. "We always have a decent turnout, but the weather is never as great as it could be."

Dobe, the general manager, said in the event of rain, tents will be set up. Most activities will continue as planned.

Recycle this TNH!

The Wildchild



a weekly random student spotlight

By CATHLEEN GENOVA
Staff Reporter

Jennifer Malkuns has a lot of hard work ahead of her.

The UNH junior is in the process of trying to get into the computer science program and will be an official CS major next semester.

But switching her major from psychology to this more-structured regimen of course work last year left her with no choice but to stay in school an extra year, because, according to Malkuns, computer science has what she calls "a chain of prerequisites," making it impossible to finish her degree within the next year.

"My adviser said to me, 'I would not wish this schedule on my worst enemy,'" Malkuns says.

The Engelhardt resident from Londonderry, N.H., says she "fought [her] parents for months" about attending UNH. Her final decision was made when her parents offered her \$40,000

for school and said she could either spend it on UNH and be debt free, or put it toward her dream — college down south — and have to pay back loans.

According to Malkuns, she is very happy with her choice.

"I love it here now," Malkuns says.

In her spare time away from the computer, Malkuns says she likes "just hanging out with [her] boyfriend and [her] roommate and [her] other friends." But when she has the time, the junior likes to travel.

"We have a summer place up north on Lake Ossipee," Malkuns says. "I like to water ski and tube."

But extending her vacations farther across the world, Malkuns says she also takes cruises to the Caribbean. In December, she sailed to Aruba, where she had the opportunity to scuba dive for the first time.

According to Malkuns, she chose her dorm based on its conditions. After spending freshman year as a resident of

Williamson Hall, Malkuns decided even though it "was really nice," she was tired of the noise and the mess.

"Coming home on a Friday or Saturday night, you'd be stepping over people in the hallway," Malkuns says. "It's nice and quiet here [Engelhardt]. People respect each other."

In high school, Malkuns says she played the clarinet and ran track, but since developing tendinitis during her college years, she hasn't been able to play any sports but wishes she could join her roommate on her intramural teams.

"I'd like to kick her in the butt," Malkuns says of her desire to surpass running and racquetball as the extent of her exercise.

After graduation, Malkuns says she'd like to "work with Web design and graphics." She says she'd like to do something a little different from her father's job — a database administrator — because it isn't exactly her thing. She would like to do something with a little more "color."



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Junior Jennifer Malkuns will spend an extra year at UNH completing her computer science degree.

Free speech limited at UNH, students say

By BEN GORMAN
For TNH

While trying to stage an advertising protest in UNH's dining halls, junior Steve Diamond was told, "Freedom of speech doesn't exist here."

According to Diamond and other students, this incident is an example of the ignorance and apathy that presents a challenge to students attempting to express their beliefs on campus.

When sophomore Adam Wilson, a member of the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), entered a speech by a Disney representative to protest Disney's ownership of sweatshops in third-world countries, officials from the MUB called the police.

"In today's society, where institutions and governments get away with violence towards human life, non-violent civil disobedience is a way to voice your opposition and inform these governments and institutions that their actions are not acceptable," Wilson said.

Diamond, a member of New Hampshire Youth Mobilization, directs his protest towards corporations such as MBNA, Stoneyfield Farms, and Kellogg's that occasionally advertise with promotions in the UNH dining hall lobbies.

"We're a captive audience," Diamond said. "Corporations have no fight to invade the campus, to move in on our learning process. It's really a relatively minor issue,

though. I'm more concerned with other issues like the prejudicial death penalty, and the fact that this campus and society isn't a genuine democracy.

For this reason, Diamond kept his protest more low key than usual, holding a sign at first, and then wearing a T-shirt reading, "Ads don't belong here." Diamond said he talked with people running the Stoneyfield Farms promotion and did not at any time raise his voice.

Philbrook Assistant Manager Terry Price called the police, who, while acting professional and non-antagonistic with Diamond, asked him to leave because he did not have a permit. According to Diamond, Price told him that "Free speech doesn't exist here." Price was unavailable for comment.

Similarly, Wilson said when the police arrived at his April 1 protest of the Disney employment presentation in the MUB, they were sympathetic, allowing him and his fellow protesters to stand in the back of the room with their signs as long as they remained quiet.

"We were just trying to make people think before they considered working for this company," said Wilson. "The police were very sympathetic and respectful. It is the speakers and the MUB staff who were ignorant."

Diamond said the rules regarding protesting in the student handbook are too broad and open to interpretation.

"Free speech activities are allowed in public areas on campus, which are defined as areas generally open to the public that do not serve a specific educational, administrative, research,

health, residential, dining, athletic or recreational purpose," Diamond said, quoting page 57 of the Student Rights, Rules, and Responsibilities Handbook. "What's that leave?" he asked.

According to Greg Sanborn, executive assistant to UNH President Joan Leitzel, the best places for students to stage protests are in the public areas of the MUB, the Thompson Hall lawn, and the other courtyards and lawns on campus. Sanborn said the rules in the Student Handbook are designed primarily to ensure safety, but also to ensure that protests do not interfere with facilities where UNH's operation occurs, and do not obstruct the flow of people.

"While the book says protests cannot occur in the dining hall, for example, exceptions can be made at the discretion of the administrator involved," Sanborn said. "Students would have to check with the administrator of one of those areas to get permission first, and they would have to get a permit from Chief Beaudoin before hand, to ensure that student safety is maintained."

Neither Wilson nor Diamond had obtained permits before their protests took place. Diamond said he has made some progress with administrators.

"I went to Stillings yesterday to protest Dining's advertisement policies," he said, "and they gave me some time at the beginning to voice my views."

Diamond has met with Associate Dining Director James Collins, who supports Diamond's right to speak.

"I want to stress that the relationship between Steve and I has been cordial from the

beginning. There was never any strife there," Collins said. "Steve was a gentleman, and his conduct was not disruptive. However, in the case of the incident at Philbrook, Dining was obligated to abide by UNH policy. I didn't have any problem with Steve's actions, but some customers might have felt that their dining was disturbed."

After Diamond and Collins met, they agreed that Steve could speak on behalf of his beliefs before Dining Promotions in a non-disruptive manner.

"I think [the promotions] are probably not an issue with students," Collins said. "I think it's more a form of entertainment than an advertisement. We also want to exhibit the brands we buy from, so that students know the dining halls serve quality products."

According to Collins, he has received positive feedback regarding dining hall promotions such as Starkist, Sylvia's, Kellogg's and Stoneyfield Farms.

"We appreciate the student's enjoyment of these activities," Collins said. "We appreciate their feedback, and hope to continue in the future."

Aside from administrative problems, Wilson and Diamond said student apathy was the greatest obstacle to protesting on campus.

"Only a few people changed their minds," said Wilson of the Disney protest.

"I don't know how to wake people up," Diamond said. "People don't want to see. They want to go about in what they perceive to be a perfect world, secure that their selfishness will provide for them. They want to be blind."

Service day stresses teamwork

By GIL GAETA
For TNH

With a new can of white paint and a dirty white wall marked with scrapes, nicks and outlines of little finger marks staring at her, Carey Colburn looks doubtfully at the paint can. She leans over and asks another member of her team of volunteers a question.

"Have you ever painted before?" says Colburn. "I've never painted before."

Painting the walls of A Safe Place in Portsmouth is just one of the few new odd jobs Colburn and her crew of volunteers will learn today during their four hours of community service.

Today, Sunday, April 26, is UNH's first annual Day of Service, which was organized by the Partnership for Social Action. The object of the event is for UNH students and faculty to donate their time and services to the communities. The event begins at 9 a.m. and lasts through 1 p.m., ending with a barbecue on the front lawn of Hamilton Smith.

According to Marianne

Fortescues, service learning coordinator and organizer of this event, the UNH community provides many volunteer services throughout the year to surrounding communities. This year alone, UNH has donated approximately 20,000 hours of volunteer services, with the combined efforts of 1,500 UNH students. The number of hours of service equals approximately \$250,000.

At 8 a.m., 75 volunteers crowd the halls of Hitchcock Hall, where the Day of Service begins. The hungry students are greeted with a mountain of bagels, coffee and juice before they file out into the courtyard to break into smaller volunteer teams.

There are seven sites at which the volunteers work today: A Safe Place in Portsmouth, HUB (Helping Universal Beginnings), Campus Sustainability, Durham Parks and Recreation, Hall House, Cooperative Extension, and Riverside Rest Home in Dover.

Carey Colburn, Fairchild hall director and coordinator of the event, will lead her

small group of volunteers, which includes sophomores Christine Fecteau, Christine Pereira and Hilarie Schubert, to A Safe Place to help clean the office.

Upon arrival at A Safe Place, Jenny Parker, an employee, greets them and explains the plans for the day.

Parker says A Safe Place is a location where people can go to escape domestic violence. The workers are constantly busy and have little time to do trivial tasks.

At 10 a.m., the group begins cleaning the walls, installing a new toilet paper holder and hanging blinds.

By 11 a.m., the windows are gleaming and the shelves are dust free.

Colburn wonders whether she will be able to finish painting the wall, as it is approaching 11:30 a.m., but she starts the work anyway. Pereira and Fecteau pick up rollers of their own and help out with the painting.

"It looks great," Colburn says with amazement. "What a difference."

The wall that was once stained with black marks and

small scrapes is now completely white.

"We have plenty of extra rollers," Parker says happily.

The walls gradually become cleaner and brighter. As the volunteers finish up, they stand back proudly to admire their work.

"This place looks great," Parker says. "You not only brightened the halls, but you will inspire the workers, too."

Pereira, who now wears a goatee of white paint on her face, paints her hands white. She places her whitened hands on the thighs of her tattered jeans. "Now I will always remember this day," says Pereira, as she points to the two white hand prints that now decorate her jeans.

As the women drive home for the barbecue at 1 p.m., the general consensus is that the day was not long enough.

"I wish we had more time," says Pereira, and the other women agree. Colburn smiles approvingly. She says she is glad that the students got so much out of the day.

Arriving at the barbecue, Schubert, whose job today is that of a service learner,

speaks to the group about reflecting on the services they have just provided.

"Our goal is to provide a place for people to reflect on the service they did," says Schubert. "It is to give people a better understanding of the service and help people do it more."

Schubert is part of a class that studies community change. Part of a project in her class is to help people reflect on the service they provide. It makes people want to volunteer again if they understand what they got from their volunteer work, she says.

Pereira says she gained a lot from the day's experience and she calls it a positive experience.

"What we did will enable them [the employees at A Safe Place] to do their job better," says Pereira.

Colburn agrees, saying she enjoyed her work and being part of a team of volunteers.

"It was exciting to be a planner and see all the pieces come together," says Colburn. "It was fun to be a part of the group doing the work."

Student to attend NASA program

By GIL GAETA
For TNH

A UNH student has been selected to participate in the NASA Astro Biology Space Academy this summer.

Nisha Bhatia, a third-year student at the University, has been selected as one of 15 candidates nationwide to attend the Academy.

The Space Academy is a highly competitive program. Fifteen students were selected this year, and only 10 were selected last year.

Bhatia said she is honored to be accepted into the program.

"I was surprised to be nominated," she said. "It was the last thing I expected. Then when I got in, it was amazing."

Candidates are nominated through their school. Donna Brown, director of the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP), nominated Bhatia.

The Space Academy is a 10-week program that begins June 21 and runs through Aug. 29. Participants will study about adapting to simulated gravity and the physiological changes that occur when the human body is exposed to different gravitational environments.

Bhatia, who is working toward a dual major in biology and English, said she has

always had an interest in space. She said she always dreamed of an opportunity like this but never thought it would happen to her.

Bhatia said she forgets how impressive the word NASA is when she speaks to people. She said recently when she spoke to parents at the open house for the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, she mentioned the space program to them.

"When I mentioned the word NASA their eyebrows went up," Bhatia said. It is at times like this, Bhatia says, that she realizes the significance of what she will be doing at the space academy.

Despite the recent attention Bhatia has received, she said she is still grounded.

"I feel like a real person," she said. "I still roller-blade and fall down. It has just been such a thrilling year for me."

This year Bhatia was nominated president of the Pre-Med. Club and helped make the club officially recognized through the University. The club, which began with four members, drew the attention of approximately 70 students at its first meeting of the year.

"She's been an exemplary pre-med. student," said James Pollard, professor of plant biology and Bhatia's adviser. "She's been involved in the campus community and local community in various ways. She's a strong leader."

According to Pollard, it is Bhatia's impressive academic record that earned her a position at the Space Academy.

"She's done a remarkable job of following through on her intellectual curiosity and has been able to reap the benefits," said Pollard.

But Bhatia insisted she did not do it alone. She attributes much of her success to the support of her parents, friends and professors at UNH.

Bhatia, who has always wanted to be a

doctor of geriatric medicine, said she is now realizing the many opportunities that space medicine has to offer. She will be studying alongside many doctors during her stay at the Space Academy this summer.

"This is such an extraordinary event," Bhatia said. "I hope I can do it justice."



Sarah Parker/Staff Photographer

Senior Nisha Bhatia is the founder of UNH's pre-med club.

SENATE from front page

because I lost," Starr said. "The system is wrong, and no one has ever said these things can't go on anymore. There were no police escorts [for transporting ballots] ... unattended ballot boxes and people adding votes through the computer system. It's not the fault of the election committee. The system just isn't foolproof."

Later, Devine Hall resident Emily St. Pierre asked Jackson and Starr, "Why wasn't this a problem the first time around when you got 30 percent of the vote?"

Student senate parliamentarian Eric Fournier said, "Unless someone can prove to me [tampering] happened and give me proof, I'm going to believe in my heart that it didn't happen."

Another heated discussion took place over whether or not *The New Hampshire* was biased or had been detrimental to the Jackson campaign.

Jackson and his supporters claimed that positive Forum pieces about he and his campaign were submitted but never run in the paper. He also said he felt that editorials and headlines painted

a negative picture of him to readers.

The editor-in-chief and managing editor of *The New Hampshire*, Rebecca Mahoney and Sean McNamara, were present at the meeting to answer questions and maintained that *TNH* had provided unbiased coverage throughout the elections.

However, many people felt

Sarah Burke, Scott Hall co-senator, said, "Yes, there is probably bias. There is bias in the world. We are all biased right now. It's a fact that we can't all stay objective forever."

She also said that the point she thought senate should focus on was that "the students [she] talked to felt like we made their votes null and void [after last week's election]."

which were printed in *The New Hampshire*.

In the April 28 issue of *The New Hampshire*, Starr wrote in a forum piece that "[Buzuvis] is a biased individual. She staunchly supported the Jandreau/Cummings campaign ... She also attended a Jandreau/Cummings campaign meeting in the beginning of the election season."

Buzuvis defended herself,

under any obligation to be nonpartisan in the paper."

She also pointed out that her comments referred to Jackson's past performance, not his current campaign, so they did not pertain to her position as election committee chair.

Cummings later stated, "I've been at every one of my campaign meetings, and I have never seen [Buzuvis] there."

Charges that campaign violations were not handled fairly were dismissed by Eric Fournier, who was in charge of dealing with complaints.

"All written violations were personally addressed by me," he said, adding that he took the initiative to correct all violations, such as extra Jandreau posters hanging in Hubbard Hall.

As the meeting drew to a close, Jackson said, "I didn't do this because I hate Brian. I didn't do this because I hate Cora. I didn't do this because I hate the senate. I did this because I feel there are things that went wrong. Some things have been cleared up in my mind. The worst result of all this is that things get shaken up. The best result is that things change."

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— Tito Jackson

that whether or not *TNH* was biased was irrelevant.

Former student senator Alex Henkel said, "It's not unfair, it's just life."

Erin Buzuvis was also questioned on her biases. It was noted that, earlier in the year, she had made negative comments about Jackson's leadership skills,

saying she never attended the campaign meeting and that "nowhere does it say I can't give a comment to a reporter about senate-related issues. I'm not

SHEEP from front page

blueberry—intact and healthy, as well as cause less disruption to insect and animal life than the mowers used to in the past.

The fact that they prefer to eat the species that PSNH wants to target is one of many reasons that Rambouillet sheep were chosen for use in this project. Broadbent explained that Rambouillet sheep are also ideally suited because they exhibit strong flocking behavior and have long legs that allow them to cover a great deal of ground. Another unique characteristic of the flock is that it is composed entirely of castrated male sheep to prevent unplanned mating.

One key detail of the plan is that the sheep will move over the stretch of transmission lines twice. Henry explained that the roots of the plants the sheep will be eating will die after the second time their leaves are "browsed off" by sheep. If the sheep were to pass over only once, the plants would replenish themselves.

If the plan works, the sheep will revisit the lines every five

years, following the same schedule that the lawn mowers usually take. Members of PSNH say they are optimistic, hoping that the sheep might eventually stretch out this increment of time to eight years, potentially saving the company money.

Martin Murray, media spokesman for PSNH, said that while this is still a pilot project and won't completely replace the use of mechanical mowers, he believes it will be a useful, additional tool for the company. He said PSNH often encounters difficulty with using mowers due to rocky terrain and other areas that are difficult to access.

"The sheep could solve some of these problems we encounter," he said.

Henry said he agreed.

"This isn't a silver bullet or an end-all, be-all answer, but it is another tool [that] utilities may be able to use to maintain transmission lines," he said.

"This is the first time we know of a utility company in New England using this technique on transmission lines," he added.



Holly Asselin/For *TNH*

PSNH will use sheep instead of machines to tame plants in Lee, Barrington and Newfields.

Marriott said the university "will be working with [Henry] to assess the economics of it all and see if it is feasible on a larger scale. If it seems to be, both for Bellwether and PSNH, it's something that might be expanded."

He added that there is

approximately 24,000 acres and 1,800 miles of land in New Hampshire crossed by transmission lines.

In the future, there could be opportunities available for the university to become even more involved with this project.

"I see a lot of potential

synergy with the university in this project," Henry said. "There are a lot of different ways the university is interested and is encouraging us. There will be a lot of opportunity for graduate students to become involved. I would say there are at least 100 master's theses in this project."

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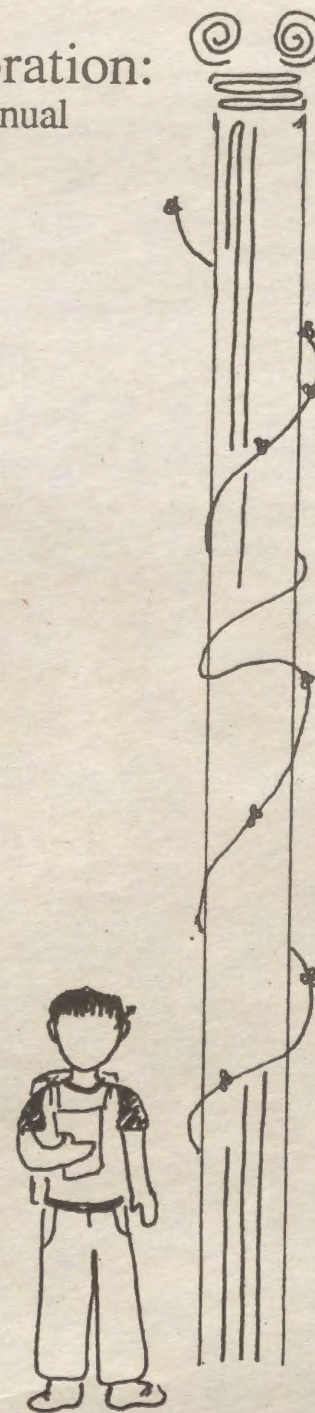
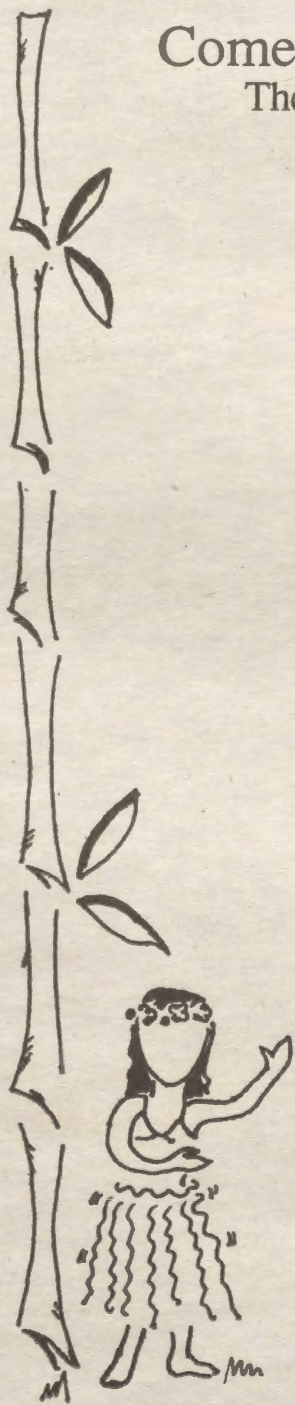
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THE WORLD AT A GLANCE

Recalled beef may be contaminated with E.coli

CHICAGO — More than a quarter-million pounds of ground beef is being recalled for potentially being contaminated with E. coli bacteria.

The Department of Agriculture says the 280 thousand pounds of meat has already been shipped to stores across the country.

The recalled amount represents a day's productions at an IBP plant. A USDA spokesperson says a routine test found the contamination.

Health departments in all 50 states have been altered to watch for cases of E. coli.

Arrest made in connection to Di's death

VIENNA, Austria — A man who's under arrest in Austria for being involved in an alleged plot to get 15 million dollars from Dodi Fayed's father could face charges in the United States.

Authorities say the Austrian man wanted Mohammed Al Fayed to pay him for documents alleging that Dodi Fayed and Princess Diana were murdered.

New abortion pill is successful in tests

BOSTON — The first formal test of the abortion pill R-U-486 in the United States found that it successfully ended pregnancies in most women.

The study found the drug was most effective when given in the first 49 days of pregnancy. In these women, it led to a nonsurgical abortion 92 percent of the time.

The longer a woman had been pregnant, the less likely the pill was to work.

Florida approves pro-life license plates

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A controversial specialty license plate bearing an anti-abortion message has been approved by the Florida legislature.

The legislature has approved about 40 of the specialty license plates but this would be the first to carry a political message.

Supporters say 75 percent of the \$20 charge for the plates will go to needy mothers and children. The rest is earmarked for adoption services.



WILDCAT WATCH

Student award winners announced

Winners of the annual UNH student awards represent the best and brightest among stiff competition. This year, more than 90 students were nominated by faculty and staff for 10 distinguished scholarships and awards.

The winners will be among a select group of students honored during a reception at President Joan Leitzel's home. They are as follows:

- * Class of 1899 Prize: Erica Brown, Hollis, senior;
- * Dean Williamson Award: Ashley Kamen, Lake Forest, Ill., senior;
- * Stephen D. Decesare Scholarship: Matthew Drayton, Foxboro, Mass., and Jill Wolski, Cambridge, N.Y., both seniors;
- * Erskine Mason Award: Robin Rosenbleeth, Henniker, senior;
- * Helen Dunkin Jones Award: Effie Wooley, Bridgton, Me., sophomore;
- * Gov. Wesley Powell Scholarship: Dawn Fournier, junior;
- * Frederick Smyth Book Fund Award: Derek Domain, Merrimack, and Christine Fecteau, Biddeford, Me., both sophomores;
- * Jere A. Chase Service Award: Alex Henkel, Keene, N.H., senior;

- * Hood Achievement Award: Jonathan Rice, Franconia, senior;
- * University Women's Awards: Erin Buzuvis, Keene, senior;
- * Parents Association Award: Christine Fecteau, Biddeford, Me., sophomore, and Erica Welch, Meriden, junior.

UNH evaluates state welfare reform program

UNH's School of Health and Human Services has been selected to evaluate the state's welfare reform program as part of a national effort to better understand how social policy changes are affecting people.

One of only 10 new ventures receiving federal support, the evaluation project is funded by a \$1.2 million grant awarded by the U.S. Administration for Children and Families to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services.

The money, being allocated over a five-year period, supports the work of a multidisciplinary team of UNH faculty and students, who are examining the affects of reform on both clients and the state welfare system.

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NEWS THAT HITS HOME

Concord Monitor gets visit from ex-convict

CONCORD — The ex-convict who showed up at the Concord Monitor Wednesday afternoon with guns told a reporter and editor he was facing a long prison term and didn't want to go back to jail.

Monitor editor Mike Pride said 25-year-old Todd Bonenfont of Franklin and Manchester told him and a reporter he had guns but they shouldn't be afraid.

About 60 people were in the building. No one was hurt. No hostages were taken. No shots were fired.

Bonenfont surrendered peacefully.

N.H. may be in the dark this summer

CONCORD — New Hampshire customers could find themselves in the dark if it gets too hot in New England this summer.

New England power officials say they expect power supplies to meet this summer's projected demand, which is up from last year thanks to economic development in the region. They say power outages are possible if the region experiences an extended heat wave, extremely heavy demand or many unplanned outages.

Dover man who shot girlfriend had past record

DOVER — Authorities say a man who shot his ex-girlfriend and then killed himself in Dover Tuesday night was arrested for assaulting her in January.

Twenty-seven-year-old James Golightly of Dover was charged in March with grabbing his ex-girlfriend, 26-year-old Traci Winship of Dover, by the throat and holding her against a wall. He was released on bail.

Winship was arrested on the 18th for possessing a revolver, which police confiscated, in violation of the order. Again, he eventually was released on bail.

Blue Cross Blue Shield sues tobacco companies

MANCHESTER — Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Hampshire joined Blue Cross Blue Shield plans in 36 states in filing lawsuits against tobacco companies on Wednesday.

The company says tobacco products are responsible for rising health care costs for smokers and non-smokers.

The lawsuits allege conspiracy, fraud, misrepresentation, violations of federal racketeering and antitrust laws and other claims.

COLLEGE BEATS



Amendment to affect university admissions

MADISON, Wis.— The Riggs Amendment, a proposed addition to the Higher Education Act prohibiting preferential treatment in university admission procedures nationwide, is up for debate before the U.S. House of Representatives this week.

Introduced by Rep. Frank Riggs, R-California, the amendment would prohibit all federally funded universities from mentioning race, ethnicity or gender in the application and admissions processes.

Jenny Simon, coordinator of Associated Students of Madison's Higher Education campaign, said that if passed, Riggs' amendment would prohibit UW System schools from achieving their diversity goals.

Yale: Chinese dissident urges democracy

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Change has come slowly to the People's Republic of China — too slowly for many impatient activists who have given up the seemingly futile struggle for human rights. But prominent Chinese dissident Wei Jingsheng refuses to quit.

Wei, recently released from prison

after 19 years of torture and solitude, spoke to a crowded, excited audience yesterday at the Yale Law School auditorium for forum on human rights.

Wei was arrested and tried in 1979 for advocating the "fifth modernization" — democracy — in a December 8, 1978 Peking wall poster.

Barnes & Noble a threat to small-town colleges

PHILADELPHIA, Penn. — America's bastions of higher learning are sporting a decidedly corporate aspect in what was once the least likely of places — the bookstore.

Penn's bookstore is one of 350 operated by the industry leader, Barnes & Noble College Bookstores Inc. The bookstore will double its size to 50,000-square-feet when it moves to a new location in Sansom Common, on the 3600 block of Walnut Street, in July.

The impending presence of a University superstore has caused many to question the future of independent area bookstores.

The stories of two other college towns where Barnes & Noble has recently control of the university bookstore — State College, Pa., and New Haven, Conn. — helps shed light on the impact the entrance of a national chain can have on local independents, for better and for worse.



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WEEK IN GREEK

Order of Omega members announced

Order of Omega is a Greek Honor Society that recognizes outstanding Greek members on their academics and involvement within their chapters and community. This is a newly formed honor society at UNH. The Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils would like to congratulate the new members.

Amy Schluensen—Alpha Xi Delta	Michael Bonfanti—Tau Kappa Epsilon
Phaedra Starr—Alpha Phi	Jenna Carlisle—Alpha Phi
Lynn Pariseau—Alpha Chi Omega	Caitlin Morrisroe—Kappa Delta
Mary Ellen Healy—Chi Omega	D.J. Haskins—Alpha Tau Omega
Jamie Denuccio—Chi Omega	

Kappa Delta congratulates new sisters

Katy Chase
VP Public Relations

The sister of Kappa Delta would like to congratulate the Spring 1998 pledge class on their initiation. Initiation was held on Saturday, April 25, 1998. The members of this pledge class are:

Lesley Lendh	Tanya Bergeron
Elisa McGovern	Christine Creed
Christine O'Donnell	Jennifer Cushing
Diana Taylor	Amy Dickert
Melissa Thompson	Kate Forbush
Joy Wright	

Congratulations Girls!
Love and AOT, your new sisters

The New Hampshire strives to give Greek system members the opportunity to publish any events, past or upcoming, in the paper. The New Hampshire's news staff covers Greek events which include all Greek members.

All submissions for Week in Greek are due Wednesdays by 1 p.m., and must include the writer's name and title.

Questions? Call 2-1490

Phi Mu Delta adopts a highway

Tim Kenney
Phi Mu Delta

The Brothers of Phi Mu Delta have recently joined the adopt a highway program of New Hampshire. We are in charge of cleaning up a section of 155A, from Route 4 all the way up to 153. This stretch of road is about two miles in length and is to be maintained by the brotherhood year round.

The Brothers would also like to congratulate our five newly inducted brothers: Justin Rainy, Jeff McDonald, Greg Sargent, Mike Musto and Matt Sasso.

On Saturday the 25th, PMD ran a dunk tank in C-Lot for Spring Fling. The money we raised went to support the Neely Fund. We would like to thank all those who participated to make it a success.

Phi Kappa Sigma offers best wishes

Phi Kappa Sigma

The brotherhood of Phi Kappa Sigma is proud to congratulate David Boissonnault, Mark Makmann, and Ryan Trout for their successful completion of the spring pledge program. With great spirit and dedication, these men have met the challenge of bettering themselves through learning and adopting ideals that promote strength, leadership and responsibility. We are pleased to now have these men as members and wish them the very best as they continue to grow into the leaders of tomorrow.

Greeks show support in walk

Members of the Greek system took part in a three mile walk around downtown Portsmouth on Sunday April 19, 1998 for Sexual Assault Support Services. This walk was to raise money and awareness about sexual violence. "It's not just women," said walker John Hanna Jr., a member of TKE. "Anyone can be a victim." Many member of the Greek system were among the 300 others who walked the walkathon. Congratulations to all that attended!

Congratulations from Sigma Phi Epsilon

Prescott Yee
Sigma Phi Epsilon Secretary and IFC Representative

The brothers of Sigma Ep would like to congratulate all those recipients who received an award at this year's annual Greek awards banquet. We would especially like to congratulate this year's Outstanding Greek Junior of the Year, Ned Gillice, who is one of our distinguished brothers. Ned is currently the public relations chair for the Interfraternity council and also serves as the vice president of programming for our chapter. Also, we would like to congratulate Justin Lundstedt, who was nominated for Greek Man of the Year. Without his efforts and many of our seniors, we would not be Sig Ep as it is known today. Congratulations to all and to a successful Greek week.

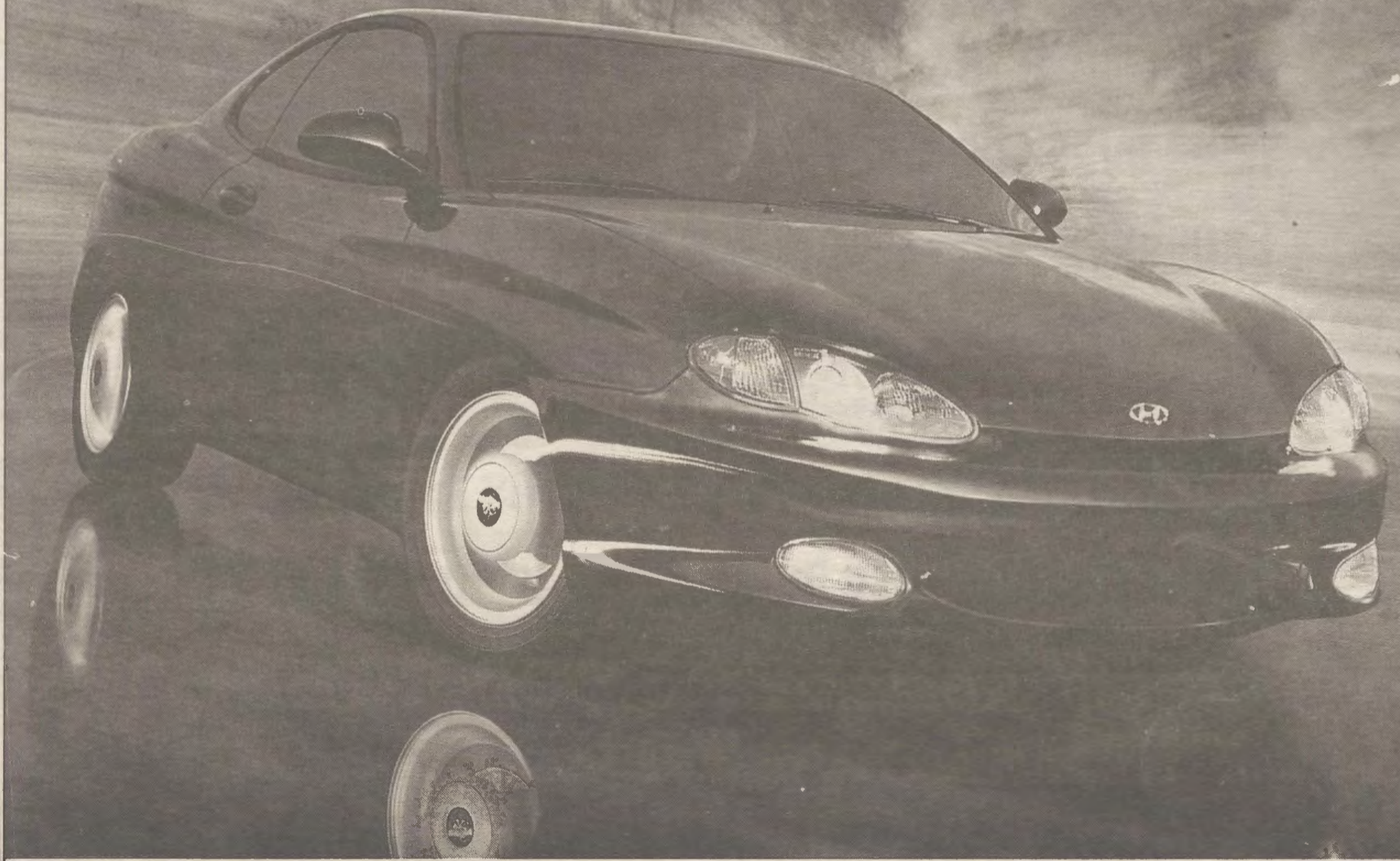
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ON THE SPOT



Erin Clough
sophomore
marine
biology



"I think it's real crazy, and I think it's a bunch of crap."

Shawn Wagner
sophomore
business



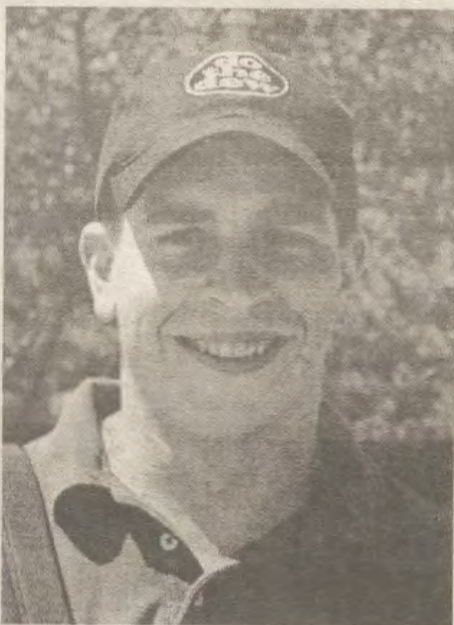
"Twist and shout."

Jessica Biron
sophomore
business



"Once I lost the spelling bee... and I cried too."

Pete Marr
sophomore
business



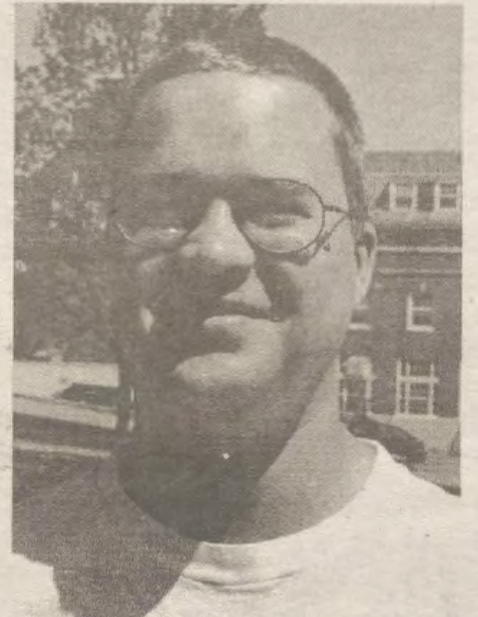
"I hope we can learn from these mistakes for next year."

Lorrice Bedard
hall
director
mini-dorms



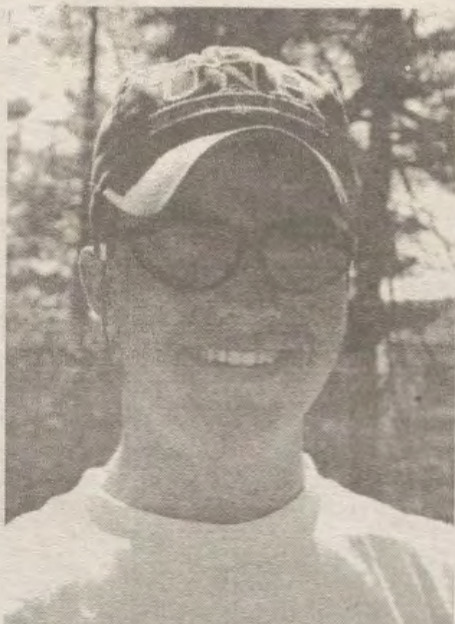
"I hope everyone can put as much energy to support the student government next year."

Bob Scheele
senior
recreational
management
and policy



"I really hope that this doesn't question or put in doubt the integrity of our student leaders."

Pete Manning
sophomore
wild life
management



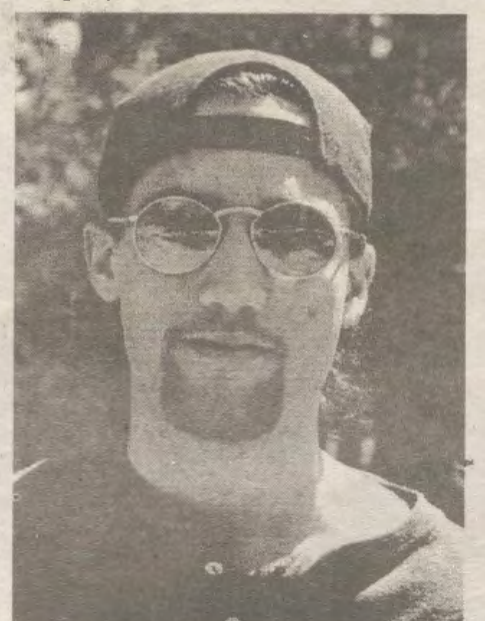
"Jackson needs to suck it up and take it like a man."

Kristy Falcon
sophomore
recreation
management
and policy



"The Elections are important, and the committee should have made sure there were no questions to begin with."

Chris Breuder
sophomore
political
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"I didn't even know we had elections."

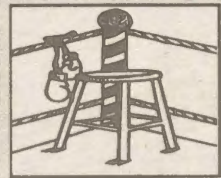
EDITORIAL

TNH's wish list for Brian and Cora

So Brian Jandreau and Cora Cummings are officially our new student body president and vice president.. The *TNH* staff has a few extra promises to extract from our newly elected leaders:

- No more tuition increases
- Bring back baseball
- Appoint an in-state student trustee
- Free Ritalin from Health Services
- Allow goldfish in dorms
- Students on every committee
- Any student senator who is on a high school student council power trip gets the boot immediately
- Respect for *TNH*
- Open faculty senate meetings
- Tricycle races on President Leitzel's new walkway
- Support for WIRC next year
- The introduction of SBP term limits
- Allow halogen lamps on campus again
- More money from the state
- Student recruitment from Sweden
- Give us back B-lot
- Air the last Seinfeld on big screens on T-Hall lawn
- A working train system between Durham and Boston
- PrimeTime open until 10:30
- A permanent ban on all "It's all about U" posters
- Peacocks on campus. Everywhere.
- More communication between administrators and students
- A promise to leave your positions as SBP/VP with grace and dignity next May
- No lobsters, farm animals or potatoes allowed in the office of the student body president

Jumping into the ring



By Chris Benenati

The Dream has become a nightmare!!!

In the April 7 edition of *TNH* there was a list of demands presented by the Black Student Union to President Leitzel. Among others on the list there were demands for 18 additional black faculty, an African American population of at least 500 by the year 2004, and the creation of a university plan for the recruitment and retention of black students. This issue has not been addressed and is long overdue.

I am appalled at this demand for racist policies and outright discrimination.

Despite opinions to the contrary, specifically seeking out employees and students who are black is racist. In an effort to rid our society of the cancer of racism that has so long plagued us, it is clear that we are going in the wrong direction. As evidenced by the above demands, we are not 'judging people by the content of their character rather than the color of their skin.'

How can we expect to create a color-blind society when race is the primary focus? This approach is ineffective and wrong.

To achieve our goal we must view people as individuals and not merely as just a part of a group. We must fight racism and discrimination in all forms. UNH must set an example to the world as a center for higher learning where we 'live out the creed that we are all created equal.' We must concern ourselves with things other than what someone looks like.

In doing this we will create an environment of true non-discrimination, attractive to people of all racial, social, and economic backgrounds. This will nurture a diversity and acceptance of all peoples, rather than the social segregation which is so prevalent.

I challenge all UNH students, regardless of current group affiliation, to accept the self-evident truth that we are all created equal. Only when this is done can we truly see one another, first and foremost as human beings, not races.

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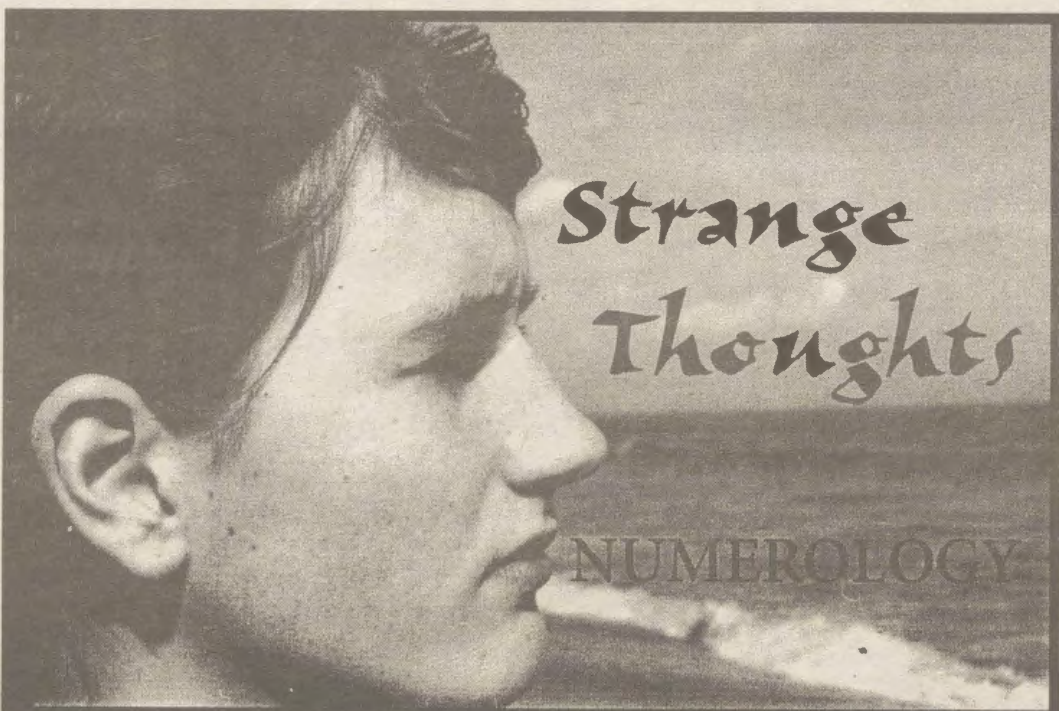
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By JEREMY CORCORAN
Staff Reporter

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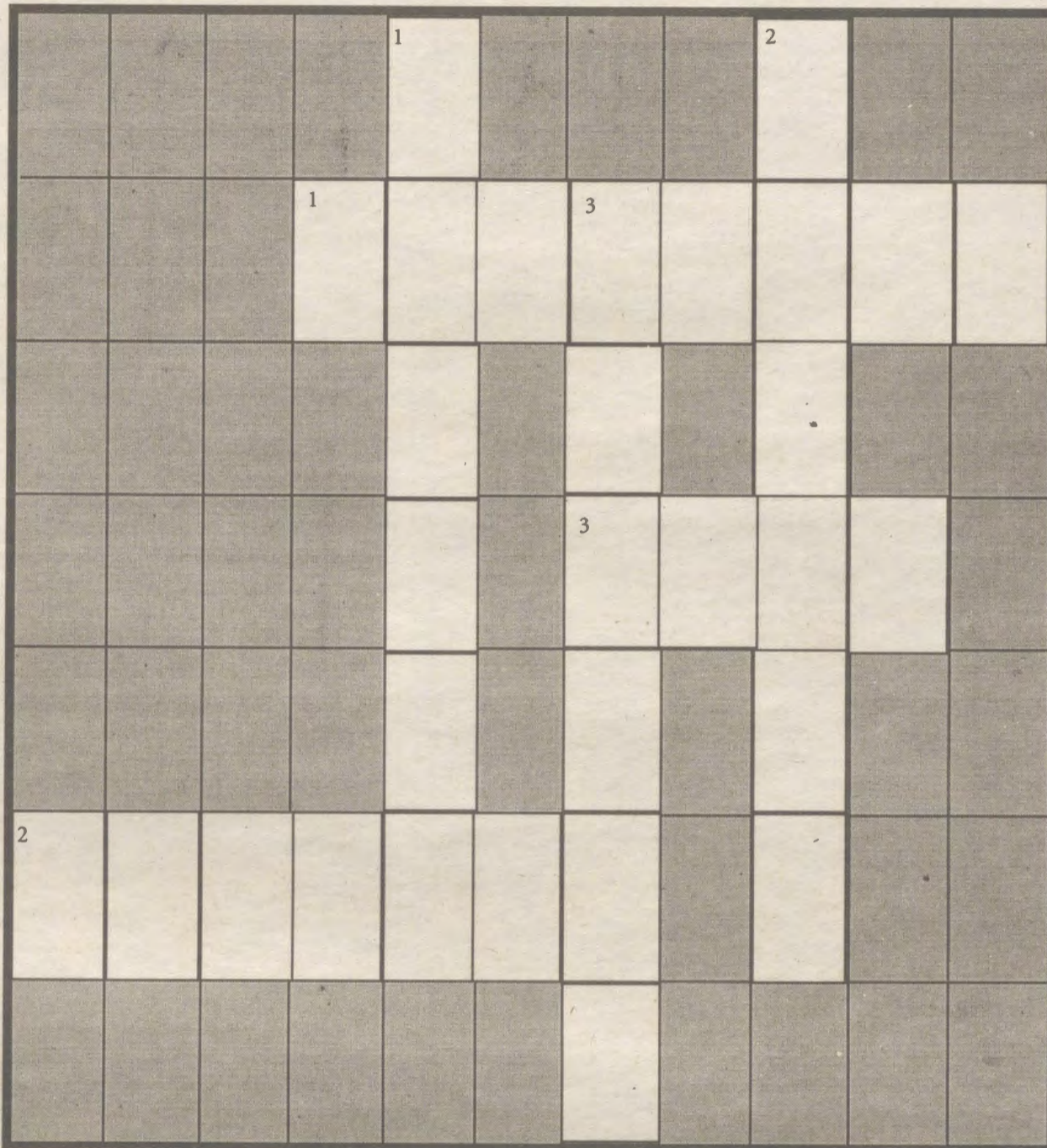
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Horoscopes

By Kiana Minkle/ TNH Psychic

Aries- You will have a productive weekend. Use it wisely.

Taurus- Spend some time with family and friends. Studying can wait till Monday.

Gemini- You feel rushed lately to get things done. Take a moment and relax for a change.

Cancer- You will come into a good sum of money soon.

Leo- A friend will turn against you. Keep your eyes open.

Virgo- A bad fight could erupt this weekend. Try to play mediator and keep things under control.

Libra- At a party, you may be tempted to do things you wouldn't normally do. Stand your ground.

Scorpio- Romance is looking good for this weekend. What you think will happen will.

Sagittarius- A loved one has done something to upset you. Call them and talk about it. Work things out.

Capricorn- You have weird dreams. Write them down so that you can figure them out later.

Aquarius- A psychic vision will come to you briefly, and will help you make a hard decision soon.

Pisces- Be careful if it rains. Bad luck is sure to follow.

d ARTS Exclusive!!! L.L. Cool J @ The Whitt —

By ERIN O'LEARY
Staff Reporter

L.L. Cool J rocked the party last Wednesday, despite a delay that proved nearly-lethal to some fans who anxiously awaited L.L.'s arrival for an hour, in horde formation.

The rapper's performance lasted a short 40 minutes. However, L.L. Cool J's 15 years of experience was evident by his crowd-pleasing crooning, grinding, and sexualized performance

of his world-renowned smorgasbord of mainstream hip hop flava.

The crowd alternated between live and beat, and by the end of the set, half the audience was begging for more. The older portion of the crowd, a.k.a. most UNH students, seemed satisfied with the short show and fatigued from the long wait combined with post-buzz delirium.

With an elaborate stage adorned by dancers, fog and crazy lights, L.L. pounded out a

continuous medley of crowd-pleasing favorites. You had your "Doin' It," "Loungin'," "I'm the Type of Guy," and "Around the Way Girl." Much to my disappointment, my personal fav, "Goin' Back to Cali" was mysteriously void from the play list, however.

The crowd, especially the ladies, loved it though.

"I wish every time I touched my balls, a thousand women screamed," I heard one guy remark.

After the show, one of my SCOPE buddies mentioned that I could interview L.L., so that was

exciting. Backstage, his six dancing divas and road crew packed up and relaxed.

While I was waiting for you-know-who, I had the opportunity to talk to his dancers and staff. They explained that UNH was one show on a tour of three months, and they had a few days of here and there throughout the duration. That means a different city every day.

"Okay, goldilocks, come on in," L.L.'s tour manager beckoned. I entered L.L. Cool J's lair.

There he sat, on a Whit cen-

ter couch. So fine.

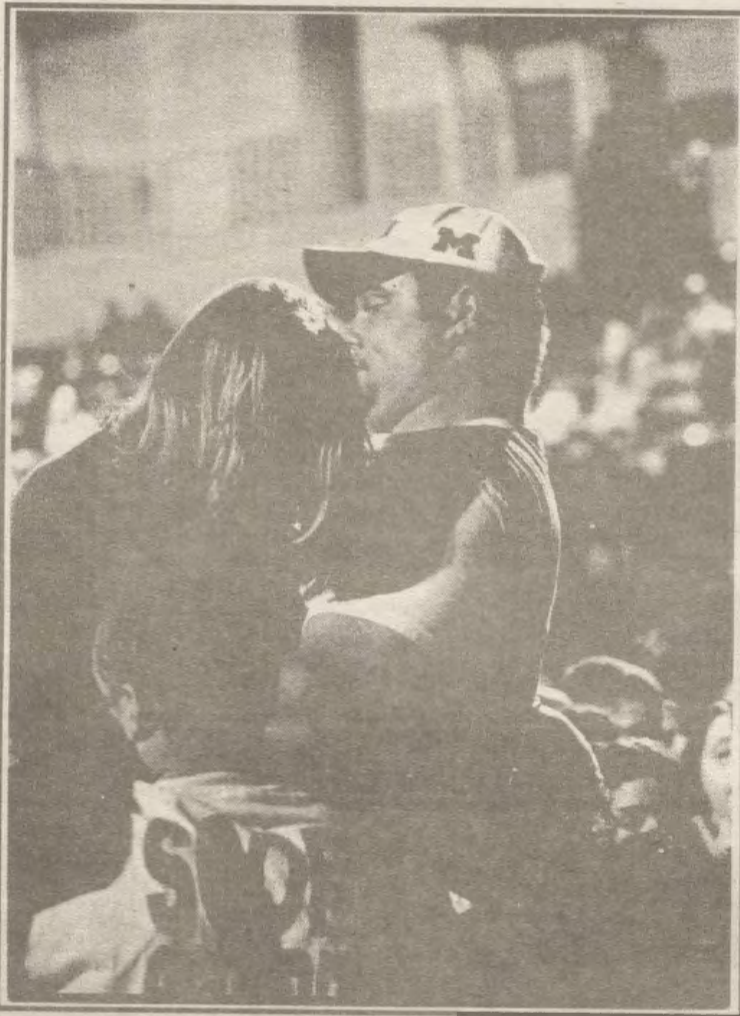
He was organizing a plate of pink sweet tarts into circular patterns and looked up at me to introduce himself.

"Hi, I'm L.L. Cool J."

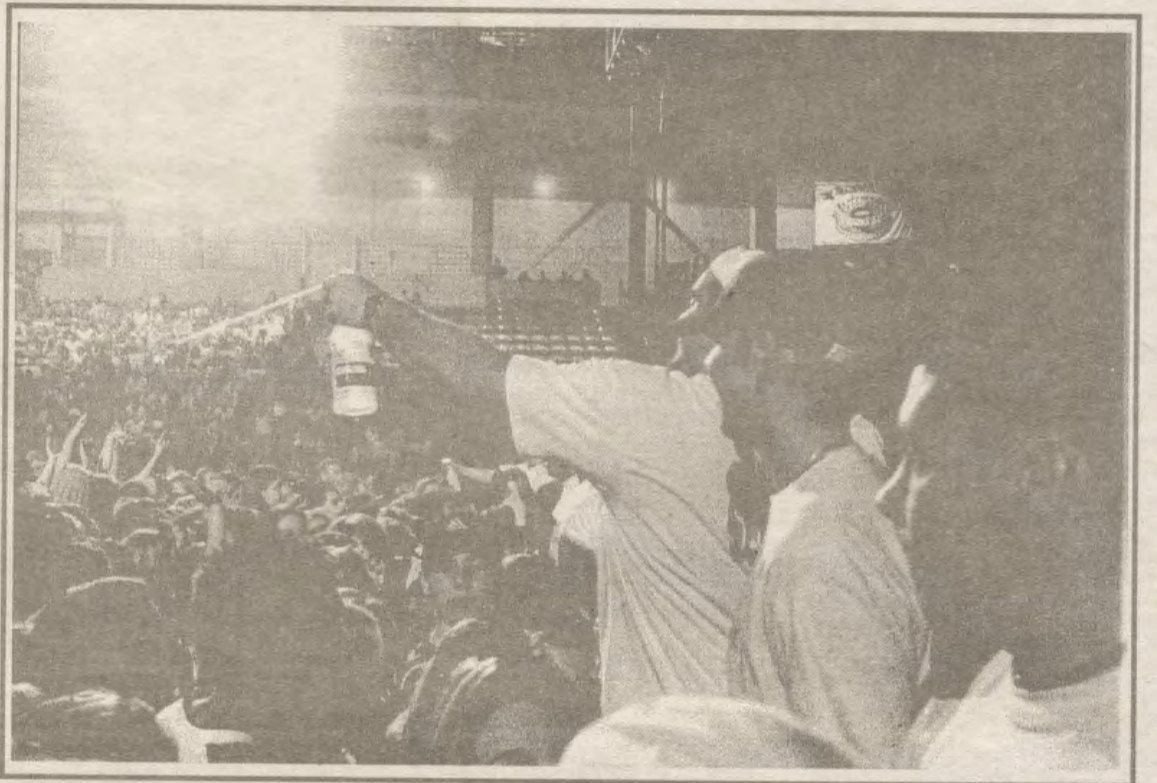
"Uh, hey, what's up L.L. ... I'm Erin," I said quasi-confidently, like I hang out with millionaire MTV icons everyday or something.

I apologized for being an annoying reporter and then asked what he never gets interviewed about that he wished more media people would focus on.

"The main thing that is im-



The nearly-lethal wait.



Above: Mob scene.
Right: An L.L. dancer.



He's a natural performer.



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portant to me is kids," he said. "I think in this hip-hop game, we must always remember God, life and positive energy. We have to understand the power of love, God and righteousness because that makes the universe tick."

He said people have a tendency to go after excitement and shock value and forget about God.

"I've always been positive. As I've matured in the business, I've become more thankful that I'm able to be here as an artist," he said.

"From '84 till '98, I've been able to use my career as a catalyst for sending positive messages."

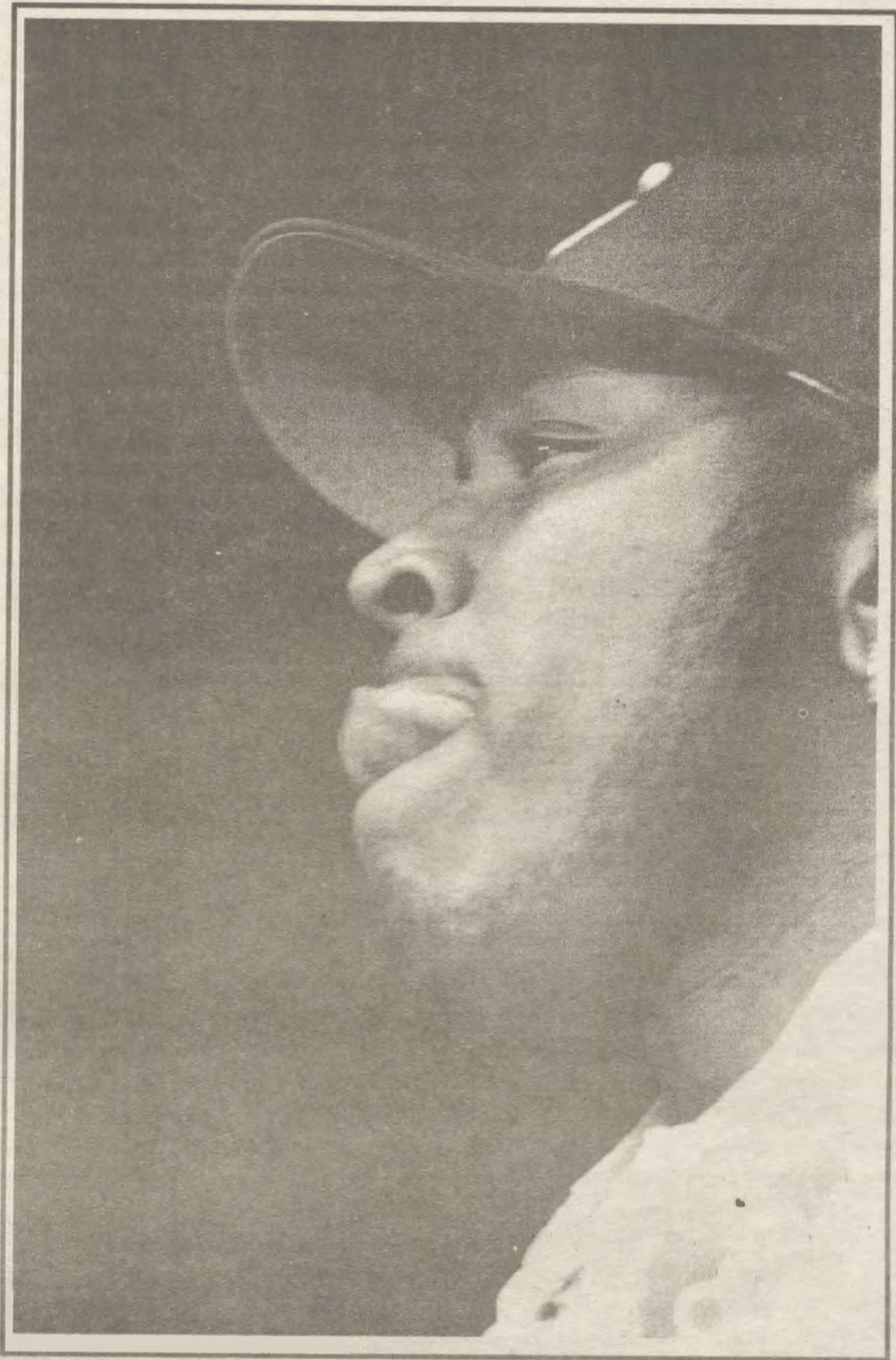
His eyes were bright beneath wire-rimmed glasses and his famous dimples were so damn cute.

"Sometimes you want to lay back in the bathtub and say 'I'll retire.' I never thought I'd get to that point," he said. "I'm not even 30 yet - I'm not even hardly there! I love the energy of performing, and when a crowd is so live and happy."

How does he like fame? ☺

"I don't consider myself famous. Maybe well-known," he said. "You know what, it's not that bad."

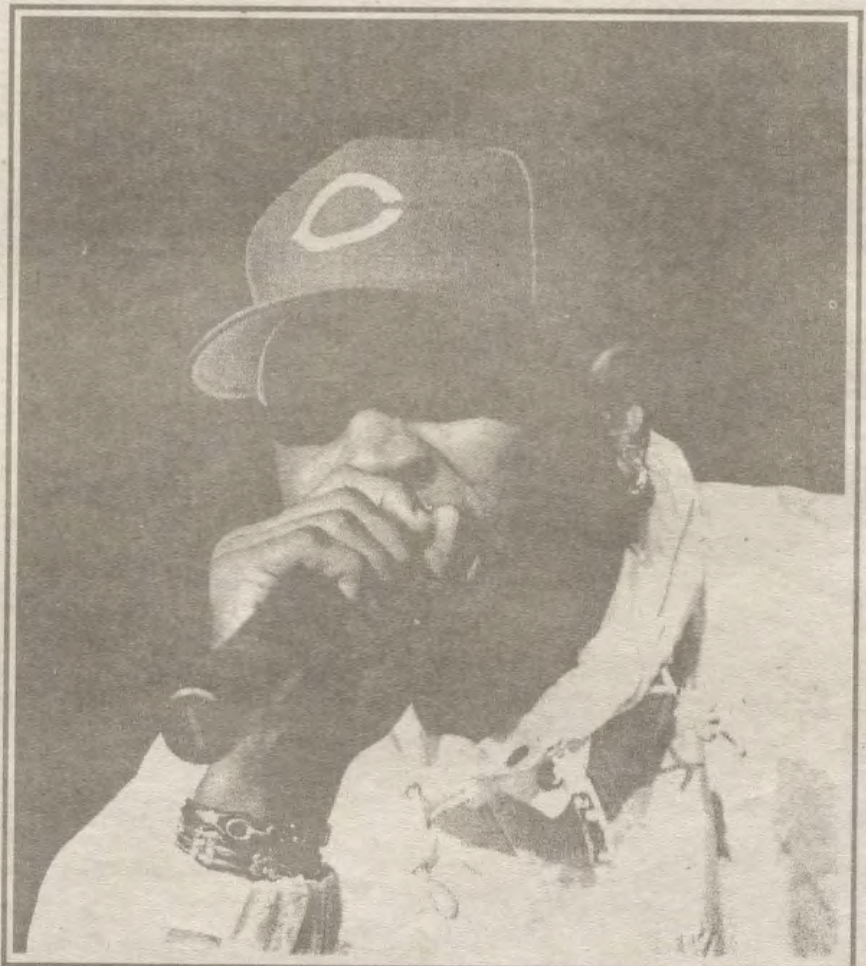
"But you know, you walk in your front door and you're not famous anymore."



AAWW YEAH!!!!



Let me out!



All photos by Chris Rowe

Zapped through time with Vonnegut, Trout

By JEREMY CORCORAN
Staff Reporter

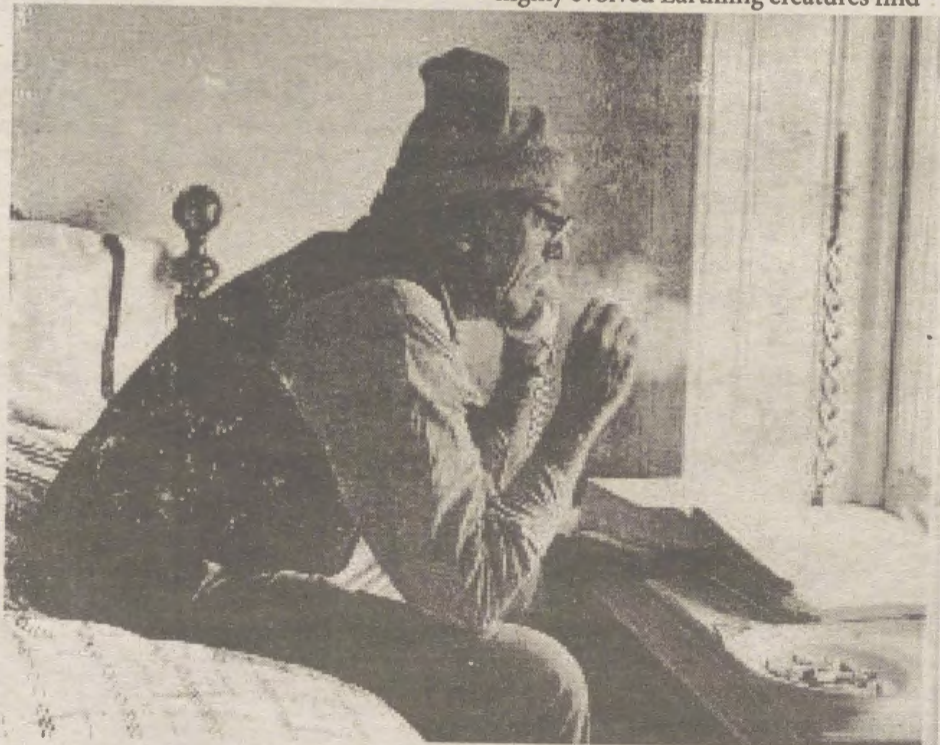
On February 13, 2001, at precisely 2:27 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, the Universe decided to stop expanding and then changed its mind. As a result, everyone on Earth was zapped back to the year 1991, without free will, forced to repeat everything they had done in the past ten years all over again.

This is the premise of Kurt Vonnegut's latest novel, "Timequake," a book he worked on for nearly a decade before deciding to trash it and start over.

"It wasn't even fit for shark chum," he writes.

The original story, which he calls "Timequake 1," was hacked apart and used as a frame for the rewrite, a blend of science fiction, memoir, and uncouth jokes. Using a chronologically altered, autobiographical style reminiscent of earlier novels "Breakfast of Champions" and "Palm Sunday," Vonnegut openly explores his own strange, yet profound, thoughts and observations, on everything from the human race to his own family.

In "Timequake," Vonnegut skips forward and backward through time, at one moment talking about a fictional clambake at a writer's retreat on the Rhode Island coast in the year 2001, another moment telling the story of his older brother Bernie's struggle to understand art, the next page describing his sister Allie's death by cancer. His ramblings are sometimes hard to follow, but always interesting. It's hard to put this book down.



courtesy photo

Kurt Vonnegut smoking a Pall Mall. He says of his career before becoming a writer: "I thought maybe I could be some kind of half-assed scientist, since that had been my education." He is the author of 19 books.

Popular writer's last novel a hilarious success



illustration by Kurt Vonnegut

"Out-of-print science fiction writer Kilgore Trout in Cohoes, New York, in 1975, having learned of the death of his estranged son, Leon, in a Swedish shipyard, having given his parakeet, 'Cyclone Bill,' his freedom, and about to become a vagabond"

As protagonist, Vonnegut attacks modern culture, notably the emergence of television and the subsequent decline of literacy and art appreciation in America, and the failure of the nuclear family to provide the same security and heritage as an extended family. These are just some of the reasons why even "the most highly evolved Earthling creatures find

being alive embarrassing or much worse," he writes.

Supporting character Kilgore Trout, the popular fictional sci-fi writer whom Vonnegut fans remember from "Breakfast of Champions," has a knack for inventing bizarre short stories, which prove to be allegories related to the major themes of this book.

The interplay between these two characters is the most effective and striking aspect of the novel. It is the reason why this book is so addictive. Nobody can deliver a punchline as effectively as Kurt Vonnegut. Consider the following excerpt from "Timequake:"

"I wouldn't have missed the Great Depression or my part and World War Two for anything. Trout asserted at the clambake that our war would live forever in show biz, as other wars would not, because of the uniforms of the Nazis."

It is in these anecdotes that Vonnegut's genius is evident—a simple (and slightly awkward) joke is really a subtle criticism of the media and United States foreign policy.

Vonnegut's ability to create far out, imaginative stories and awkward jokes that are really striking allegories is unparalleled, but in "Timequake" they are at times a little too obvious, their morals and punchlines redundant. It wears thin after a while—especially some of the memoir (especially the stories about his family and his experiences in the war) that has already been used in some of his previous books.

The tiresome memoirs are more than redeemed by the original, inventive humor of Kilgore Trout. Through Trout's voice, Vonnegut pokes fun at human nature, history, religion, the politically correct, life, and death. For instance, after the timequake ends, Trout pens a short story entitled "My Ten Years on Automatic Pilot."

"Here is what Trout said when he realized that the ten-year rerun was over, that he and everybody else were suddenly obligated to think of new stuff to do, to be creative again: 'Oh, Lordy! I am much too old and experienced to start playing Russian roulette with free will again.'"

Vonnegut allows us to laugh at life, yet expresses despair at the direction our culture is headed. "Timequake" depicts a future where the

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"Timequake"
By Kurt Vonnegut
G.P. Putnam's Sons
New York
219 pp. Hardcover

environment has been abused, where people are callous and indifferent towards fellow humans, where the words "FUCK ART" have been spraypainted across the doors of the American Academy of Arts and Letters—by the Academy itself!

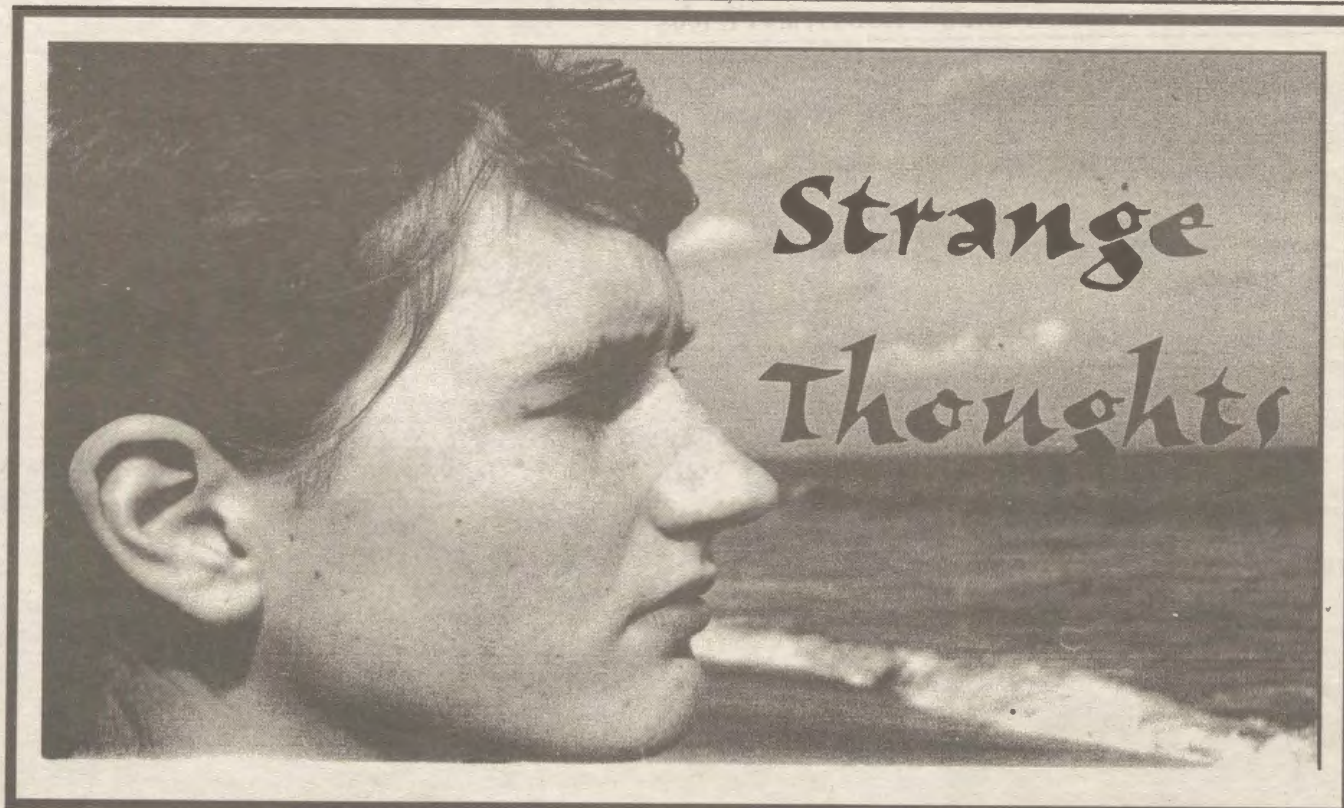
Vonnegut's imagined future is a satire of present society. In this respect, "Timequake" continues in the tradition of his earlier science-fiction works such as "Cat's Cradle," "The Sirens of Titan," and "Breakfast of Champions;" books that influenced generations of writers and elevated Vonnegut to the status as one of America's most inventive and popular writers.

Only Kurt Vonnegut can get away with writing such an unstructured novel. Despite a non-existent storyline and the inclusion of recycled material from some of his older works, "Timequake" is brilliant.



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Writer, critic, painter and philosopher, Kurt Vonnegut. He says of life: "We are here on Earth to fart around. Don't let anybody tell you any different."



Numerology

Numerology. It's the secret power of numbers that has been around for millions of years. Recent interest in this ancient wisdom has resulted in books on the topic, showing people how they can calculate their own personal numbers, as well as many websites devoted to helping you find out what those numbers mean. A few websites I checked out even calculated the numbers for you, presuming you had typed in your full name and birthdate.

A simple number chart is used in numerology. It consists of the numbers 1-9, with the alphabet arranged underneath.

Using this chart, one can begin to calculate their own life lesson number, their Soul Urge number, the Outer Personality number, and many more.

The Life Lesson Number

The life lesson number is based upon your birthdate. Add together the digits of the month, year, and date of your birth, until you get a single digit. If you get the numbers 11 or 22, keep them as they are. These are master numbers and stay as double digits. Otherwise, the numbers are reduced to a single digit in all cases. Once you have added them all together, you will have your Life Lesson number.

The Life lesson number helps your soul

to grow. It is the number that reveals what you are, the path you have before you, and the choices you can make, all dependent on your birthdate.

by Kiana Minkle

The Expression (Path of Destiny) number

Write out your full name, including any middle names. Place a value on each letter, according to the number chart. Then, add the letters of your name together, until it is a single digit, or a master number. This is your Expression number.

The Expression number the number that shows us who we are, as a whole. It gives the overall picture of you and your identity in the world. It is the number that guides us in choosing a career.

The Soul Urge Number

Taking the vowels from what you have already written out for the Expression number, and adding them together, you will get the Soul Urge number.

The Soul Urge number reveals the inner you, the you that only a few people may see. It shows your individualism. Whatever we long for is represented by this number. It is what motivates us, what we dream about.

Now that you have these numbers, what do they mean? Look on the number meaning chart for a basic rundown of what the numbers stand for, and the general concepts associated

with each number.

The number meaning chart is by no means the definitive summary of the numbers. If you are interested in learning more about the numbers that rule your life, then just hop on the internet, type numerology into any search engine, and you'll be well on your way. Or you could check out a few books that teach you all you'll ever need to know on the subject.

Your name and birthday aren't the only numbers that affect you. Take your phone number, and reduce it to a single digit by adding the numbers together. What number does it reduce to? How about your street address, or mailbox number? Social security number? Maybe a specific nickname you have could be affecting the way you live. It's all possible.

And with numerology, you can learn to decipher the language numbers speak in your world and life.

The Life Lesson number:

ex: June 13, 1977

June=6th month=6

1+3=4

1+9+7+7=24=2+4=6

6+4+6=16=1+6=7

7 is the Life Lesson Number!

Expression

number:

ex:

Bruce | Lee | McHardy

2 9 3 3 5 | 3 5 5 | 4 3 8 1 9 4 7

Add together all the numbers.

Bruce=2+9+3+3+5=22 (keep as 22)

Lee=3+5+5=13=4

McHardy=4+3+8+1+9+4+7=36=9

22+4+9=8

Bruce McHardy's Expression number is 8!

Soul Urge Number:

ex: Taking only the vowels from the name above, we would get:

Bruce=3+5=8 (u+e)

Lee=5+5=10=1 (e+e)

McHardy=1 (a)

8+1+1=10=1

Bruce McHardy's Soul Urge number is 1!

Numerology Chart

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	

What the numbers mean

- 1-bold, original, independent, active, a leader
- 2-attentive, understanding, adaptable, psychic, patient
- 3-diverse, creative, highly social, expressive, fun, attractive
- 4-stable, practical, disciplined, responsible, loyal, frugal
- 5-versatile, resourceful, adventurous, curious, unattached
- 6-domestic, nurturing, beautiful, compassionate, responsible
- 7-quiet, reclusive, analytical, philosophical, aloof, inventor
- 8-powerful, responsible, financially adept, sound judgment
- 9-compassionate, patient, tolerant, humanitarian, selfless
- 11-inspirational, idealistic, adept at teaching, writing, preaching, or speaking, romantic, artistic, spiritual
- 22-materialistic, powerful, ethical, idealistic, visionary

At the movies

with Shawn

By SHAWN GROSS
TNH Hit Man

Big misfire for action-packed 'Hit'

"The Big Hit" is hardly that. Consider bold cinematic "eye candy" films such as "Wild Things" and last summer's "Face/Off," while on the hunt for nonstop mayhem and adrenaline-charged implausibility.

These films enthrall our senses with their preposterousness because in focusing on every detail, they flawlessly exhibit the unity of acting, cinematography, sound, and editing. These films border on the barriers of being "over the top," but never try to be anything more than what they are - and that is sheer fun.

Hot off his career-making performance in "Boogie Nights," Mark Wahlberg is undeniably in need of work. Here, he plays a sensitive Melvin Smiley and teams up with partners Cisco (Lou Diamond Phillips), Vince (Antonio Sabato, Jr.) and Crunch (Bokeem Woodbine) as hitmen for hire.

"The Big Hit" prances the flavorful assortment of bad-assed and "pumped" hitmen around in their skivvies for the first part of the film, showing off toned bods of past and present Calvin Klein pinups for cheap thrills. This isn't what I meant by "eye candy."



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Mark Wahlberg and Christina Applegate star in "The Big Hit."

The opening scene of "The Big Hit" introduces our heroes (if I must call them that) as they prepare to take out a...wait, I don't think the script ever mentioned who it was they were pulling the plug on. Ah, minor

GRADE: D

details.

After the least inspiring choreographed gun fight to date, and about seventy rounds of ammo, these clowns manage to get paid and rehired for yet another gig. (The perks of job security when working for an international crime cartel.)

The next assignment is a kidnapping, and before long the plan backfires with amusing senselessness. When Keiko (China Chow), the daughter of a rich tycoon, is mistakenly abducted, the plot takes an unimpressive corner — we learn that she is the godchild of Wahlberg and Company's boss, Paris (Avery Brooks). You'd think a phone call could patch this up?

For reasons I am still unsure of, Cisco decides to put the blame on Mel, and inevitably a hit is put on his head.

Back at home, Mel unknowingly awaits the ambush with his mindless and selfish fiancée Pam (Christina Applegate). Her disapproving parents are due for dinner and when we see Mel's periodic slurping of Malox, we feel for him.

Nevertheless, it's a shake of his rear and a twitch of his neck that makes Mel's catch-phrase, "Time to work," put us at ease.

"The Big Hit" boasts a stacked lineup of talented actors. It's unfortunate, however, that their gifts go unappreciated in a script that calls for big guns, big explosions, and a small heart.

The characters act as though they'd rather be somewhere else - and so will you. "The Big Hit" is preposterous, without feeling, filmed with the enthusiasm of "Spice Girls" rather than "Face/Off," and simply doesn't work.



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Mark Wahlberg keeps busy as a hitman.

Cookin' with Jeremy

'Chef of the stars'

By Jeremy Corcoran
Staff Reporter

Spam and Eggs

Ingredients:

- 1 tin of your favorite Spam
- 1 dozen Grade A eggs



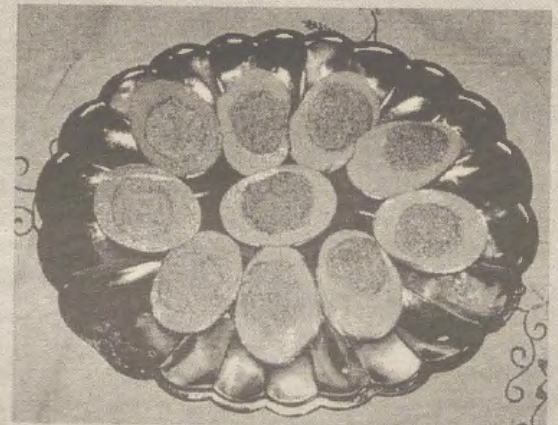
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Directions:

Hard-boil eggs, peel shells. Slice eggs in half and remove yolks.

Grill Spam in frying pan until lightly brown. Yum! Then slice Spam and place in center of eggs. Serve warm.

Serves 4 - 6



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MMM... Spam and eggs.



Chris Rowe / Staff Photographer

L.L. Cool J. loves Spam and eggs.

VOICES

Letters to the Editor

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Royce's letter misses the bus

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to Jonathan Royce's criticism of Christopher Fitzgerald's "Forum" pieces. Mr. Royce, I understand your concern about the use of the byline "Driver, Kari-Van Shuttles" in Mr. Fitzgerald's pieces. I don't feel, however, that it was his intention to misuse the byline. It is clear from reading his pieces that he is using his occupation to simply establish a link to the university community, not to enhance his credibility. However, you have taken this obvious unintentional error and used it to slander and belittle him.

You call Mr. Fitzgerald "righteous and condescending," yet your letter appears much more condescending to me than his forum pieces. Then again, I am biased because I have never met you. I have met Chris, in fact I work with him, and he is a man who treats other people with respect. You may view his religious convictions with anger, but he is a person who tries hard to live up to the standards set forth by the Bible. While you say you "recognize his right to free speech," you seem less than willing to respect his freedom of religion.

Christopher Fitzgerald's beliefs may seem ridiculous to you, but he stands in very respectable company. Blaise Pascal and C.S. Lewis stand out in my mind as scholars that have written volumes on what you call the "ludicrous and mundane topics" of Christianity. I suggest you take a look at some of their work — you will be impressed by their bylines.

Nick Dika
Sophomore

Student senate in comics section?

To the Editor:

I would like to make a request of *TNH*. In future issues, I would like you to print the articles that relate to student government in the comics section, rather than the front page. After all, this stuff is not real news; it's a bunch of comedians working hard to make a fool out of the students (and succeeding). Thank you.

Paul McQuinn
Senior

Bias always a factor in elections

To the Editor:

"The election was biased." I don't know how many times I've heard this in the past few days, but it's been far, far too many. How can an election be called "biased?" It seems redundant. Of course the election was "biased" — some people won and some people lost — an election is "biased" by definition. The students' votes were "biased" in favor of one set of candidates and against the other. It seems the "bias" in this case was about 200 votes — you might even call this election "heavily biased."

"Okay, fine — the election wasn't biased, but *The New Hampshire* was."

The second statement holds more merit than the first, but still doesn't make much sense. How could a newspaper ever be considered "unbiased?" It's a team of people working together, trying to inform the student body on current events. This team is made up of individual people. Each and every person I or anyone has ever met has been biased in some way. Actually, in many ways. We like certain things and dislike others. These biases are essential qualities of each of us — they are what makes us human. To make a group of people totally unbiased would be impossible. When you say that *TNH* expressed a biased view toward the election, you're absolutely right. But do you want people to write your paper or some emotionless, "unbiased" machine?

Okay, suppose *TNH* was explicitly biased one way or another on the election. What then? Who says that *TNH* isn't supposed to be biased for one group of candidates or against another? There's nothing that says they can't, or even shouldn't support one set of candidates.

Also, who's to say that *TNH*'s bias influenced the student body, not that it was the other way around? Maybe *TNH*'s bias was just a reflection of the student body's political climate influencing the writers.

Finally, why should we think that *TNH* influences us at all? We, as the readers, are going to accept things we believe and reflect on things we don't believe — we're not just going to blindly believe whatever *TNH* tells us anyway. We're all thinking! And here, right? Right?

Casey Williams
Sophomore

Student senate did the right thing

To the Editor:

Does the truth matter to the student senate? Is the desire to see a favored candidate win so important that honest and legitimate complaints are overlooked? I was forced to ponder these questions in Sunday's session of senate. I guess I always assumed that the student senate was above allowing corruption to continue unaided. I was not disappointed. There were some very courageous senators who stood up for what they believed last Sunday night. They made the statement that the senate will not tolerate questionable election results, corruption within the Senate or efforts to prevent the pursuit of truth in this past election.

Tito Jackson has not made a mockery of the student body regardless of what certain senators may like to believe. The fact of the matter is that

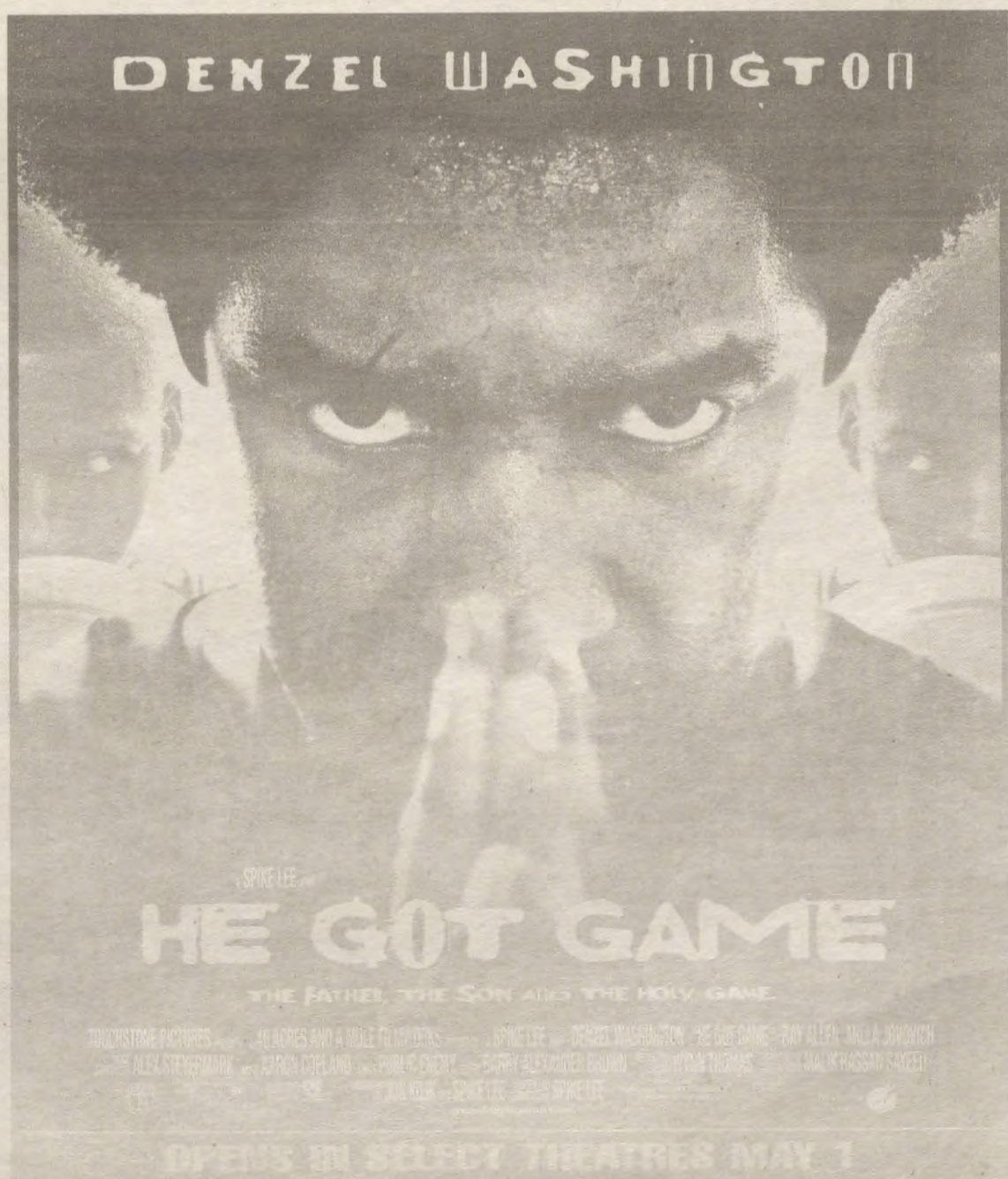
the only mockery in the recent past has been this past election. An election where election violations were ignored for some and enforced for others. An election where members of the Election Committee openly spoke against certain candidates. An election where the only source of information for students was openly supporting one ticket (both in editorials and news stories). That is only the beginning of the list of misconduct.

I also care that students are represented by individuals that are honorable, that is why I voted against approving these election results. Tito was completely within his rights

to protest this election. So when I read that senators who voted to impede on fairness and democracy dare to accuse others of misconduct, I must protest. When I see the pursuit of fairness called "shenanigans," I must protest. When I read that some would have the hubris to accuse Tito and Phaedra of lacking honor and integrity for desiring a fair election, I must protest. The only disgraceful acts committed last Sunday night were by senators who would rather turn a blind eye to justice than see Tito get a fair opportunity. They should be ashamed.

Stephen Williams
Devine Senator & Junior

Write for TNH!



FORUM

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Baribault: our voices must be heard

Jessica Baribault
Junior

I voted for Brian Jandreau and Cora Cummings for a reason.

Several reasons, actually. First, we live in a democracy, in which the voters are entrusted the right and responsibility to choose a voice to speak for them; I voted because that is my privilege and my duty. Second, I voted because Jandreau/Cummings was the best choice among the candidates. They have the know-how, the spirit, the integrity, and the dedication it takes to lead the student body and voice its needs effectively. I

voted to make sure the best people were selected for the job. Third, I voted because I believed my vote could make a difference. As a New Hampshire native and UNH student I care about this community deeply, as do Brian and Cora. I believed that casting my vote for Jandreau/Cummings would help strengthen the UNH student body.

Now, my vote has been rendered meaningless. By refusing to ratify the election results, student senate has essentially told me that my beliefs as a member of the student body count for nothing.

Who are these people who call

themselves our leaders? Is it not their obligation to represent the students and their needs? Or am I mistaken in thinking that we have a competent, mature group of individuals dedicated to serving the needs of the students? There can be only one reason for the anti-democratic and disrespectful actions that occurred this weekend: some members of the student senate have no interest in anyone's interests but their own.

This student body supports Brian Jandreau and Cora Cummings for SBP/SBVP. (Re-count the ballots if you doubt this fact.) Give us back our right to choose, senate, and ratify our vote! Grant us what we asked for and

what we deserve! Only then will you regain any part of the respect that we have lost for you.

P.S. To Tito Jackson: Wouldn't you rather be Student Body President because the voters wanted you, rather than because you whined that the elections were unfair and got 15 of you senator friends to vote in favor of your own selfish agenda? If you honestly think that you and the senate are justified in your failure to ratify our choice, then you are no real president, certainly not one to lead a fine body of students such as we have here at UNH.

We deserve more.

TNH needs copy editors! Call Rebecca or Sean at 862-1490.

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone who voted!
If you need anything, or just want to chat,
please call us anytime: 862-2163.

Remember, It's All About You!

-Brian & Cora

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LeDuc: oversights or conspiracy?

Jennifer LeDuc
sophomore

I don't know why I persist in writing this piece, since most likely *The New Hampshire* will not publish it. I only know that I feel the need to write it, if only to make myself feel better. Why, you might ask, do I think that this letter will not get published? Simply for the reason that in the past two weeks I have handed in not one, but two Forum pieces that somehow mysteriously vanished. Disappeared. Gone. Now, the first one was handed in for me by somebody else, so I will allow that a mistake could have been made. The second one, however, I brought to *TNH's* office myself, BEFORE the deadline for the April 21 edition. For some reason that Forum article was also never seen by anyone again.

When I asked why these two letters, which incidentally supported a candidate that *TNH* obviously did not, were never published in *TNH*,

Sean McNamara, managing editor, told me that it was probably just an "oversight." He said that he had never actually seen anything written by me in the office. I trust Sean, and believe that what he was saying to me was true, in that he had never personally seen the Forums I had written. However, it does strike me that *TNH* has been cursed with a great deal of oversights during the election process. Were all of these little "mistakes" simply that, or is *TNH* not the newspaper it claims to be?

Was it an "oversight" that allowed Jenn Vent to write one commentary after another slamming all the candidates except for Jandreau? Was that what allowed her to resign from *TNH* just a few days before the election to work on his campaign? Did the editor in chief not see this obvious campaign ploy or did she choose merely to overlook it? Was it merely an oversight that *TNH* featured two little boxes comparing Jandreau and Jackson, but forgot to include all the good things that Jackson has done for students this year? Things like creating more commuter parking in C-Lot, adding new shuttle stops, and getting the administration

to come to a compromise on the winter parking ban, allowing students to park in designated lots overnight, must surely be of interest to students who wish to be informed in order to vote for the right candidate.

I guess it was just an oversight that every senator interviewed for the article "Senate backs Jandreau; Candidates endorse Jackson," was a member of Jandreau's campaign team or a personal friend of his. It must have been yet another oversight when Jandreau was asked to give his opinion on the use of our social security numbers on our school I.D.'s (in an article ironically titled "Who Do You Trust"), since Ryan Thomas originally brought the issue up in his platform. Of course we must not forget the editorial in which Rebecca Mahoney was able to come up with something negative to say about every candidate, but only could find one negative thing to say about Jandreau — that he is a sophomore. It seems that all the negative aspects about his campaign, like the fact that the other candidates felt he wasn't following the election rules, were also left out due to an

oversight.

There's just one more oversight I would like to mention, and to me this is the most important one of all. Each year, in order to receive money from the Student Activity Fee each organization must submit a concept to be approved by the Student Activity Fee Council. These concepts act as guidelines for the organization, stating their purpose and how they plan to serve the students. Apparently, *TNH* forgot to read its concept before the election, which clearly states that they will engage in "unbiased" reporting. I guess this fact was overlooked when *TNH* has indeed had a slant for the past few weeks, so much so that the candidates felt the need to walk out of a debate in protest.

Can we really trust *TNH* to bring us the news when they conveniently forget their own concept? Is this what we want from a campus paper, which is supposed to help the students make informed decisions? Of course, *TNH* will answer yes. After all, it was all just an oversight.

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Bungard: Students should grow up

Neal Bungard
Senior

I can't stand this any longer. After five years at the University of New Hampshire I have finally decided to write. I have avoided this in the past due to the fact that what I say in the long run will change absolutely nothing since I seem to be somewhat outnumbered by the growing number of cry babies.

Tito give it up; you lost fair and square. If there was valid ballot tampering, fine I might agree with you and the 16 other cry babies. Why does it matter if the ballots alternate or not? If you are such a great candidate it does not matter whose name is first on the ballot, they will overlook your opponent and vote for you if you were worthy. So what if the *TNH* was biased? This is called: welcome to the real world. The majority of American media today is biased. For example, why does the news refer to the current Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich as an extreme right-wing conservative extremist? If they weren't biased, then every story about the Vice President Al Gore would be extreme left wing socialist/communist environmental extremist. The media does not practice unbiased coverage in the national news so why should *TNH*? Why have I never heard you complain about media biased news until now? It's simple: you're a sore loser. Repeat, you lost, go home and stop bothering us.

Now on the SEAC. Thanks for advertising where I was supposed to get my gas last Wednesday. I went all weekend as well as Monday and Tuesday on just enough to get me through the day. Then on Wednesday I drove all the way to Manchester just to get a tank of gas then drove back here to go to work. Fine, I was an hour late but at least I was not contributing to the childish tactics that in the end only hurt the two small business owners in Manchester. Many if not most of the time these station owners are in a contract with the parent company and cannot change because a bunch of college students say you should. What you did does not affect Shell as a whole in any way.

Too bad for Carol Hawkins. She was supposed to teach a tenth grade English class, not have story hour for a month.

With more and more incompetent teachers in the public school system we don't need story hour. We need English basics taught to us in school not touchy feely crap. For those who have a better grasp on writing skills than me you may notice many errors in this letter. I too am a public school graduate. My point is proven.

What about that "strong coalition of UNH students?" They are sounding more and more like the typical American: a two year-old child. Gimme, Gimme, Gimme. But then cry loudest when tuition increases, fees increase, permits increase.... I have been in college for 5 years now and one thing I learned is that money does not grow on trees. If you want something you have to pay for it. I do not have time to get into each and every single "we want" on your list because I have limited time and have to work for what I want; it is not just given to me on a silver platter.

For those against the Loop Road, where were you three years ago it has been on public display since then. I've known about it for three years. Where have you been? For those who favor the ecosystem management concept of being proactive and not reactive, well, you're being very hypocritical right now. Sorry Dr. Barrett and Dr. Becker, you're great professors but now is not the time; the comment period has ended. UNH needs to look forward and improve in every way, not just environmentally.

The whole parking issue: if you don't want to pay \$100 for a permit then don't, pay \$32 and park at West Edge. I personally feel that if you want to park right at your building then you should pay more. I am a commuter and only paid \$32 but I would have paid \$500 if I had a guaranteed spot that was mine everyday. As it is I pay \$15 a week in gas just commuting here; that's approximately \$60 a month or around \$480 a school year. I know, I know, I have the choice to move closer, carpool yeah right, walk, ride a bike... But I don't I choose to drive just as you have the choice to park elsewhere. So why shouldn't the closer spots cost more?

Starr: It was senate's decision

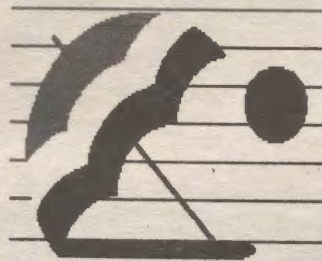
Phaedra Starr

I want to ask one question — who voted against approving the election results? That's right, senate did. Almost half of senate didn't approve the election results. And the members of senate who voted for it are blaming Tito and me. First off, I am not a member of senate; I couldn't vote to approve or throw out the election results. Each senator had the individual choice as to whether the votes accurately represented what the student body wanted considering all the mishaps.

Ken Monahan wrote Tito "lowered himself to his lowest point" (by telling the truth?) and that he created "anarchy" within the student government of this "fine university." Well, this university certainly isn't fine and maybe anarchy needed to be created. For once, the student senate didn't allow a president to take over who may not have won the election fairly. I am proud of them. This student body should be too. I believe that for once, senators represented their constituents and were willing to go out on a limb to let students know the truth about this election. If you believe the first election was fair, why wouldn't the second election show the same results? Let's see how the Jandreau and Cummings campaign fares when the head of the election committee isn't outwardly supporting them and their campaign violations receive the same attention as all the other candidates'.

I can't quite understand how this whole re-election process can be blamed on Tito or me. Yes, frankly I believe that there were a few sketchy things about the first two elections. I now know that I was not the only person who felt that way. But to those of you who could stoop so low as to attack Tito and me in order to avoid the truth that 44.4 percent of senate also could not approve of election results, I question your integrity and your honor. Tito and I still have our honor and integrity. Because the truth came out, I don't think our honor and integrity was taken away.

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Epstein: the bitterness of losers

Samuel Epstein
Junior

This is a call to arms to all of the 2000+ student who voted in SBP election and the 25 student senators who voted to accept the judgment of the student body. In a form that I had predicted since Tito announced his candidacy, he cried foul when he didn't get his way. In an equally pathetic display of childishness, 20 senators either abstained or voted against the will of the student body. Turning their back on their constituents, these weak minded individuals reflected their earlier claim of promoting involvement of the students and instead made it very clear that the

students were a bunch of morons. I say throw the bums out. I am asking for anyone else on this campus as outraged as I am about this sad display to contact me via e-mail (sje@christa.unh.edu). I am currently making plans to distribute a petition which will ask for the dismissal of every one of the 20 dissenting senators and their permanent ban from involvement in student government. A bit drastic, you say? Each one of these people made it known that they don't think the student body is intelligent enough to decide for themselves who was the good candidate and who was a total idiot. For these self-prescribed *leaders of the dumb little students* to be telling me or anyone else that we cannot make a

decision on our own sounds a bit drastic. Let us show those wailing little children plaguing the floor of the senate that we are the ones who run this school.

The accusations laid against accepting the vote are the most ridiculous that I have ever heard (Even more so than Tito Jackson's). It sounds to me, as to any other reasonable thinking person, that the alleged "campaign violation" amounted to nothing more than ambitious campaigning. Phaedra Starr demonstrated her microscopic grasp of intelligence by claiming the rain kept people from voting that day. Yes, Phaedra, the rain kept the students from eating and it kept them from going to all their classes—you know,

all those places where the polling stations were. Frankly, as one of my friends put it, I don't want a student body vice president who is afraid of the rain. Grow up Phaedra. You can, even with the childish influence of Tito constantly about you.

In closing, almost half of those voting against accepting the student body's decision lost in their own bids for election. Sound like some really sore losers. I implore anyone who feels strongly about this to e-mail, even those we plan to unseat. We can get together and do what the student senate and Tito Jackson could never do. Take Power.

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Looking for beauty in total exposure

By MONIQUE SIMONE-TERAN
Non-Traditional Sophomore

"O.K. Who wants to get naked?" he queried the Non-Trad Lounge as he flung his large body into a comfy chair. At first we thought this was Dave Shaw's student presidential campaign slogan, then he proceeded to tell us that a couple of the artist groups that he posed for were looking for new models—to pose nude. (You may have seen David's bareness depicted in various art renderings in the MUB. If not, come by and check out the art displayed throughout. It's quite a sight.)

I had heard Dave saying he was paid for getting naked and admired him for his ability to bare all. I had been hurting for money, as you all know. (What student hasn't.) I thought this would be a good way to make a quick dollar (The pay is good and I don't have to worry about a uniform), and since there was no commitment, I wouldn't have to do it again if it didn't work. (Who out there says they'll try an' once?) But my real motivation to trudge up was to face my fear of my own image. (I know I'm not alone in this.)

When I see my body, I see a little fat, wrinkles, bulges, sagging skin, scars, stretch marks, all the unattractive stuff. (Other women seem to feel the same way. What do men see when they look at themselves?) I thought

that if for one moment I could see myself through the eyes of an artist, someone who sees the beauty of the world, I might



Monique Simone-Teran

be able to see myself in a different light. I looked at posing like ski diving. Risky—but what a thrill.

I was excited about the challenge, and enjoyed seeing the reaction from people as I told them what I was planning.

"Oh, but it's so cold up there," exclaimed my mother from Florida.

"I can tell my friends I know a professional model."

"High Five," from fellow Non-Trad's who saw this for the challenge and growing experience it was.

"Oh my, I could never take off my clothes in front of strangers. I have a hard enough time at home."

"Well, Monique, you expose your mind, you might as well expose your body." (At least I get paid for exposing

my body.)

I happened to notice a trend. The people in the academic atmosphere seemed to be more open to the idea and supportive of stretching myself. My co-workers at the office looked at me as if I was crazy. (Or maybe they thought the artists were crazy to want to see me naked.) My ex told me that if I was so eager to take off my clothes for money he'd bring a few of his friends over so that I could practice. (The only artistic medium he knows is paint-by-number.) Frankly, I don't think most people thought I could do it. What do you think?

I wasn't nervous or had second thoughts until the day of my first unveiling. Luckily, Dave had given me some pointers and the artist whose studio I was posing in was very understanding. She offered me a beverage. (Whiskey would have been nice.)

The first thing to surprise me was the number of male artists. Dave had told me it was all women. (No problem. I can do this.) I felt it would have been more embarrassing to run out the doors screaming then take off my clothes in front of strangers. (It's all in your perspective, I guess.)

"O.K. let's start," she said. And off came the robe. (That was the hardest part. Actually, forcing myself to strip. Yikes!) Being still wasn't a problem. I've had lots of military experience standing at attention.

Ya know what? It wasn't as horrific as I thought it would be. In fact, I rather liked it. Well, not sitting still for three hours. (45 minutes at a time.) But I enjoyed being still in a room as though I were a statue, listening

in on the conversations that took place around me as if I wasn't there. I would quietly sit and observe the people, some out of the corner of my eye, and try to picture them. I actually began to feel like I wasn't in the room with them, but observing from behind my shell.

It wasn't until I took a break and began to see the beautiful creations these professional artists were making, each with different mediums and styles. Some saw colors. Others saw textures. And others form, shape and lines. It was not me, nor my body. Whatever they saw in me and created on paper was beautiful.

As I sat there, their voices painting a scene behind my thoughts, I came to realize that we are blessed with artists. These are the people who can take stain, sticks and hair, and pressed wood particles and create beautiful worlds of hues, textures, and shadows. These are the people that show us the exquisite in the simple... the glory in the muted... the beauty in the bare.

I hope that when I am done with this modeling phase (as my mother puts it) I will have learned three things. One, how to sit so that my worst, or best, features are hidden. (This depends on what it is I want to hide. Can't seem to do both.) Two, how to take off and put on my robe in 2 seconds flat. (This is the only time I feel exposed.) Three, how to look at everyone through an artist's eye, because everyone and everything has beauty in it if you look at it from the right angle.

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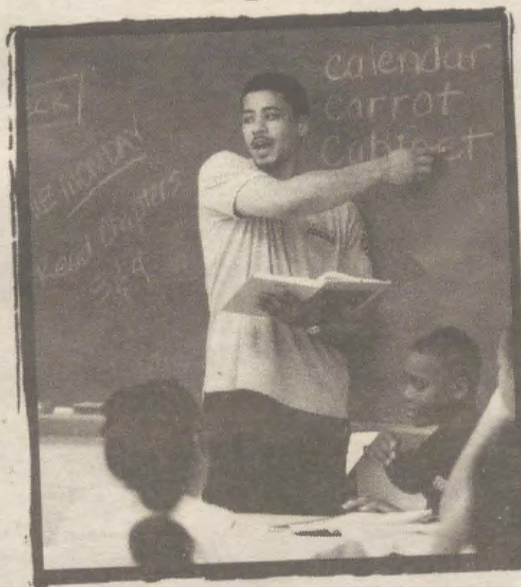


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Women's lax looking to take next step

By JEREMY DROWN
Staff Reporter

With the AMERICA EAST tournament looming this weekend, UNH head coach Sandy Bridgeman knows that her team has an opportunity to climb that next step. They've already achieved their main goal this year, which was to qualify for postseason play, something they accomplished back on April 11 with a 14-4 victory at Vermont. It is the first time the Wildcats have qualified for the postseason since 1994.

"This team is very focused," said Bridgeman. "I know the intensity of this team when it comes to conference games. We're going to be prepared for it."

UNH (7-7, 4-2 AMERICA EAST) will be the no. 4 seed in this weekend's AMERICA EAST championships held at Towson University. The Wildcats will be matched up against the no. 1 seed, Delaware (12-4, 6-0 AMERICA EAST). The two teams will play in the opening match on Saturday starting at noontime. The Blue Hens are currently

ranked 12th in the nation. That game will be followed by the other semifinal game between no. 2 seed Towson and no. 3 seed Hofstra. The winners of each game will advance to the championship game on Sunday, starting at 1 p.m.

In their only meeting of the year on April 5, UNH lost to the Blue Hens at home, 10-7.

"They double off the ball, so we have to be able to handle their pressure," said Bridgeman. "We have to recognize who the open player is and find her. If we can do that, we'll be successful."

The Wildcats also know they will have to reduce the number of scoring chances the Blue Hens get in the contest.

"We need to force them to the left so they don't get a good shot on net," said Bridgeman. "That way, our goalie can also see the ball coming in."

Throughout most of the season, UNH has been splitting time between their goalkeepers, junior Shelby Hodgkins and freshman Amanda Warren. Hodgkins has

been on a roll of late and has received more playing time in the last few games than Warren.

Hodgkins is currently second in AMERICA EAST in goaltending with a 10.03 GAA, trailing only her opponent this weekend—Delaware's Carey Sebastian, who posted an 8.65 GAA.

Bridgeman cites two things that are key this weekend for the Wildcats.

"We've got the red-hot goalkeeper in Shelby," said Bridgeman. "She's focused, and she's really been talking well also."

"We need to play smart and error-free," said Bridgeman. "We need to limit our unforced errors."

UNH will be led offensively by senior co-captain Nicole Rhodes. Rhodes has recorded 36 goals and 17 assists for 53 points this spring. She was named AMERICA EAST player of the week on April 21. She is currently third in AMERICA EAST in scoring, fourth in goals per game and fourth in assists per game. Recently, Rhodes moved into the top ten all time at UNH in scoring and also

scored her 100th career goal.

Defensively, the Wildcats will be anchored by junior co-captain Meg Catterall and freshman Colleen Christopher. At times, Christopher has been assigned to cover the other team's top opposing threats, and that could be the case this weekend again. The Wildcats will likely keep a close eye on Delaware's Amy Sullivan, who led the Blue Hens in scoring with 2.88 points per game. Defensively, Delaware and UNH are the top two teams in the conference in goals allowed per game. Delaware only gave up 8.69 goals a game, while UNH was second with only 9.15 goals allowed per game.

The game could be decided by the unknown factor — the person who plays above expectations.

"We're going to have to play well, and people need to step up and be right on their game," Bridgeman said.

Note: The Wildcats may be without sophomore Samantha Holmes, who is suffering from a sprained ankle. A decision will be made prior to game-time whether she will play or not on Saturday.

Sports Extras

From Staff Reports:

The UNH men's hockey team lost an important part of their coaching staff last Friday.

After seven years of serving as the team's assistant head coach, Chris Serino was hired as the new head coach at Merrimack College.

Serino replaces 14-year Warrior head coach Ron Anderson, who was not tenured a contract after the season.

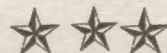
"I'm anxious to start my duties and can't wait to jump in and get to work on trying to continue the positive

strides the program has taken for the past two seasons," Serino said.

It is Serino's first head coaching job on the Division I collegiate level. Before coming to UNH, Serino guided the Northfield-Mount Hermon prep hockey team to a 47-21-3 mark. Prior to his position at Northfield, Serino was the head coach at Saugus High School from 1980-87.

During his tenure as head coach his team posted a 100-23-14 record and three conference championships. Serino earned Eastern Massachusetts Coach of the Year and Northeastern Conference Coach of the Year while at Saugus.

Stars of the Week



Three stars go to freshman Valerie Williams of the women's track team. Within one week, she took first in the 100 and 200 meter relays in the Brown and Springfield Invitationals, while also competing on two relay teams and the sprint medley.



Two stars go to the men's tennis team. The young team finished its season in impressive style by thrashing UMass-Lowell, 6-1 on Wednesday.



One star goes to sophomore Stephanie Keefe of the women's lacrosse team. She had a huge game against Harvard on Wednesday, scoring four goals and adding one assist.

Harvard sneaks past Wildcats in season finale

Keefe's four goals aren't enough as the Crimson knock off UNH, 11-10.

By JEREMY DROWN
Staff Reporter

In a very closely contested game, the University of New Hampshire women's lacrosse team was never able to grab the lead from the Crimson, falling to Harvard on Wednesday, 11-10.

Honor MacNaughton's goal with 5:01 remaining in the game proved to be enough, as the host team was able to hold off the Wildcats, who refused to go away, tying the game on six different occasions.

"We dug ourselves into a hole a bit in the first half by giving up eight goals," said UNH head coach Sandy Bridgeman. "We needed to make some adjustments, and we weren't able to do that, even after the time-out. We lost our focus."

The game started even 10 minutes into the first half with each team scoring a pair of goals. Junior co-captain Meg Catterall and sophomore Stephanie Keefe recorded the goals for UNH.

Harvard then scored three straight goals to grab a 5-2 lead midway through the first half.

UNH, however, rallied back and eventually tied the game at 6-6 on senior co-captain Nicole Rhodes' second goal of the game with 8:41 remaining in the half. Harvard notched two goals in the final minute to take an 8-6 lead at halftime.

"In the first half we played without composure; we had no basic fundamentals," said Bridgeman. "They [Harvard]

went straight to the goal when they got the ball. We were really unsettled in the defensive end."

The second half was an entirely different story. Both teams put the clamp on defensively, and there were only half the number of goals in the second half as there were in the first half.

UNH opened the second half by tying the game on two goals from Keefe, who led all players with five points (four goals and one assist).

"Keefe had a great game for us," said Bridgeman. "She really stood out."

After Harvard (6-7) grabbed a 9-8 lead on a goal at the 25:38 mark of the second half, UNH (7-7, 4-2 AMERICA EAST) tied it on a goal by freshman Megan Mangano.

At 13:24, Harvard regained the lead on a goal by Clare Parker. But the pesky Wildcats knotted the game again at 10-10 on a tally by senior Becky Perkins at 9:46, setting the stage for MacNaughton's game winner.

Freshman goalkeeper Amanda Warren started the game for the Wildcats, while junior keeper Shelby Hodgkins took over in the second half. Each finished with seven saves.

"Shelby has been playing great for us," said Bridgeman. "We're going into the [AMERICA EAST] tournament with a red hot goaltender in her. Amanda hasn't been getting as much playing time this season, so we decided to give her the start. We want her to be prepared to go on Saturday."

UNH, the fourth seed, will open the AMERICA EAST tournament (hosted by Towson University) against top-seeded Delaware at 12 p.m. on Saturday. The other semifinal

game will feature Hofstra against Towson. The title game is set for 1 p.m. on Sunday.

GOALIES from back page

For Warren, lacrosse was a family tradition, and her style of play reflects the years of throwing the ball around with her brothers and sister in the backyard and the year playing on the boys' lacrosse team in eighth grade. She's made an apparently smooth transition from the high school years, when she was the goalkeeper on the 1996 and 1997 N.H./Vermont All-Star Team, to college, where she's seen 306 minutes of action in 11 games. In that time she's acquired an average of 12.1 saves per game.

"I don't feel like I'm going from being a star to being nothing at all," Warren said. "I feel like I'm going from playing lacrosse to playing at a totally different level."

Hodgkins and Warren would consider their relationship an alliance. Bridgeman says the two are "competitive but cooperative."

"We are seriously our own team," Warren said. "I've probably learned just as much from Shelby as I have from any goalie coach."

"Our personalities are great together," Hodgkins said. "It doesn't help to have the (attitude) 'I can't believe she played.' It detracts from the team morale."

Goaltending is the last thing the women's lacrosse team will have to worry about this weekend, as the "tag-team" is ready to play. Even their charms—a "fatty, old" stuffed pig and the "ridiculous" stuffed hippo—will team up to bring the two women luck.

"The defense has confidence in both of them," Bridgeman said. "The whole team has confidence with whoever is net. ... It's easier to play composed with a good keeper behind you."

Randy's 'the bomb' for men's track

By CHRIS PATERNA
TNH Reporter

Randall Bomba. What does that name mean to you? Do you think of the defending New England champion in the 110-meter high hurdles and senior tri-captain of the UNH men's track and field team? Or do you think of "LaBomba," "Bombs Away," "Dropping the Bomb" and others? Laughing right along with the crazy nicknames is Randy himself, one of the most vocal, enthusiastic, and influential members of the track team.

Did I mention fun-loving? Randy's personality shines through in everything he says, and he has created a unique style of leadership that he brings to the team.

"I believe it should be fun, so I make sure everyone's having fun," Randy told me. "I'm always yelling. I'm always making jokes. If someone has a bad performance, I'm always there in their faces making jokes, laughing about them, you know, raggin' on them. You gotta have fun with it."

Randy credits captains Rich Cooper and Rob Ricard with the mental preparation of the team and other behind the scenes jobs. Their contrasting styles seem to complement one another nicely.

"I think it's the three of us. I might be more vocal than the other two, but they'll do other stuff. Like they'll do more preparing the team mentally. I'll be more of a relaxing kind of guy, you know, kind of get the mind off things," Bomba said.

They have all contributed to bringing the team closer together. Perhaps this is one of the reasons the men's outdoor track team were America East conference champions last year. Head coach Jim Boulanger has also noticed the closeness of the team.

"I think that's what track here is all about. You hang with your friends, you compete with your friends, you do different things and you come back and it's all a common goal," Boulanger said.

But Randy didn't always think track at UNH would be like this. Attending Central Catholic High School in Lawrence, Mass., although he actually grew up in Salem,

N. H., his track coach said that you would never have a team as close as his high school track team.

"I came to college and I was expecting that. Like you go in, you run your events, you sit by yourself, and you go home. But I am more close with these guys on my team. Like the sprinters, I am closer to the sprinters and the guys that I actually work with everyday than I've ever been with anybody," Bomba said.

He and the rest of the team also share a close bond with Coach Boulanger. Randy says Boulanger is the man who "whipped me into shape."

"I can't believe what he's done with the team. We've had a championship team for the past four years. We've won six titles the whole time I've been here, which is amazing to me," Randy said. "He's a great guy. He's like a father and he's a best friend. We'll talk about girls, we'll talk about relationships, and we'll talk about family problems. He's just funny with what he talks about and the way he looks. He's just like one of us."

Boulanger sees his senior hurdler as a good leader who is always yelling and screaming in hopes of cheering his team on.

"He's definitely a vocal leader and a cheerleader," Boulanger said. "Randy's made a very nice improvement since his freshman year; he's learned how to practice. We've even got him to a point where he only hits half the hurdles instead of 10."

In case you didn't know, Randy has a very different style of hurdling. He likes to knock them down. It became his trademark to finish a race with a bloody knee. Unfortunately, if you knock down too many, you will get disqualified from a race. This has happened to Randy many times during his career. The worst example probably came in the high school state coaches' meet. Even though he came in first place, he lost the state title because he was disqualified for knocking down too many hurdles.

"Randy's personality is the thing that, in the future, will be most missed," Boulanger said. "He will have had a very quality career that a lot of kids would trade for in track."

Track was not his only focus in high school. He also

played football as a wide receiver for three years, played soccer and of course ran indoor and outdoor track throughout high school. His parents really got him started in sports through the local YMCA and Boys Club. Track was just something to do after school and a chance to hang out with his friends.

Although he considers himself not a die-hard athlete, Randy is majoring in exercise science. His family has had some serious health problems in the past, and he would like to prevent these kinds of things from happening to other families. He already has an internship working in the fitness center of the Wang Company in Billerica, Mass.

"I'm interested in athletics, sports, and health issues," he said. "I want to promote health in everybody's lifestyle."

Looking at the upcoming conference finals, Randy has confidence in the UNH team.

"We're pretty banged up right now, but I think we'll do pretty well. We're pretty strong in events. There's a lot of young guys coming up, like Keith Chisholm and Jeff Biron and Kyle Schneck," he said.

Randy was also recently injured in a meet at Dartmouth. He was hit in the back of the heel by a javelin. It seems that a Dartmouth team member threw his javelin in frustration because he had just had a bad throw. As the javelin bounced off the grass, everyone jumped out of the way. But Randy was facing the opposite direction and the javelin punctured his foot. It knocked him over and he was surprised to see blood coming out of his shoe.

It took only a short trip to the hospital and a tetanus shot to get Randy away from the meet. He is now feeling much better, although his foot is not completely healed. Every time he runs, his foot bleeds all over the back of his sock.

Finally, Randy stops joking around for a moment and thinks about how track has affected his life.

"Track was one of the best things that ever happened to me at the university. It's kept me grounded, it's kept me in line, it's given me a positive attitude. I just think it's helped me go through college, and it turned me into the man I am now."

Club sports: Come sail away with us

By ERIN BOSTROM and
SARAH ABRAMSON
For TNH

6:45 on Saturday morning - the Bagelry is the spot. Slowly you will see about six college students tumble through the door, sleep-eyed, dragging a mass of lifejackets, laundry detergent containers and smelly sport bags. After a bagel and juice they all climb into a big, fat, blue university van and drive out of town, not to be seen until night falls.

It's a mystery! Where do these kids run off to? And who are they?

It's the UNH Sailing Team.

On a typical weekend morning there are about three different regattas at surrounding schools in the northeast. We race FJs 420s, larks, techs, ICs with two people per boat and the occasional "big boat" with a bigger crew. Boats have one or two sails, range from 12 to 16 feet and may be sailed on lakes, rivers or oceans. Races are run from morning 'til night. Depending on the weather, the scene can be a little strange at these regattas. Outfits range from dinghy drysuits, wool hats, neoprene gloves and boots, to shorty wetsuits with shorts, always

topped off with a lifejacket.

And here's what we do:

The wind is blowin' 12-17 knots while white caps form on the sunny Charles River at MIT. Excited sailors leave the dock for a fun day of racing. Fifteen boats compete for limited space on the starting line between a big orange buoy and Boston whaler. The whistle counts down the three-minute starting sequence while boats rush around fighting for a strategic starting spot. 30...29... "Starboard!" 23...22... "Head it up!" 19...18...17... "Let it luff!" 6...5... "Keep it up!" 3...2... "Go!" TWEET! The whistle blows and the race begins ...

Interested? The UNH Sailing Team has about 25 members, a head coach and two weekend coaches. Talent ranges from beginners to highly experienced. Our women's team is nationally ranked. Practices are held weekday afternoons at Mendum's Pond. We are a club team run through Rec Sports, so not only do we race, but we also enjoy teaching people how to sail and we love to have fun! We raise a lot of our own money and hold our own meetings, which makes us not only a team, but a great group of friends. Come check us out at the classroom in the Whitt on Tuesday evenings at 7:30!



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The UNH Sailing Team meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the recreation center.



The New Hampshire SPORTS



Wildcats ace RiverHawks, 6-1

First victory of the season comes in last match for men's tennis team

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The sun shined brightly on the UNH men's tennis team Wednesday, as they closed out the season by dominating UMass-Lowell, 6-1, in Durham. That win gave UNH a final record of 1-10.

UNH started the match off right by winning all three doubles matches and gaining the first point of the day.

Senior captain Jason Merrill teamed with junior Bill Olszewski to soundly defeat the UMass-Lowell team of Matt Johnson and Steve Vander Els, 8-2.

Sophomores Doug Dodge and Justin Canale also defeated their opponents, Chris Stagnone and Derek Molsan, by the same 8-2 score.

Closing out the doubles matches, freshmen Chris Hussey and Dave Lewry throttled the UMass-Lowell tandem of Earl Curren and Jamie Boughman, 8-0.

Moving from doubles to singles matches didn't stop the supremacy that UNH was displaying.

Junior Ian Butcher easily defeated Stagnone 6-0, 6-0. Dodge also gave the double-bagel treatment to Curren, 6-0, 6-0.

Sophomore Dave Taylor had little trouble in

dispatching Boughman, winning 6-0, 6-2. Bill Olszewski also won by the same score after he handily defeated Vander Els.

At this point UNH had already claimed victory by holding a 6-0 advantage. The only match still going on was Merrill's matchup of number-one singles. Merrill was moved up to the number-one seed by UNH head coach Mark Moulton, since this was Merrill's last match of his UNH career. In doing so, Merrill was matched up against UMass-Lowell's true number-one player, Matt Johnson.

After leading the first set 3-2, Merrill lost four games in a row, dropping the match 3-6. However, that didn't stop the determination of Merrill to try to win his last match.

The gritty nature of Jason Merrill came through in the second set. He fell behind 5-4 but fought back to force a tie-breaker. In the tie-breaker, Merrill dominated, winning 7-2, thereby tying the match up at one set apiece.

The third set was played as a tie-breaker. After Merrill gave his all the whole match, Johnson proved to be too much for Merrill by winning 7-2, and winning the match 6-3, 6-7 (2-7), 7-2.

After the match, Moulton had nothing but praise for

his team and for his only departing senior.

"It was exciting for Jason to be in a match like that since he was a senior," said Moulton. "He showed what he was made of in that match."

According to Moulton, Merrill's departure does leave a void on the team.

"We will miss his leadership first and foremost," said Moulton. "Jason plays hard and has a good heart. He has shown great sportsmanship throughout his career, and he has set a good example for the rest of the team for the next couple of years."

Closing out the year with a win has Moulton feeling very confident.

"It feels great to close out the year with a win. We now have had two positive matches in a row. These matches give good building blocks for next year."

"I'm very proud of the fact we didn't lose focus," said Moulton. "We did what we had to do and ended the matches quickly. There was no fooling around. We play a lot of tough competition so when we win, it reminds us how good we actually are."

UNH has a bright future with the whole team returning except Merrill. Add that to a good recruiting class, and the men's tennis team could be battling with the top teams of America East next year.

Hodgekins spells relief: W-a-r-r-e-n

By HEIDI WASSERSTROM
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There's one four-letter word that perfectly describes UNH lacrosse goalkeeping: "team."

The Wildcat goalkeeping provided by junior Shelby Hodgekins and freshman Amanda Warren might be something like the tag-team extravaganza on WWF's Saturday Night Rumble.

Well, maybe their performances in goal aren't exactly similar to the WWF, but these two keepers have provided what head coach Sandy Bridgeman calls the "one-two punch" against lacrosse opponents.

"Shelby is our starter because she's so on right now," Bridgeman said. "Amanda is our closer — it's almost like a pitching staff in baseball."

As New Hampshire heads into an America East playoff weekend in Maryland, Bridgeman will use her tag-team goaltenders to combat the offense of rival Delaware.

"Shelby and Amanda will be key for us this weekend," Bridgeman said. "To head into the playoffs with a red-hot keeper — never mind two keepers (that are playing well) — it's a big plus."

Hodgekins has been the starting goaltender since her freshman year,

averaging 11.8 saves per game last year. She is closing the lid on probably her best season yet, averaging 13.5 saves per game, with a save percentage of .579, ranking her 17th in the nation. Not bad for someone who, out of boredom, just "threw on" the equipment at practice one day in high school.

"I think having Matt (Arsenault) as a goalie coach has really helped me," Hodgekins said. "I've never really had a goalie coach, so when I missed a goal, it was just a missed goal — I never knew why. Now I know what I did wrong and I can correct it."

Hodgekins' confidence has made her

more vocal this year in goal than in the past, and Bridgeman thinks this vocalization has been a huge improvement.

"Shelby has really stepped up," Bridgeman said. "She communicates well, she's 100 percent focused in practice and in games, she's got quick reactions, she's able to anticipate where the ball is going, and she gets the defense working as a unit."

Hodgekins has started in 13 of the 14 games and has seen the majority of the playing time (538 of 846 minutes). This year has been something of an adjustment, since she's used to playing the full 60 minutes game-in and game-out for the past two years. But Hodgekins finds this year's strategy of splitting time with Warren as a relief.

"It's great to share (the goalkeeping responsibilities)," Hodgekins said. "Having someone else who knows how to play (goal) takes the pressure off me, and (Warren) is just as good as I am. Last year I was crying at every single practice, because there was so much pressure."

Warren not only takes some pressure (literally) off the shoulders of Hodgekins (who has been plagued with shoulder problems for the past two years), but Warren is also the second link to what these two women call "their own separate team."

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Freshman Amanda Warren (left) and junior Shelby Hodgekins (right) have provided the Wildcats with a formidable duo in net.