

Super Bowl fires up ‘Patriots’



Ian Mette - TNH Photographer

Football frenzy! Students fly an American flag over a bonfire started in the middle of Madbury Road after the Patriots win at the Super Bowl Sunday night.

**By Lisa Arsenaull and Jessica York
Staff Writers**

Flames about 20 feet high flashed into the cold night air as couches, chairs and tables were burned in a roaring bonfire in the middle of Madbury Road Sunday night. The crowd chanted “U.S.A.,” celebrating their sense of spirit and paying homage to the Patriots for winning the Super Bowl.

Some enthusiastic fans even added their clothes to the blaze.

“I knew it was gonna be crazy. We came straight up here because we knew everyone would be celebrating,” said senior Anne Kelly, who lives in the Greens Apartments on Madbury Road directly across from where the bonfire was started. “It was pretty crazy. I was excited.”

Durham Deputy Police Chief Rene Kelley estimated that 2,000 people gathered on Madbury Road for the celebration. According to Kelley, of the 2,000 people and other fires reported on Young Drive, only two arrests were made.

Greater concern was expressed for the throwing of illegal fireworks into the fire, the one fan who precariously shimmed high to the top of a nearby tree at the urgings of the crowd, and how these events may affect Spring Fling weekend.

The scene was reminiscent

of the rowdy 1999 gathering that followed the UNH hockey team’s big win in the AMERICA EAST finals. As for whether or not this will go down in history as another riot or not, Greek Coordinator Steve Pappajohn said at the scene, “Well, I would call it a celebration riot. There was some damage; a street sign was ripped down. I guess all we hope for is that nobody gets hurt.”

Both Durham and University Police responded immediately, videotaping the scene and keeping it all under control. The Durham Fire Department was also on hand.

Assistant Fire Chief Michael Blake said the crowd was very well behaved for the most part. According to Blake, the fire department “let the kids celebrate” and let the fire burn itself out.

“The theme was just to celebrate something good that happened in the general area—a way to release tension,” said Blake. “If one kid takes his shirt off and runs down the street it would give the impression of general craziness.”

University officials are treating the celebrations very seriously though.

Leila Moore, who was called into campus from her home in Somersworth in order to have a University authority present, said, “We can presume that alcohol was associated with this and that people would call this fun.”

“It’s tough on the people,”

said Moore. “There were some of them just buck naked. I guess they’re going to be sorry when they discover that we can identify more than their shining faces.”

According to Moore, the University is now involved in discussions about the event and the arrests that were made. Members of her staff review the videotapes taken to determine what repercussions will follow for students.

“[We] tape the incident to see if anyone was instigating the activity and who was responsible for either inciting the crowd to continue yelling and doing really stupid things—endangering their own lives,” said Moore.

Aside from the consequences for individuals that may come of the Super Bowl bonfire celebration, the event could have wider implications for the university. The incident comes “on the heels” of the University’s Spring Fling Weekend proposal.

The president’s staff will be discussing the proposal in a week, said Moore. Due to problems last year, which will possibly be compounded by this year’s Sunday’s Super Bowl celebration, the University had placed a moratorium on Spring Fling.

“Dr. Leitzel and I have not discussed the proposal for a different spring event and how it is affected by the Sunday celebration,” said Moore.

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Virus worms across campus

**By Darek Fanton
TNH Reporter**

In the last week, an e-mail virus, which has come to be known as the “My Party” virus, has found its way to the in-boxes of many students on campus. Now, Computing and Information Services (CIS) hopes this new widespread, but harmless virus will bring attention to the importance of protection against both contracting and spreading computer viruses.

Josef Geiger, from CIS said there are some basic steps that students can take to protect themselves against infection.

“First, everyone should go to www.virus.unh.edu and register their computer,” Geiger says. “UNH has a contract with McAfee that lets students and faculty download their virus protection software free of charge.”

The whole process of registering and installing the software takes about five minutes and the Web site has very clear instructions on each step. The McAfee software will update its list of viruses regularly and alert the user

if a virus is detected on the system.

If a student does receive a virus through e-mail, or if McAfee discovers a virus on the system, Geiger said he recommends the user first disconnect the Ethernet cable from the back of the infected machine to insure that the virus is not sent out to other users. Then he recommends calling the help desk at 862-4242.

The employees at the help desk will walk the student or faculty member through diagnostic procedures as well as repairs if necessary. Geiger said, if students are at all nervous or uncomfortable about working on their computer in this way, they can take the machine down to the help desk at Tech Underground and specialists there will take care of the problem.

Ultimately, the best way to prevent major problems is to backup all data on a disk on a regular basis.

The “My Party” virus was

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Sigma Nu in Spotlight

**By Justin Norton
TNH Reporter**

The Sigma Nu Fraternity, recently hit with a civil lawsuit over a sexual assault allegedly perpetrated by members of the house last February, was faced with another public image set back when the house was vandalized with the words “We Rape” sprawled across the outer walls.

According to Coordinator of Greek Affairs Steve Pappajohn, in the early morning hours of last Thursday, an unidentified individual or individuals armed with white house paint left three-foot block letters with the standing height slogan “We Rape.” The slogan was duplicated on the side of the house facing Madbury Road and on the other side of the house facing the Greens apartment complex, right below bedroom windows. The slogans were successfully scrubbed off the brick section of the blue Madbury Road fraternity house, but are still visible on the wooden section of the house.

The Durham police are investigating the matter and refused to comment on the progress of the investigation or any possible leads.

“I feel it’s uncalled-for to take vandalistic action on anybody,” Pappajohn said of the abrasive, inflammatory slogans. Pappajohn also stated that he met with members of the house and asked them not to take any retaliatory actions, encouraging them to keep faith in the Durham Police Department investigation in hopes that they will be able to accost the perpetrator or perpetrators of the vandalism.

The vandalism comes in the wake of a recent civil lawsuit filed by a female student who claims that, on the night of Feb. 9, 2001, two members of the fraternity and other unidentified individuals sexually assaulted her multiple times in the house after they supplied her with “death punch” grain alcohol. That night, the fraternity was not hosting a registered party. The lawsuit implicates the two members of the Sigma Nu fraternity, the UNH chapter itself, the national chapter of Sigma Nu, and the property owner.

The criminal investigation into the alleged sexual assault was

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Wednesday, Feb. 6

PointBlank: Tough Guy Culture in Contemporary Film — Film "The Matrix" will be shown. Discussion will follow facilitated by Cinema Studies Coordinator, Peter Mascuch. Film to be shown at 7 p.m. in MUB Theatre I.

REEL OUT Film Series — Film "Different for Girls" will be shown. A gender-based romance that is uniquely poignant, but funny look into the emotional adjustments that a handsome, extroverted male and an attractive, introverted transsexual "woman" must make in order to have a relationship. Film to be shown at 8 p.m. in the MUB Entertainment Center. For more information, contact Bob Coffey at 862-2050.

Thursday, Feb. 7

Graduate Reading Series — Fiction and Poetry Reading. Rusty Dolleman, Amanda Glen, and Carrie Heimes. To be held at 1 p.m. in Hamilton Smith 129. Everyone welcome.

London Information — The UNH London Program is sponsoring an informational meeting at 8 p.m. in MUB 330/332. Students will have an opportunity to discover what the program offers, to speak with the On-Campus Coordinator and the Director, to talk with program alumni and more.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Caring for Family Photographs — Learn how to preserve your treasured family photographs in a daylong workshop featuring Gary Samson, Chair of Photography at the New Hampshire Institute of Art, and Wayne Gallup, reprographics technician at the New Hampshire Historical Society. Sponsored, in part, by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Hampshire. Workshop to be held at the Museum of New Hampshire History, 6 Eagle Street, Concord. Admission is \$20/\$15 members, registration required. For more information, call 603-856-0608.

Monday, Feb. 11

Fraternity Spring Rush —
6 p.m.- Tau Kappa Epsilon and Lamda Chi Alpha
7 p.m.- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
8 p.m.- Pi Kappa Alpha
9 p.m.- Alpha Gamma Rho and Phi Mu Delta

Tuesday, Feb. 12

Fraternity Spring Rush —
6 p.m.- Sigma Nu and Phi Kappa Sigma
7 p.m.- Sigma Phi Epsilon
8 p.m.- Sigma Beta
9 p.m.- Alpha Tau Omega

Notices:

Writing Help — In a paper panic? Need help with your writing? The University Writing Center can help. Free consultations with trained writing consultants on all issues involving writing: subject choice, research, composing processes, genre, organization, style, grammar and conventions, punctuation and spelling. Call 862-3272 for an appointment, or come by Ham Smith room 7 to talk.

Peer Led Support Groups — Are you aware that several peer led support groups are offered on campus? Many students feel very alone with certain life experiences. These groups are a great way to connect with other students who have similar issues and to learn how others cope. Groups are confidential and led by students who have been through training to help them facilitate discussions and additional training about their subject. Groups are supervised on a weekly or biweekly basis. Interested students are encouraged to call the Office of Health Education and Promotion, 862-3823. The following peer led support groups have opening for this semester:

Cancer Support Network — these groups are for students who have a personal history of cancer, have a family member or friend who has cancer or who has lost someone to cancer.

Crohn's and Colitis Support Group — this group is for students who have been personally affected by crohn's or ulcerative colitis or have a friend or family member who is coping with these illnesses.

Post-Abortion Support Group — this group is a safe, relaxed atmo-

sphere for women to voice emotions and concerns with other post-abortion women from the UNH community. Generally, small groups meet on a weekly basis with trained peer facilitators.

SURF — Summer fellowships of \$3,000 plus \$500 for research expenses are available through the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP). Students may conduct their research on campus or at other sites within the United States. Students must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA to apply. SURF requires 10 weeks of full-time research. Deadline: March 4, 2002. Applications now available in UROP Office, Hood House 209. If you have questions, e-mail Dr. Donna Brown at dbbrown@cisunix.unh.edu.

UROP — Research awards up to \$1,000 are available through the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program for students who wish to pursue a research. Students must be matriculating in a degree program and must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA. Amount of time committed to the research project is flexible. Applications now available in UROP Office, Hood House 209. Deadline is March 4, 2002 (for conducting research during spring, summer, or fall of 2002). If you have questions, e-mail Dr. Donna Brown at dbbrown@cisunix.unh.edu.

The Press Room — The Press Room in Portsmouth has several events for the month of February. For more information, call 603-431-5186.

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More options for eating in Area III

By Joshua Chin
Staff Writer

Philbrook Dining Hall, located in Area III, underwent major renovations during break, including the construction of the Philbrook Café, which is scheduled for a grand opening Wednesday from 11 to 1 p.m. Students returned to find that Philbrook had made drastic changes to offer more contemporary, quality food service with its new setup and improvements.

The biggest addition to the dining hall is the new Philbrook Café, which replaces Philly on the Philly and has extended operating hours to meet the needs of busy UNH students. This new grab-and-go operation is similar to the Wildcatessen in Stillings Dining Hall, providing convenience and quality food for students who don't have time to dine in Philbrook.

"This is the first venue of a grab-and-go operation in Area III," said Jon Plodzick, senior area manager of MUB Food Services and Philbrook Dining Hall. Even in its second week of operation, Philbrook Café has successfully enticed students to visit and take out food, particularly in the evening hours.

"We have seen very good results in the growth of patrons," said Plodzick. "Currently, we are servicing over 1,000 people a day in the café, 600 in the evening."

Some of the features of the café include Starbucks coffee, fresh pizza and calzones, specialty soups, a deli bar with sandwiches made to order, ice cream, a variety of prepackaged foods and other breakfast foods.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, there will be a grand opening for Philbrook Café from 11 to 1 p.m. All UNH students are invited to come and check out the new café, which also features a small convenience store.

According to David May, executive director of University Hospitality Services, Philbrook, in its original design, was built in the early 1970s. "The renovations will bring the food presentation to a more contemporary service," said May.

Plodzick concurred with May. "For quite a while, we wanted to design a grab-



Marcia Wood - Staff Photographer

Philbrook renovations cater to student needs.

and-go operation in Area III," said Plodzick.

According to Plodzick, a UNH alum who ate at Philbrook in the 1980s, the facility has not seen any significant changes since the early 1970s when it was first built.

To begin the renovation project back in late October, carpenters removed all the blue, red and green rooms' frames. According to May, the frames were removed to create a more visual effect of the space, and to allow more light to illuminate the rooms. The entrance frames to all the rooms were re-painted white to compliment the bricks that surround it.

Students will also notice that the structure of the various food stations has also received a facelift. The multicolored

tiles that adorn the brick structure of each serving area are intended to embellish the area and distinguish the individual food stations.

Entering the serving area of the dining hall, one will notice on the left that there is a pasta and pizza food station called Paw's Pizza and Pasta. The main food stations contain two "Home Cooking" food stations with the "Soup Kitchen" section sandwiched in between. Off to the right of the serving area, there is the fruits and dessert food station, along with the frozen yogurt machines.

In addition, both beverage stations in Philbrook have been re-done to consolidate all soft drinks and juices in one station. Also, the waffle-making station has been relocated to a more spacious place directly

across from the eating utensils station.

The goal of UNH Dining Services is to develop a modern atmosphere in the serving area by creating different food stations instead of resorting to the conventional straight-line food service.

"We wanted to create some flavor when you come in to Philbrook. We are committed to providing the services we offer," said Plodzick.

"This concept has been extremely well-received at Stillings and at colleges and universities throughout the United States," remarked May.

Compared to last semester, there has already been an influx of students visiting Philbrook every day during the first two weeks of the spring semester.

"I hope it speaks to the improvements we have made at Philbrook Dining Hall," said May. "Jon Plodzick and the team have done an excellent job improving the services there."

According to Plodzick, further renovations to Philbrook include improving the ventilation in the serving area and improving the lighting throughout the facility.

A comprehensive study of the building will commence in the spring to determine how the design could be ameliorated to meet the students' dining needs.

"We're going to embark on a study with contractors on [Philbrook Dining Hall] this spring to see if we could make further improvements," said May. "We will be absolutely looking for student input. It is very important to us."

According to Plodzick, UNH Dining Services is committed to providing expedient and modern food service to Area III students.

"Our focus is to provide what the students want," said Plodzick. "We're always open to suggestions, and we appreciate any feedback."

For more information about Philbrook Dining Halls' renovations, contact Jon Plodzick, senior area manager of MUB Food Services and Philbrook Dining Hall, at 862-4831 or David May, executive director of University Hospitality Services, at 862-2727, or e-mail him at david.may@unh.edu.

Philbrook Café's new operating hours are as follows:
Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. and 7 to 11 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday from 7 to 11 p.m.

An evening with Kuusisto: Life in the sound

By Katie Bressack
Staff Writer

Imagine listening to the world as you're sitting in a gondola in Venice. Vaidal, your guide dog, is at your side, listening to the water hit the cement stones of homes nearby. Imagine swaying back and forth with the wind blowing through the Venetian canals. Envision trying to listen to sunsets over the churches on the Adriatic Sea. To Stephen Kuusisto, listening to the world is his life.

Born legally blind, Kuusisto says that his life is dependent on his sense of listening. He has spent his life as an imaginer, embracing the sweet sounds of the world as he explains what he hears.

Stephen Kuusisto and his guide dog, Vaidal, a yellow Labrador retriever, braved the New England winter last Thursday night when he spoke to students and professors as part of the UNH Writer Series. Despite the University curtailment of operations at 5 p.m., Kuusisto, professors and students walked through the snow to The Tin Palace on Main Street. Here, they were introduced to Kuusisto's view on the world

through his reading of poetry and an excerpt from his new novel, "Earthstruck."

Kuusisto stood in front of his UNH audience with Vaidal lying next to him on the floor. Kuusisto used his VoiceNote to read his stories and poetry. A VoiceNote is a little laptop word processor that has the ability to read and write files with a voice synthesizer that transfers his writing into audible words.

"The voice sounds like Stephen Hawking," said Kuusisto in reference to the hollow, monotone sound that his VoiceNote produces.

Kuusisto started the night off with a reading from his work in progress about his travels in Venice. He began by saying that a New York woman challenged him and asked, why go anywhere if you can't see? He referred back to the woman in his writings as he explained why he had gone to Venice with only one companion, his guide dog Vaidal.

"I have come to Venice to see what I can experience without visual experience," he said. "I have come to Venice because I am blind. I have come to find my own Venice."

Kuusisto said that he has been in love with stories since he

was a child, but it was his encounter with Huckleberry Finn when he was eight years old that made him want to continue reading. It was the discovery of the characters that seemed real to him.

"The delight and wonder of the book thrilled me," said Kuusisto. He also discovered his love of writing when he was seven years old.

He still continues to be an avid reader and reads poetry, political writings and nonfiction. The best book he has recently read is "A Primate's Memoir" by Robert M. Sapolsky.

"I travel by ear, knowing places entirely by sounds of places," said Kuusisto. He loves to travel and explore the world with Vaidal.

"All writers are people that never stop," said Kuusisto. He loves to become lost in strange places and have conversations with people. Through these interactions, he has learned how to ask strangers questions and find out information about their lives. "Accidents are what lead to discoveries when listening," said Kuusisto.

He spends days and weeks in New York City walking around, talking to new people. His first

memoir, "Planet of the Blind," explains how it feels to live life without seeing during his everyday adventures with his first guide dog, Corky. Corky, now nine years old, is retired and lives at home with Kuusisto and his family.

Kuusisto said he can't give a journalistic view of the world. Instead, he uses the power of language to explain what he can't see and sees through what he reads and hears about the world that surrounds him.

After listening to Kuusisto's poetry, UNH professor of English and linguistics Naomi Nagy said, "Poetry is not really about the real world, so you really don't need to see it."

Kuusisto was asked to join UNH for the first Writers Series event of the new year by English professor Charlotte Bacon.

"I asked Stephen to come to UNH because Professor Mekeel McBride read his memoir, 'Planet of the Blind,' and suggested we invite him to campus," said Bacon. "He has a connection to UNH and to Durham, and I thought it might be tempting for him to come back and spend time here."

New Hampshire is in Kuusisto's blood. He was born

in Exeter and grew up in Durham until he was eight years old. Throughout his childhood, he spent his summers in New Hampshire.

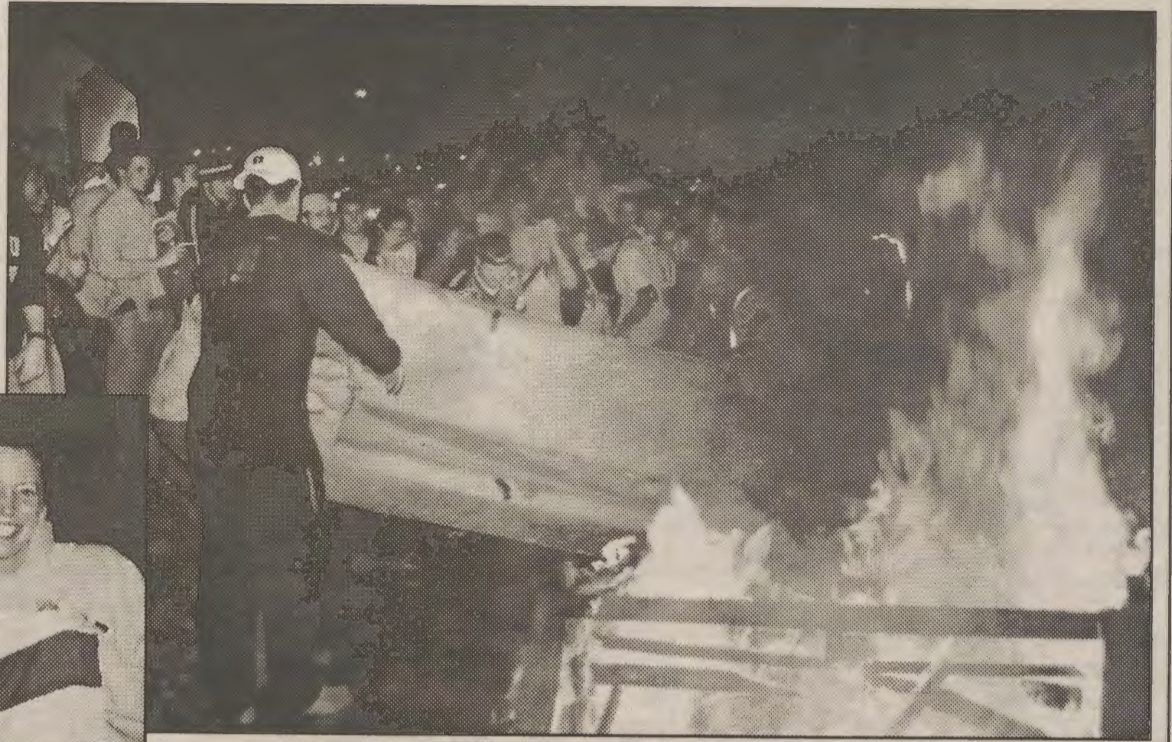
He now owns a house on an island on Lake Winnepesaukee and spends as much time as he can in the summers there. Kuusisto also spent his freshman year at UNH studying writing. Now, you will find Kuusisto teaching creative writing at Ohio State University. He was surrounded by football fans and said, "I'm the only one who doesn't know anything about football."

Kuusisto is also an advocate for people with disabilities. He is the director of student services at Guiding Eyes, an organization that trains guide dogs, and works as a consultant in Jamaica at resorts to help them build services for people with disabilities.

"I was thrilled he was able to make it and that, despite the weather and the need to cancel the event in the MUB, we still had a strong turnout of students and faculty," said Bacon.

"It was great that we could improvise and meet at this glorious space," said Kuusisto as he opened his arms to small crowd at The Tin Palace.

Football frenzy!



Another couch bites the flame on Madbury Rd.



Fans smile with patriotic spirit.

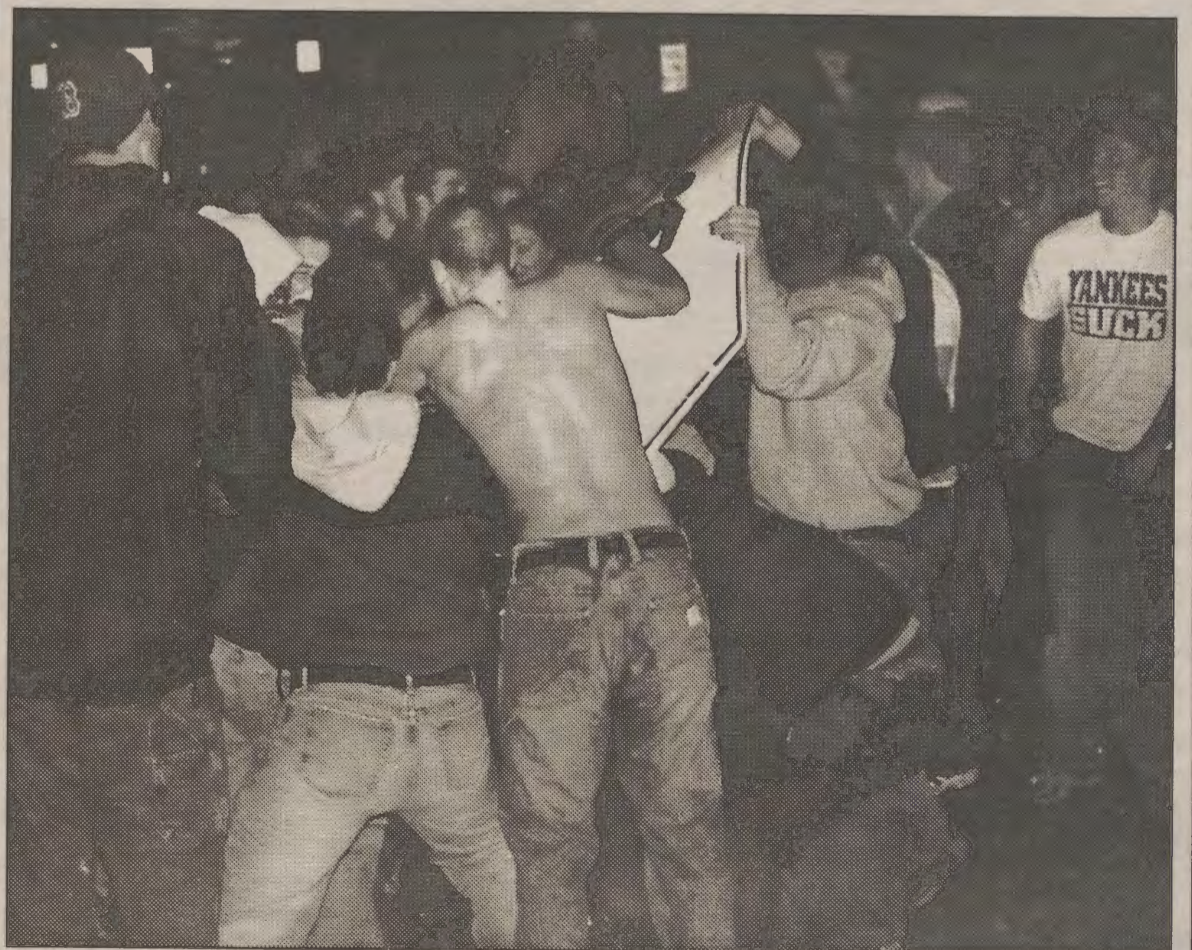


"Patriots" wave Old Glory above the cheering crowd.

All photos by Ian Mette - *TNH* Photographer



Victory!



The crowd rips down a street sign.

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dropped by Distract Attorney Janice Rundles when DNA evidence ruled out one of the fraternity members and was inconclusive for the other one. The investigation also found no traces of date rape drugs in the bloodstream of the student.

An ensuing University judicial hearing at the end of last year also returned a "not responsible" verdict for the two fraternity members.

The house was placed on disciplinary probation for a year by the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Anne Lawing and Pappjohn for "bystander responsibility" due to the

preventative measures Sigma Nu members could have taken for allowing the "obviously intoxicated" student from entering their house and not contacting the police immediately.

Dr. Lawing said that, while the current vandalism is a Durham police investigation because the house is classified as a "private residence," the University would take appropriate judicial action against the perpetrators.

According to Ryan Mahoney, the president of Sigma Nu, the inflammatory slogans painted in the side of his house have definitely upset and angered

members of his fraternity house.

Mahoney pointed out that members of the house are students also, and have been inconvenienced by having to clean up the house and address the bad publicity that affected every member of the house.

"We're all upset that this happened. It's not fair to do that to us when we're in the middle of the court case," Mahoney said.

Mahoney also added that neither he nor any members of the house had any idea of the identity or identities of the vandals.

WORM, from front page

first discovered last week and has since spread at an alarmingly fast rate. According to Chuck O'Ceallaigh at Computer Services, the virus got its start in Russia and made its way over to the states in a simple e-mail.

The virus is what is known as a worm, which is characterized by the way it spreads. Once opened, a worm will locate the address book of the user and then automatically send itself to all of the e-mail addresses it finds.

Some worms can be very dangerous as they may have multiple destructive capabilities that do serious damage to files or the hard drive of an infected computer. The "My Party" virus has no such accompanying virus and seems to work primarily with the Outlook Express e-mail program, but that does not stop it from causing problems.

"The problem is that it clogs up the server," says O'Ceallaigh. "It takes up bandwidth as it sends itself to everyone

and just slows things down."

The effects of viruses like this one are not confined to just the computer. Amy Rodier, a former UNH student, says she received the virus from a friend on campus.

"It doesn't do anything to the computer," Rodier says. "But it's really embarrassing to have people writing you e-mails saying 'you sent me a virus'. I had to send out a big apology note to everyone in my address book and I have people from work on there too. It just makes you look stupid."

O'Ceallaigh said he recommends students visit the Network Associates web site at www.nai.com. This site has information on all current virus warnings and past warnings, as well as a complete library of viruses and the steps needed to remove them.

If students have further questions they can visit the ResNet Web site at www.unh.edu/resnet.

"Words are sacred. They deserve respect. If you get the right ones, in the right order, you can nudge the world a little."

— Tom Stoppard

Briefs

New web site discusses national security and justice

From Staff Reports

A Web site launched by Justiceworks will allow citizens and criminal justice professionals easy access to information about national security and justice in the nation in the wake of Sept. 11.

Justiceworks is a UNH-based consortium dedicated to providing balanced, non-partisan research on issues on crime and justice.

This new Web site will have reports and commentary about the renewed battle against crime and terror across the nation.

"The events of last September have awakened great concerns about public safety and national security," says John T. Kirkpatrick, director of Justiceworks. "It is extremely important that the measures we take to address those concerns are the product of deliberate, open and informed debate. This Web site provides anyone with the information they need to participate constructively."

Justiceworks is a public service-oriented, applied research consortium dedicated to extending the land-grant mission of UNH to the criminal justice system.

Check out the new Web site at www.justiceworks.unh.edu.

Burt appointed regional manager for Small Business Development Center at Plymouth State

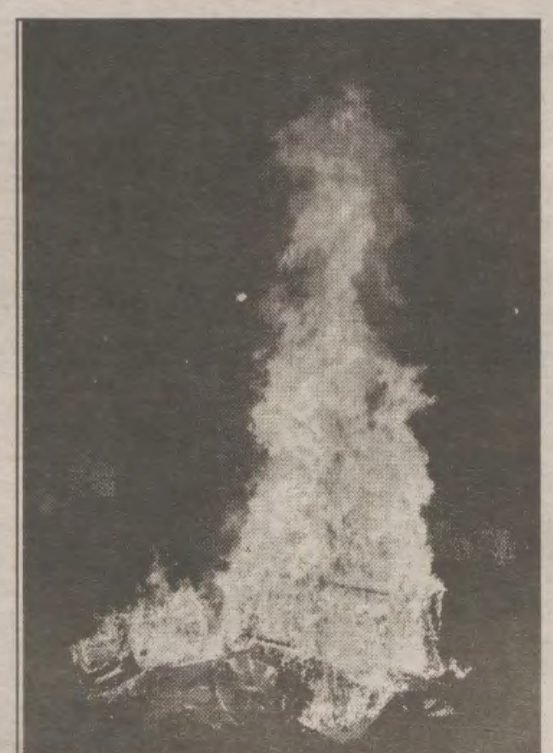
From Staff Reports

Edward W. Burt Jr. was appointed regional manager by The New Hampshire Small Business Development Center (SBDC) for its Plymouth office located at Plymouth State College.

The New Hampshire SBDC provides free counseling and other developments services to small businesses throughout the state and is located at UNH's Whittemore School of Business and Economics.

According to a press release, Burt began his work at the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services where he provided leadership in several federal and state funded business programs and was liaison for New Hampshire's businesses seeking to lower energy costs, production waste and pollution.

Burt holds an Executive MBA degree from Rutgers University Graduate School of Management. With this degree he has created and sold two successful businesses. He credits his success as a business owner to "understanding both the articulated and unarticulated needs and priorities of customers, recognizing and valuing employees as the scarce resource that they truly are, and developing a very focused yet opportunistic marketing strategy."



Ian Mette - TNH Photographer

Football frenzy!

The bonfire that lit up Madbury Road after the Super Bowl Sunday night, appeared to blaze at more than 20 feet tall at the height of its flames.

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President Bush unveils \$2.1 trillion budget for fiscal '03

By Ron Hutcheson
Knight Ridder
Newspapers

WASHINGTON - President Bush sent Congress a \$2.1 trillion wartime budget Monday that favors defense spending and tax cuts over domestic programs while slipping into an \$80 billion federal deficit.

Calling for a dramatic overhaul of national priorities, Bush offered a spending plan for fiscal 2003 that would put the nation on a war footing for years to come. Other goals - balancing the budget, paying down government debt and preserving the Social Security trust fund - would take a back seat to the war on terrorism and the president's tax-cutting agenda.

"Since the end of the Cold War, defense has been a dwindling priority in our national budget. . . . That will have to change - and the 2003 budget reflects the new reality," the document declares in an overview section. "We are at war, and we must pay the price to fight a war."

Bush's budget proposes doubling the federal investment in homeland security and calls for the biggest increase in defense spending since President Ronald Reagan launched his Cold War buildup. Homeland security would get \$38 billion in Bush's plan, while the Defense Department would get nearly \$380 billion - \$48 billion more than this year.

The budget would increase federal spending overall by about 9 percent, but the increases are spread unevenly, and some programs face deep cuts. Defense would get a 12 percent increase; increases in domestic programs would average about 2 percent.

Highway projects and environmental programs are among the biggest losers. Federal highway funding would decrease by about \$9 billion from this year, while the Environmental Protection Agency faces a 4 percent cut in its budget. The popularity of both programs in Congress may protect them from the president's ax.

After four years when the federal budget ran surplus revenues, Bush projects a \$106 billion deficit this year, an \$80 billion shortfall in 2003 and a \$14 billion deficit in 2004 before the budget returns to balance. To help pay for government services, the budget would tap excess revenues in the Social Security trust fund, money that both parties had declared off-limits as recently as last year.

Democrats accused the president of raiding Social Security, seizing an issue that could be potent in a congressional election year. Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., the chairman of the Sen-

ate Budget Committee, also accused Bush of borrowing from Enron's accounting tactics to hide the flaws in his spending plan.

"This is a failure to acknowledge debt, a failure to deal with debt. . . . It assures future problems," Conrad said.

While urging restraint in nondefense spending, the president signaled that he has no intention of retreating from his steadfast support for tax cuts. His budget calls for \$73 billion in additional tax cuts next year - almost enough to cover the projected deficit.

Bush's new tax cuts would reduce federal revenues by \$591 billion over the next 10 years, on top of the \$1.35 trillion, 10-year tax-cut package that Congress approved last year. Much of the cost would come from the president's proposal to extend the tax cuts indefinitely. They are currently set to expire in 2010.

Bush also sought to revive his economic stimulus plan, a \$77 billion package that would accelerate the tax cuts that Congress approved last year, give new tax refunds to low-income workers, expand unemployment benefits for laid-off workers and provide new corporate tax breaks.

Deficit hawks expressed fears that the president's budget marks a return to ever-increasing federal deficits.

"It's pretty worrisome. The atmosphere right now is to increase spending, cut taxes and run up the deficit," said Robert Bixby, executive director of the Concord Coalition, a nonpartisan organization devoted to a balanced budget and reducing the federal debt. "If you want new spending, you call it defense or homeland security. If you want to cut taxes you call it economic

stimulus."

The president made no mention of deficits in his formal message accompanying the budget, but the 426-page document contends that the deficits will be "small and temporary" if Congress follows his economic blueprint.

That does not seem likely, judging from the initial reaction from congressional Democrats.

"We all agree that we must strengthen national defense and homeland security," said Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas. "Unfortunately, the budget unveiled today drives America further into debt, spends Social Security and Medicare, and cuts priorities like education and health care."

Democrats also criticized Bush's scaled-back plan for a Medicare prescription drug program that would cost an estimated \$190 billion over 10 years.

The president literally wrapped his spending proposal in the flag, decorating the cover with a color photograph of a rippling red-white-and-blue banner. The budget included color photographs for the first time, mixing pages of numbers with shots of soldiers and the site of the obliterated World Trade Center.

It used a new rating system to evaluate federal agencies. The traffic light system gave agencies a green light if they met all the standards for financial management, personnel and other categories, a yellow light if they met

some of the standards and a red light if they had serious flaws in any area.

Only one agency - the National Science Foundation - earned a green light in the first evaluation, and that only for financial management. Most of the biggest agencies, including the Defense Department, the Education Department, the Energy Department, the Justice Department and the State Department - received red lights in all five management areas.

"Over time, the scores should improve," the budget noted after quoting Kermit the Frog's slogan, "It's not easy being green."

That attempt at humor was a rare departure from the budget's overriding wartime theme.

Echoing Bush, the spending blueprint is filled with warnings that the war on terrorism will require a sustained national effort. It also provides a clear look at the financial burdens.

The Defense Department budget includes \$27 billion for the war, but Pentagon officials acknowledge they may need far more than that. With current costs running at about \$1.8 billion a month, the Defense Department will ask Congress for an emergency cash infusion next month to meet the bills for the remainder of this fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30. The 2003 budget goes into effect the next day, Oct. 1.

"We're running out faster than we thought we'd be running

out," one senior Pentagon official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Much of the rest of the defense increase is intended to speed the Pentagon's efforts to develop sophisticated next-generation weaponry, from stealth aircraft to space-based targeting systems. The budget includes \$7.8 billion for work on a ballistic missile-defense system, about the same as the current year.

Military personnel would get a 4.1 percent pay raise.

The budget for homeland security - a diverse mix of programs ranging from work on new vaccines to the kind of heightened security that was on display at the Super Bowl - would increase from \$19.5 billion this year to nearly \$38 billion.


"Homeland security is a challenge of monumental scale and complexity. It will not be cheap, easy or quick," the budget says. Homeland Security director Tom Ridge called the proposed \$38 billion an "initial investment" in protecting against future terrorist acts.

Some of the biggest proposed expenditures include \$10.6 billion to secure the nation's borders, about \$6 billion to defend against biological attacks, \$4.8 billion for aviation security, \$3.5 billion to help local governments respond to emergencies and \$7.8 billion for improved intelligence gathering and other front-line efforts to defeat terrorists.

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Horoscope time!

By Linda C. Black
Tribune Media Services

Today's Birthday (Feb. 5). As you gain status, sometimes you leave old friends behind. Don't worry: The best of them will always be there for you, and new friends are yet to be met. You'd never have had the chance to know them if you hadn't climbed this far.

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 6 - Take it slow and easy. Don't let a manipulative person get you riled. Exploding into a fit of rage isn't in your best interest, even if it would be fun. Use the energy for something more productive.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - You and your partner need to figure out how to divvy up the loot. Make time for a meeting to discuss your options. Make educational materials, or something that makes the job easier, a top priority.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Your job may seem overwhelming. Maybe it's because you feel underappreciated. Change that by doing more than is expected. You'll feel better about yourself and make more money.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - What you need is a plan. Your life will get a lot simpler once you've worked one out. Get a loved one who's a good strategist to help. Do it now, because you'll be too busy over the next few days.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - A personal matter you've been struggling with is about to be resolved to your satisfaction, so don't worry about it any longer. Make the commitment and get on with your life. Follow your heart, of course.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - Continue to get organized, and finish your old business. You're in a decisive mood, so you can get a lot done. When in doubt, throw it out. Clear the decks for action.

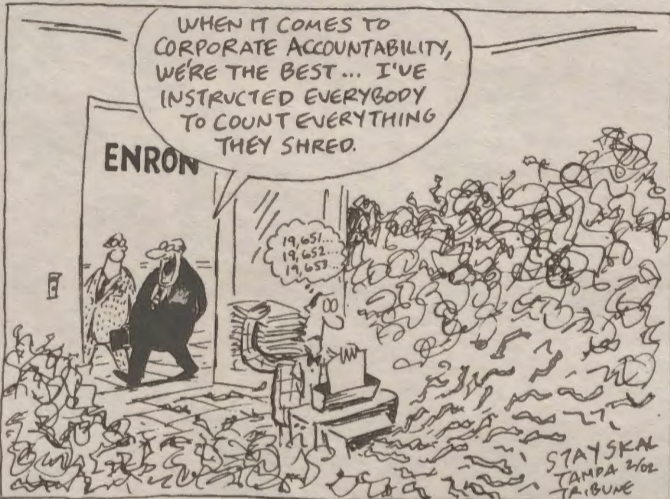
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Today is an 8 - You've been using good common sense in your shrewd negotiations. By now you should be ready for another break. How about something new? Learn a game you've never played before. Discover more of your natural talents.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - You're a good businessperson because

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you always play to win. That tendency can help you make a few extra bucks now. You're sure to find a buyer for all that stuff you've been saving.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - Careful financial calculations pay off, leading to new opportunities. Recent successes increase your self-confidence, and experience improves your skills. Try something a little more challenging.

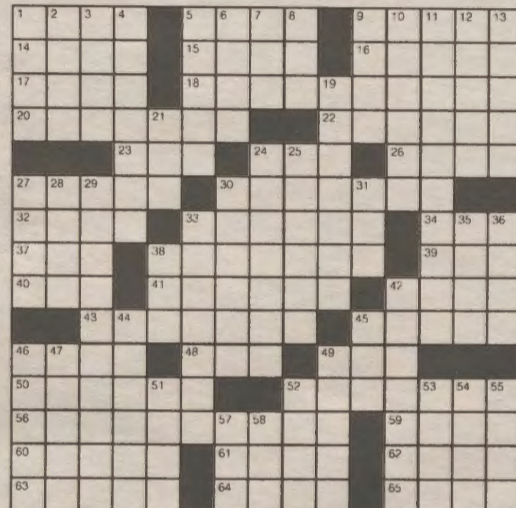
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - You're going into a contemplative phase. It'll last until about Friday or Saturday, when you'll get a good chance to take action. Be ready so that you can move quickly when the time comes.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - An older person wants to teach you a thing or two. Be respectful; this might come in handy. Later, let friends help you celebrate your recent victory.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Continue with your planning, reorganizing and other preparations. Get ready to make your presentation. An older person may ask you to justify your position. Do so clearly and concisely, and you'll win support.

Crossword

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5 Prohibits
9 Yields
14 Mobile starter?
15 Isle of exile
16 Fashion shape
17 Small group
18 Large black-and-white mammal
20 Construction worker
22 Rob or Carl
23 Chaney of film
24 Grippe
26 Beatty and Buntline
27 Point in question
30 Raised bubble
32 Pal
33 Nebraska river
34 Bikini part
37 Place for cranberries
38 Assigned a position
39 Always, in a poem
40 Actress Ryan
41 Breathed in short gasps
42 Excessive criticism
43 Boxer Holyfield
45 Soothes
46 Detonator cord
48 Decade count
49 Animal coat
50 Punctual
52 Made of baked clay
56 Wanderers
59 Employ
60 Exists
61 Public disturbance
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The Short Stack

By Tom Silvestro
TNH Reporter

New England's Greatest Accomplishments Prior to Winning the Super

- Bowl:**
• Pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock and build first Dunkin' Donnuts (1620)
• Emily Dickinson eats cookie, gets sad. (1845)
• In an inebriated haze, Ted Kennedy makes out with a vat of clam chowder. (1968)
• Foliage invented. (1979)
• Bill Buckner involved in mysterious "accident" following World Series loss

- (1986)
• A—hole motorist screamed at by bigger a—hole motorist at Worcester on-ramp. The term "Mass hole" is born. (1989)
• John Ratzenberger sighting at Quincy Market. (2000)

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Hello? Are you there? Oh, God... you're still giving me the silent treatment aren't you?



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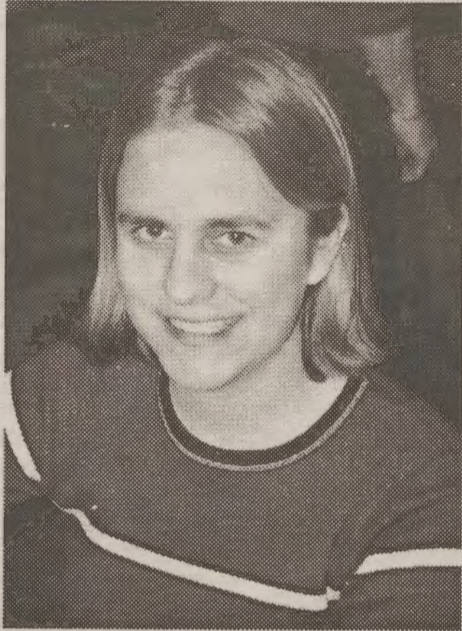
On the Spot



With Allie Gaines

What have you learned today?

Kate Boschert
junior
environmental and
resource
economics



"That potholes are a lot deeper than they look."

Corey Denton
sophomore
civil engineering



"Pink rabbits jump high."

Nastassia Orrison
sophomore
English



"Porn never stops being entertaining."

David Lucier
freshman
communications



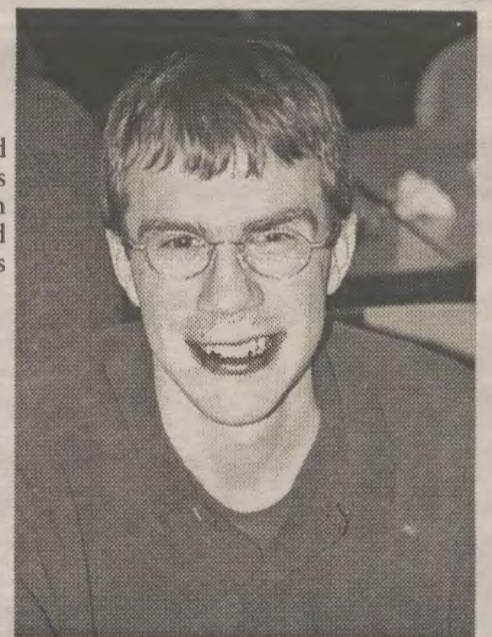
"When all else fails, just watch cartoons."

Sam Andersen-Davidson
freshman
sports studies



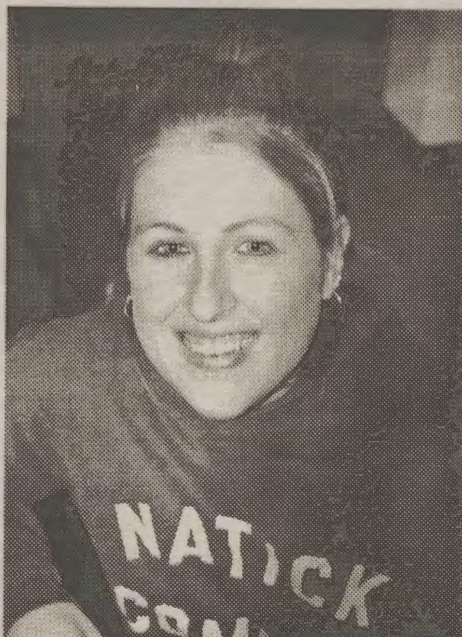
"Frogs smell terrible."

David Winters
freshman
undeclared
liberal arts



"Sleep is important for learning."

Kate Bucci
sophomore
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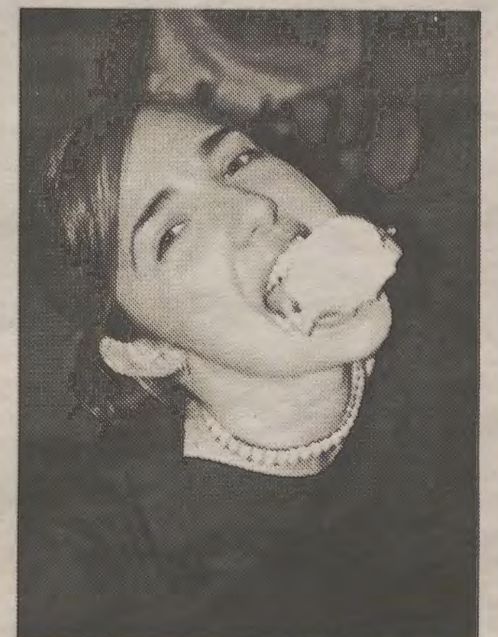
"It is really important to keep track of your checkbook."

Bryon Bedler
freshman
marine biology



"That it sure is expensive to live in the woods."

Wendy Johnson
sophomore
communications



"It's fun to eat apples with your friends in the Memorial Union Building."

Editorial

Save Spring Fling

Although the groundhog saw its shadow and we will inevitably have at least six more weeks of blustery New England winter, spring *will* come. Unfortunately and despite the overwhelming majority opinion of the student body, Spring Fling weekend may not.

Considering the mass of arrests and problems surrounding last year's annual Spring Fling weekend, the University has put a moratorium—a temporary suspension—on holding the holiday. A formal proposal is planned to be brought before the President sometime next week, after a recent meeting with a student-staff planning committee.

Sunday's bonfire Super Bowl celebration may now be used as one more reason to cancel Spring Fling weekend this year. This would be a grave disservice to the students of the University. Canceling the Spring Fling activities the University sponsors would unfortunately mean canceling exactly that which the University is trying to encourage, non-alcoholic events on campus and positive celebrations. Inevitably, students would continue with the rowdy parties and questionable consumption of alcohol that caused officials to review Spring Fling in the first place.

It is a known fact that in the past some students at this University have taken advantage of positive celebrations. This has been proven both in Sunday's reaction to the Patriots winning the Super Bowl and with Spring Fling last year. However, we must think long and hard about what consequences the well-being of the student population would suffer if Spring Break was cancelled.

Students look forward to Spring Fling weekend. They look forward to pudding wrestling, dunk tanks, music concerts, and a legitimate excuse to spend time outside in the Spring sun with their classmates. Let's not let the actions of a few endanger the best interests of the majority. If the University aborts its portion of Spring Fling, the portion left behind could mean disaster.

Letters

Students set up for financial downfall

To the Editor:

The cost of an education at UNH is high, creating a difficult financial situation for many students. Financial difficulty is often a major contributing factor in students dropping out. We all know someone who has gotten into trouble with "fantastic plastic." Credit cards are the financial ruin of many students. Yes, they can be used responsibly, but the potential for misuse is great.

Given such pitfalls, you would think the university would be concerned for its students. Instead UNH is trying to cash in on unfortunate students. From advertising tables in the MUB, to flyers stuffed in textbooks, to

subtle sponsorship of events, UNH has teamed up with credit card companies to push and cajole students into credit card debt. The bigger the debt, the more they profit. The latest tactic appeared in my mailbox today, a credit card officially endorsed by the UNH Alumni Association.

Is taking advantage of students for a few extra bucks worth the potential to ruin their education? Stop preying on financially troubled students and start praying for a more student-centered university!

Mike Kern
Graduate Student

Actions of a few damage image

To the Editor:

I could not help but cringe when I picked up Thursday's edition of the *Union Leader*. The cover read the title, "Ex-Youth Pastor faces more Charges." I had the same reaction when my eyes glanced to a similar headline on the cover of the *Boston Globe*, only to open to a two-page spread in the *Spotlight* section publicizing the "sexual misconduct" of Catholic priests; and Tuesday when I opened *The New Hampshire* and read about the anti-gay protest by the Westboro Baptist Church outside of Dover High School. The reason for my reaction is because I consider myself a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ. When I see such a blatant display of behavior that is so obviously contrary to Christian beliefs I cannot help but dread the negative perceptions that are being perpetuated about Christianity and Christians as a whole.

I do not write to debate the actions taken by the Westboro Baptist Church, Michael Cranford (the ex-youth pastor), or the twenty-four Catholic priests listed in Thursday's *Boston Globe*. Instead, I offer an appeal to those of you who have read these articles and find yourselves doubting the 'righteousness' of our beliefs and labeling

all Christians in a negative manner.

In the Bible, God calls his followers to be image-bearers of his character. These people are clearly not bearing an accurate image of God. The description of God's character found in the Bible has the ability to negate the inaccurate images that have been portrayed by the protesting members of the Westboro Baptist Church, the ex-youth pastor and the priests. For if you were to read the Bible you would find a description of a God who's heart is one of compassion, such that He willingly sent His only son to die, so that the hope and joy of a new life could be offered to all people.

So I ask you not to stereotype or to judge, but to be informed, to seek out truth, and then base your opinions on what you find. For those of you who are willing to take a step to become more informed, a series of open discussions, entitled Alpha, concerning different religions and beliefs, will be taking place at the Lighthouse (10 Mill Road, 868-2889). The first discussion will be Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 6p.m. and will be covering the topic: "Christianity Boring, Untrue or Irrelevant?"

Sarah Bressoud
Sophomore

Corrections

In the article "Car accident claims student's life" in the Feb. 1 issue of *The New Hampshire*, it should have read that Sarah Donahue and Tina True were in Florida for a training trip, not visiting Disney World. *The New Hampshire* extends its sincere apologies for any harm this mistake may have caused.

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Op-Ed

Where does all the money go?

Chris Canaway

(Editor's note: This letter was originally addressed to David May, Executive Director of Hospitality Services Dining Administration, and was courtesy copied to TNH for publication.)

I am writing this in hopes that the future will be better for undergraduate diners at this fine institution. I have a major gripe and it has to do with the block meal plan which I have been purchasing for the last 2 years.

Today, I purchased breakfast at the coffee office in the MUB and my bill was \$3.80. Thinking nothing of it at the time, I decided to use my block meal plan and was discouraged to find out that the lady needed to charge me for two meals because my meal is only worth \$3.40.

Needless to say this upset me and I did a little investigating into the block plan budget. My 125 block plan cost me \$755.00 and this comes out to \$6.04 a meal. Questions quickly form in my head about the fairness of a \$6.04 meal only being worth \$3.40 and furthermore my \$3.80 meal, which cost me

\$12.08. This morning I lost \$8.68 and UNH dining has gained \$8.68 off of me alone. Asking around today, I have found that many other students have had similar gripes and have lost a lot of money to dining as well.

I usually eat a meal at the MUB for lunch four days a week and my meal plan is only worth \$5.65 there. This is a loss of \$0.39 a day or \$1.56 a week and about \$28.08 a semester. Between all the other block plan users and me there must be a significant surplus in the budget. Especially since I cannot remember when the last time I used the whole \$5.65 at lunch either.

My main questions are: Where does this money go? What is it used for? Is it anticipated at the beginning of the year? And has anyone else expressed concern to you about this?

Possible solution: Next year create a MUB only card that is \$5.65 per meal and allow the students to use exactly that any time, after all it is our money. Or at least make it clear about the lost money for the students on the documentation for the meal plan purchases, in hopes of swaying the students to purchase Cat's Cache.

"It's All Greek to Me!"

The Weekly Column of Greek Affairs

Effecting change, one step at a time...GLC 2002

Most of you in our Greek community know that this Saturday the Office of Greek Affairs will be sponsoring its 12th annual Greek Leadership Conference. I am personally very excited about this year's conference. Erin Murdoch and Jen Mahoney, the undergraduate interns for Greek Affairs, have put together a great conference that includes a large constituency of guest facilitators. I am especially excited to welcome John Woodrow as our luncheon keynote. John, a Pi Kappa Alpha alumnus, will share his message and thoughts around leadership with our community. One thing that will be vital to your experience at this conference is your willingness to share. By sharing not only your thoughts, ideas and concerns, but also your best practices, this day will be an extraordinary experience.

Everyday, each chapter goes through their daily operations. Whether it's a meeting, project, or philanthropy, there are good things

happening all over our Greek community. The question I keep asking myself has to do with sharing your best practices with each other. Why don't chapters do this more often? It's my belief that our system is only as strong as our individual chapters. Therefore, if we have chapters who are lagging behind the pack, it's partially everyone else's responsibility to assist them, and get them back on track.

My hope is that you will get exactly what you want out of our conference this year. So, come prepared to speak with your peers, share ideas and see leadership in action.

I leave you with two suggestions. Throughout your day on Saturday try to think both, "What can I use to help my chapter?" and "What can I share that will help my system," as we Effect Change, One Step at a Time!

Steve Pappajohn
Coordinator of Greek Affairs

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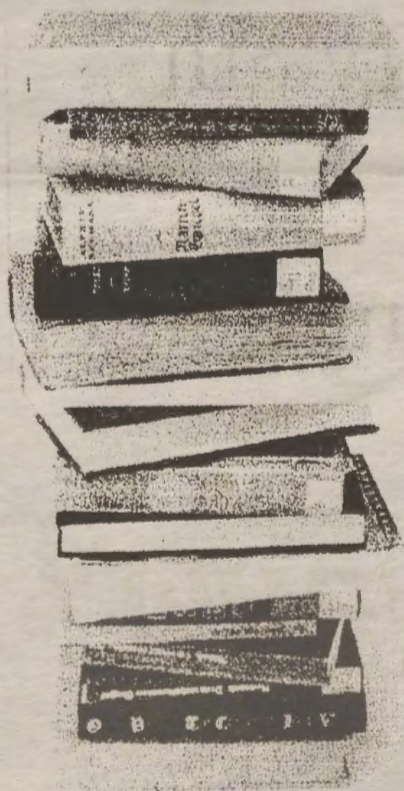
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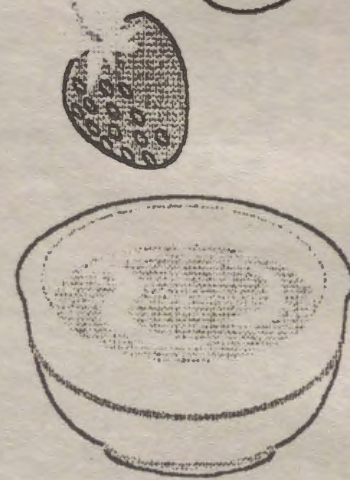
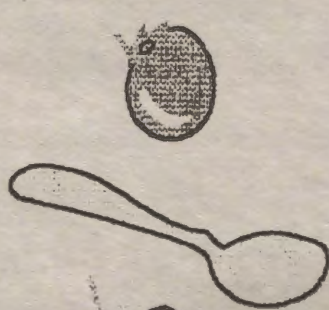
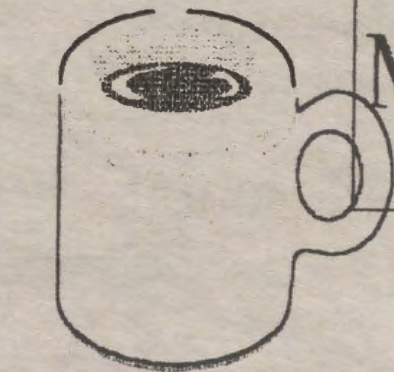
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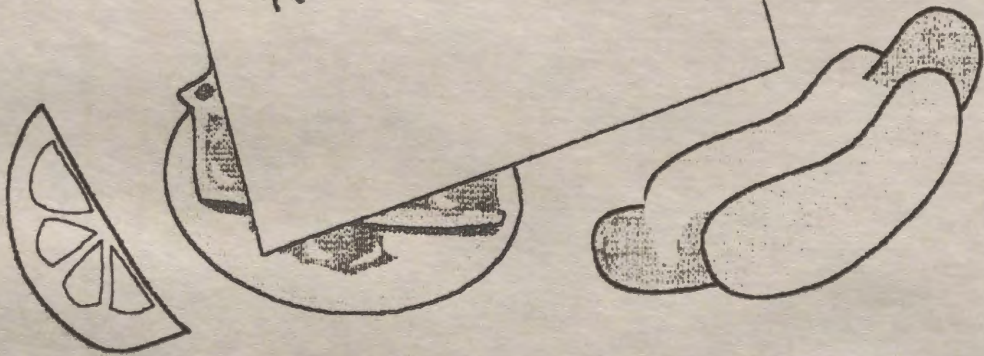
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HOCKEY, from back page

left in the game and UNH responded by using their timeout at 18:59. Junior assistant captain Annie Fahlenbock collected the puck in neutral ice following the face-off, and fired towards the empty net. The shot went wide, but sophomore Janine Goulet collected the puck and knocked it in to put the 'Cats up 3-1 with 44 seconds left on the clock.

New Hampshire had to travel down the road the following night for another tough battle. The No. 2 Huskies of Northeastern University (23-2-0 Overall, 13-2-0 ECAC East) eked out their ninth straight win with their victory over

the Wildcats Saturday night at Matthews Arena. The 'Cats (15-10-2 Overall, 8-5-1 ECAC East) held an early 2-0 lead in period number one, but the Huskies came back with three unanswered goals to decide the game 3-2 in their favor.

Senior Chandy Kaip collected a rebound down low off sophomore Allison Edgar's slap shot from the slot at 4:20 of the first period to initiate the scoring in the first.

UNH jumped out 2-0 on a goal by freshman Randi MacMaster at 12:57. Sophomore Carolyn Gordon threw a

pass down ice, and the speedy MacMaster kept the NU defender away, and fired a point-blank forehand shot past NU junior net minder Chanda Gunn (28 saves). Senior Kira Misikowetz also had an assist.

NU's freshman Lindsey Ball got the Huskies on the board at 14:07 of the first. Junior Pamela Pachal fired in on junior goalie Jen Huggon from the left point. Ball, alone in front, picked up the rebound in front and shot into an open net. Junior Brooke White also assisted on the goal.

The Huskies tied the game early into the middle period on a goal by senior

Brooke Whitney. Whitney scored on the power play at 5:06 from White. Ball struck again a little over six minutes later (11:09), scoring off of her own rebound. White added another assist, her third of the game, on the play.

UNH's Jen Huggon had a career-high 42 saves in the loss, and kept the 'Cats close with the No. 2 team in the nation for 60 minutes. The game went scoreless in the third, and the Whitney goal proved to be the final say.

UNH next takes on the Eagles of Boston College Saturday at 7 p.m. here.

GYM, from back page

third.

New Hampshire opened up on vault where it registered a 48.025 and swept the top four spots. Wagner paced the field with a 9.7 while Harley and Dickson posted identical 9.65 scores. Freshman Vanessa James was fourth with a personal-best 9.6.

On the uneven bars, UNH posted a season-high 48.550. Dickson matched her career-high with a 9.825, sophomore Crystal Beak posted a 9.775 and Harley checked in with a 9.725.

Balance beam was up next for the 'Cats. The team posted a mark of 48.450, another season-high. Harley placed first for New Hampshire with a 9.825, Dickson netted a 9.75 and senior co-

captain Katie Revis registered a 9.725 to tie Temple's Cicely Warrington.

Finally, UNH hit the floor exercise and recorded a score of 48.825. Wagner again led the Wildcat charge with a 9.85 and Dickson (9.825) placed second.

Junior Erin Malinak, competing in her first event of the season because of recent shoulder surgery, came in fourth with a 9.775. Malinak was understandably nervous and excited to be competing again.

"I had a lot of energy and it kind of didn't hit me until I was out there," Malinak said. "It felt good to hit my set."

Head Coach Gail Goodspeed was encouraged by the outcome and is optimistic about the squad's

potential for this season. The team made it through all four events with strong performances, which it hasn't done to this point.

"The team is better than this even," said Goodspeed. "They really have the capability of getting stronger."

She said the effort in practice is starting to show up in the performances. "We worked really hard this week," said Goodspeed.

The Wildcat women will have to continue to put forth the effort as they host a powerful Penn State squad this Saturday at Lundholm Gymnasium. The Nittany Lions are coming off a home victory against Illinois in which Penn State posted a team score of 195.200. The action is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

GANLY, from back page

Ganly, who needed 19 points entering the game, got his 19th on a free throw with 2:19 remaining in the game. He received a standing ovation from the crowd, which he quickly acknowledged before jumping back into the action. He later added another pair of free throws to finish the game with 21 points.

"I really wasn't thinking about [1000 points] too much," Ganly said later. "I just wanted to come out and get a W, we really needed a win." Ganly also had the dunk of the season when he leapt from five feet out and threw it down over one poor Binghamton player, who's only response was to get up and laugh about it.

Rounding out the double-digit scorers for New Hampshire were Bullock with 13

points and Faye, who added 10 points to his strict defense. With only six games left to play before tournament time, UNH is coming down the final stretch of the season. And since all six games remaining are against conference opponents, they are all important. The Wildcats will be battling for position with the conference standings, trying to get the best seed they can.

"When it comes to tournament time, any team can win," said head coach Phil Rowe. "This was a good way to start the month of February."

The team will head to Northeastern Tuesday to do battle with the Huskies before facing off against Stony Brook at home on Friday at 7:00.

Oops, they did it again, they lied to get in

By Joseph Person
Knight Ridder Newspapers

ATLANTA - For the second time in less than two months, a football coach with ties to Georgia Tech was forced to resign because of inaccuracies in his biographical information.

Rick Smith, hired by new head coach Chan Gailey as the Yellow Jackets' defensive coordinator Jan. 25, resigned Friday after a special subcommittee found that Smith provided false information in his bio on two different occasions while at Tech in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

Smith, 53, claimed that he played football and baseball at Florida State University, when he did neither. Smith said earlier this week that he wasn't sure how the misinformation ended up in his bio, first appearing in the Jackets' 1983 media guide.

But the subcommittee's search uncovered a questionnaire from 1977 in which Smith had handwritten that he played baseball for the Seminoles.

In another document, this one typewritten and dated the spring of '82, Smith is said to have also played football at FSU.

In reality, Smith received a baseball scholarship from the Seminoles, but injured his knee before arriving on campus and was cut by coach Jack Stallings before ever playing a game.

"They tell me there was a piece of paper they found in my file at Georgia Tech from '83," Smith said Saturday morning. "In the '83 press guide it was in there and it was put in there because they found something. ... It was in my handwriting that I had written it down, that I had played football at FSU."

Smith's resignation comes on the heels of former head coach George O'Leary's own resignation from Notre Dame on Dec. 14, only five days after leaving Tech to take the job. O'Leary had inaccuracies in both his academic and athletic background that remained on his bio for nearly 20 years.

In a press conference Saturday, Tech officials also announced that newly hired wide receivers coach Tommie Robinson would keep his position, despite a mistake in his bio. The school also will enact a stricter procedure for collecting and verifying the accuracy on the bios of new hires in the future.

The press release announcing Robinson's hiring last month listed him with a master's from Troy State, when in fact he is still several credit hours short of his degree.

According to the subcommittee's report, a secretary for the Dallas Cowboys, where Robinson interned, prepared a bio sketch for him that included the master's claim.

That bio then was sent to Oklahoma State, where Robinson unsuccessfully at-

tempted to have the information removed last year in his only season on the OSU staff.

Robinson approached Tech sports information director Mike Stamus after he was hired last month and told him he hadn't completed his master's.

"In Coach Robinson's case, there was just one question mark and he worked to correct it," Tech president G. Wayne Clough said.

Conversely, the three-person subcommittee felt Smith's falsehoods were more widespread. In addition to the FSU claims, the 1984 and '85 Tech media guides also say that Smith was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates. Smith said he had discussions with a Pirates scout when he was at Tallahassee (Fla.) Community College, but was never drafted.

"He had the opportunity right there to say it was wrong, and he didn't," Clough said.

Added Tech athletics director Dave Braine: "It was a history. Not just one thing."

Smith had the false information removed from his bio from 1997-2000, but it reappeared last season when he returned to Kentucky as a defensive backs coach.

"When it came back on my bio this year, they (committee members) said that I didn't go to the SID office and tell them it was wrong," Smith said. "Ultimately, because I didn't go to (Kentucky SID Tony Neely) and tell him it was wrong, they felt I knew it was on there and I didn't have

the courage to go in and tell them it wasn't true."

Smith, who has received no guarantees that he will be rehired at Kentucky, said he won't bring legal action against Tech.

"I'm not going to sue. I'm not that kind of person. They made their decision and I have to live with it. ... I wasn't trying to deceive them," Smith said. "All I can do is hold my head up high and pray to God that people will forgive me and give me a chance."

Gailey said he accepted the decision, and did not try lobbying on Smith's behalf. "Once the decision was made, it was made," he said.

Smith's resignation leaves the Yellow Jackets in the tough position of being without a defensive coordinator on the verge of Wednesday's national signing day.

Possible candidates include Florida State linebackers coach Joe Kines and former North Carolina head coach Carl Torbush, now the defensive coordinator at Alabama, which was hit by the NCAA with a five-year probation Friday.

"The negativity is what puts you in a bind. It's going to work out," said Gailey, who added the hiring process would be on hold for a week.

"The timing and the negativity of it is what hurts because the perception of who we are and what we are is not reality, and that's the shame of it all."

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Wildcats split in weekend action

By Joe Kennerson
Staff Writer

The University of New Hampshire women's basketball team was six points away from upsetting two AMERICA EAST rivals this weekend as they walked over third place Stony Brook 72-39 Friday night, and fell to Binghamton 62-56 Sunday afternoon at Lundholm Gymnasium. The split puts the Wildcats at 5-4 in AMERICA EAST, which is tied for fourth place.

Friday, Jordan came to town; Sherry Jordan that is to the Stony Brook Seawolves who leads the team in scoring, rebounding and steals. But it was UNH sophomore center Maren Matthias who took over the game, tying her career high in points with 23 and ripping down nine rebounds in the win. The 'Cats closed out the half outscoring the Seawolves 20-4 in the paint.

"I realize I have a height advantage inside and I know I need to benefit from that by making sure that when a girl comes into the paint that they leave knowing not to come back," Matthias said.

The story in the first half for the 'Cats was all defense. They shut down Stony Brook, holding them to only three field goals in the first half, an 11 percent field

goal shooting performance for the Seawolves. UNH had six blocks and six steals to counter Stony Brook's two blocks and zero steals.

"I think it was a night when we were very on and they struggled," said Coach Sue Johnson. "We just kept rolling."

Jordan started cold from outside, missing all of her six first half jump shots, and then was sidelined for a while with a knee injury.

The second half was more of the same, as UNH started to mix in the inside-outside game a little better. Maren had 14 of her 23 in the first half, and the 'Cats nailed 5 of 13 from downtown. Two of those five came from freshman guard Lindsay Adams who scored 11 points off the bench. The seven, three pointers in all gave UNH 107 made this season, which broke the single-season mark of 106.

"We have a huge inside outside balance. With Maren and Aubrey working down low and Heidi and Colleen up top it makes defenses think who to guard," Johnson said.

The win was UNH's fifth out of its last six and its fifth straight at home.

"We have definitely played really good," said senior point guard Colleen Mullen. "We've executed in every aspect. This is the perfect time for us to be

Women's Basketball



Alisha Ryan - Staff Photographer

Senior point guard Colleen Mullen surveys the court and sets up the play for the Wildcats.

playing like this."

Sunday's game brought AMERICA EAST powerhouse Binghamton University to town. The 'Cats jumped out to an early 15-9 lead, but with Maren Matthias in foul trouble, the Bearcats took advantage, and ended the half with a 21-7 run.

UNH saw themselves trailing in the second half, 47-33, but the hot-handed senior guard Heidi Plencner took fire and hit three straight treys to go along with six consecutive turnovers by Binghamton to pull the 'Cats within three. The Bearcats countered by going on a run of their own, including two free throws and five instant points from Portsmouth alum Andrea Herold to jump back to a ten point lead. UNH never surged on after that.

Plencner and freshman guard Geneva Livingston each pitched in 17 points apiece in the losing effort. Senior forward Aubrey Danen followed up with 11. It was the Wildcats third home loss of the season.

Since the 'Cats have rearranged their starting line-up, putting Livingston in the backcourt and Maren Matthias at the center spot, they have won five out of seven games.

With the season heating up, the 'Cats go on the road to face three AMERICA EAST rivals, all ahead of them in the standings. UNH travels to Vermont on Wednesday, then to BU on Saturday, and finish up their road trip at Stony Brook Feb. 12.

Strong showing for snow 'Cats

From Staff Reports

Freshman Courtney Strait won the Women's Slalom Race and senior Matt Schadow placed second in the Men's 20K Freestyle competition to lead the University of New Hampshire ski team to a fourth-place finish at the University of Vermont Carnival last weekend.

UNH, with 597 points, was bested by Vermont (769 points), Dartmouth College (723) and Middlebury College (653) in the 12-team meet.

Strait's combined two-run time of 1

minute, 35.11 seconds bested the field on the Stowe Mountain Resort slalom course. She is the first Wildcat to win an event in three carnivals this season and won by an impressive margin of .94 seconds. Senior Cristin Copeland was one of four other 'Cats in the top 20 with the 12th-fastest overall time. Senior Heather Plimpton, freshman Jodi Curry and sophomore Erin Kay finished within three-tenths of a second of each other to earn 16th, 17th, and 19th place, respectively.

Junior Greg Blaisdell led the Wildcat men's charge with a third-place finish in the slalom competition. Freshman Keegan Burke completed his two runs in 1:32.42 to earn 15th place.

Schadow, with a time of 53:45.3, was

one of five Wildcats who placed in the top 20 of the 20K Freestyle on the Trapp Family Ski Center course. Junior Tom Keefe was the ninth skier to cross the finish line and was followed closely by Justin, who placed 11th. Freshman Chris Mallory and Junior Mike Stemp finished 15th and 18th, respectively.

The Wildcat women's nordic squad also competed well Saturday in the 15K Freestyle. Junior Darcy Arendt was the top UNH finisher in eighth place. Sophomore Margaret Maher, junior Gretchen Czaja and sophomore Eeva Pregitzer finished within 30 seconds and placed 15th, 18th and 21st, respectively.

New Hampshire began the weekend's competition with a strong performance

in the Women's 5K Classic race. Senior Jennifer Conant completed the course in 21:27, which was the 10th-best time overall. Arendt, Maher, and freshman Kelsey Allen finished 12-14, respectively, and Czaja placed 18th to give the 'Cats five skiers within the top 20.

In the men's 10K Classic, Novak (10th place), Mallory (12th) and Schadow (16th) all finished within the top 20, as did Olaf Hedberg (15th).

In the giant slalom, Copeland (13th), Plimpton (17th) and Curry (19th) all repeated as top 20 finishers. Peter Ordal was the top Wildcat competitor in the men's field in 20th place.

UNH returns to action this weekend at the Dartmouth Carnival.

Hit the road track, and run wild 'Cats

By Michael Walsh
TNH Reporter

The University of New Hampshire Men's and Women's Indoor Track

Teams headed in opposite directions Saturday.

The Men's Team traveled southward to Kingston Rhode Island, where the University of Rhode Island hosted their eight team Mega Meet. In this very competitive meet the Wildcats placed fifth with 48 points, while Brown took top honors with 174 points, and the host team took the runner up slot with 157 points.

A six foot 3.25 inch high

jump was good enough for a second place finish by Freshman Tyler Danen. Senior Tim Constant placed fourth in the 200 meter dash, with a time of 22.72 seconds. In the 400 meter dash Junior Craig Lange crossed the finish line in 50.18 also earning him fourth place. Freshmen Matt Barry vaulted a height of 14 feet, 3.25 inches for the fourth highest finish in the pole vault.

The relay teams were the highlight of the show this weekend. The 4x400 team won their event in a time of 3 minutes, 22.83 seconds. The 4x800 team took second in a time of 8:03.86.

The Women's track team trekked north to Orono Maine where they competed against both the University of Maine and Central Connecticut State

University. The Black Bears won the meet with 134.5 points. The Lady 'Cats secured second by scoring 125 points. CCSU placed third with 106.

The Wildcats dominated all running events over the four hundred meter dash. Freshman Kristen Meisner and Junior Heidi Flanders delivered a respective one-two punch in the 400m dash. Meisner finished with a time of 59.34 seconds and Flanders finished in 1:00.32.

Another one-two jab was delivered in the 3000-meter race where Junior Caitlin Hayes placed first in a time of 10:13.49. Closely following was Junior Allison March clocking in at 10:21.21.

Freshman Leighann Carpenter won the 500 meter dash

in a time of 1:17.91. Sophomore Leslie Read swept by the competition in the mile, completing the race in a time of 5:14.91. Freshman Kellie McCloskey won the 800 meter run with 2:21.40. The 1000 meters was won by Elizabeth Stokinger in 3:04.48. Freshmen Kaitlin Norberg took the runner up spot in the 60 meter hurdles in 9.29 seconds.

A triple whammy was delivered by New Hampshire in the Pole Vault where Senior Shannon Mailloux soared over the bar at a height of 10 feet, 6 inches. Tying for second were Freshmen Caley Valliere and April Frame both vaulting a height of ten feet. Junior Alicia Anderson's jump of five feet, four inches was good

enough for first place in the high jump.

Still impressing are the relay teams. A 4x440 yard relay team comprised of Heidi Flanders, Katie Louvitakis, Kristen Meisner and Leighann Carpenter, surpassed the competition to win the race, finishing in 4:03.65. Lesley Read, Kelly McCloskey Elizabeth Stokinger and Suzanne Biron came together to form an All-Star 4x880 yard relay team. This foursome won the race in a time of 9:51.88 surpassing second place Maine by almost 20 seconds.

The Men's and Women's Teams stay at home Saturday to welcome challengers Boston College and Vermont at the Paul Sweet Oval in the Field House. The meet starts at 11 a.m.

Third time's a charm

By Phil Sheridan
Knight Ridder Newspapers

NEW ORLEANS - The New England Patriots had to win this one.

In a Super Bowl that became a memorial to the Sept. 11 victims and a celebration of all things American, the underdog Patriots just had to beat the dynasty talk out of the St. Louis Rams.

They did just that, knocking the Rams around and making a mockery of the Las Vegas oddsmakers to claim their first NFL championship, 20-17, on Sunday night.

It was a game as improbable as its outcome. The Patriots beat up the Rams early, then reeled as Kurt Warner staged a two-to-one, touchdown, fourth-quarter comeback.

Adam Vinatieri, the Patriots kicker who beat Oakland with a game-winner through a snowstorm, nailed a 48-yard kick as time expired on the Rams' attempt to win their second Super Bowl in three years. It was the first time in Super Bowl history that the winning score was made on the game's last play.

For all their firepower, the Rams couldn't answer destiny.

At halftime, as U2 played "Where the Streets Have No Name" and a scroll of victims' names rose in brutal majesty to the Superdome ceiling, it seemed to be happening. The Patriots led, 14-3, after beating up the Rams' balletic receiving corps during a what-if-they-do-it first half.

Then, in a gesture eerily reminiscent of the Twin Towers' collapse, the scroll fell. U2 finished up, the stage was taken apart and that was the end of the day's scripted entertainment.

The improvised thrills were even better.

Patriots head coach Bill Belichick and his defensive coordinator, Romeo Crennel, came up with the same basic approach the Eagles planned to use against the Rams in the NFC Championship Game last week.

Unlike the Eagles, the Patriots were able to follow through.

They hit the Rams graceful receivers, then hit them again.

They put pressure on Kurt Warner, hitting him and disrupting his rhythm and forcing him to throw two game-changing interceptions.

They kept Marshall Faulk from breaking out and taking control of the game.

It all started with the hitting.

New England safety Tebucky Jones pounded Pro Bowler Isaac Bruce on the game's second play from scrimmage, and

the tone was set.

A few players later, Jones got Torry Holt as he tried to catch a pass near the sideline. When Holt tried to tiptoe out of bounds after a reception, cornerback Otis Smith gave him a shot anyway.

For Rams receivers who loathe being

back up and threw as he fell back. Vrabel slapped him in the head, but that was only the second worst thing that happened to Warner on the play.

His pass sailed behind Bruce and directly into the clutches of Patriots cornerback Ty Law. With a clear lane to

in the half.

Tom Brady, the quarterback from nowhere, had to manage one drive. He did, hitting favorite target Troy Brown for 16 quick yards, then flipping to tight end Jermaine Wiggins for 8 more.

When David Patten landed in the back of the end zone with an 8-yard touchdown pass from Brady, the Rams were further behind than they had been all season. After the extra point, the score was 14-3.

Through 18 regular-season and playoff games, the Rams had never trailed by more than 8 points. Still, their high-octane offense appeared uniquely qualified to come back and win their second Super Bowl in three years.

It didn't happen because Antowain Smith, a running back discarded by the Buffalo Bills, ate up yards and clock with powerful inside and outside running.

It didn't happen because the Patriots continued to pound the Rams receivers. In the third quarter, Otis Smith jammed Bruce at the line of scrimmage. Bruce stumbled and Warner threw the ball where his receiver should have been.

Smith was there instead. He returned the interception 30 yards to the Rams 33-yard line. The Patriots turned the pick into a 17-3 lead with a 37-yard field goal by Adam Vinatieri.

The Patriots celebrated their championship early, almost too early.

The Rams drove to the Patriots' 1-yard line in the fourth quarter. Faulk lost a yard on first down. Warner threw two passes that were nearly intercepted on second and third. On fourth-and-goal at the 2, the quarterback waited, couldn't find a receiver and took off to his right.

Linebacker Roman Phifer hit him, knocking the ball loose. Jones, the hard-hitting safety, scooped up the fumble and ran it untouched to end zone. The 97-yard return would have given the Patriots a 24-3 lead.

But a game that draped itself in the flag almost turned on one.

Willie McGinest was called for holding Faulk. Warner ran the ball into the end zone from the 1, cutting the lead to 17-10. And then he engineered one of those quick-strike St. Louis drives, tying the game with 1:21 left.

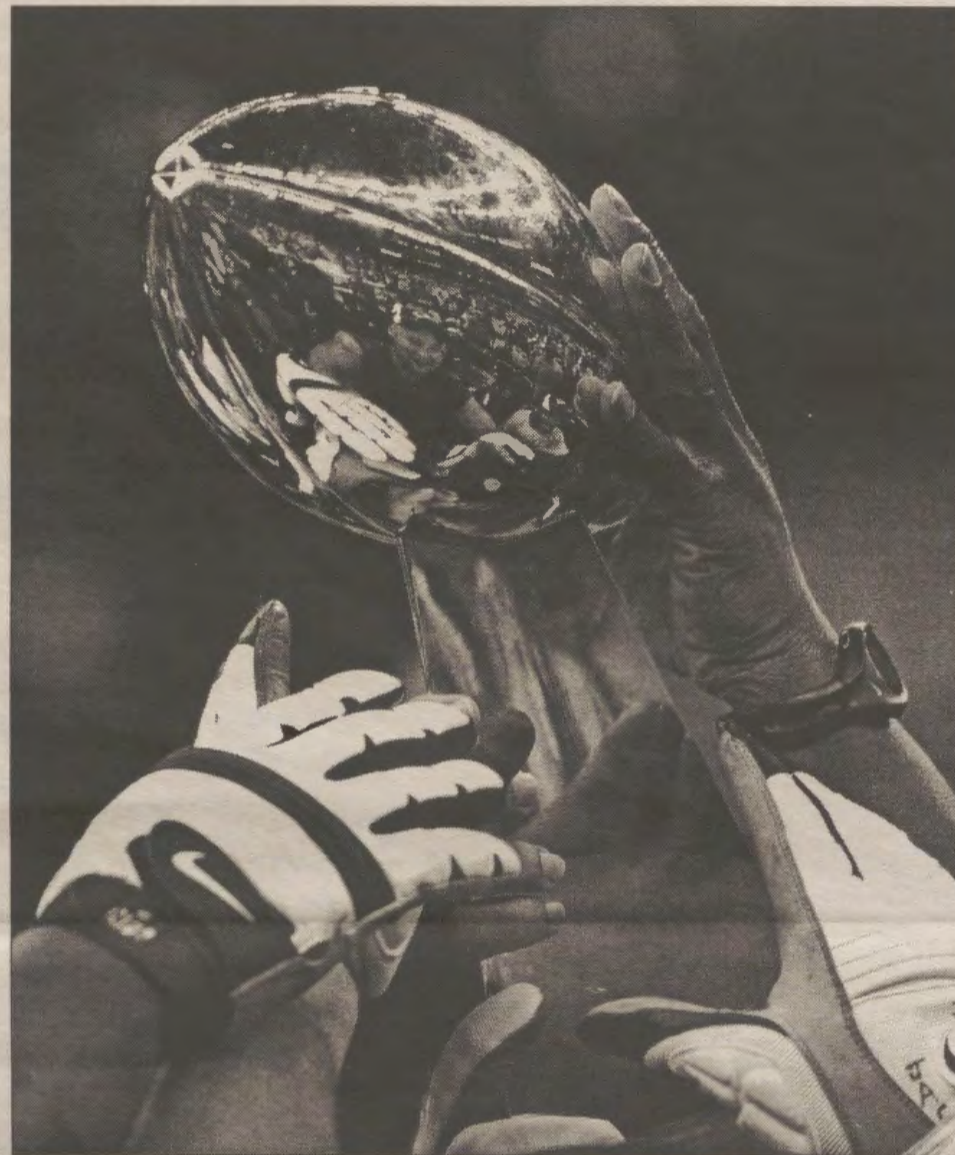
The Rams finally overcame the Patriots tough defense. So it was time for Brady and the offense.

The QB from nowhere made a couple of key throws, hitting Brown for a first down in St. Louis territory, to move into Vinatieri's range.

With 7 seconds left, Brady spiked the ball to stop the clock.

Vinatieri ran out.

There was never any doubt.



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The New England Patriots share a piece of history.

called "finesse" players, it was the ultimate challenge.

They didn't answer.

The Patriots seemed to be giving it a game little effort until about halfway through the second quarter. Down 3-0, the Pats lined up in an unusual defensive formation with five down lineman. Mike Vrabel was standing up at left linebacker.

The matchup problems left Vrabel unblocked and he sprinted on a blitz toward Warner. The quarterback tried to

the end zone, Law took off and easily scored a touchdown.

Another defensive hit led to another Patriots touchdown.

Warner threw a quick slant to veteran Ricky Proehl late in the second quarter. As Proehl ducked under one hit, safety Antwan Harris put his helmet on the football. It popped from and was scooped up by Terrell Buckley. The cornerback returned the ball 15 yards, giving the Patriots the ball on the Rams 40 with 1:20 left

Ayers is all about defense

Michael Ayers steps in for injured starter Matt Carney to lead UNH to No. 1 ranking in the country

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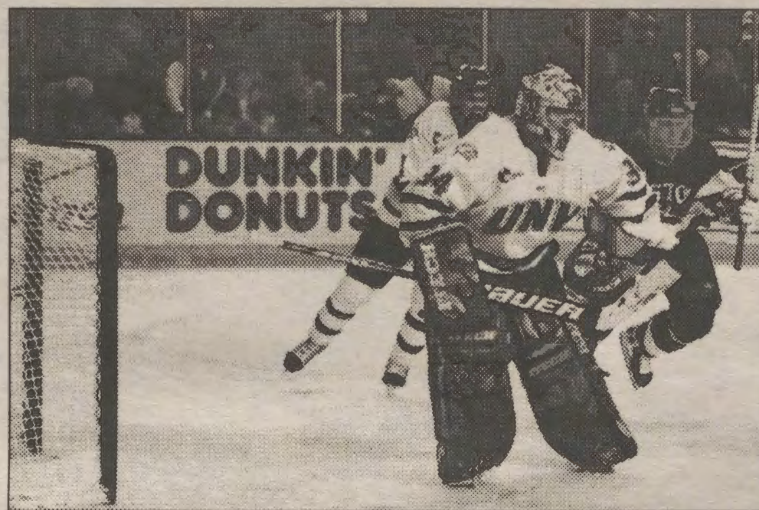
Sophomore goaltender Michael Ayers of the University of New Hampshire men's ice hockey team was named HOCKEY EAST Defensive Player of the Week HOCKEY EAST Monday afternoon.

Ayers turned away 51 of 50 shots (.91%) by the Black Bears last weekend vs. the second most powerful offense in the conference.

Ayers was severely cut on

his left wrist Friday night and came back to make a career-high 33 saves on Saturday night and was named the No. 1 star in the 2-2 tie. Ayers will have surgery early this week to repair the severed tendon and he will be out of action for approximately six weeks.

Ayers is 9-0-1 in his last 10 starts and leads the league with a .930 save percentage in league play, which ties former Wildcat Ty Conklin's single-season mark that he set last season.



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Michael Ayers skates into position as he eyes down the puck earlier this year.

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Ayers, 'Cats cut up in Orono

By Jenna Sizemore
TNH Reporter

Last year, Wildcat fans could have argued that defense was spelt one way: C-O-N-K-L-I-N. After last weekend's series against Maine, this year's Wildcat squad proved they spell defense a little differently, T-E-A-M. It was a team effort both offensively and defensively that allowed the University of New Hampshire men's ice hockey team to manage a point out of the weekend games with league rivals Maine.

Friday night, the Wildcats traveled to Orono to take part in what many may have called the HOCKEY EAST match-up of the year, as the first and second place teams in the league took the ice.

Maine got on the board first when Preston Ryan one-timed the puck inside the right post, past Wildcat sophomore netminder Michael Ayers at 3:27 in the first period.

Eight seconds later UNH answered when junior forward Josh Prudden brought the puck into the zone, firing a shot from the top of the face off circle to beat Maine goaltender Mike

Morrison.

UNH took the lead at 11:01 of the first stanza when junior sniper Colin Hemingway blasted a shot past the glove side of Morrison.

Maine netted their second power-play goal of the evening when Reimann beat Ayers in the final seconds of the period to knot the game at 2-2.

The second period is something the Wildcats do not want to relive. UNH regained the lead early in the period when senior forward David Busch beat Morrison, netting his 11th goal of the season. Sophomore forward Steve Saviano was credited with the helper. Unfortunately the 'Cats would get no further.

Black Bear Paul Flaco netted his first collegiate goal just over the halfway point of the middle frame to once again tie the game at 3-3.

Minutes later, a scuffle broke out in front of the Wildcats goal. Ayers was cut on the top of his left wrist while trying to make a glove save. Ayers was immediately taken to Maine Medical Center and would not return to the game. With senior netminder Matt Carney out for two more weeks due to a severe concussion suf-



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Heavy pressure from Maine leaves the 'Cats feeling lucky to escape Orono with a tie.

fered against Providence in early January, the Wildcats turned to senior Tim Collins to fill the hole between the posts. Collins had seen just over nine minutes of ice time before Friday night. The Wildcats allowed two unanswered goals before the final buzzer, falling to the Maine Black Bears 6-3, the Wildcats first loss since falling to Providence Jan. 16.

Saturday night the two teams

were back on the ice again and much the Wildcats surprise, Ayers was cleared to play and was in-between the posts as UNH skated to a 2-2 tie with UMaine. Ayers will undergo surgery to repair a severed tendon in his left wrist early this week; he will be out indefinitely.

To compensate UNH's injured netminder, the team played a strong defensive game through-

out the game limiting the number of shots on goal to make the Ayers job as easy as possible.

Busch started off the scoring, beating Morrison with the man-advantage at the end of the first stanza. Sophomore defenseman Tim Horst and junior defenseman Kevin Truelson were credited with the assists. The Wildcats carried the one goal lead into the second period.

UNH's sophomore assistant captain Patrick Foley gave the Wildcats a two-goal lead when he redirected a shot taken from Truelson on the blueline. Freshman defenseman Robbie Barker was also given the helper.

Maine scored a goal in the final minutes of the middle frame to cut the Wildcats lead by one when Tom Reimann beat Ayers.

Maine scored the only goal of the final stanza as Reimann netted his second goal of the game to tie the game at two-a-piece, sending the game into overtime. With neither team scoring in the extra stanza, each team walked away with a point. The Wildcats will take on Providence College Sunday afternoon at the Whittemore Center. The puck drops at 4 p.m. The game can also be seen on NHPTV channel 11.

No holds barred A sports column for everyone

By Matt Doucet
Staff Writer

I hate to say this, but I told you so. Then again, by the time Sunday rolled around, I wasn't really listening either. I was way too busy listening to all the "experts" read me a grocery list of what the New England Patriots wouldn't be able to overcome Sunday night. And after awhile, they started making sense.

Sure, I thought the Patriots would win. I just thought they'd have to be incredibly lucky to do so. Any other way just didn't seem possible. So I became convinced that the Patriots could not beat the Rams the way that they had beaten so many other teams; minimizing an opponent's strengths until the opponent had no choice but to lose a little steam and begin to show their weaknesses. But with the Rams, I wasn't so sure this would work. Not

because the Rams didn't have any weaknesses. They did. The problem was that waiting for the Rams to lose steam is like waiting for Godot. You know it'll happen someday, but you'll probably be dead and buried before it does.

Of course, I should have known better. I should have known that Team Belichick would have a masterful game plan ready for the Rams, but I didn't. Then again, I don't think anyone could have predicted what actually occurred on the field Sunday night.

What occurred is that the New England Patriots, just as they had done all season, took control of the game from the start and never let go. So you can sit there and talk until you are blue in the face about how the Rams dominated every facet of the game, or you can point to their numerous statistical edges. The fact remains that the New England Patriots played a far better game than the St. Louis Rams did Sun-

day night. It's not even close.

But what really gets me, is not that the Patriots played better, but that they played perfect. They played an absolutely flawless game, and at no time did they appear to be overmatched. Whatever the situation called for, that's what the Patriots did. Warner's in a rhythm? Blitz him. Martz wants to throw the ball every down? Drop back into a smothering dime package. Defense is tired? Pound Smith for a few first downs. Offense can't score? Defensive touchdown. There are about one hundred other examples of this from Sunday's game, but the point is that every time a question or an obstacle arose, the New England Patriots had an emphatic answer for.

And, in the end, that's what this team is all about. The ability to find an answer where other teams come up empty. Because you can't find all those answers in the playbook or while you're

watching film. Eventually, the only place that you can find the answers to these questions is deep down inside of you, in the recesses of the soul that have been made irrelevant in the sports world these past few years, due to money and greed, making those who possess this quality the exception rather than the standard that it once was.

For some reason, this group of Patriots have more of these guys than any team in recent memory, a bunch of guys who couldn't stand up alone in a stiff wind, yet a group of guys who, when they came together as a group seemed as though they could overcome anything. And maybe that's why grown men were moved to tears last night, maybe that's why they were dancing in the Boston streets until dawn, because we all saw something so spectacular in these men, a camaraderie and love between them so rarely seen in this world that you can not help but be moved.

UNH hockey present in Salt Lake

By Karl-Sven Bertelmann
TNH Reporter

You think you know, but you have no idea...

No, this is not another one of those MTV diaries, but some background information on how the women's University of New Hampshire hockey team is being represented in this year's Olympics in Salt Lake City.

You think you know that our women's hockey program here at UNH is legit as they have been crowned ECAC/EIAIW champions nine times since the league started in the 1979-1980 season, and were National

Champions in 1997-1998. But did you know that the current U.S. Women's Olympic Ice Hockey Team has three UNH alumnae on its roster?

Didn't think so.

Tricia Dunn (class of '96), Karyn Bye ('93), and Sue Merz ('94), are three former UNH women's hockey players that will be wearing the Red White and Blue come next week, as USA tries to defend its title in Salt Lake City.

"UNH has been a pretty successful breeding ground for developing national team players," said UNH assistant coach Erin Whitten. "Our program is thrilled to have them represent

us, they are three great players."

Dunn (Derry, N.H.) a forward, Bye (River Falls, Wisc.) a defenseman/forward, and Merz (Greenwich, Conn.) a defenseman, were all part of the 1998 Olympic team that won the inaugural women's ice hockey title in Nagano, Japan, and Bye was the assistant captain of the team and also led the team in scoring with five goals.

"Karyn (Bye) has a pretty strong shot," says Whitten. "She'll add great size, speed, and leadership to the team."

"Tricia (Dunn) is one of those blue-collar workers," says Whitten. "She a great role player who will add lots of physical

strength and who is very smart with the puck."

"Sue (Merz) is a very talented defenseman," says Whitten. "She's someone who is very crafty, who knows what to do with the puck at the right time."

These three UNH players won't be the only ones representing New Hampshire though, as two other N.H. natives, Tara Mounsey from Concord, N.H., and Katie King from Salem, N.H., will also be on this year's squad, and played on the Nagano team as well. Both attended Brown University.

"These players are definitely doing it for the 'love of the

game," said Whitten. "I mean this is it. This is the highest level you can achieve as a woman hockey player, there is no NIII. For us, so they'll be giving it 100% to achieve that ultimate goal (in getting a gold medal)."

The women's Olympic hockey team just finished its pre-Olympic tour Thursday with a 7-1 win over China, and Tricia Dunn chipped in a goal for the U.S. The women's hockey team finished with an outstanding and flawless record of 31-0, during that tour.

USA starts defending their title Tuesday, February 12th, against Germany, when the preliminary round starts.

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Three in a row UNH gymnasts own the Fox Run Invitational, winning it this weekend for the third time

By Kevin Mealey
Staff Writer

The University of New Hampshire gymnastics team dominated the annual Fox Run Invitational for the third year in a row Saturday night to improve to 3-1 in the season.

Junior Jen Dickson and senior co-captain Bethany Wagner led the charge as the UNH women logged a season-high score of 193.850 to defeat the Owls of Temple (189.075) and the Big Red of Cornell (187.925) in the three-team meet. The Whittemore Center Crowd of 1,025 had many reasons to cheer

as the Wildcats earned top honors in all four events.

Wagner was ecstatic about her team's performance. "We really came out with an awesome team score," she said. "As a team, we stayed together and showed the crowd what we can do."

Dickson set a career-high in the all-around competition by recording a 39.050 and placed first. UNH swept the top three spots in the all-around as junior Michelle Harley placed second with a 38.900 and Wagner scored a 38.525 to finish

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Gymnastics



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UNH gymnastics team jumps out to a 3-1 record this year.

Ganly hits milestone

By Spencer LeFlem
TNH Reporter

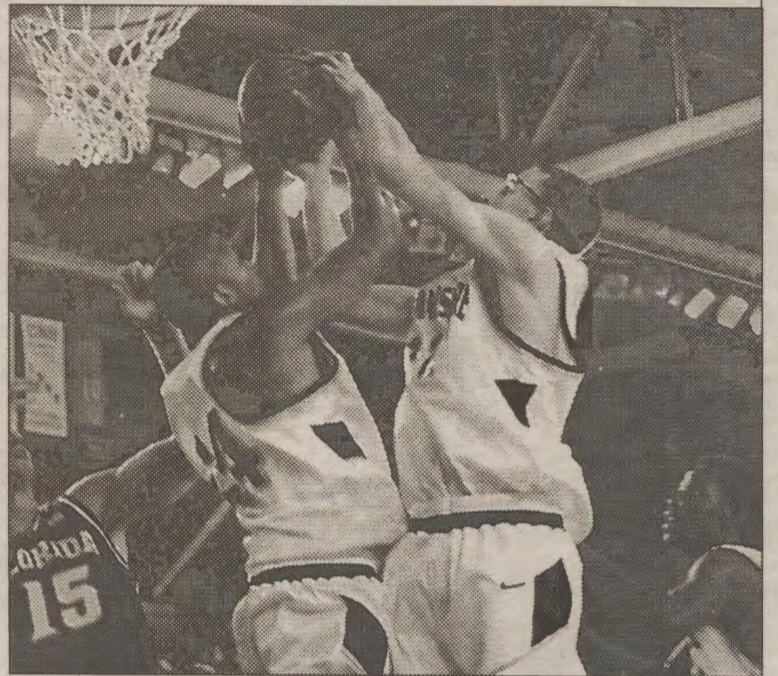
Senior Austin Ganly recorded his 1000th career point Saturday afternoon, leading the New Hampshire men's basketball team to a 79-69 victory over Binghamton in Lundholm Gymnasium.

UNH (8-13, 5-5 AE) started out hot and never cooled off, as Sophomore

Marcus Bullock drilled a three-pointer just seven seconds into the game, setting the tone for the rest of the afternoon. Binghamton (7-15, 4-7AE) never found an answer to the 'Cats' bombs, shooting a mere 14.3 percent from behind the arc, compared to an astounding 80 percent by the 'Cats who missed just two of their ten attempts.

Combining the shooting with a tenacious effort on defense, UNH was able to build a 42-33 point advantage over the visitors at the break. The only problem the 'Cats ran into came in the 6-6, 200 pound body of Binghamton's Andrew Hannan, who had used his sweet touch to light up North Carolina for 24 points earlier this season. The Wildcat's

employed 6-7 Senior Assane Faye to try and stay in his face for most of the game, and he did a pretty good job, holding Hannan, a



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Senior Austin Ganly (right) leads the 'Cats in his final season en route to 1000 career points.

freshman, to only 19 points in the game, a respectable number to allow a team's big gun.

It was more of the same in the second half as UNH continued to come out shooting. Although their lead was trimmed from 17 to 8 at one point, that was the closest the visitors came, as the final horn sounded with the 'Cats up ten points. It was this that UNH was grateful

for at the end of the game. "It was nice to keep the lead," said Senior Chris Brown. "We're getting to the point where we can keep our composure when teams start coming back like that."

Brown, who was a force all night on the defensive boards, recorded his 12th double-double of the season, which is good for 9th place in the nation. He finished the game with 19 points and 13 rebounds.

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Men's Basketball

Women wonder what could have been

In a late surge, UNH women's hockey defeat No. 4 Dartmouth and lose to No. 2 Northeastern

By Erin Sibley
TNH Reporter

Towse Rink at the Whittemore Center was center stage for a huge upset in women's college hockey this past weekend. The University of New Hampshire women's hockey team upended No. 4 Dartmouth College (14-3-2 Overall, 7-1-0 ECAC North) 3-1 in front of 578 spectators Friday night, ending the Big Green's 7-game unbeaten streak.

The game was knotted at one following a scoreless second period. At the 15:22 mark of the third period an Allison Edgar slap shot from the right face-off circle

deflected off of a Dartmouth player in front of the net and past junior goalie Amy Ferguson. It was the sophomore defenseman's second point on the night and would give the 'Cats the much needed game-winner.

Dartmouth jumped out to the early lead in the game off of a goal by the nation's leading scorer, junior forward Carly Haggard, just 25 seconds in. Haggard took a pass from senior Kristin King from the right circle, and roofed a backhand into the net for the 1-0 lead.

The Wildcats evened the score at 11:26 of the first on a power play goal by senior forward Kira Misikowetz. Misikowetz won a face-off to the right of Ferguson back to Edgar at the point. Edgar fed freshman winger Randi MacMaster in the right circle for a shot, and Misikowetz tipped the puck past Ferguson.

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Lady 'Cats battle through a tough stretch in the schedule to get back into the top 10.



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The Patriots overcome all odds to defeat the Rams 20-17.

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