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The answer is in the mail

UNH students receive lottery numbers today

By Ally Brehm
Staff Writer

It's not your average lottery. In fact, the winners may consider themselves losers, but nonetheless student's "tickets" will arrive today.

Letters including student's lottery numbers from the department of housing will arrive today in the mailboxes of students who

will be juniors and seniors next year.

In this lottery, the lower the number the more likely students will be denied University housing for the next year. Residents of the Woodside and Gables are exempt from the lottery, as well as students who choose to live in a built-up triple.

Student reaction to the housing lottery is mixed. While many students are not pleased with the University's decision, others say that they understand where the University is coming from. University officials understand students' reactions and would like to help students un-

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Carpooling Day revs up commuters



Jesse Broehl - Staff Photographer

Students gathered to in A-Lot to get an extra special space.

By Jesse Broehl
TNH Reporter

Last Tuesday the Office of Sustainable Programs (OSP) and Transportation Services sponsored the third Alternative Transportation Day this year. From 7 to 10 in the morning, the first 75 parking spaces in commuter A-Lot were reserved for vehicles with more than one occupant, and all spaces were filled by 10 a.m.

This event was designed to raise awareness of the benefits of carpooling while decreasing the number of single occupancy vehicles on the UNH campus that day.

"It provided those who had maybe thought about carpooling, an excuse to do so, and it rewarded those who have been carpooling all along," said Eric Froberg from the OSP.

He said the event was geared toward presenting alternative

transportation options and possibilities in a time when parking is such a dilemma.

"Driving by yourself is the least economically and environmentally sound method of transportation," said Justine Stadler, the assistant director of education and training at the OSP. "It's important for people to realize the opportunity to do something else. After the time you spend and the

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Greeks get fire safety lesson

By Jessica York
Staff Writer

In an effort to educate Greek community members about the issue of fire safety, the Durham Fire Department and the Office of Greek Affairs recently came together to sponsor the first annual Greek Fire Academy.

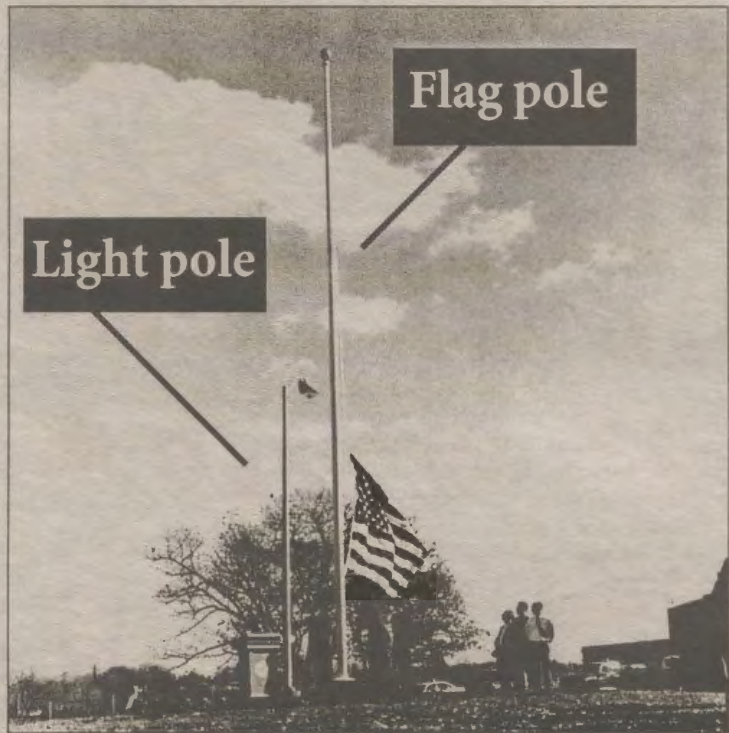
Greek Presidents and chapter Risk Managers, who are responsible for making their house aware of issues from fire risks to crowd control, graduated from the Greek Fire Academy on Oct. 26.

The Greek Fire Academy, the first of its kind, was two four-hour sessions of both classroom learning and hands-on experience to step up each fraternity's and sorority's fire safety knowledge.

Fire safety awareness classes for whole houses are typically court imposed after repeated safety violations of individual chapters. However, in order to step up enforcement of fire safety in the Greek houses, the academy was created as a required event.

Fire Marshal Mark Tetreault
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Red, white and blue needs more green



By Chelsea DeWeese
Staff Writer

The new flag at the Memorial Union Building has an unwanted partner: A big white light that's height challenges that of the flagpole. No big deal - just move the light. At least that's what one MUB employee thought until the University's Facilities Design and Construction broke the news that this small task would require a very large amount of money.

Facilities, which designs, implements and maintains different areas of construction around campus, estimates that approximately \$4,600 is needed in order to relocate the eye-sore light further down the grassy knoll it currently sits upon. This bill pushes the flag project \$1,200 dollars over the \$6,000 allotted for it, out of the Student

Activity Fee (SAF) contingency fund, by the Student Senate.

Jim Allen, assistant director of MUB general administration, was surprised when confronted with the amount and said it exceeds the dollar amount approved for the project.

"It's a lot more than anybody thinks it really needs to be," he said, and would like to know if some of the charges estimated for renting outside equipment could be diverted. "There are some costs in there that seem higher than they need to be."

Donald Hagstrom, construction project representative for Facilities, maintained that there is much more involved to moving the unwelcome light than meets the eye. The most costly aspect of the project is supplying electricity to the new location, which entails digging through hard rock in order to lie

an underground line deep enough to not become a hazard for pedestrians above ground. Hagstrom stands firm by the estimate.

"The estimate we gave is a hard number, no fluff," he said.

Students are hard pressed to put forward the cash and some feel that this estimate is an unacceptable cost. Freshman Alan Timperman doesn't think the final product is worth the dough.

"What kind of light is this anyway," he joked.

The flag was originally intended to fly high in the middle of the MUB circle. This plan was revamped when the aesthetic appeal was questioned and officials asked that the flag be moved elsewhere in order to protect a baby tree

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Student learns life lesson on the Spanish highway

By Chris Parker
Staff Writer

I'm awfully tired. I'm penniless. I'm starving and thirsty. I'm soaking wet. I smell of filth. The calluses on my feet are the size of golf balls, and I'm walking the goddamn highway just outside Toledo, Spain.

I've been walking now some 10 hours, and I've nearly exhausted all of my strength trying to get back to Madrid where I can take a plane out of here. It is 12 p.m., and I have just about lost all hope. How I got here is a story of sheer stupidity and one that I'll never forget.

My journey down this highway taught me to never again take for granted proper planning. It gave me my first experience of what it truly means to be alone in the middle of nowhere, and it showed me the amount of endurance it takes to keep on walking through whatever troubles come my way.

A bunch of my friends had bailed on me last minute about whether or not they were going to Spain for our 10-day fall break from studies at Regent's College,



Chris Parker - Staff Photographer

The view from the highway is a peaceful one of a small town at sunrise.

London, England, a study abroad program through UNH. My pals had different plans: Ireland, Italy and Scotland. But I was trying to make the best of my non-refundable round-trip ticket.

I woke up that Thursday at 8:30 a.m., fresh after a good night's sleep in my comfortable bed and ready to go on a great adventure. I was quite excited about visiting a country I'd never been to before and was looking forward to coming back with all the trip details for my friends.

Inside my British Midlands plane I spoke with an individual about my plans to tour Spain and he told me Toledo was the place to go and to not leave Spain without visiting the city. I thanked him for the advice, adjusted my watch for the time change and left the plane when we landed at the airport, Barajas, at 1 a.m. that Friday morning.

Once within the city I had trouble finding a place to stay, having not ironed out that little detail before I left London. Eventually I found the place I was looking for through the use of my "Let's Go" guide to Spain and Portugal, a mere 28

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A look at the newest video game systems

By Ari Becker
TNH Reporter

This week sees the launch of two new video game systems, the Microsoft Xbox and the Nintendo GameCube, and both are out to take Sony PlayStation2's business.

Two nights ago Microsoft released Xbox. The Xbox is Microsoft's first attempt at a home video game console. Based on the hardware specs of the Xbox, it will be the most powerful video game console to date. It sports an Intel Pentium3 processor, an nVidia graphics chip and a six gigabyte hard drive makes the Xbox a better computer than what most people have in their rooms. The Xbox is also a DVD capable machine, being able to play both DVD movies and DVD-based games.

The downside is that to play DVD movies, it is necessary to buy the DVD remote, which is sold separately. Another added bonus of the Xbox is that it is shipping with an Ethernet adapter, which will allow on-campus students to play their Xbox

online at blazing fast speeds.

Nintendo's GameCube (GC) is hitting the game scene on Sunday, Nov. 18th. The GC is the follow-up system to Nintendo's successful system, the Nintendo64. This new system is a major departure from Nintendo's previous cartridge-only systems. The GC plays mini-DVDs, all of which have a diameter of a little over 3 inches and can hold 1.5 gigabytes of information. Nintendo is the only console maker that has been in the market since the late '80s, with the Nintendo Entertainment System, so it is a proven company that exists to make games.

Currently, there is one major home video game system on the market. Sony's PlayStation2 (PS2) is a more powerful version of its original PlayStation (PSX). An added benefit of the PS2 is the addition of DVD capability; this allows the PS2 to play DVD movies right out of the box and to have DVD-based games that allow for more information, 4.7 gigabytes, which is far more than the current CD-based games of

650 megabytes. The PS2 is also backwards compatible with the large library of PSX games, meaning that the PS2 can play well over 500 PSX games, 100 PS2 games, and a long list of PS2 games yet to be released.

Now comes the question of which system is best for the college student. All systems have their benefits and their drawbacks, whether its cost, games or abilities. Chad Guthrie, a video game store employee, said that the Xbox would be the best system for the college student.

"It has more for the general price," said Guthrie. "It comes with a 6 gigabyte hard drive, so you don't need to buy memory cards. It has break-away controller connections for when your roommates cross the room; they take the cables out of the system without pulling the system onto the floor. For an extra \$30, you get a DVD player and a DVD remote."

The downsides of the Xbox are the price and the games. The Xbox retails for \$300, not counting the \$40 for extra controllers, the \$30 for the DVD remote and

the \$50 per game price. When all of the money is spent and the system is complete, it should cost anywhere from \$425 to \$600, which is a very steep price for anyone.

The other factor to watch out for is the games. This is Microsoft's first attempt at console gaming, a very different market from computer gaming, the area with which they are familiar. There is a bright spot on their first line-up of games is a First-Person Shooter called, "Halo." By all reports, "Halo" is an incredible game along the lines of other First-Person Shooters such as "Quake" and "Half-Life." But will one fantastic game be enough?

Guthrie feels that it is the games and not the hardware that will make the Xbox successful system. Guthrie said, "Games will make or break the Xbox."

Russmann Jaimes, a hardcore Nintendo fanatic and electronics store employee, has a very different outlook than Guthrie. Jaimes thinks that the Nintendo GameCube will be the best system for college students.

He cites the low price point of \$200, the four controller ports, and Nintendo's previous great line up of multi-player or party games for the Nintendo64, like "Mario Party" or "Super Smash Brothers."

"For a little over \$300, someone can get a GameCube, four controllers, and 'Super Monkey Ball,'" said Jaimes. "Super Monkey Ball" is a four player game, made by Sega, that allows the player to control a monkey in a ball around labyrinth-like courses.

Then there are the hurdles for Nintendo to overcome. The GameCube has no DVD or CD playing ability. The GameCube was built for playing games only, no extras abilities like the PS2 or the Xbox. There is also the question of whether or not Nintendo can appeal to an older audience.

Jaimes said, "Nintendo has a reputation for being a kiddie system. The GameCube looks like something out of Osh Kosh B'Gosh."

Then there is the system that has already been out for a

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Town of Durham wants a vote

Durham community asks for involvement in search committee

By Bryan Crowther
TNH Reporter

Members of the town of Durham are concerned with being part of the presidential search process.

Durham Town Councilor Peter Smith expressed concerns that no representative from the town of Durham was chosen for the Presidential Search Committee at a council meeting on Oct. 22, said Town of Durham Administrator Todd Selig.

Executive Assistant to the President Gregg Sanborn said Tuesday that he understands Smith's concerns that no one from the town is represented on the Presidential Search Committee. He said that members of the committee are made up from members of the faculty, who are also residents of Durham.

Councilor Smith could not be reached for comment before deadline.

The relationship between the town and University is one that is highly valued by Sanborn and Selig; both of them believe that the relationship is of great value to the community, students and the new president.

"The decision on who will be the next president is one of the most important decisions the University can make, the attitude of the new president will trickle down throughout the University and the town," said Selig.

Sanborn said that the relationship between the president, the University and the town is "crucial."

"They are necessarily connected, we have so many interests and concerns, including the quality of life for students and Durham residents," Sanborn said.

Selig and Sanborn communicate about the presidential search and other issues and meet at least every other week to discuss mutual concerns and ideas, said Sanborn.

Sanborn said that the town will be

involved in the interviewing process.

"Once the candidate field is finalized, the process will become a public process, and the town council will be involved in interviewing as much as they wish," he said. Selig said that he understood that the town would be invited to interview once the field was finalized.

Sanborn said that particular interest in representing the town throughout the selection process was expressed to him by the Chancellor and the UNH Board of Trustees since the beginning of the process.

"They have consciously chosen members of the faculty and business community that are citizens of Durham," Sanborn said.

Members of the committee include Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Marilyn Hoskin, professor of psychology John Mayer and professor John Aber, who is the chairman of the Library Board for the town of Durham. These committee members and others are all residents of Durham, said Sanborn.

To help inform the university com-

munity and the town, an open forum was held Oct. 30, said Sanborn. The purpose of the forum was to listen to comments and suggestions about choosing a new president, and keep the relationship between the university and the town open on this matter, said Sanborn. He also said that Selig attended the forum.

Junior Mariel Matero, said that she thinks the town doesn't need to be completely involved in the selection process but should be informed about the choosing of candidates and their concerns should be heard.

"The president represents the University and its community; she is responsible for the actions of the University," Matero said.

Another way the University and the town communicate is through the Town Gown Committee. The committee meets quarterly and discusses issues and concerns that affect both communities. Members of the committee include Selig, Sanborn, UNH President Joan Leitzel, University Chancellor Stephen Reno and four members of the Durham Town Council.

Seminar addresses scholar's optimistic outlook for Russia

By Shawn Macomber
TNH Reporter

Russian President Vladimir Putin is in Texas discussing Russia's future in the international community with President Bush. Meanwhile, a couple 1,000 miles away the UNH Center for Humanities presented a timely seminar on Russia's homeland transformation, its reforms over the last decade and how those reforms fit together with the current globalization trend.

Segei Kazantser, an associate professor of law at St. Petersburg University and the vice president of the Russian Society of Legal History, delivered his seminar, "Globalization of Ideas: Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Russian Legal Reform," to about 65 people in the MUB.

The primary focus of the seminar centered on the exchange of European ideas and systems as Russia tries to build a new system out of the rubble of the Soviet Union. The globalization of ideas put forth by Kazantser was more universal than the economic connotations usually associated with the term. "The Webster's" definition of globalization is the act, process, or policy of making something worldwide in scope and application. Globalization includes shared ideas of legal reforms and systems of government, also,

Kazantser argued.

Kazantser, who graduated two years after President Putin from the same university, presented an interesting overview, having been a scholar of Russian law both before and after the 1991 Soviet Union collapse. His knowledge and optimism for the work ahead were obvious throughout his talk. Kazantser acknowledged that these new ideas were just beginning to take hold in Russia.

"Many in Russia do not understand 'globalization', a word that is absolutely new, having only appeared in the Russian language one or two years ago," Kazantser said. "Mostly it is associated with hooligans who riot at economic conferences and call themselves 'anti-globalists.' But I would say most Russians are not anti-globalist and that many are excited about reforms."

Some of the reforms outlined in the seminar were the respect and guarding of human rights, the idea that the state submits to law just as citizens and the respect for pluralism of political ideas and parties within the political spectrum. In the Soviet era there was law for citizens and government but not the Communist Party, which operated as it wished autonomous from any law.

The talk addressed issues such as when Gorbachev first al-



Ari Becker - TNH Photographer

Segei Kazantser delivered his seminar, "Globalization of Ideas: Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Russian Legal Reform," in the MUB.

lowed dissent and demanded unconditional submission of everyone to the law, he unwittingly brought about the end of the Soviet Union. Since the acceptance of the 1993 constitution of the Russian Federation, Russia has struggled to bring the enforcement of the rule of law up to speed with the ideals held within that document.

It's a difficult balance said Richard Hesse, professor emeritus of Franklin Pierce Law Center.

"Russia's path reminds me of the laborious path of our own legal system," Hesse said. "We do not have the premier system, either. Rights will become a reality only when the rhetoric of the Russian Constitution is matched by a meaningful way of enforcing limits on the power of government."

Hesse was quick to add, "Russian reform has come a long way quickly, and we in the U.S. could learn something from that."

Kazantser's lecture was varied, examining both the Soviet system and the current system. At a couple points Kazantser

even joked about the state of affairs in the 80s. One particular episode, which filled the room with laughter, recounted a Soviet judge who had decided a defendant was not guilty but could not render him so because the only sheets of paper they had printed for him said "guilty." The defendant's case was sent back to the investigation stage.

Kazantser explained today's Russia as a place of immense change. Change that he believes under Putin is pressing towards a less corrupt society, with rule of law followed and ideals beginning to be met. Citing many recent trials for corruption, Kazantser believes when the system is properly oiled, it will run smoothly.

"Procedures of the court have not changed," Kazantser said. "But many articles of procedure, more than 10, are contradictory to the Russian Federation's constitution. International law must be the guide for Russian law, and human rights and other problems will be fixed by fixing problems within the courts."

Hess, in contrast, felt that globalization of ideas was far removed from what we typically

today think of as globalization.

"The old idea of globalization was of abstract ideals," Hess said. "Current globalization is driven on primarily economic values. Unfortunately, and we have to be careful of this, human rights sometimes take second place, if that, to economics."

Kazantser carried himself as a very humble guest and answered several questions after the seminar in eloquent English, and then would apologize in case it was incorrect grammatically, although it never was. He also stayed behind to make sure all questions were answered, even as MUB staff began clearing the room.

UNH junior Brianne Moss was glad she had a chance to attend.

"It's good to hear what's going on in Russia now," Moss said. "Things are happening so fast in Russia, even our textbooks are outdated, and I learned a lot tonight."

"Russia has come so far in such a short time," Moss added. "I really commend them on that."

Professor Cathy Frierson of the history department was the chief force in getting Kazantser here. Frierson had developed a friendship with Kazantser through her studies in Russia and counted UNH very lucky to have had him here.

"He's doing three lectures in five days," Frierson said. "Which I think is really amazing. He has a lot to offer these audiences."

Kazantser enjoyed his visit to UNH, even if presenting a paper in English was a bit nerve wracking.

"I enjoyed my visit very much," Kazantser said. "It was a wonderful audience. I wish I could have just kept going with the talk."

This was the last seminar of the popular UNH Humanities series for this semester. Next semester's seminars tackle issues in Iran and Africa, among other places.

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Author digs up stories about artifacts

By Katherine Lanzer
TNH Reporter

On any given day in the recent past, one might have needed to search library aisles, museum exhibits and local historic sights in order to find Laurel Thatcher Ulrich. Most likely, she would be pouring over journal entries, researching the stories behind historical artifacts or visiting museums to examine spinning wheels and woven baskets.

But last Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., fans of the award-winning author knew for certain where to find her: in Theater I of the MUB, where Ulrich offered her audience a glimpse into the journey she encountered during the writing of her most recently published book.

Ulrich stood before the jam-packed theater with a microphone, a slide projector filled with 50 slides and her book, "The Age of Homespun: Objects and Stories in the Creation of an American Myth." Ulrich, an alumna and former professor of history at UNH, currently a history professor at Harvard University, gave a detailed account of some of the ob-

stacles and successes that came with the research for the book.

Ulrich's book focuses on 19th century objects used in everyday life. She defined the late 19th century as an attempt to reconceptualize history around the lives of American people. Americans during this time period, she said, began to recognize the significance of ordinary objects, and the stories they would tell in the future. This realization led many Americans to collect items, preserve them and document their stories.

"I wanted to do something different," Ulrich said. "I wanted to do something very hard that I didn't know how to do, and to enjoy the pleasure of being a beginner once again."

In "The Age of Homespun," Ulrich argues that there are more stories to tell about the objects than what has merely been presented to us in documentation.

"Some of the most interesting stories got away," she told her listeners. She said that these were the stories that interested her the most, and so she tried to write a book about the objects 19th-century Americans saved.

Ulrich credited her success with her skepticism and desire to decipher the true stories behind artifacts of the 1800s. Oftentimes, she explained, a documented story about an object contained information that was suspicious, and so she worked with the stories and the objects themselves to uncover the truth.

Ulrich gave the audience an example of one of these suspicious stories. She explained the documented story of a small basket that says that the trinket was woven by a Native American woman from the shreds of her blanket and tree bark, and then was passed down from one generation of colonial women to the next. But upon further research, Ulrich found reason to believe that the basket's story was not entirely true.

"It's amazing what an electron microscope can do," she told the audience, displaying a slide of the tiny basket.

Under the microscope, she said, traces of green and red wool were found in the basket: an indication that the blanket which the basket was supposedly woven from was not made from the materi-

als a traditional Native American blanket would be woven with. So as she researched, the story of the basket began to change. Ulrich explained that, in all of the objects she examines in her book, she went about researching with the same kind of skepticism.

Ulrich said that it was the interconnecting and the intertwining of such objects that she was most interested in, and that these relationships are what provoked her to find out more.

"I became so smitten with things," she said about her initial research of the artifacts.

"The Age of Homespun is" Ulrich's third book. She is also the author of "Good Wives" and "A Midwife's Tale: The Life of Martha Ballard Based on Her Diary, 1785-1812." Ulrich has won several literary awards, including the Pulitzer Prize in 1991.

After the presentation, refreshments were offered to members of the audience. All three of Ulrich's books were available to purchase, and the author remained in the theater and held a book signing.

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hours, 48 minutes since I'd last slept. Not bad for a first timer in the "city that never sleeps."

I was sure I'd never again get close to that much time without sleep.

The next day, my meager Spanish-speaking ability and I left the city for Toledo. My train ride to Toledo, I swear, was only 20 minutes long, and I was really looking forward to sleeping since I hadn't since I woke at 9:30 a.m. that morning.

When I got to the campsite where I intended to stay that night, Camping El Greco, I naturally expected the staff to have a tent I could rent, having not brought one of my own. They shook their heads no. With no other place to stay that night, I decided to give the man at the desk the fee for staying there, along with my passport.

I must admit, I was feeling a little uneasy about sleeping on the dirt ground among the six trailers and three tents I saw sprawled over the site, especially since all I had was my joke of a sleeping sack. I thought about how stupid I was to have, yet again, not set up a more secure place to stay.

But despite all my troubles thus far on this trip I wrote in my journal, "I'm thinking tomorrow I'll do my museum hopping, etc. then, if the weather is good, I'll find my own campsite and do the same as tonight. We'll see."

At 9:30 p.m. I closed my eyes as I lay under a paper-thin tree inside a thin sack and was hoping that after having nearly exhausted my money supply with no credit card and starting to feel really tired, I could get a wink of sleep.

And then I heard a startling crack of thunder, and it began to pour like I'd never seen before.

Sheets of rain pelted me as I attempted to sleep in my thin sack. Shivering, I was relentless in my attempt to sleep. I laughed at myself under my sheet, realizing how stupid I was to be here, right now, while my friends were in their warm beds somewhere.

After four hours of this, I decided enough was enough, hypothermia was near, and that if I wanted to leave Spain, alive, I'd have to get out of Toledo, now. I packed up my soaking equipment: a thin raincoat, a pillow, a change of clothing, a big empty water bottle, a huge green North Face backpack and my guide book. I took my passport back from the staff member who gave me a "stupid American" look, and I left. Only then did the rain stop.

I took a photo or two of the mountains and the city in the distance, asked a bunch of Spanish drunks directions to the train station and began walking through the city. It was 2 a.m., and the city train wouldn't be around until 8:30 a.m. because it was a Sunday, so I got a bright idea.

"Why don't I walk the highway back to Madrid?" I asked myself.

After what seemed like a five-mile trek from the campsite to the place where Toledo connects with the highway I began my walk, thinking the 20-minute train ride would mean only 40 minutes or an hour by foot.

In my initially quick pace down the roadway I passed

many-a-furniture store and gas station as trucks, buses, cars and police vehicles passed by me underneath the stars and Cheshire cat moon. I opted not to "thumb" my way, fearing I'd get arrested, but more so fearing that I would have to call my Mom and tell her, "Uh, yeah, I'm in a jail cell in Spain. Can you get me out?"

Carrying my bag on my tired back, I read the white kilometer signs so I could keep my sanity and know how far I'd been walking.

I debated with myself as to whether or not I should do this, realizing how stupid it was, but also noting that I wanted to get moving in some form or fashion. Several times during my walk I'd wondered whether or not I should just turn around and head back but laughed this idea off as insanity.

"You idiot Chris!" I screamed at the top of my lungs as the virtual silence on the highway finally drove me crazy. "How in the world did you get yourself here? What were you thinking?"

Gazing up at the deep black skyline I saw a shooting star about 15 kilometers into my journey. I stopped for the moment and wished that Madrid were right around the corner, just beyond those trees and rocks ahead.

"Please, God," I prayed with my hands held tight together in the cold of that night. "Please let the next city I see be Madrid. Please."

But that hope never seemed to come as I walked and talked to myself and God.

Talking aloud about life and my circumstances was an eye-opening thing for me, and I cried at least twice along the way. The tears seemed to heal me throughout my walk.

I was also frustrated beyond control and nearly fell flat on my face after kicking rocks and dirt on the wet ground. But, I smiled and laughed off a lot of my worries, realizing they'd get me no farther down the path I was on.

Early that morning, as the sun rose above the horizon, I took a photo, knowing I'd never seen anything quite so beautiful in all my life. It was at that moment that a sense of joy actually entered me, rushing over my tired body and giving me a sudden burst of energy.

I trudged on along the road and observed that a local town was nearby so I ventured there, my feet so sore I had to start walking on the sides of my brown boots to avoid the blistering pain. My thirst level was climbing by the minute and my neck about ready to break off my body.

It was 11:30 a.m. when I was told there were no train or police stations in Yunclar, a city 18 kilometers into my trek.

This was utter devastation for me as I had basically lost all hope again as I heard the news. Not knowing what to do and too tired to think about it, I left the town discouraged and saddened that my idiotic mind had brought me this far.

Continuing my highway walk I'm reflecting on whether or not I'll ever see London again, wondering whether or not I'll ever find a way to stop the tears from falling down my cheeks. I am in a state of utter distress.

"Will I ever find my way back?" I ask myself.

Heading up and over one of the many hills I've encountered on this stupid highway, just out of my sidetrack, a car has stopped to the side of the road ahead of me.

For a moment, all I can do is stop and stare at the vehicle. A part of me has shrugged it off as just some guy stopping for directions, but perhaps this is more than that. Maybe it's an opportunity off this roadway to nowhere.

A middle-aged man in his small cigarette-smoke-filled car opens the passenger door and asks me if I want a ride.

I haven't been happier in all my life, right now. All my sadness has turned to joy this very instant as this unlikely hero has come to my rescue. I hesitate to scream out my joy for or dance a beat because I am too tired and worn to do either. Instead, I quietly take my seat and enjoy the ride.

I try using my best "Spanglish" to have a general conversation with him.

It is 12:30 p.m., and I've been awake for 27 hours, again coming close to the time I'd spent awake in Madrid.

We pass by a sign that shows there are 40 kilometers to Madrid and I think to myself, "If I had seen that sign while walking, I would have cried myself to death." I smile and look ahead to the blue skies ahead, knowing I'm on my way home.

In all, I walked some 21 kilometers (about 15 miles or so) that day. Not much time in the scope of things, but mentally, a very trying time in my life. And that 20-minute train ride to Toledo turned out to be an hour and a half journey. On all accounts, I completely lost it that weekend.

This was a trip unlike any other I'd ever been on, and the lessons I learned have stayed with me a year after the event. I'm much smarter about plan-

ning out adventures, money management and about backup plans.

It is with this trip that I realized the power of self-reflection, and my own power of will to push forward, despite the hardships I knew I might endure, just to get home. I was growing tired of Spain, and of my stupid repetition of not setting up a good place to sleep, much less sleeping more in general and was looking for the comfort of London.

My friends came back with stories of touring museums, sleeping in cozy beds and eating haggis for the first time. I came back with a tale that shocked and surprised them, and each time I told my story I realized how important of a walk this was because it changed me by giving me a new perspective on hope and life.

While my London friends were seeing Italy and Ireland, I was walking a highway and wishing on stars.

GAMES, from page 3

year, the PlayStation2. The list of games is awe inspiring and ranges in price from \$10 to \$60, coupled with the ability to play DVDs without buying anything extra looks quite attractive for those a little short on funds.

Michael Page, a UNH RA, said, "I've been partial to the PS2, because it has been around for a year and is a very familiar system."

The PS2 also has the added benefit of having exclusive games, whose names are always mentioned in the same breath

as the PS2's. With such forthcoming titles like "Metal Gear Solid 2: Sons of Liberty," "Final Fantasy X" and "Final Fantasy XI," the expectations for great games remains high. The PS2 has already seen some very good games released, like "Devil May Cry," "Onimusha," "SSX Tricky," "Grand Theft Auto 3," and statistically the most popular game for the PS2 yet, "Gran Turismo 3."

In the end, it is all about money and taste. For \$300, you can buy a PlayStation2 or an Xbox. For \$200, you can buy a GameCube. New games for all

three systems will cost \$50 each, but the PlayStation2 has older games that can be very cheap. Role Playing Game fans should look to the PS2 with the promise of future "Final Fantasy" games, party game fans should look to the GameCube, and computer-type game fans should look at the Xbox.

It is very important not to choose a system based on hype or on what is promised for the future. "The numbers, the specs and the extras mean nothing. It's really all about the games," said Jaimes.

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CAR, from front page

frustration involved in finding a spot, it's really not the best way."

Stadler said the event was an overall success and received only two complaints from commuters who were upset by not being allowed to park in the reserved spots. Among the mix of carpoolers who normally ride in together and those who did for this event, the general opinion was that the event was a good idea and should be done more often, if not on a permanent basis.

"Can we do this more often?" said Jamie Metsch, who said that he would like to see carpool-reserved spots as a more established procedure. He liked the idea of rewarding carpoolers with the closest spots in A-Lot since it would send a clear message that alternative transportation is beneficial.

According to Julie Newman, the education director at OSP, Alternative Transportation Days evolved within the past few years from Bike to UNH Days. This event was one component of the educational outreach offered by the OSP and the first that focused on carpooling.

Other Alternative Transportation Days this fall alternated the focus from walking, biking and public transit. All share a common goal of attempting to alleviate the parking and congestion problems at UNH by exposing the benefits of alternative transportation to campus.

"I pay good money for a commuter

pass, and I have trouble finding a spot," said Hanna Landers, an employee of Philbrook Dining Hall. "I think everyone is pretty frustrated."

The commuter parking pass costs \$32 but each spot may actually be worth upwards of two or three hundred dollars, according to Stadler, who said the commuter spots at UNH are heavily subsidized.

"The value of the of parking space is the subject of a very complicated equation factoring in land value, paving, striping, maintenance and a variety of other costs that I can't enumerate," said Evan Rosset of Parking Services. Rosset said the actual cost of a commuter spot is well over the \$32 that is shouldered by commuters. He said that parking services is looking into many options to alleviate the parking problems; among them is a parking garage, but that would cost roughly \$30 million. In comparison, the Kingsbury renovation will cost \$40 million, and the new dining hall is around \$10 million.

"It's actually a good idea to reserve these first spots for commuters," said senior Jed Wolf from who commutes from Dover.

Wolf from said that an improved bus schedule that ran more often, combined with carpooler reserved spots would greatly help the complicated parking dilemma on campus.

"Something as seemingly mundane as

carpooling relates to fuel consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, public health, open space and traffic and parking congestion," said Froburg, who said the impacts of alternative transportation can be quite significant.

According to an OSP-sponsored study on emissions, if someone living in Newmarket or Dover would ride the Wildcat Transit just one day a week for a semester, he or she would reduce his or her greenhouse emissions by 160 lbs. Greenhouse gas emissions are largely a product of the many cars that frequent the campus on a daily basis.

At a volume of 5,700,000 liters, it would take only 89 minutes for the UNH community to fill up the Goodyear Blimp with greenhouse gases, according to the UNH Greenhouse Emissions Index compiled for the year 2000.

Tuesday's event was but one small component of a greater plan to integrate sustainable development and procedures at UNH.

"There's a systematic approach at work here, this was just one component," said Dr. Tom Kelly, director of the OSP. He said that all pieces of this puzzle must be worked out in conjunction and not in isolation of each other. The Alternative Transportation Days are just educational, however, and will not incur any policy changes.

The future of transportation policy is-

sues at UNH will be decided by the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC), chaired by Candice Corvey, the vice president for finance and administration.

The TPC is taking an active and broad approach to improving the transportation system at UNH by evaluating all aspects of transportation in relation to each other. No single transportation issue will be reviewed independently from the whole system.

Later this month a four-page supplement to the "Campus Journal" will detail some of the current transportation system challenges at UNH. This will begin a dialogue aimed at improving mobility, access, convenience and choice in the UNH transportation system.

"The TPC is looking at all of the issues relating to transportation holistically," said Steve Pesci, the special projects manager for the TCP and a staff member of Transportation Services.

Pesci could not give any specific issues being considered by the TCP, but said that all major constituencies on campus will be represented.

The TCP will soon set up a Web page with e-mail addresses as a means for communication and dialogue regarding transportation and parking. For now questions and comments regarding carpooling or the TPC can be sent to: spesci@cisunix.unh.edu. Please specify either carpooling or the TPC in the subject line.

LOTTERY, from front page

derstand the lottery.

Sophomore Thomas Brister said he feels like most UNH students.

"I don't really like it," Brister said. "The thought of being lotteried out is not soothing."

But Brister said he understands what the University is doing and other students should too, if they read their housing agreement.

"If you read the agreement, you have to understand," he said.

Junior Doug Jacobson said he felt helpless when the lottery occurred last year.

"I didn't approve, but there was not much I could do," he said.

According to Anthony Zizos, assistant vice president for Business Affairs and the spokesperson for the University about the lottery, the demand for housing is high because students enjoy the benefits.

"The demand for on-campus housing is higher now than in the mid 1990s," said Zizos. "[This is] because the local housing market is much tighter, and students, in increasing numbers, want to be close to the recreation facilities, value receiving voice/video/data services in their bedrooms and appreciate the value of the dining programs offered to resident students."

Sophomore Bryan Rivard said, "It's just one more thing to worry about."

Sophomore Charles DiCecca isn't so understanding and worries about the financial burden on students.

"It's pretty dumb," DiCecca said.

"At least you have somewhere to live

until junior year. Seniors hopefully have more money. I'm barely affording school now."

Many students questioned why the University continued to admit new students while it was having a housing crisis.

"If [the University] thought ahead, they could lower how many people come here," DiCecca said.

Brister said he thinks the lottery is here for the long term.

"I don't like how the school overbooks," he said. "I guess it will always be there. The University is just a business; it continues to overbook. The lottery will help fit everyone in place."

According to Zizos, the lottery is implemented on a year-to-year basis.

Freshman Jeff Garon said he was not surprised there was going to be a lottery.

"From what I heard, I thought it would be like this," he said. "I don't know to many juniors and seniors who live on campus. I don't want to stay on campus too long."

Zizos addressed the issue of the University continuing to admit students while there is no extra on campus housing.

"The University benefits in many ways from a constant size for the freshmen class, and that size, roughly 2,550 to 2,600 a year, is set to maintain overall enrollment no higher than it was in the mid 1990s," he said.

Sophomore Amy Sparks said students should be better informed.

"I pay \$14,000 to go here," she said. "I have no idea what that goes towards. You would think that would get me housing."

According to Zizos, "A news release was issued, letters will go out on Friday,

additional information will be posted on the housing Web site, a newsletter will be mailed to students' home addresses over the winter break and information will be distributed to students upon their return from winter break."

Some freshmen are not aware of the housing lottery, and, if they are, they really do not understand it.

Rivard thinks that freshmen should be better informed.

"Let freshmen know what they might have to expect," he said.

Zizos said that it was not as important to inform the freshmen about the lottery because they are exempt from the lottery and no decision has been made about whether or not to hold the lottery for their junior year.

Senior Melissa Ritchings was lotteried out last year with a number in the mid-300s.

"When I first got the number I thought I had a good chance; I wasn't too worried," she said. "It took a couple days to sink in; I was annoyed and angry that the University only guarantees housing until sophomore year. They never stressed that before."

Ritchings said her parents were angrier than she was.

"They sent letters to the school, the 'Union Leader' even called and asked them questions," she said.

Zizos said parents will be informed.

"During the last academic year we heard concerns from parents, and, when possible, their suggestions were incorporated into the process," he said. "We are also sending a letter to parents of students

affected by the lottery, calling their attention to the fact that their student has also received a letter."

Sophomore Jim Pease is a commuter. He said that parking would need to make some big changes in regards to the housing lottery.

"If more people commuted something would have to be done about parking," he said. "Maybe make more lots."

Sparks said she thinks it is hard to find an apartment.

"A friend of mine had to request the apartment she wanted a year early," she said.

Junior Heather Rondeau received number 12 and was lotteried out last year. Her advice to students going through the lottery this year was to stay calm.

"Keep calm and accept it," she said. "There is nothing you can do, honestly. Be calm and understanding."

Zizos perceives student opinion to be similar to what it actually is.

"A lottery is less than ideal," he said. "However, in spite of the unpleasant nature of a lottery we think students realize that it is a fair way to deal with the matter. Most students also know that the University is building additional campus housing. I hope students see that the University is doing all it can in a timely manner," he said.

Sparks did not have to worry about the lottery last year, but this year is different.

"I understand they have to do it, but I am not sure what I will do," she said. "I guess I will make my decision [today]."

FLAG, from front page

growing at the site. The baby elm is expected to grow into a healthy and large complement to the MUB circle garden retreat.

Bob Pettigrew, SAF financial consultant, would rather see the flag take the place of the tree.

"If we'd put it in the center of the circle we wouldn't have run into these costs in the first place," Pettigrew said. "It would have saved the students over

\$4,000."

Students question the monetary value of the budding shade provider.

"I think the circle is a better spot," said freshman Heather Davis. "It seems very central."

According to Allen, Carol Tuttle, assistant director of MUB programs, is negotiating with Facilities to see if they can't meet somewhere in the middle.

Also undecided is which outlet of the

students' money is going to shoulder the unforeseen expense. Bridget Crompton, SAF business manager, doesn't think that SAF should have to shell out any more money for the project.

Ken Kruger, student body president, still stands behind the Student Senate's decision to fund the placement of an American flag at the state war memorial.

"The world sees our greatest strength in the colors of red white and blue and in

the people in uniform rooted in every race, creed and region on the face of the earth," he said in a speech at the raising ceremony last Friday. "It will be a constant reminder for us at UNH as we look to the stars and stripes that will continuously fly above this memorial."

Pettigrew also would rather see the flag where it is than no flag at all, but maintained "wherever the flag flies it should fly alone."

U.S.-Russia summit ends without missile defense agreement

By Warren P. Strobel
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Newspapers

WASHINGTON - President Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin made good Thursday on a decade of U.S.-Russian pledges to bury the Cold War, ending a three-day series of meetings that officials said was remarkable for its lack of either superpower animosity or formal arms control agreements.

The two men failed to break a deadlock over Bush's plans to test high-tech ballistic missile defenses, but on virtually every major issue of the day, from Afghanistan to the World Trade Organization, the United States and Russia seemed to be allies rather than adversaries.

The fact that the two leaders could disagree over arms control, considered by many experts to be the linchpin of relations between Moscow and Washington, yet remain allies on virtually everything else suggests how profoundly the relationship between the two countries has changed since Sept. 11.

In past summits, "there were always major irritants and headaches" over issues such as U.S. use of force in the Balkans or Washington's desire to expand NATO, said Strobe Talbott, a former deputy secretary of state whose boss, President Bill Clinton, met 13 times with former Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

This week, "the one use-of-force issue was the one both countries were together on," Talbott said.

That was Afghanistan, which officials said dominated much of the private conversation between Bush and Putin. The two agreed to continue prosecuting the war on terror and seeking a stable, broad-based post-Taliban government.

The meeting of smiling faces represents a remarkable journey in a short period for both men.

Bush and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, a Russia scholar, came into office convinced that Moscow was a spent power, one the United States could afford to ignore as it focused on challenges such as China and friends such as Mexico.

Putin responded by courting Beijing and Western Europe as potential counterweights to Washington, and assailing Bush's plans to test and build a national ballistic-missile defense system in violation of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty.

All that changed Sept. 11, when Putin cast his country's lot with the West after the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

Putin, as Bush never tires of recalling, was the first world leader to phone with condolences and offers of support. Overruling his own generals, Putin consented to the once-unthinkable deployment of U.S.

combat forces to Central Asian republics that were once part of the Soviet Union.

The former KGB apparatchik was acting not out of altruism, but out of a keen sense of Russia's national interest, current and former officials said.

Putin, unlike Yeltsin, "understood what sad shape Russia was in," said Sandy Berger, Clinton's national security adviser. Putin's actions after Sept. 11 enabled him to deal with the West "as a partner against a common enemy and not as a supplicant," Berger said.

The Russian leader, once pegged as a dour neo-Stalin, showed nimbleness in other ways this week. He out-politicked Bush at an appearance Thursday before students in Crawford, Texas, and impressed Jewish-American leaders Tuesday evening at a Russian Embassy event in Washington.

Putin joked that, in Russia, he has opened a synagogue and "done just about everything but circumcisions," recalled Malcolm Hoenlein, head of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations.

More substantively, the Russian leader pledged to review Moscow's sales of nuclear and missile components to Iran, which the United States and Israel strongly oppose, and listed several such sales he has canceled, Hoenlein said. Putin is "a different personality than we

would judge by seeing him on TV," he said.

In return for his pro-Western stance, Putin has won toned-down criticism of his war in the rebellious republic of Chechnya and his suppression of freedoms for the news media, concerns that U.S. officials still voice to their Russian counterparts in private, but rarely in public.

And he won support from Bush for his economic reforms, including a promise to seek Russia's inclusion in the World Trade Organization and to push for ending Cold War-era restrictions on trade.

On arms control, however, Putin continued to insist that both sides must continue to negotiate formal arms control agreements, although he did not bring suggested revisions to the ABM Treaty that would maintain some restraints on the testing of missile defenses.

Bush's aides on Thursday defended the absence of arms control agreements from the three-day meeting, arguing that in the new era of U.S.-Russia relations, such detailed accords are less important.

"This is now a very broad relationship in which the nature of our nuclear relationship is a small part," National Security Adviser Rice said. "This is a 180 degrees (turn) from where we were with the Soviet Union ... where it was the only issue, really, in our relationship."

It remains to be seen

whether the camaraderie between Bush and Putin can outlast their terms in office. And both leaders may be criticized at home for not leaving anything more enduring.

U.S. conservatives may blast Bush for offering to cut U.S. nuclear weapons stockpiles more than two-thirds without winning Putin's agreement to missile defense testing beyond that allowed by the ABM treaty.

Putin's failure to win more than arms-cut promises from Bush could haunt him with domestic critics of his pro-Western stance.

"At a certain point in Russia, this is going to be a problem for Putin," said Stanford University scholar Michael McFaul, the author of a new book on post-Soviet Russia. "They've got a long ways to go, a lot of work to do" on arms control, he said.

The nuclear arms reductions the two men promised were not substantially different from those Clinton and Yeltsin agreed to in Helsinki, Finland, in March 1997, McFaul noted. Those cuts were never carried out.

A senior Bush administration official chose to look at the summit another way. The U.S.-Russia relationship has changed so fundamentally, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity, that massive nuclear-arms reductions suddenly seemed less important than who was in control of what village in Afghanistan.

FIRE, from front page

of the Durham Fire Department said, "We were looking at it as a non-punitive way of teaching house presidents and risk managers how it is to be careful."

The first of the two sessions, on Oct. 19, consisted of lessons, such as video interviews with parents of students who had died from fires at other schools nation-wide, case studies of UNH fires in Greek houses, and instruction on crowd control and how to properly fill out fire inspection checklists.

The second session took place on Oct. 26 at the Alpha Tau Omega (ATO) house as a real life experience of different fire-control situations. Various stations included fire extinguisher exercises with real controlled fires lit outside the house.

Tetreault said it was important for participants to gain familiarity with using fire extinguishers because "you never know what's going to happen when you pull the trigger. It stays with you for life."



Courtesy of Mark Tetreault

The Greek community gathers to attend fire-safety training.

According to Sean Kay of ATO, who is volunteer firefighter in Durham and serves in the unique position of Greek liaison to the fire department, "most [Greeks] had never used a fire extin-

guisher, let alone on a real fire."

Inside the function room, located in the basement of ATO, were two more stations. A theatrical smoke-making machine was used to simulate an actual fire

experience, while one group wound its way through a course led only by a life-line.

A second group watched the first with a thermal imager, a piece of equipment recently added to the fire department. The thermal imager allowed watchers to see the body heat coming off those in the course as they wandered in assorted directions.

"I think it was successful," said Tetreault. "If you go back to your house and do nothing, then the program is unsuccessful. If one person goes back to their house and modifies something to stop a fatality, then it was a success."

Coordinator of Greek Affairs Steve Pappajohn, who also took part in the academy, gave credit to Kay for helping to push this annual event.

"It's better to hear it from me and a peer," said Pappajohn.

Graduates received certificates of completion and T-shirts to commemorate their experience during the training.

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Horoscope time!

By Linda C. Black
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Today's Birthday (Nov. 16). Do something this year that helps you get stronger, more intelligent and more sophisticated. Push beyond your old limits to see new sights and meet new people. You've been the big frog in the little pond long enough. It's time to get into a bigger pond. This will be expensive, but you can afford it. Your best advisor is a close family member, perhaps one you don't like - not yet, at least. You'll come to appreciate the push he's providing.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 7 - There's nothing you love better than running wild and free, way out ahead of everybody else. The reason you're so pushy is because you'd like to push through. Don't let up!

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - Today and tomorrow are best for treasure hunting, so plan accordingly. Ask questions of people who have more than you do. Ask about investments, insurance and the best value for your dollar.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Looks like somebody has come to your rescue. If he or she hasn't yet, holler. Somebody nearby could take a huge load off your back and do so cheerfully. Don't whine, but don't suffer in silence, either.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is an 8 - Love and work are closely associated again today - and not as in "I love my work," although that may be the case. This is more like loving your co-worker. Got a mom-and-pop business? If not, give it some consideration. That might be the perfect thing.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - Plan a romantic surprise for your sweetheart tonight. Make it something that you hardly ever do. Keep it a

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secret till the last moment. That will make it even more fun. No water balloons or fake spiders!

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - It's another good day for getting rid of stuff. That goes for stuff at work as well as stuff at home. Why? To make room for new stuff, of course.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Today is a 7 - Keep studying. You're doing fine. The more you learn, the more quickly you'll advance. You're good with words, but that's not enough. You also need to know what you're talking about. Read the books! Surf the Web!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - When you say it's time to pay up, the other guy knows you're not kidding. If you push a little, the money will come pouring in. It's a great time for you to make sales calls, too. You're irresistible.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - You're powerful and decisive, but what

you're doing isn't easy. That's not going to stop you, of course. You're on a campaign to shine light on something that's been hidden, and you'll succeed.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - Is your conscience bothering you, or is it just time to make a change? Something's bugging you, so take action. One way or another, it'll get done.

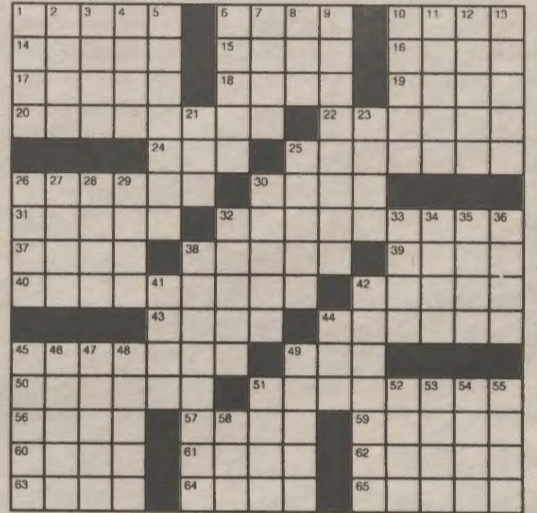
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - You're pushing to get a big job done, even in the face of opposition. You don't care if everybody agrees with you; you're too busy. The most important people are on your side, so full speed ahead!

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 7 - If you have a secret you've been keeping, be careful. It's liable to pop out. Is there something you're upset about but were afraid to mention? It might be difficult at first, but if it leads to a better understanding with a loved one, go for it.

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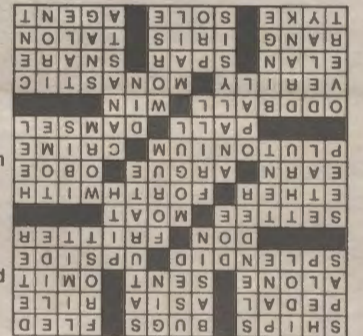
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Sweet Motha Child takes the stage

By Tara Henry
TNH Reporter

Local band "Sweet Motha Child," a modern day funk band with members hailing from Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire, gave a concert at UNH on Friday, Nov. 9.

The concert was sponsored by the New Hampshire Outing Club (NHOC) as part of a week of fundraising. NHOC is an independent student organization that does not receive funding from UNH, so fundraising activities such as sponsoring concerts becomes a large part of how they garner funds for the club.

"Sweet Motha Child" was formed four years ago and consisted of only four members. Since then, the band has grown considerably, is now thirteen plus pieces strong and is extremely pleased to be celebrating the release of its fifth album. For the most part, their music is composed of original scores and lyrics. Though they have done a few covers in their four years, "Sweet Motha Child" can proudly boast an impressive collection of seventy original songs.

The concert crowd was small, mainly comprising friends of the band. The concert got off to a late start, but the setback did not affect the band's overall performance. The concert began with an improv session of drums, bass, and electric guitars. Jazzy guitar riffs and upbeat drum cadences floated throughout the room, as the trio of musicians connected and communicated with each other to create smooth improvised music.

Gradually the rest of the band joined in, livening the set into a sound reminiscent of '70s funk band "Earth, Wind and Fire" with its grooving beats and instrumental versatility. Male and female vocalists scatted and rapped with confident, well-developed energy, complimenting and enhancing the musical creativity.

"Sweet Motha Child" has the kind of sound almost as though someone took some jazz, blues, a whole lot of funk, mixed in an inch of '70s pop, a hint of new wave, and blended it all together to concoct a dance-worthy musical stew thick with rhythm and movement, and reeking of raw musical talent.

The band puts out a laid back vibe mixed with a friendly energy that says, "Welcome to our show!" They employ the use of outrageous costumes, sparkly wigs, masks, vintage sunglasses and crazy hats to have fun with their performance. Retro lights and the use of wa-wa add to the '70s retro feel of the music. Various keyboard effects sound like they came from the tracks of a video game, but this unique sound is enhanced by the varied instrumentals and further demonstrates the total creativity of the band.

Overall, the performance was definitely an interesting one, not lacking in energy or interest. "Sweet Motha Child" is indeed a band that is no stranger to performance. They are completely comfortable in their abilities and it is encouraging to see all the progress they have made in the four short years they have been around.



All photos by Brian Landever - TNH Photographer

Members of the band Sweet Motha Child performed for students.



POET MCBRIDE CAPTIVATES AUDIENCE

By Katherine Lanzer
TNH Reporter

Surrounded by paintings of the Great Bay landscape, UNH English Professor Mekeel McBride captivated a full audience with her poise, humor and poetry at the Art Gallery at the Paul Creative Arts Center Wednesday, Nov. 7.

The poetry reading was a

part of the UNH Art Break Series, and featured McBride as both a reader and a mentor to poetry writers looking for inspiration.

McBride read selected works from her six published collections of poetry and prose, hoping the poems would "speak for themselves." In addition to reading her own work, McBride answered questions from the au-

dience about some of her personal methods of writing, sharing some of her insight about brainstorming thoughts and ideas, the process of composing a poem, and knowing when a poem is finally finished.

Inspiration was a central theme in the reading. McBride said that when reading her poetry aloud, her biggest goal is to inspire her readers, "so they go

away wanting to write."

During the reading, McBride discussed the inspiration she received from others in order to write such poems as "The Camouflage Plane" and "The Pain Sweepstakes." She read selected pieces from her collection entitled "A Brief Autobiography of Inspiration."

To help encourage other writers in the audience, McBride

offered some of her own sources of inspiration. "I find [inspiration] everywhere," she said. "From the dentist's office, to Adam's Point, looking at the herons; I try to pay attention to the little things."

McBride explained some of the specific events, stories and people that inspired her to write

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Recent video game releases

By Billy O'Keefe
Knight Ridder/Tribune
News Service

ACE COMBAT 04: SHATTERED SKIES

System: PlayStation 2
Publisher: Namco
Available: Now

Getting into "Ace Combat 04: Shattered Skies" takes a little time, but the mix of realism and arcade play, along with a well-told story, give Namco's flight simulator instant appeal. "AC04" moves without glitches and includes stunning visuals, and the terrific score and sound effects keep up the quality. The responsive controls feel appropriately rough, and the game plays extremely well despite the lack of any major sensation of speed. It's as good as flight simulation gets on a console so far, and "AC04's" accessibility and thoroughness make it a must-have for all flight sim fans.

X-MEN: REIGN OF APOCALYPSE

System: Game Boy
Advance
From: Activision
Available: Now

"X-Men: Reign of Apocalypse" is a straight-up brawler in the tradition of "Final Fight One." What "Apocalypse" adds is the ability to choose from four heroes, each of which boasts a cache of special attacks capable of wiping out the high number of baddies that come at you at once. "Apocalypse" features some nice gameplay that is re-

petitive and sluggish at times but generally stays hot and fun. To top it off, a battery backup allows players to save progress and control defeated bosses in the two-player versus mode. "Final Fight One" still takes the cake as the Game Boy Advance's best brawler, but cautious X-Men fans should feel safe plunking down the cash for this one.

F1 2001

System: PlayStation 2
From: EA Sports
Available: Now

"F1 2001" toes the line between simulation and arcade game, pitting extremely simple controls and objectives against a slightly intimidating learning curve. Getting into "F1" is a breeze; mastering the game's dynamics and winning races will take time. The reward for such patience is huge: "F1" crams the entire 2001 season onto a disc with all tracks, racers and teams accounted for, piling on custom seasons, car tweaking and stat tracking for good measure. "F1" looks great, boasting multiple viewpoints and excellent weather effects as well as some awesome broadcast-quality sequences and replays. The sound lacks similar punch, and the addition of some form of commentary should be on top of the list of improvements for 2002. Nevertheless, "F1" is a tough, loaded racer that should please the sport's more dedicated fans.

DAVE MIRRA FREESTYLE BMX 2

Publisher: Acclaim Max

Sports

Developer: Z-Axis
Available: Now for
PlayStation 2, November
for Gamecube and Xbox

PlayStation 2 gamers have been itching for a new extreme sports game, and "Dave Mirra Freestyle BMX 2" should tame that itch. The game offers many customizable features and a stunt engine that is a little glitchy but loads of fun. "Dave Mirra's" huge levels look and feel great, offering plenty of room for imagination without any slowdown or pop-up. The game's physics engine acts up at times but is nothing that can't be overcome with practice. The create-a-rider mode works nicely, the park editor is simply loaded, and the game's soundtrack is refreshingly diverse. "Dave Mirra's" has its share of glitches and shortcomings, but once you start playing, you'll wonder where the time went.

OKAGE: SHADOW KING

System: PlayStation 2
Publisher: Sony Computer
Entertainment
Available: Now

Putting its premise into words doesn't do justice to "OKAGE: Shadow King," Sony's wildly bizarre and imaginative role-playing game. Just know that the bad guy's name is Stan; he's your shadow, and your shadow is on a massive power trip. Everything else somehow falls into place in this artful game, which is loaded with wonderful characters, brilliant visuals and a fantas-

tically weird story. Some of "OKAGE's" challenges are so simple that you may wish you could skip them just to see what happens next, and you'll have to put up with the limited character development, the somewhat shallow gameplay and occasionally clunky battle controls in order to do so.

KINETICA

System: PlayStation 2
Publisher: Sony Computer
Entertainment
Available: Now

Sony's "Kinetic" raises the innovation bar without forgetting that the point of a racing game is, ultimately, to race. The game eschews cars in favor of full-body racing suits, transforming the racers into a hybrid of human and machine (think Robocop, only with wheels for hands and feet). This adds some fancy footwork and a creative, if underutilized, stunt engine to the action, which is fairly easy to maneuver despite the game's often blazing pace. "Kinetic's" levels are inspired and attractive, and the racer models feature a chic mix of cloth, steel and skin. A create-a-rider feature would have increased the game's depth, but the rush of speed and sound mechanics give "Kinetic" a fun factor that won't soon get old.

CASTLEVANIA CHRONICLES

System: PlayStation
From: Konami
Available: Now

"Castlevania Chronicles" is not a new game, but rather a re-

release of a 1986 PC title that never made it out of Japan. The visuals are largely unchanged, and the gameplay resembles the old Nintendo Entertainment System titles. "Chronicles," priced cheap and available in limited quantities, is a fans-only affair, a classic game of "Castlevania" that eschews storytelling, character development and non-linear play. Casual fans will likely be turned off by these features, but old-school Castlevaniacs will enjoy the game's length and challenge factor, as well as the stylish bonus interview with "Castlevania" producer Koji Igarashi. Until the next big sequel arrives, consider this Konami's way of saying thanks.

THE WEAKEST LINK

Available: PlayStation
Publisher: Activision
Available: Now

If you are familiar with NBC's "The Weakest Link," you'll know what to expect from the game, which includes just about every ingredient of the popular game show. Each of the 24 contestants have a full range of voice samples that best come into play when players are voted off the show, and host Anne Robinson naturally has a few cracks at her disposal as well. The game itself is what you see on television and is handled well, boasting a library of 100,000 questions. "Link" also allows seven players to go play at once, making for great party game for all gamers. Love it or hate it, "Link" is as faithful as a game can be to the real thing.

Graduate reading series highlights

By Katherine
Lanzer
TNH Reporter

More than 50 members of the UNH faculty and student body attended the literary readings of three UNH graduate students, on Thursday, Nov. 8. The readings were part of the Graduate Reading Series, and was held in room 129 of Hamilton Smith Hall.

The three presenters read from original

selected works of prose and poetry. Charlotte Bacon read an excerpt from her novel that is currently a work in progress, and Danielle Tyler and David Gruber shared some of their works of poetry with the audience.

Bacon, a graduate of Harvard and an associate professor at UNH, shared a piece of her upcoming novel, which is set partially in Calcutta. Bacon is the author of two other

award-winning works, "Lost Geography" and "A Private State." She received a Guggenheim Fellowship Award for the new novel last fall, and she is currently on leave from teaching for a year in order to concentrate on her writing.

Tyler read seven of her poems, including "Congregation," "In Russian with English Subtitles," and "Nickel and Penny." Gruber shared thirteen, which included "A View of Trees and

Water," "Galla Days in New York," and "September Duet."

All three readers were well embraced by the audience. Many of the members of the crowd were classmates of the graduate students, or previous students of Bacon's. Others were friends, mentors, and interested spectators.

The next reading in the Series will take place on Dec. 6, at 5 p.m. in Hamilton Smith.

T12: Four new couples test their love

By Vanessa Sibbald
zapzit.com

LOS ANGELES — It's time once again to get tempted by the return of Fox's reality series "Temptation Island 2," and host Mark Walberg is more than willing to jump back into the fire.

Last season, someone could have made the case that Walberg was the illegitimate spawn of some demon from the lower depths of hell by the way he had a knack for asking the most painful questions at the most painful time.

If nothing else, Mandy Lauderdale's frequent teary outbursts were evidence of how exact Walberg's probing was, hitting just the right spot. However, after everything's said and done, Walberg's really just a softie at heart — although perhaps not completely innocent.

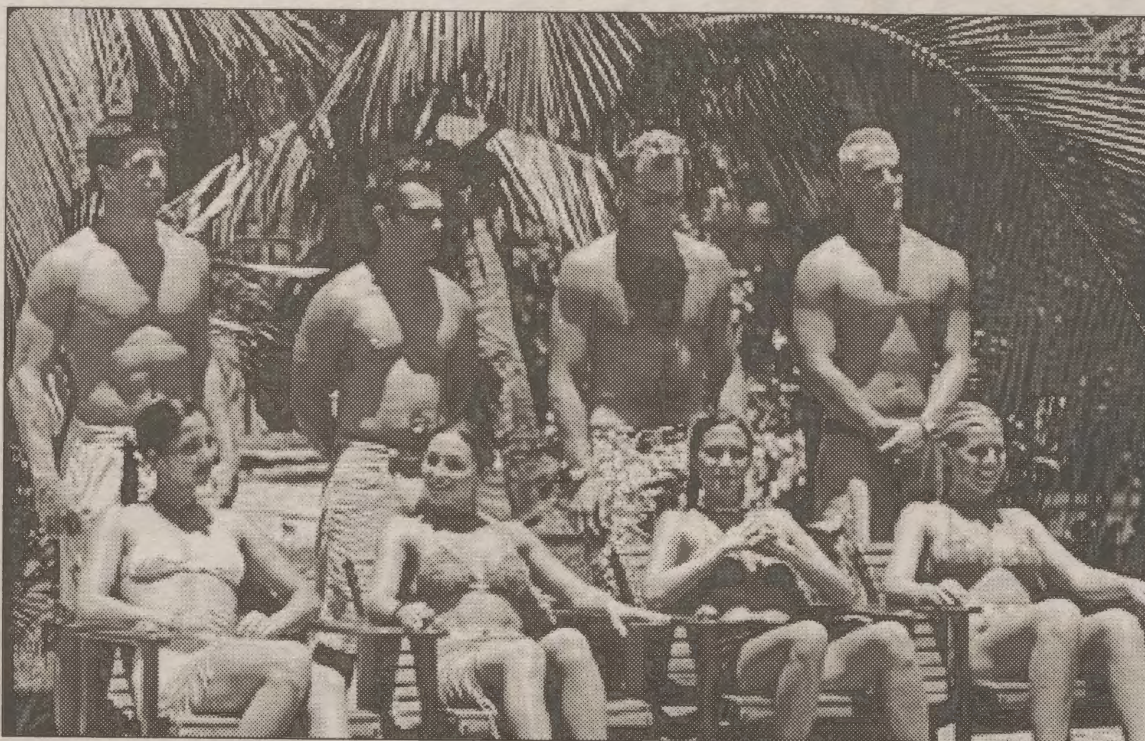
"Temptation Island" follows what happens when four committed couples volunteer to be flown to an exotic location, only to be separated and tempted away from their loved ones by a slew of sexy singles. There is no prize involved other than the trip and the chance to be on television.

Although it sounds like a great getaway, especially for the host who gets paid to be there, Walberg isn't so sure.

"Temptation Island 2" premieres Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET on Fox. It will follow a one-hour reunion special, "Temptation Island: The Wedding," airing at 8 p.m.

"On a couple levels it's absolutely a dream come true," Walberg said. "However, it's really emotionally draining. People don't really buy that necessarily from me—most people think that I'm sitting there at bonfire and stuff and looking over the shoulder at a cue card or prompter, which is not the case."

Despite perceptions to the contrary, Walberg says he doesn't use a script. He comes up with the bonfire questions himself after talking over the latest



Courtesy Photo

Four young women are placed with dates on Fox's "Temptation Island."

developments with the show's producers. And while some see the questions as manipulative, Walberg disagrees — kind of.

"As far as me being manipulative, I am. But the part you don't see often is the nice part before and after where I sort of qualify it and stuff like that," he says. The producers "just cut right to the chase — I obviously don't come out and say, 'You're a cheating hoochie,' without leading up to it at some point."

While some wondered if Walberg didn't enjoy twisting the knife with his questions in the first version of the show, he insists that he isn't a meanie, just a "victim of editing."

"You know a lot of that is editing, because really that is not true. I don't enjoy twisting the knife, but I do feel that it's my job and I'd want to do this anyway, to pose to them the things they may not be thinking about," he laughs. "What appears to be twisting the knife is when they start to get relaxed and feeling that, 'Hey, it's all good,' I feel like it's my job to remind them that it may not be 'all good' on the

other side of the island."

"Let's not forget that your choices are only your choices and your partner's choices might be different," he says. "It is a little bit manipulative, and may be turning the knife a little bit, in the vein of letting them know why they came there and all the possibilities that may be going on."

Some critics attacked the morality of a show designed to break up couples, but Walberg points out that couples in love wouldn't be part of the show in the first place.

"When you see a couple that is not enjoying a relationship, for whatever the reasons are, it's almost as if: If they can resolve it and be good together that's great, but if they can't, I don't have any problem being a part of a process that might bring them apart from one another. Because nothing's uglier than an ugly relationship."

This year, the temptation increases as the couples are separated for nearly twice as long as the first version of the show. The first game took place over 13

days, this one took 24 — something that caused an unforeseen problem for the host.

"Last year girls were pretty good friends, as were the guys from the other side of the island. This year, there are definite different opinions amongst the girls and amongst the men — which, by the way, was both the challenge and the bane of my existence while I was there, because there was so much going on that I had to try to keep track of. It was so much longer — it was like a marathon instead of a 5K."

Another difference between this season and last is that this time out a couple might actually break up at the end of the show. Not that Walberg is promising anything.

"I will tell you that you should stay tuned this year — that's all I can say about that," he teases. "There are different personalities this year. I think people are going to be shocked and surprised because the show, in format, is almost identical to last year, but what happened could not be further from what happened last year."

On the first "Temptation Island," despite all the tempting singles' efforts at driving a wedge between the couples, at the end of the show all of the couples decided to stick together — an outcome that Walberg says he wasn't surprised by.

"I personally got a charge out of that, because I thought that was the ultimate payoff," he says. "I thought that really said it all because I think the whole subtitle of the show is be careful what you wish for."

One pair he did have questions about, however, was Shannon and Andy — one of the three couples for the island who may be tying the knot during the "Temptation Island" reunion Wednesday night.

"I really liked Shannon; I like Andy too. I would drink beer with Andy, but he's not someone I would share intimate moments with," Walberg says. "Shannon really has this Gwyneth Paltrow-thing and she's really a sweet, smart woman. I think, as a viewer, you see her and Tom together and you're just rooting for that to happen."

"But how many couples do you know who are bizarre to you and me but are happy together? That's Andy and Shannon, I guess."

One thing Walberg won't be repeating this year is his trip to Internet message boards to see what people are saying about the show. "No, I tried that last year—it's just too evil in there. I'm too sensitive," he laughs.

"When you do a show and you're the host, if the show is successful or not successful, there's always something you've got to pick on. Normally, it's the host. No matter what you do, you come off as a cheeseball."

"Most of the people who write on the message boards pretend to hate the show and then their posts are detailed breakdowns of what happened in the episode, and of course they always take the time to trash me in the process."

Restaurant Review

Portsmouth's Café Mediterraneo

By Todd Perzynski
TNH Reporter

Italian food is one of those things in life that when mentioned draws an immediate hankering. Frequenters call it Café Med, other by the book types fully announce this restaurant's name, Café Mediterraneo, situated in a quaint part historic Portsmouth.

The sweeping glass exterior lends way to the restaurant's unassuming open "café" feel. Flawed inside there is no vestibule separating the front door from table 6, just 8 feet of warm air easily overridden. The menu is broad and simple, a step above fettuccini Alfredo and spaghetti and meatballs. Selections are listed in Italian with the English translation in parentheses, as to assuage the hill billies and second graders.

Garlic remains an ingredient in all but one of the antipasti. While garlic is a mainstay in Italian cooking, it is not a necessity. By including without discretion reflects a sort of monopolality. Paralled by the example that fish need not always be served with tartar sauce. The bruschetta was good. Toasted garlic bread topped with fresh tomatoes, basil, and red onion, with a dash of olive oil. It was the red onion that prevailed, giving the bruchetta a brisk taste otherwise dulled by the dash of extravirgin. Traditional caprese with house mozzarella

plum tomatoes and fresh basil is a light choice for an appetizer and fortunately spared from the garlic coup.

There is a choice of salads, de la casa, especial, and caesar, all reasonably prices and "normal" tasting. I suppose salad simply cannot vary much from place to place, so I am to conclude that Café Med handles there salad as well as can be expected from a restaurant of this caliber.

The entrees included seafood, veal and chicken all with a pasta foundation. Interesting choices are the carbonara with sautéed pancetta and onions in an egg cream sauce. Also tasty is the chicken breast with apricots, raisins, and cinnamon in a sherry wine sauce.

The shrimp al dente is made with jumbo shrimp, pancetta, sun dried tomatoes in a garlic, oil, and white wine butter sauce. A tasty dish though limited by the use of dry pasta. For those who have yet to indulge in fresh pasta, the difference could be equated to best light and bass ale.

So to conclude, while this restaurant may appeal to ones who negate small details and enjoy chef Boyardee I found it to provide sustenance and a portion of enjoyment. The thing enjoyed most, the soft lighting and right price. A great place to meet an ex-girlfriend or grandparent.

Report Card

Presentation: ★★

Service: ★

Price: ★★★

Beer: ★★

Atmosphere: ★★½

Overall: ★★

Located on: Fleet St.,
Portsmouth, NH

KRUNK:

A very special Mother 911 Thanksgiving

By Tom Silvestro
TNH Reporter

Dear Mother 911,

I read your column every week and even met you at the "911 Expo and Craft Fair." I was the 350-pound soccer mom who asked you what was the best way to remove the goal post lodged in my son's chest. Remember? Anyway, little Sandor is doing fine, but I have another problem: My ex husband is coming over for Thanksgiving dinner with his new slut wife and I've decided to murder the schmuck. Does poison go better with red or white wine? Thanks!

**Love,
Deadly in Delaware**

Dear Deadly in Delaware,

I do remember you! Glad to hear the little tyke is okay. Goal posts and internal bleeding in children go together like mac and cheese, don't they? So, you've decided to murder your ex husband? Good for you! Aside from losing a couple hundred pounds, this is the smartest decision you could ever make. Since you'll be serving turkey, I'd go with a red wine - possibly a Merlot. This will hide the poison better, as well. Getting rid of the body

is another common problem among first-time murderers, so be sure to cut it up into equal pieces before discarding. Good luck and send me a toe!

-Mother 911

Dear Mother 911,

I'm a long-time reader, first-time writer. I was wondering if there was anything I could do to make turkey day more patriotic, decoratively speaking, of course. In our country's time of need, I feel compelled to send over pies to the brave men fighting or at the very least, purchase American flag placemats. What can I do to show my American pride? Also, I must've pre-heated my oven a bit too early because my house is now on fire. Any ideas regarding this little matter?

**Sincerely,
Patriotic in Poughkeepsie**

Dear Patriotic in Poughkeepsie,

God bless you for feeling patriotic! Remember, though, safety first. It might be a good idea to check your turkey for any hidden biological weapons (especially if it was sent to you in a giant envelope). Be sure to boil your turkey first before cooking. As for injecting some patriotism in the meal, try coloring the mashed po-

tatoes red, white, and blue. If you're out of food coloring, spray paint will do just fine (just don't ingest any!). As for your other problem, try ignoring the fire for a while. If it still persists, hide in the cellar and alert the proper authorities.

-Mother 911

Dear Mother 911

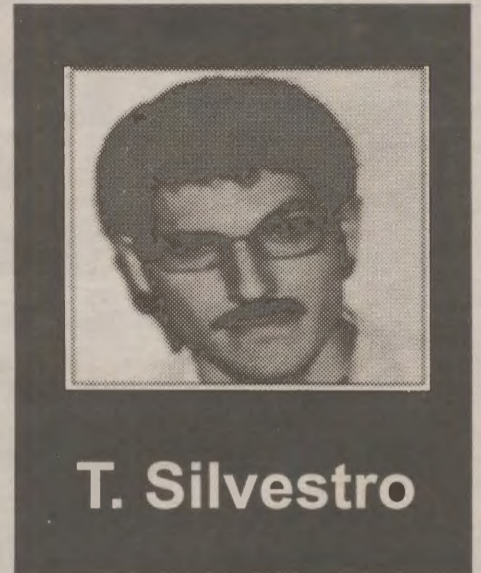
Hello again. You might recall my letter from last Thanksgiving - the one about my uncle getting knifed by my masseur boyfriend. Well, my little dysfunctional clan is getting together again for Thanksgiving, and I was curious as to what precautions you could recommend in case there's any more "rough housing."

**Your #1 Fan,
Knifin' in Nashua**

P.S. - By "rough housing," I mean bare-knuckle boxing.

Dear Knifin' in Nashua,

Good to hear from you again, Fan. How's your uncle's new respirator doing? As a woman who's seen her share of family knife fights and pile drivers, I can tell you that it's best to hide all the cutlery, hand guns, live snakes, and barbaric Medieval torture devices...at least until desert! If everyone has behaved, a little



T. Silvestro

bare-knuckle boxing or Russian roulette won't hurt. However, try not to go above a .44 during "family gunplay." Keep shootin'!

-Mother 911

Senior Tom Silvestro writes a weekly comedy piece for *The New Hampshire*.

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her poems. "I once saw a frat brother walking a pig on a leash in Durham," she said about the origin of her poem, "Loneliness." She told the audience about her inspiration for the poem "If I'd Been Born in Tennessee," the poet, reflecting upon her shyness throughout her early life, wondered whether she would have been so reserved if she had been born in the South. And a repeating dream about being married to Marlon Brando inspired her to write the poem, "The Keeper of the Sea."

McBride said that the chance to read her poetry aloud is an opportunity that she fully appreciates. "There really is a great interaction between reader and audience," she explained. "It's so cool when you connect with someone because of something you wrote."

Before every reading, McBride chooses the poems she is going to share and the order in which she'd like to share them. She explained that because audience members often have not read most or all of the works she plans to present, she wants the poems to be simple enough so that listeners can make some sort of connection to them upon hearing them for the first time.

"I try to pick out poems that are going to be accessible when they're heard," McBride said.

McBride explained her method of putting her poems in order for a reading such as this one. For her choice of the first poem, she said that she, "tries to pick something that's going to be immediately engaging." After the initial poem, McBride said she tries to maintain a

balance between funny and serious poems.

"I think it's important to prepare," McBride said. She explained her initial plan when going into a reading: she begins with a planned itinerary, and then on her list, next to the poems she intends to read, she has a list of "alternates," in case the mood of the audience is different than what she had expected.

McBride told audience members during the reading that writing poetry leaves her with a sense of fullness, and that she finds poetry in her everyday life. "Poetry for me is about catching a very quick, brief moment, a second; a transformation point, maybe," she told her listeners. "Poems come from everywhere."

Lipizzaner Stallions perform at The Whitt



Riders and their stallions work in formations, imitating ways in which these horses may have been used in times of war.



A Lipizzaner Stallion performs an aerial trick while one trainer stands nearby to direct it and the other holds the reins from the rear.

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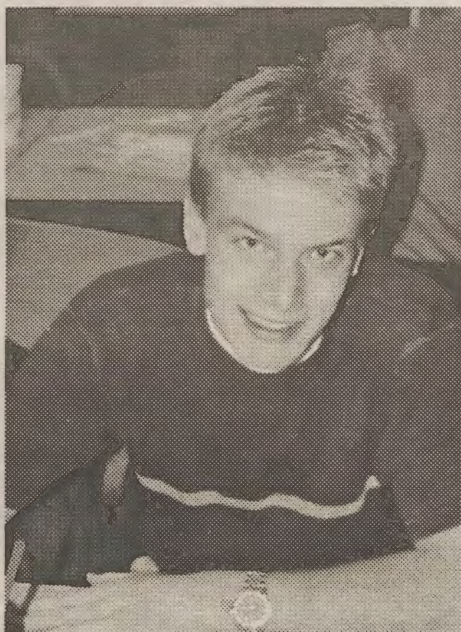
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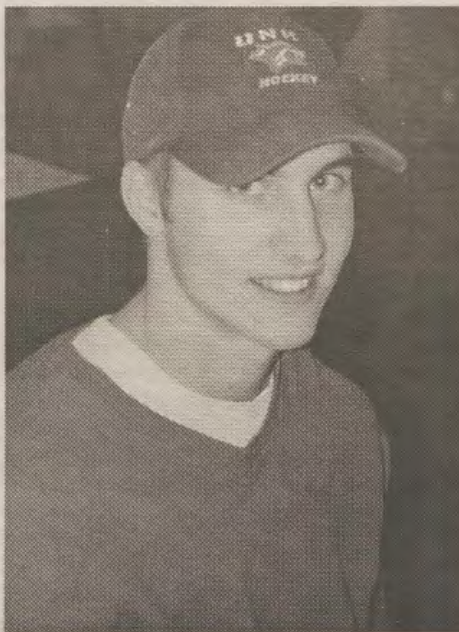
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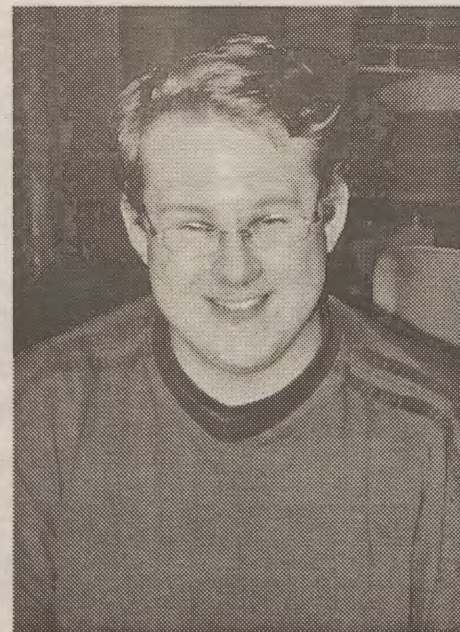
"Pop Culture 101. Impersonating your favorite pop star."

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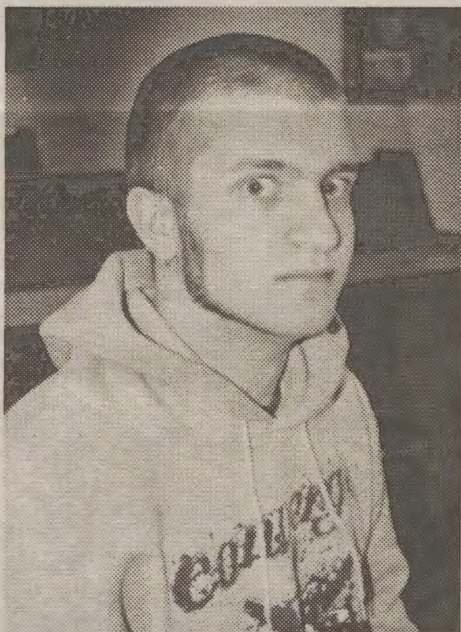
"Art of Sleeping. 30 minute nap."

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"Human Stupidity. In essay form, 'Why do you think people are so dumb?'"

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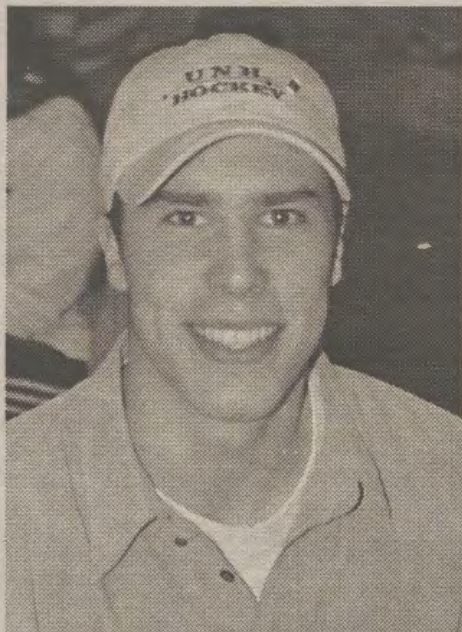
"How to Answer Random Questions On the Spot When You Don't Know What to Say 101. Come up with your own assignment."

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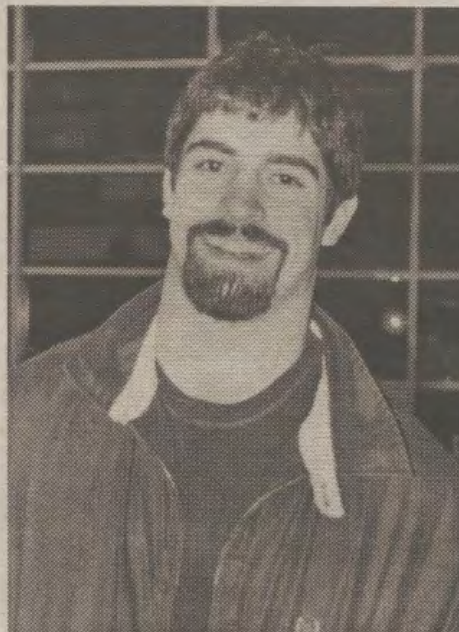
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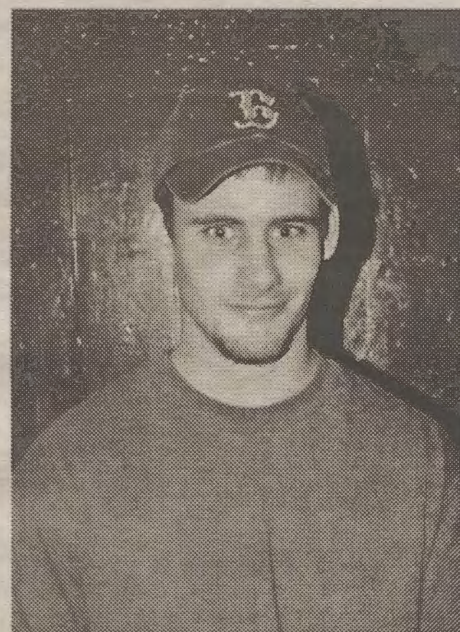
"Procrastination 420. Put it off 'till tomorrow."

Reggie Godin
sophomore
health
manage-
ment and
policy



"Boozology. Drink a 40 with Mucci."

Adam Wilcox
freshman
undeclared
liberal arts



"Autocross Racing 101. Design your own track."

Editorial

When you wish upon a star...

Look for Leo 45 degrees above the horizon in the southeast, just past the waning quarter moon and among the constellations. Look perhaps somewhere over the rainbow, where dreams are born...And that's where you'll find them.

They can be described as dirty balls of snow that heat up as they get closer to the sun, but we call them meteors and they are on their way to us. The peak of this cosmic phenomenon, which occurs around this time each year, will be this Sunday around 3 a.m.

Currently, the Earth is heading for a debris-path resulting from the passing of the comet Tempel-Tuttle. Temple-Tutel sounds like an ancient Egyptian burial tomb or a prestigious Supreme Court decision, but it's not; it's a comet. The resulting debris from it, known as the Leonid meteor showers, produces the brilliant show of shooting stars Sunday should bring.

In the best interests of your slightly romantic and perhaps normally hidden artistic side, sacrifice a good night's sleep to the sentimental Gods of needless slumber and take the opportunity to experience the night sky.

Nature is the keeper of many awe-inspiring wonders that daily life as students, workers, educators and community members often prevents us from enjoying. Perhaps 3 a.m. Sunday is the perfect time for us all to break this spell and pay some homage to whatever or whoever we each believe created this intricate weave we call a world; our home.

Perhaps in this moment of spiritual refinement you will even feel so inclined as to slip into the world of nursery rhyme, the magical childhood of Disney World, and make that wish upon on a star. In our heart of hearts we all know how it goes. Starlight, starbright, first star I see tonight ... We at *The New Hampshire* dare you to do it; we dare you to dream.

Letters

EC 535, education or promotion?

To the Editor:

Just the thought of being forced to take Environmental Conservation (EC 535) makes me cringe. In an Op-Ed printed in the Nov. 13 issue, Benjamin Pignatelli tries to present the argument that Environmental Conservation should be a required course at UNH. He claims that his intent is to "educate," however, I find it clear from his writing that his goal is nothing short of pro-

moting his personal political beliefs. Traditionally the environmental movement has been based on theories, many of which have been disproved. I would rather not subject myself to the environmentalist brainwashing that Pignatelli suggests, even if that means that I will never be a "properly educated citizen."

Chris Warner
Sophomore

Red Sox fan revels in defeat

To the Editor:

I really enjoyed the Tuesday, Nov. 6 "No Holds Barred" column. I look forward to reading the writer's point of view on numerous sports topics. Some of the thoughts are off the wall and completely random, but I think that is why I enjoy reading them so much. I am writing about the reference to Paul O'Neill's "look of dejection" after the game-winning run was scored, and the comment about remembering him the way he went out, "a loser and a whiner"—which was awesome. I think every true Red Sox fan feels the same way about a Yankee on the verge of retirement, especially when he goes out losing the big one. Paul O'Neill is one of the biggest babies in Major League Baseball. I'm happy to see him go. I just love seeing the Yankees getting bashed at any expense, especially

since 1999's ALCS against the Red Sox.

I am an avid Red Sox fan and it just really bothers me that the Yankees are able to buy the World Series every year. It's about time they lost after spending nearly \$100 million for their return to the World Series. I guess the thing that bothers me most is that the Red Sox try to match the Yankees payroll and still come up short. I honestly can't wait until there is a salary cap in baseball, and then we'll really see how good the Yanks are with their capped players and not all of the million dollar men that are presently on the team. It is about time someone took the team that wrote history and made them history.

Mike Wells
Senior

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Op-Ed

Philbrook solution a collaborative effort, future plan

Matthew MacVane
Sophomore co-senator Hall House

I am writing in response to the article that appeared in the Nov. 9 issue of *The New Hampshire* entitled "Food for Area III students." I feel that it unfairly characterizes what has been, and continues to be, an extremely cooperative relationship between University Hospitality Services and the Student Senate.

The resolution that my co-senator and I drafted and brought to senate wasn't intended to be a "written reprimand," instead it was to bring to the forefront the concern that many Area III students have about the level of service that they have come to expect from dining. David May, the director of University Hospitality Service, has made decisions regarding the dining program that were aimed

at enhancing the level of services to the students in the past. Those that we talked to in Area III viewed the decision to close Philbrook as one that seemed to veer from Dining's history of service-based management towards that of economic concerns. My co-senator and I had spoken with May prior to drafting the resolution and knew that Dining was simply trying to take steps to reduce overhead in a manner that would allow for the least amount of inconvenience. The expectation for Veterans Day weekend was a massive drop-off in the attendance at both Philbrook and Stillings, and a decision was made to combine the dwindling numbers so as to maximize one dining hall instead of utilizing two. With proper notice and more planning this would not have been so much of an issue. However, by the

week before Veterans Day, Area III residents had yet to be informed of the closing and there was no indication anywhere around Philbrook that there was anything except business as usual for Veterans day.

After talking to members of my constituency, and with time running out before the holiday weekend, my co-senator and I thought we ought to bring the issue before Senate. After a hard-fought debate, in which all sides were adequately represented, the resolution passed and a recommendation was sent to Dave May to allow for full operation of Philbrook over the weekend. In the wake of the resolution, Student Body President Ken Kruger, Student Body Vice President Christina Witkowitz, my co-senator Alexa Trolley, David May, and myself sat down in the spirit of cooperation to discuss how we could

avoid problems like this in the future and remedy the problem of Veterans Day weekend.

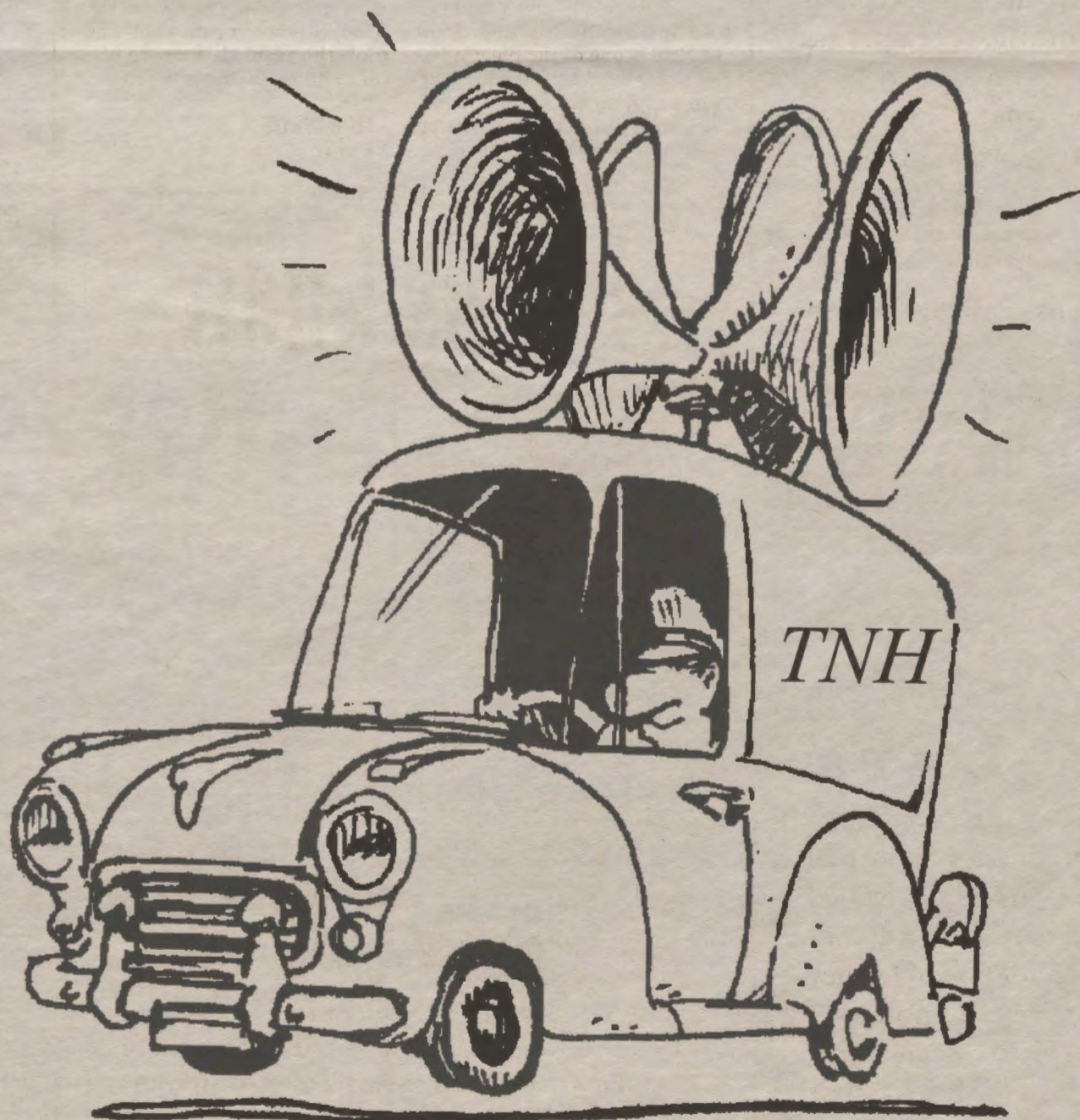
I would be mistaken in characterizing this as a negotiation or compromise. It is best described as a response to student feedback by Dining; it was a napkin note on a much grander scale. Together we were able to come up with an accommodating solution to the problem and a way of diffusing possible instances of this in the future. Dining Services set up a continental breakfast for students not wishing to leave Area III in the late morning/early afternoon hours. This, in turn, serviced around 125 to 150 people each day.

In the future Dining Services will tell the students in the beginning of the semester which dates it plans on closing the dining halls so that there is not an expectation of service for those days. Also since the opening of

the new grab and go concept at Philbrook, tentatively called Philbrook Café, it was decided that this will be open on weekends when the servery will not be operating.

In the end, the compromise was not between University Hospitality Services and the Student Senate, it was between economic expediency and service to the students. It is my hope that the resolution only solidified the wonderful relationship between Dining Services and its chief customers. I would like to especially thank Mr. May for his ever-responsive attitude to students needs. Also, I would like to thank the other members of dining who sacrificed a long weekend off with little notice to keep Philbrook open this past Veterans Day. Those of us who are too lazy or too busy to go to Stillings really appreciate it.

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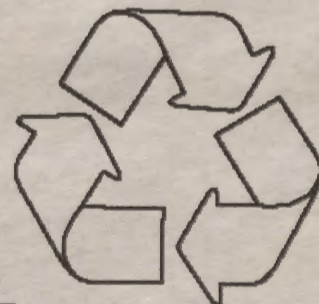
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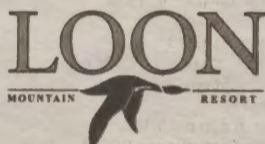
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FOOTBALL, from back page

and named after local legends Fred Brice of Maine and Bill Cowell of UNH.

Revenge, the musket and the role of spoiler are nice things to play for, but coach Sean McDonnell of UNH has something else he wants his players to focus on: pride.

"The first thing that is going to motivate any of our players is pride," said McDonnell.

Many of the seniors are itching for a win after the way the season has gone for the 'Cats. The fact that the opponent is Maine is an added motivator for the players, including senior defensive lineman

Mike Wells.

"It's a really big game especially since the way we went out last year," said Wells. "They absolutely killed us."

One of Wells' partners in crime on the defensive line is senior Jon Oosterhuis. He is looking for some revenge against Maine in addition to finishing the season up strong.

"We've been excited for a long time to get some payback," said Oosterhuis.

Of course, this game marks the last time some of these players will ever play football. The seniors will walk out of the tunnel knowing that this is the finale and

they can leave everything out on the field. Coach McDonnell is hoping the team puts its best effort together one last time.

"For some of the kids, especially the seniors, it'll be the last chance they're going to have to do it forever," said McDonnell.

It's also nice for the seniors to get a chance to play their last game in front of a home crowd. Senior defensive back Bryce Scottron knows that this game will have a special place in his heart and his mind.

"That's one you'll always remember," said Scottron.

In the individual record department, senior quarterback Ryan Day needs one

touchdown pass to set the school record at 52 for a career. Day is also the all-time leader at UNH in total offense with 8,170 yards. The former record holder for total offense was quarterback Bob Jean (1985-1988) with 7,581 yards. Jean also shares the passing touchdown record with Day at 51.

Also, junior tailback Stephan Lewis is approaching third place all-time at UNH for rushing yards in a season. Lewis needs just 65 yards to pass Bill Burnham (1977) on the list. Going into Saturday's game Lewis has 1,358 rushing yards.

Kickoff is noon on Saturday at Cowell Stadium.

UCLA running back out again

By Lee Jenkins
The Orange County Register

Even though UCLA has finished its investigation into running back DeShaun Foster and found no connection to a sports agent, the Bruins do not expect the former Heisman Trophy candidate to play Saturday against USC.

For the past month, Foster has been driving a 2002 Ford Expedition leased for him by television director Eric Laneuville, an extra benefit worth between \$500 and \$700. UCLA officials originally expected Foster would miss only Saturday's game against Oregon, but the school learned the NCAA traditionally suspends a player at least two games for

accepting a benefit of more than \$500.

The athletic department will submit its findings to the NCAA by fax and Federal Express this morning. It hopes to receive a ruling in the next couple of days.

"I'm not confident," UCLA athletic director Peter Dalis said. "Because of the reinstatement process and the guidelines surrounding how many games are missed, it could be more than one game."

The NCAA's decision is not solely based on the financial value of the benefit. The reinstatement committee subjectively weighs the gravity of each violation. If Foster had been involved with an agent, he'd almost certainly be suspended for the season.

But if the NCAA accepts UCLA's response that he was just using a friend's car, he probably could play again this season. There's even a slim chance he'd be back for USC.

Coach Bob Toledo, who said he never saw Foster driving the Expedition, banned his star tailback from practice until he is cleared by the NCAA. If Foster regains eligibility Friday, he undoubtedly wouldn't start and might not be a team captain against USC, but he would definitely see action.

"I've talked to him," UCLA linebacker Robert Thomas said, "and I know I wouldn't want to face him."

To be reinstated, Foster would have to pay back the cost of using the vehicle or set up a payment schedule.

That would be determined when the NCAA makes its ruling.

The NCAA still could ask UCLA to extend its investigation and explore other possible ties between Foster, Laneuville and sports agents. But that seems less likely since an NCAA investigator has been in Los Angeles since last week, working with UCLA officials.

Since its offices were closed Monday for Veterans' Day, NCAA representatives were unavailable for comment.

"My feeling is, I don't think DeShaun will be back (this week)," Toledo said. "But if he is, it's a bonus."

Toledo said he is not even writing Foster into the game plan, proof that UCLA will probably be without its best player for the second game in a row.

Football Forecast 2001

Game	Joe this year (20-27)	Kevin this year (27-20)	Jenna this year (20-27)	Guest Expert Lisa this year (17-24)
Maine @ UNH	Maine. UNH has a streak alright. Just not a good one.	UNH	UNH hasn't lost at home against Maine since 1989. Go 'Cats!	I LOVE MAINE. Period.
Florida St. @ Florida	Florida. The 'Noles are in a melt down.	Florida	Florida. I am not sure why, but I have a feeling.	Florida--it's peer pressure.
Syracuse @ Miami	Hurricanes. Everything's going their way this season.	Miami	I think there is a storm coming... Go 'Canes.	Syracuse. I don't care what Kevin says.
Rams @ Pats	Pats. Look for me. They are 2-0 when I'm in attendance.	Pats	Pats. Tom is the man!	Amber says Rams. I'm going with that.
Chargers @ Raiders	Flutie. I haven't met one person who doesn't like him.	Raiders	Raiders. Every time I have picked them they win.	Chargers, Raiders is there a difference?
Giants @ Vikings	New York. Awful at baseball but good at football.	G-MEN	New York has had a rough couple of weeks, at least one of their teams should win.	Little Giants! Little Giants! So cute.

No holds barred

By Matt Doucet
TNH Columnist

It's pretty safe to say that there has never been a greater job done by a casting director than by the guy who did the casting for "The Exorcist III." This is a man who somehow managed to slip Fabio, Patrick Ewing and a guy who looks a little too much like Bob Dylan into the same scene without being drawn and quartered. Having any one of these three in a scene alone is questionable. All three in the same scene! Ladies and Gentlemen, that's a man with some marbles.

UNH men's basketball starts the season Friday at NOTRE DAME. Do I even need to waste words on a joke here? Didn't think so.

You know you've hit bottom on the procrastination scale when you have a rubber band around your head and you intentionally start a "Which do you want to be more, King of the Jungle, King of the Ocean, or Babar, King of Elephants?" argument with one of your friends.

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players with a drug history go, the Yankees. (Come on, Strawberry, Gooden, Steve Howe, there's a pattern there.)

Joe Johnson is absolutely ice in the last five minutes of a game, which gives the Celts three go-to guys in the last quarter, which then results in migraines for opposing coaches, which will result in more wins for this team, which makes me way more happy than any human should be with a game in which they themselves have no part.

Is it just me, or does anyone else think that this recent bar fight that Jose Canseco and his twin brother got in was nothing more than preparation for them joining the WWF as a tag team? Think about this. They have the name already in place (The Bash Brothers), both have

bad mullets, both have requisite low IQs, and both look like they do a crazy amount of steroids. Sometimes in this crazy world everything just falls in to place

The Patties are winning on Sunday night. Yes, I know it's the Rams. Yes, Marshall Faulk scares the heck out of me. No, I haven't been hanging out with Lamar Odom again. It actually makes sense. The Rams defense is not for real (as evidenced in the Saints game). Belichick is going to devise some mad scheme to stop Warner and contain Marshall. The Football Gods are tremendously pissed at Mike Martz for constantly running up the score week after week. Add it up folks and you have the Patties winning 31 to 21 over the Rams.

And that's all I have to say about that.

'Cats climb the charts

By Jenna Sizemore
Staff Writer

The University of New Hampshire men's ice hockey team heads south to take on the Friars of Providence College in a HOCKEY EAST match-up on Saturday night.

The Friars suffered their third league loss at the hands of Boston College on Wednesday night, 4-1. A surprise to many

is Providence's 3-3-0 record in HOCKEY EAST, as the Friars were placed to finish atop the standings in the league.

"Just because they are not in first place doesn't mean they are not a good team," said head coach Dick Umile. "They just are not off to the start that people thought they would be."

The 'Cats are looking to pick up two points this weekend and keep the first place standing. UNH split a home-home series with UMass-Lowell last week-

end. Boston University, who is just one point behind the Wildcats, takes on the NCAA champs Boston College on Saturday evening in what is said to be a Beanpot preview.

The Wildcat offense has been on fire in the early part of the season. In the first seven games of last season the 'Cats created 256 shots on goal compared to 303 shots so far this season. UNH's power-play percentage is 27.8 percent, which ranks them second in HOCKEY EAST.

Even though the 'Cats are creating more scoring opportunities, UNH is having a hard time finding the back of the net, recording only 29 goals. In last Saturday's contest against Lowell, UNH had 30 shots on net but not one of them produced a goal.

"[Last weekend] We had plenty of chances to get ahead and we didn't do it," Umile said. "I think it was our inability to finish."

A part of the offensive success the Wildcats have had so far is the top line of senior David Busch, senior Darren Haydar and freshman Sean Collins. Haydar and Busch alone have attributed 25 points, 31 percent of the 'Cats offense. Last weekend the trio accounted for 10 of UNH's 12 points.

Senior captain Darren Haydar, who traditionally has played right wing for the 'Cats, has spent this year in the center position.

Coach Umile said his decision to move Haydar to the cen-



Josh Gibney - Staff Photographer

The Wildcats will fight for a win this weekend to keep hold of the number one spot in HOCKEY EAST.

ter position was because he will have more opportunity to create plays and put the puck in the net. Also, Haydar's speed and puck handling ability makes him hard to cover in the middle.

"I just see that he is a very good playmaker and can jump to both sides of the ice to escape as opposed to the wing where they can lock him out on the wall," Umile said. "He has done a good job at it [playing center]."

The Wildcat defense is also strong in the first portion of the season. Goalies senior Matt Carney and sophomore Mike

Ayers have allowed only 29 goals combined. The 'Cats also have an impressive penalty kill percentage at 89.7, which ranks them second in the league.

Junior assistant captain Garrett Stafford, who is a vital part to the Wildcat's defense and special teams, is day-to-day as he recovers from a hip flexor injury.

The Wildcats travel to Providence College Saturday night. Game time is at 7 p.m. The 'Cats will be home Nov. 24 and 25 for the UNH Tournament, taking on Ohio State and Denver.



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Senior captain Darren Haydar leads UNH with 13 points this season.

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Plencner enters this season after an outstanding junior year. Plencner was ranked second on the team with 10.2 points-per-game. She also earned her place in the record books by draining 51 threes. Plencner is only 21 threes away from the career school record mark of 142 held by Kelly Karl.

The junior class is small, but powerful. Junior Taylore Jarvis really came into her own last year when she was thrust into the starting position with Danen out of the lineup. Jarvis averaged 7.8 points and 4.8 rebounds a game.

Helping out Procter and Plencner in the backcourt is junior, and the third part of this captain trio, Colleen Mullen.

Mullen came to UNH via Rhode Island and was forced to sit out last year due to NCAA transfer rules. Mullen is another long-range threat for the 'Cats as she drained 42 three-pointers her freshman season.

Junior Emily Caschera also returns to the 'Cats. Caschera appeared in 27 of 28 games and dished out 21 assists.

This year's sophomore class has a year of experience under them. Maren Matthias and Sarah Rappoport are ready to make a big impact in the frontcourt. Matthias, the younger sister of senior Anna, started her career as a Wildcat off in record style blocking six rebounds in the season opener. Averaging 7.1 points-

per-game, Matthias was second on the team with 5.3 rebounds-per-game.

Rappoport saw limited action last season, appearing in only 12 games. She recorded a career-high four point game against Michigan.

Sophomore Quandra Harrison is prepared to make a big contribution in the backcourt. Harrison started off last season slowly due to injury, but came out strong in the second half of the season when she netted 12 points and six rebounds against Hartford.

The Wildcats have three newcomers looking to break into the backcourt, Lindsay Adams, Geneva Livingston and Jenn Piazza.

Johnson only has good things to say about this year's freshman class.

"All three of them are hard workers. They definitely have talent to offer to us and they all provide different things," Johnson said. "Jenn Piazza is a really good outside shooter, Lindsay Adams is a 6-1 guard and that give us a huge advantage in the position. Geneva Livingston is just a great combination of athleticism and skill."

This year the Wildcats have their sights set on the AMERICA EAST title. Coach Johnson has hope that if the team stays healthy, the 'Cats can finish among the top teams in the conference.

TNH Sports

Friday, November 16, 2001

On Campus Events

Today:

Women's hockey vs. Wisconsin 7 p.m.

Saturday:

Football vs. Maine 12 a.m.
Women's hockey vs. Wisconsin 7 p.m.

Sunday:

Swimming/diving vs. Colage & UVM 9 a.m.

Prepared to face off



Josh Gibney - Staff Photographer

UNH women's ice hockey team has a fast hold on the number five spot in the country. With six consecutive wins the Wildcats faceoff against Wisconsin at the Whittemore Center this weekend.

Last hurrah

Wildcat seniors hope to win last game at home

By Kevin Mealey
Staff Writer

The University of New Hampshire football team plays its last game of the season on Saturday against the Black Bears from Maine.

The two teams are clearly headed in opposite directions. After opening the season 3-0, the Wildcats have lost four in a row and six of its last seven, bringing its record to 4-6 overall and 2-6 in the Atlantic 10. Maine enters the contest having won seven of its last eight, boasting a 7-2 overall record and a 6-2 conference record.

UNH has a chance to play the role of spoiler in this heated rivalry, which dates back to 1903. Maine is vying for a playoff berth and UNH has the opportunity to ruin that for the Black Bears.

The series is the 13th longest in division I-AA football history and the second longest in Atlantic 10 history. The teams have played each other 90 times and the 41-41-8 record indicates how even both clubs have matched up over the years. The Black Bears won last year's contest by a final of 55-10, which has some of the 'Cats

Football



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Wildcat leading rusher, junior Stephan Lewis, will be looked to help UNH end the season on a high note.

seeking revenge.

The winner of the game is awarded the Brice Cowell Musket, which was donated by Alumni at UNH and Maine,

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'Cats ready to jump start season



Josh Gibney - Staff Photographer

Sophomore Maren Matthias will be looked to as a key player down low for the 'Cats this season.

A mix of youth and experience hopes to prove successful for women's hoops

By Jenna Sizemore
Staff Writer

With four team members returning from the 1998-99 team that led New Hampshire to a berth in the WNIT, this year's women's basketball team looks toward experience to get them to postseason play.

"I am excited (for this season); we have a talented group," said head coach Sue Johnson. "We have good mix of experience and youth."

Johnson enters her fifth year as the head coach of the UNH women's basketball program and is tied with Vermont coach Keith Cieplicki for the

longest tenure in AMERICA EAST. Since Johnson arrived four years ago, UNH is one of three schools to earn a bye in the tournament each season.

Last year the 'Cats finished 8-10 in AMERICA EAST and earned a first-round bye to the tournament. Unfortunately the 'Cats matched up against AMERICA EAST Champions, the University of Vermont.

The Wildcats are led this year by a very strong senior class.

"I am thrilled with our captains and seniors. There are five of them and they are really setting a great tone," Johnson said. Anna Matthias and Aubrey Danen anchor a very deep and experienced frontcourt.

Matthias, one of the squad's three captains, averaged 12.4 points-per-game and 6.3 rebounds to become the third play in school history to lead the

squad in both categories in the same season.

Danen, who red-shirted last year due to an injury, is ready to get back on the court. Danen started every game in her freshman and sophomore year before being sidelined by injury. Her freshman year she averaged 8.5 points and 5.6 rebounds a game, which earned her a place on the AMERICA EAST All-Rookie team.

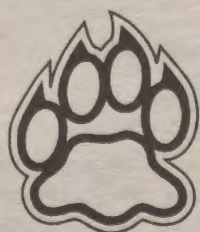
Leading the backcourt are seniors Kiki Procter and Heidi Plencner. Procter, who is one of this year's three captains, has started in all 83 games of her campaign as a Wildcat.

"Our biggest goal is to create an atmosphere conducive to winning," said Procter.

Last season, Procter led the Cats with 41 steals and was second on the team with 75 assists.

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Ice kings

UNH travels to Providence to challenge the preseason favorites.

