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Presidential hopeful discusses Iraq situation

at **By Marcus Weisgerber Staff Writer**

Gary Hart, a former U.S. senator and possible Democratic presidential candidate, talked about his feelings on the current status of the United States to around 100 students, professors and local community members Thursday night at UNH. The former senator from Colorado discussed the situation in Iraq and the national security of the United States while heavily criticizing the Bush administration and its policies.

Hart spoke about the way he feels on current issues, then facilitated a discussion about these issues with those in attendance. Hart's major issue on the agenda was "Operation Iraqi Freedom" and how it will affect the American people. He feels that the decision to invade Iraq will produce serious repercussions and possibly attacks on American soil

"I, personally, instinctively fear biological attacks," Hart said

In Hart's eyes, Sept. 11 was just the beginning of a "new age" and that the United States is still extremely vulnerable to similar attacks. He warned that America is "not prepared to be

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Gary Hart speaks to members of the **UNH community Thursday night about** current issues the country faces.

attacked."

"We have done not nearly enough in the year since the first attack to train and equip our National Guard for the Homeland Security mission," he said. "We have done very little to secure our seaports. We have done not nearly enough to train and equip emergency health responders and local responders communication systems. There is a very long list of things that have not been done.'

Hart added that if these attacks happen, they will most likely occur in more than one city and will be in the middle part of this country.

"If you're a terrorist, you want to terrorize everybody and the way to terrorize everybody is demonstrate the vulnerability of everybody," he said. "I know people in New York are nervous, but I think people in Denver ought to be just as nervous.'

Hart strongly believes that the U.S. invasion of Iraq will increase the risk of attacks in the homeland. He feels that U.S. involvement in a "very volatile" Arab region will add to this threat.

"Much of terrorism, not all, animates from radical fundamentalists in the Islamic world," Hart said. "There is a cultural and religious solidarity so that those looking for a motivating reason to attack America has a reason to attack us. It's not just what I think, it's what the CIA, FBI and Defense Intelligence have all said. If you go over there and start a war in an Arab country, you are stimulating a lot of hostile feelings. It's already been reported that al-Qaeda and other organizations are using this war as a recruiting device in the refugee camps and among young people who might be inclined to join a radical group." The clear mission of the United States' goal in Iraq is has not been addressed by the government yet, Hart said. The administration and the president have the responsibility to tell the American people the goals of the mission, how long the war will last, how much will it cost and how many casualties there will be, which according to Hart have not been addressed. "The President of the United States must tell the people the truth," Hart said. "When we were

Local store owner reads his customers like a book

By Michele Filgate **Staff Writer**

The Setting

It's a vibrant March afternoon in downtown Portsmouth and the storefront windows gleam like jewels from the sun's reflection. The spring-like temperature encourages shoppers to linger on the sidewalks, chat with friends and admire the eclectic displays. After a long winter, the town is alive with

a bustling joviality and charm. Outside of Breaking New Grounds,

the jumbled buzz of conversations over iced lattes and peanut butter pie can be heard over the occasional brisk swoosh of a car passing by. Across the street, nestled down a small alley on Commercial Avenue, a blue wooden sign swings slightly in the wind. On closer examination the golden letters read River Run Bookstore.

Inside, a step leads in two directions, one to the Gulliver's Travels bookstore on the bottom level, and one to River Run on the top. The store is the size of two dorm rooms, lending to a more comfortable atmosphere than the mammoth of all bookstores, Barnes & Noble. The store's size doesn't take away from the quantity and quality of books on display. The shelves are lined with books that owner Tom Holbrook selects, with an array of novels on display ranging from the contemporary fiction of local Exeter best-



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Tom Holbrook is the owner of River Run **Bookstore in Portsmouth.**

> selling author Dan Brown (known currently for the chart topping "The DaVinci Code"), to current affair books such as "Bombs Over Baghdad" by Ron Weiss.

> Among the colorful selection of intellectual stimulation, typewritten reviews hang off many of the novels, providing personal recommendations from the employees of the independent bookstore. A table of paperback releases, many not typically found on the bestseller list, provides an aesthetically pleasing display in front of the counter where Holbrook shows his employee and local author Tim Smith how to work something on the register.

> To some it would be hard to believe that somewhere along the fast-paced track of the informational highway online booksellers and major superstores haven't taken over all inde

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Students cash in on casino night

By Jessica York Staff Writer

Betting with phony money to the tune of Frank Sinatra never looked so glamorous, especially in the dimly lit casino setting of a transformed Libby's Bar and Grill, many at Libby's this weekend seemed to think.

On Friday night students, parents and local townspeople gathered at the

structed by professor Emery Trowbridge. The phony dollar bills that customers bought, 10 for \$1 were traded in for chips at the gambling tables. The sales were made at the "cage," a folding table carrying Chex Mix and boxes of playing cards. Later, gamblers totaled up their fake money and exchanged it for raffle tickets to various donated prizes lined up on a table at the back of the room.

In its seventh year, Casino Night

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seventh year of the student-run "Casino Night" to raise money to defray costs for students enrolled in the UNH Casino Management course (HMGT 777), and also to offer experience in the field. It filled the desire to gamble on a local scale in a relatively low-cost environment.

The smoky, feisty bar scene took on a more professional atmosphere as students wearing white shirts, black pants, bow ties and suits moved from blackjack to roulette tables. They could easily be mistaken for authentic casino employees amongst older adults, and the over-21 crowd might convince you that you'd stepped into a real casino. The students took bets from adults and fellow students while making intermittent trips to the

The detailed homemade game setups covered the floor space and were con-

continued to be a successful mix of alcohol and gambling during the spring semester, though the class is offered in both semesters.

As the event traveled into full swing, Trowbridge predicted that at 8 p.m. the students would be tired of dealing cards, even though excitement still hung in the air.

"A lot of students don't know how it is to deal for an extended amount of time," she said.

The premise for the mandatory event begins each semester with students choosing a presentation topic, or one aspect of running a casino.

Trowbridge said, "They give a presentation in class to become an expert then they think they know all the rules." They later will continue the role play and See CASINO, page 11



Tuesday, April 1

* Soup Group 6-8 p.m. at the Waysmet Center: Men's Lives: Being a Male in Today's Society and Our Campus" led by Paul Ramsay, hall director of Fairchild Hall and coordinator of the men's programming group at UNH. There will be a home cooked meal, conversation and community. All are welcome, and bring a friend! For more information call Larry at 862-1165 or waysmeet@msn.com. The Waysmeet Center is at 15 Mill Road, across from C-Lot.

Thursday, April 3

* The United Campus Ministry, the UNH Chaplains Association, and the UNH Religious Studies program presents "The Spirit of America: A Look at American Spirituality" at 7 p.m. in MUB Theatre II, a lecture by Professor Michele Dillion, associate professor of sociology at UNH. Call Larry at 862-1165 or waysmeet@msn.com for more information.

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* Help in the fight to end sexual violence! This year's theme is "HATE FREE 2003" and "True courage is like a kite; a contrary wind raises it higher" by John Petit-Serin. To become involved with Take Back the Night, please contact Krista at 862-3494 or kkj@cisunix.unh.edu, or stop by the Sexual Harassment and Rape

Prevention Program (SHARPP) office at 202 Huddleston Hall.

* The United Campus Ministry is forming two discussion and study groups; all are invited to participate. One is a discovery of the Life and Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the way we can apply his teachings and ministry to our own lives; the other will be a "Sojo Circle," to examine informed and reflective responses to calls for war and violence in our world. For more information please call Larry at the Waysmeet Center at 15 Mill Road, at 862-1165, or Waysmeet@msn.com

* The Cornucopia Food Pantry serves at the UNH community, all students, staff and faculty, and families in need of support and food. Cornucopia is located on the ground floor of Christiansen Hall; enter by the rear loading docks. It is open on Wednesday from 4-5:15 p.m. and by appointment. Please call 862-1165 or 862-4820 for more information. * The Seacoast Hospice is beginning grief support groups for a variety of topics this spring, including healing after suicide, bridges for children and teens, tow grief support groups, and a young adult support session. Please call 1-800-416-9207 for more information about grief support or to register.

* The Aryaloka Buddhist Center is offering several workshops this spring, including introductory courses to Buddhism and meditation, "Mindfulness and Money," "Tai Chi Overnight," and "Diamond Cutter." Prices and times vary, please call 659-5456 or e-mail info@aryaloka.org for more information.

* The UNH Yoga Club offers

free yoga and meditation class every Tuesday 5:30- 6:15 p.m. in MUB 336. Experience the benefits of deep relaxation, clarity of the mind, more harmonious relationships, increased concentration, improved memory, dissipated anxiety and heightened enthusiasm. For more information contact kdaol@yahoo.com

* Weekly meeting of the UNHindered Christian Ministries is held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Lighthouse (ro Mill Road). All are welcome for a time of worship, Bible study and fellowship.

* Join local author Katherine Towler for a discussion and signing of her book "Snow Island" on April 15 from 4:30-6 p.m. at the UNH bookstore.





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Decisions over SHARPP move getting close

By Lisa Arsenault Staff Writer

The panel of experts that was formed over winter break in response to tension over the proposed move of the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) from its current offices in Huddleston Hall has achieved its goal of drafting a list of principles future SHARPP spaces should meet

The list of principles, which will not be made public until it is approved by SHARPP, is now in the hands of Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and move Coordinator Kevin Charles.

'We consider our work done," said Kathleen Grace-Bishop, panel member and associate director of Health Services. "(The work) could be kicked back to us, but that's not expected."

At this time, all that can be said about the principles is that they will likely address confidentiality and safety, according to UNH News Bureau Director Kim Billings

Panel member and SHARPP advocate Ellen Petcavage, who has been a driving force behind stopping the move to Health Services, said she is happy with the panel's work.

"The principles are worded really well. They're very survivor-driven and we are all really excited," Petcavage said. The next step in the move process is

for SHARPP to use the principles drafted by the panel to evaluate three spaces the current SHARPP space in Huddleston Hall, the space available in Health Services, and a new space that was announced last week.

The new space option was provided by the President's Commission on the Status of Women, which has volunteered to give up its current offices in the Batchellor House. This leaves the Batchellor House, a two-story building between Health Services and Janetos House on Rosemary Lane in Durham, as an option for the SHARPP move.

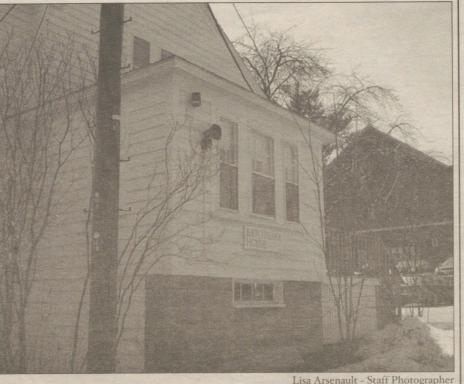
According to Billings, SHARPP will use a matrix format in order to complete the evaluation of the spaces. Billings said the matrix is a chart that will probably have the location across the top and the principles running down the side. The ranking of the Huddleston Hall space will serve as a reference point to give the ma-trix perspective, but the final decision will be between Health Services and Batchellor House. The matrix will result in a visual representation, of which of those two available spaces will most closely fit the principles outlined by the panel.

Petcavage and Andrew Merton both say that the Batchellor House seems like a good option.

"Batchellor House is very warm, very welcoming, and very secure," Petcavage said

Merton agreed.

"I'm not an expert, but I like the idea of a separate house," Merton said.



Batchellor House is being looked at for a possible space for SHARPP to be moved to.



This is the front entrance of Batchellor House.

ation, the matrix will then be relayed to the UNH Space Allocation, Repair and Renovation Committee (SARRC) for the final judgment.

(SARRC) is the only group on campus that has the authority to assign space," Billings said.

SARRC meets every other week and makes all decisions on campus related to space needs and renovation requests. The committee also makes policy decisions on air conditioning and other environmental health and safety issues, what to use facilities' money for, and monitoring the progress of construction projects.

committee then evaluates the proposal "based upon its merits and the need for space" compared to the cost. Sanborn said that there is then generally a vote and more often than not the vote is unanimous.

Last spring, SARRC approved the original proposal made by former Vice President for Student Affairs Leila Moore. Since then, \$50,000 has already been spent in renovating Health Services for SHARPP.

One negative aspect of the Batchellor House is that it is not handicap accessible. In order to move SHARPP there, renovations would have to be made and that money would have to come from the Space Allocapriate department or vice president who tion Repair and Renovation Commitbrings a space proposal to SARRC and the tee that approved the move of by the summer," Sanborn said.

SHARPP to Health Services the first time around last spring. As it stands, SARRC's decision is not

limited solely to Health Services and Batchellor House anyway.

According to Sanborn, neither the campus planner nor Facilities Design and Construction were ever consulted as to what other spaces could be available, but either could uncover another possible place to which SHARPP could be moved.

"I think what will probably happen is once existing spaces that we know of are evaluated and Dr. Charles brings that to SARRC, then it could well be that we will ask the Campus Planner and Facilities, Design and Construction to inform us whether or not there are other spaces available," Sanborn said.

In that case, Sanborn said SARRC would not necessarily kick those possibilities back to SHARPP for evaluation, though. SARRC would evaluate the spaces according to the principles themselves.

"I think the only thing we want to make sure throughout this process is whatever we do is supportive of the interest of the SHARPP program because SHARPP is an important program and is something that we need to sustain on this campus," Sanborn said.

The Space Allocation Committee has nine members under the supervision of Chairwoman Candace Corvey, vice president for Finance and Administration. The other members include David Hiley, provost; Kevin Charles, vice president for Student Affairs; Greg Sanborn, executive assistant to the president; Doug Bencks, architectural campus planner; Paul Chamberlin, executive director of Facilities, Design and Construction; Anthony Zizos, assistant vice president for Business Affairs; Donald Sundberg, vice president for Research and Public Service; and a faculty senate representative.

There has been discussion over whether or not Kevin Charles will vote on the SHARPP space within SARRC because of his involvement in the move from the start.

Sanborn said that generally what happens in those kinds of situation is that if people have direct involvement in a situation and may for whatever reason be seen as having a bias, then that person will abstain in the vote on a particular space

"Certainly what he will do is present the case based upon the principles and whether he chooses to vote or not is another question," Sanborn said.

Charles said he has not yet made a decision on whether or not he will vote.

Traditionally, the vice presidents vote on all matters. But I will wait to see how the discussion proceeds within SARRC before making a final decision," Charles said.

Whether Charles votes or not, Sanborn said the committee will make their decision before the end of semester so that students will still be on campus

Although SHARPP's evaluation will be taken into consideration, SHARPP does not have the final say on where it will move to.

Once SHARPP completes its evalu-

Executive Assistant to the President Greg Sanborn explained that the way they make those decisions is that the approfor the outcome.

"One thing we want to do is bring some resolution to this before the end of the semester. The decision will be made

named interim SHA lirector

By Lisa Arsenault Staff Writer

A four-month search process for a full-time director for the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) has come up empty. In order to fill the position until a new search can be conducted this summer, SHARPP's Amy Culp,

the current Direct Services coordinator, was named acting program director on March 17

The position has been open since former Director Elizabeth Plante resigned in November, ending her seven-year run as the organization's leader to teach and conduct research on violence in communities. An 11-member search committee was then formed with representatives

from the SHARPP advisory board, UNH Judicial Affairs, Student Affairs, Athletics, Residential Life, Campus Security and Women's Health and Affirmative Action.

Under the supervision of search committee Chairman David Cross of the UNH Counseling Center, the committee brought eight candidates to campus for interviews. The search

was then narrowed down to two candidates whose names were forwarded to Associate Director of Health Services Kathleen Grace-Bishop to make the final decision in late February.

Grace-Bishop refused to give specifics about what happened to the final two candidates in order to "protect the confidentiality of the candidates and the search process," but she did give

a number of possibilities.

"Search processes at times are unsuccessful for a variety of reasons, including such things as not being able to negotiate terms for employment, a candidate determining that they are no longer interested in the position, references indicating areas of concerns, issues of fit, working to meet the needs of varie s con See SHARPP, page 5

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Senate passes Health fee

By Tristan Law Staff Reporter

All over the UNH campus and residence halls, students can see posters proclaiming "5/6 of UNH students drink 1/3 of the alcohol consumed on campus" and "The party isn't as big as you think." Next year, these posters and other devices of UNH's Social Norms campaign will make a return to campus because Student Senate passed the Health Services fee Sunday night. Senate approved a 4.9 percent increase of the fee, raising it to \$404.

While the Health Services fee encompasses many things, such as services provided in the Health Services building, it was the Social Norms program that caused the most tension. The Social Norms is a program dedicated to getting out the message to students that not everybody on campus drinks, and that there are alternatives.

Jen Esmond, the associate director of Health Services, attended the senate meeting to speak on behalf of the Social Norms program.

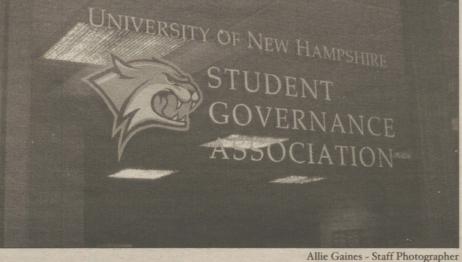
"Much of people's behavior is influenced by their perception of how other members of their social group behave," she said. "All too often these perceptions are incorrect."

She went on to explain that Social Norms is an environmental approach that seeks to impact social and cultural environments as the way to influence individuals. Currently, Social Norms is in the third year of a five-year program.

"Social Norms focuses on health and risk reduction; it takes a positive approach." Esmond said. "It's not about telling people not to drink, rather to focus on healthy behaviors."

Students have mixed feelings about

Senate Update



the program.

Abe Garon, a senior who lives off campus said, "I didn't drink before I came here, but social norming didn't convince me to start drinking, so I guess that it was successful in that aspect."

Sophomore Kara Mileski said, "It's definitely helpful, but it's confusing, people get frustrated."

Crystal LeBlanc, also a sophomore agreed.

"The message isn't clear," she said. "I think that they should advertise it differently."

"Instead of random facts saying that most UNH student's don't drink, maybe they could put up posters advertising other activities instead of drinking." Pete Bartlett, a freshman who lives off campus said.

Despite these concerns, Esmond said

Despite these concerns, Esmond said that Social Norms is working. Esmond gave statistics from other campuses that put social norming into effect. At Northern Illinois University, there was a 44 percent reduction in binge drinking over 10 years, and at Hobart & William Smith Colleges, there was a 40 percent reduction over four years. And here at UNH, where the program is only three years old, Esmond pointed out the University has seen a 20 percent decrease in binge drinking.

However, the Health Services fee met some resistance among senate members. Matthew MacVane proposed an amendment to remove Social Norms from the Health Services fee. Jenn Franque seconded it quickly.

Mitch Doty said, "If the administration feels that (Social Norms) is a good program, then they'll pay for it."

Alexa Trolley supported the fee.

"The student fees give us a chance to get what we want on campus," she said. "This is our chance to guarantee money for it."

Nate Smith also backed funding the Social Norms program through the Health Services fee.

"We should at least let the program finish and let them analyze the data," he said. "Even though it may not affect everybody, it's the people who the program affects that make it worth the money."

News Brief Week-long water flushing to begin April 14

Starting at 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. on Monday, April 14 through Friday, May 9, UNH and the Town of Durham will begin flushing the water main. This may create water discoloration due to the stirring up of sediment; however, the water remains safe for drinking. There will be no flushing during the weekend hours. Exercising of the gate valves is necessary to check the function of the valves and gives the opportunity to clean out the gate boxes. Questions and concerns can be directed to the Maintenance Control Center at 862-1437.

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stituencies, etc.," Grace-Bishop said.

SHARPP Advisory Board Chair Andrew Merton said he believes he speaks for the board when he says he is disappointed that the search came up empty.

"No disrespect to Amy at all, but SHARPP needs a full-time director," Merton said. "There hasn't been an acting director since November, and that's too long. The staff is overbooked."

As Direct Services coordinator at SHARPP, Culp oversees AmeriCorps volunteers and provides supervision and training to volunteer peer advocates. She also provides advocacy for survivors of sexual violence.

The SHARPP director is the organization's connection to the advisory board, the Student Affairs office and the New Hampshire Coalition Against gone through a growing process together. I have seen a lot of hard work and good changes and I am excited about incorporating them into the future of SHARPP."

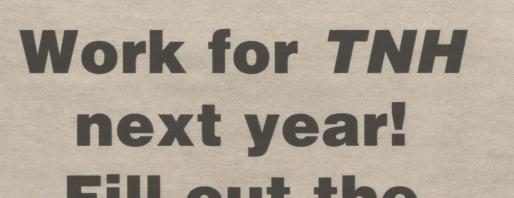
Culp earned her undergraduate degree in psychology and a master's degree in public administration. Prior to that, she was a clinical case manager at the Seacoast Mental Health Center and a caseworker for the North American Family institute in Connecticut.

Culp was hired as Direct Services coordinator of SHARPP in the fall, replacing former Coordinator Lisa Carver. Shortly after, Outreach Coordinator Mark Curtain left SHARPP, followed by Elizabeth Plante.

At the time of their departures, Merton and other memthe high quality of services that has been provided to survivors and the UNH community, and to begin work on a strategic plan for the office."

Culp will serve as director until a new one is hired over the summer. The search process will be the same as the first time — the search committee will reconvene and forward two or three new candidates to Grace-Bishop for a second crack at hiring a fulltime director. According to Grace-Bishop, no candidates from this round of the search will be considered for the position. In the meantime, Grace-Bishop said she believes Culp has the skills, qualifications and experience to be a successful director.

"SHARPP has been an important part of this campus. It deserves strong leadership, and the SHARPP staff and I believe that Amy provides this," Grace-Bishop said.



Sexual and Domestic Violence, which is the statewide network of 14 independent programs that provide direct services to victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. The director is the spokesperson of the organization and is responsible for writing grants that help fund the services SHARPP provides.

Culp will now be serving as both the director and the Direct Services coordinator, with the assistance of Volunteer Coordinator Becky Degnon, who has increased her current number of hours.

"I am excited and ready for this new position," Culp said. "I came aboard when there was a turnover in staff and we have bers of SHARPP attributed the high turnover to the stressful nature of the jobs.

Molly Goulet, a UNH senior at the time of the turnover who has since graduated and been hired to fill the outreach coordinator position, said, "This is high intensity work and the high turnover rate is normal."

Culp said she thinks she can handle the demands of her new position and that the main difference between it and her old job is that as Direct Services coordinator, she wasn't out in the community as much as the director's job requires.

"I'm very excited to have this opportunity," Culp said. "My goals are to continue to maintain

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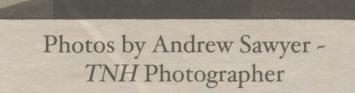
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Students to join rally at Supreme Court

By Paul H. Johnson The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

HACKENSACK, N.J. — When tens of thousands of high school and college students converge on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday, Eric Adisa of South Orange, N.J., will be with them to rally in support of affirmative action.

"I just think it's still a necessary program," said Adisa, a senior at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J. "Maybe the programs need to be modified, but I think they're still necessary."

As the Supreme Court begins hearing arguments in two cases involving the University of Michigan and its law school, the outcome of which could change the way colleges and universities around the nation admit minorities, some students are taking to the streets to voice their support for affirmative action.

The march is being organized by the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action & Integration and Fight for Equality By Any Means Necessary, the group that includes the student defendants in the Michigan affirmative action cases.

"It's necessary to rebuild the fight in this country for integra-

tion and equality and in order to convince the Supreme Court upholding affirmative action is 100 percent necessary," said Adam — Lerman, national outreach coor-

dinator for the coalition. At stake in the Michigan case are the methods used by colleges and universities over the past 25 years to admit minorities, particularly African-Americans and Hispanics.

Although the Supreme Court's ruling expected later this spring will address a complaint against a public university, it will dictate policy at any private university that accepts government money, which means almost every college and university in the nation.

"America today is wholly unequal racially and in terms of gender. Our society needs to acknowledge the inequality and discrimination that remains today and do something consciously to offset those inequalities," Lerman said. "We have to convince the court that the thing to do is uphold affirmative action."

Adisa said between 150 and 200 students from Rutgers will travel with him to Washington.

The last time the Supreme Court addressed affirmative action in college admissions was in 1978 after Alan Bakke sued the University of California, saying it denied him entry to the medical school in favor of a minority candidate with lower scores.

The court ruled in the Bakke decision that the University of California admissions system, which set aside a fixed number of seats for minority students, was illegal. But writing the majority opinion, Justice Lewis Powell said that universities and colleges could use race as one of several factors in admissions.

In the Michigan case, separate lawsuits challenge the university's undergraduate and law school admission processes.

"It's really the law school case that is the key one," said Charles Sims, a partner at the law firm of Proskauer Rose LLP, which has offices in New York and Newark. He wrote a friend of the court brief for a coalition of 30 small liberal arts colleges.

He said the law school's admission criteria, which take into account all of a candidates' qualifications, including race, are similar to the ones used by the more competitive colleges and universities.

He said Michigan's undergraduate admissions process, in which students are assigned numerical points if they are minority members or children of alumni, for example, is rarely used.

Dozens of schools, including Princeton, have filed friend of the court briefs in the Michigan case.

Legal analysts said that many of these schools argue that the number of minorities at the nation's top colleges and universities will shrink dramatically if the court rules that race cannot be used as a factor in college admissions.

"Given the current structure of K-12 education, it's very hard to get a diverse student population in college and certainly in graduate and professional school without aggressive affirmative action policies," said Mark Rahdert, associate dean and professor of law at Temple University in Philadelphia.

But opponents of affirmative action argue that any consideration of race is wrong, and they suggest that Michigan's policies amount to quotas, which are banned by the Supreme Court.

"At their core, the Michigan policies amount to a quota system that unfairly rewards or penalizes prospective students, based solely on their race," said President Bush, who took a strong stance against affirmative action in remarks on Martin Luther King's birthday in January.

"The motivation for such an

admissions policy may be very good, but its result is discrimination, and that discrimination is wrong," Bush said.

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Bush said some states, such as Florida, Texas, and California, use programs based on a student's high school rank and grade-point average instead of test scores to admit students.

The Texas model, for example, guarantees admission to the state university system to all students who graduate at the top 10 percent in their schools. Rahdert said those programs are troubling because they benefit minority students only when the high schools are all black, Hispanic, Native American, or other minority.

"It kind of validates the effects of racial segregation in education," he said.

Rahdert said the court could take many actions when it rules on the two Michigan cases, but the key part of the ruling will be whether it allows race to continue being used as a factor in admissions.

"I think the case is going to turn primarily on whether diversity in the student body is a sufficiently important government interest to use race-conscious measures and whether race-conscious measures can be used to achieve diversity," Rahdert said.

BOOK, from front page -

pendent business. River Run is a thriving testament to the success of local business, and the fact that it is located on a road called Commercial Avenue seems to not fit; River Run is anything but.

The Main Character

Down the street at Café Kilim, Holbrook sips his coffee in a back corner of the eastern café and smiles knowingly at the mention of his biggest competitors. He knows all too well the pitfalls the competition has. As a former general manager of a Borders in Michigan for two years, he's seen the impersonal atmosphere that is more commonly seen with the large influx of customers.

"The more you get promoted, the less you are able to touch books and the more you spend your time doing human resources," he said. "You hire/fire, reprimand, baby-sit, which is really not my thing at all. My thing is selling books to people, (not dealing with) random and sometimes contradictory edicts that come down from above."

Now co-owning his own store along with Exeter proprietors Dan Chartrand and Bob Hugo of Water Street Books, he is able to lead a career dedicated more to personal one-on-one time with the customers. Something, Holbrook added, that his competitors lack.

or change...in "Dubliners" by James Joyce, he used the term "epiphanies," which means that moment of illumination where you realize something about yourself that you never knew. Short stories grab right for that and leave everything else out."

He added that those who try to get out of it the same thing a novel would offer often underappreciate the short story. His eyes and gesticulations as he speaks emphasize his cultivation of the appreciation of reading.

Holbrook talks about his youth as a time of delving into the Hardy Boys and Nancy Drew series, before moving on to sci-fi and fantasy, and then straight fiction in high school. Growing up in a middleclass family in Kennebunkport, Maine, he felt different from his "basic TVwatching family" with his love of reading.

While enrolled in Bowdoin College, he realized he could spend his time pursuing his interest in math and science, or become an English major and essentially read all the time. Holbrook laughs as he recounts that realization as his ultimate decision for a major, adding that he regrets not having more of an education in business as well.

"It's expensive to have a place in Portsmouth," he says earnestly. "When you're selling a fixed price like books, that's a real issue. There's really no money to be made selling books.... there's a comfortable living to be made, but no one's getting rich selling books." But it's the life of an independent bookseller that he has chosen, and with no lack of passion. Dedicated customers continue to come back to his store, some looking for some escapism during times of war, others looking for informational reading. Holbrook attributes customer dedication to the life of the store.

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Perhaps he refers to the detective work out of coincidence, or perhaps not, but either way Holbrook confides later on that he enjoys mysteries, a genre he never was into before he took over the space of a former mystery book shop.

The sounds of the espresso machine and eastern music saturate the air as he talks, accentuating the power of the moment as Holbrook speaks of a genre just as instantaneous with its effect: short stories.

"The great thing about a short story is that they are short, so you can read a lot of them by different authors," he said, emphasizing the words *a lot* with his tone of voice. "The best short stories are about a moment of transition He scoffs at the idea of Barnes & Noble swiping out independent bookstores.

"The idea that we are spectators to these large commercial forces is ridiculous," he said over the swirl of café noise. "Well-run stores know who their customers are, learn their names, carry interesting books and have local authors represented on the shelves."

For River Run, the substance, and not the glitziness of the larger chains, is the part not to be missed.

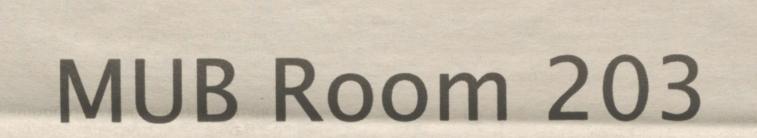
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HART, from front page

trying to get U.N. support, we said it was disarmament. Then we tried to get the U.N. to support regime change and the other nations of the world would not support that. And that's where the coalition fell apart."

Hart said the United States should have kept the coalition together and pressed for more weapons inspections in Iraq.

"We had a lot of international support for disarmament and could have used what I would call or what others have called coercive inspection to keep the international community together; keep the pressure on Saddam Hussein and prevent war," he said. "And we did not use that option."

Although the United States did not press for these inspections, Hart said now that the U.S. military has entered combat in Iraq, they will defeat the Iraqi military and losing is not an option.

"We are militarily powerful enough to win the war, and we will win the war," he said. "By winning I mean deposing the regime in power. We will then have a huge political and reconstruction job to undertake."

The American people should support the U.S. military, regardless of how they feel about the current situation in Iraq, Hart said. He said that every member of the military is obeying their duty and should be treated with honor and respect when they return from active duty, unlike the way they were received in the 60s. He said that Americans should "shake their hands and thank them" upon their return.

Hart said the best thing for students to do is to read and listen to everything they can, and educate themselves on the issues. He urged the audience to learn as much as they can about the history of Iraq and U.S. relations.

"Get informed and stay informed, and listen to different points of view," Hart said. "Get involved in the political process. Pick a candidate, support a candidate." Professor Mark Wrighton from the political science department, the faculty member who hosted the event, agreed with Hart. He suggested that students find a candidate that they are interested in and connect with that candidate's organization. He also urged students to attend similar political events as they arise in the future.

"I would hope students around the University would take advantage of these opportunities as they come around," Wrighton said.

Candidacy for presidency could be in the future

Former U.S. Sen. Gary Hart said he is still contemplating a run for the White House in 2004 after a discussion he participated in at the University of New Hampshire Thursday night.

According to Hart, his decision has been delayed due to the early stages of war.

"Part of the reason why I'm here is to

talk to old friends and new friends, but I think it wouldn't be appropriate politically for people to be talking about presidential campaigns now," he said. "If the war drags on, and I feel it might, we can't suspend opposition debate. And so I think when we have a clear picture of what does lie in store for our military presence over (in Iraq), then those of us who are thinking about this have to make a decision."

UNH political science professor Mark Wrighton said that Hart coming to UNH does not necessarily mean he is a candidate for the presidency, but indicated that whenever "prominent national politicians" come to New Hampshire for reasons other than pleasure, it raises the possibility of presidential candidacy.

Hart, who won the New Hampshire Democratic primary in 1984, said he does not need to declare his candidacy as early as other candidates because he is better known than many of them.

CASINO, from front page -

be transformed into pit bosses, security, card dealers, managers, cashiers, game runners, marketers and prize crews.

While the course used to be exclusively open to hospitality management students in the WSBE, it was eventually opened up to all students as an elective.

Trowbridge said that students outside of the hospitality major and minor should take his class because it gives a firsthand view of what goes into the gambling business, rather than relying on the business' reputation. He is so receptive to students' interest that he has a class size of about 85 students in a class with a planned cap of 42.

He originally began the course at his former school, Northern Arizona University, which is only six hours from Las Vegas. Since then, Trowbridge has developed a network of contacts to fly and house his students in Las Vegas each semester. There, students are able to visit three major casinos to see the inner workings of the profession up close for five days.

Taking a break from his dealing duties at the "Let it Ride" table, senior A.J. Tobey sipped a Coors Light and said he expected more gamblers at his table, especially because of the game's suggestive title. Instead of a steady flow of gamblers, the three dealers assigned to the game dealt aimlessly to themselves.

"I'd be willing to count myself an expert on the game," Tobey said. "I'd also be willing to bet a monkey could play this game," he joked.

Tobey, a business administration major taking Casino Management as an elective for his major, admitted that he was taking the class mainly to go on the end-of-year class trip to Las Vegas.

"It's a killer senior class," he said.

A couple of tables over from Tobey, an all-male group of gamblers circle around each other, comparing piles of fake money with each other in mock seriousness.

At the Caribbean Stud Poker table, senior Joe Persechino played strictly for the thrill of the game.

"I don't want any of the prizes, I'm here to play," he said. "I love gambling, but it's more fun when you have something (money) to play for."

"You've got to get emotional, even though it's paper money," he added after yelling at a dealer for not giving him the correct number of chips.

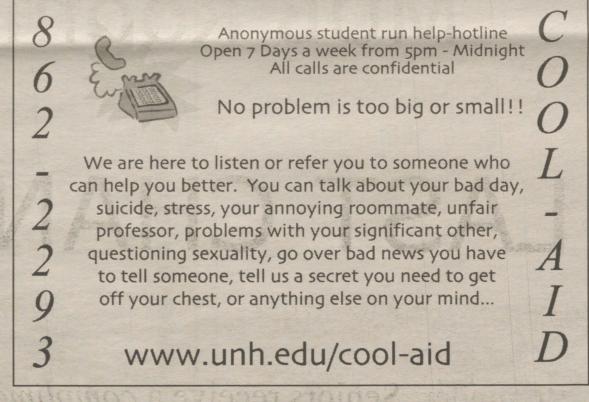
Sophomore Greg Tapscott, a sophomore finance major acting as a dealer for the night, said that he found the course to be particularly interesting. After claiming to have been "intrigued" by the world of gambling since the age of nine, he said that Casino Management "gives you a good understanding of how prosperous the world of gambling really is."

Senior T.J. Paton, Casino Night's general manager, lost most of his voice by 10 p.m. With only another hour until the night's conclusion, he decided he could relax. Most of his work was the behind-the-scenes preparation that took place before Friday night. Once he travels to Vegas, he will be able to meet a real general manager and see how close his performance was to the real thing.

Touting the benefits of Casino Management, Paton said, "A lot of people don't know how to play. It's a good time to come here and play with fake money."

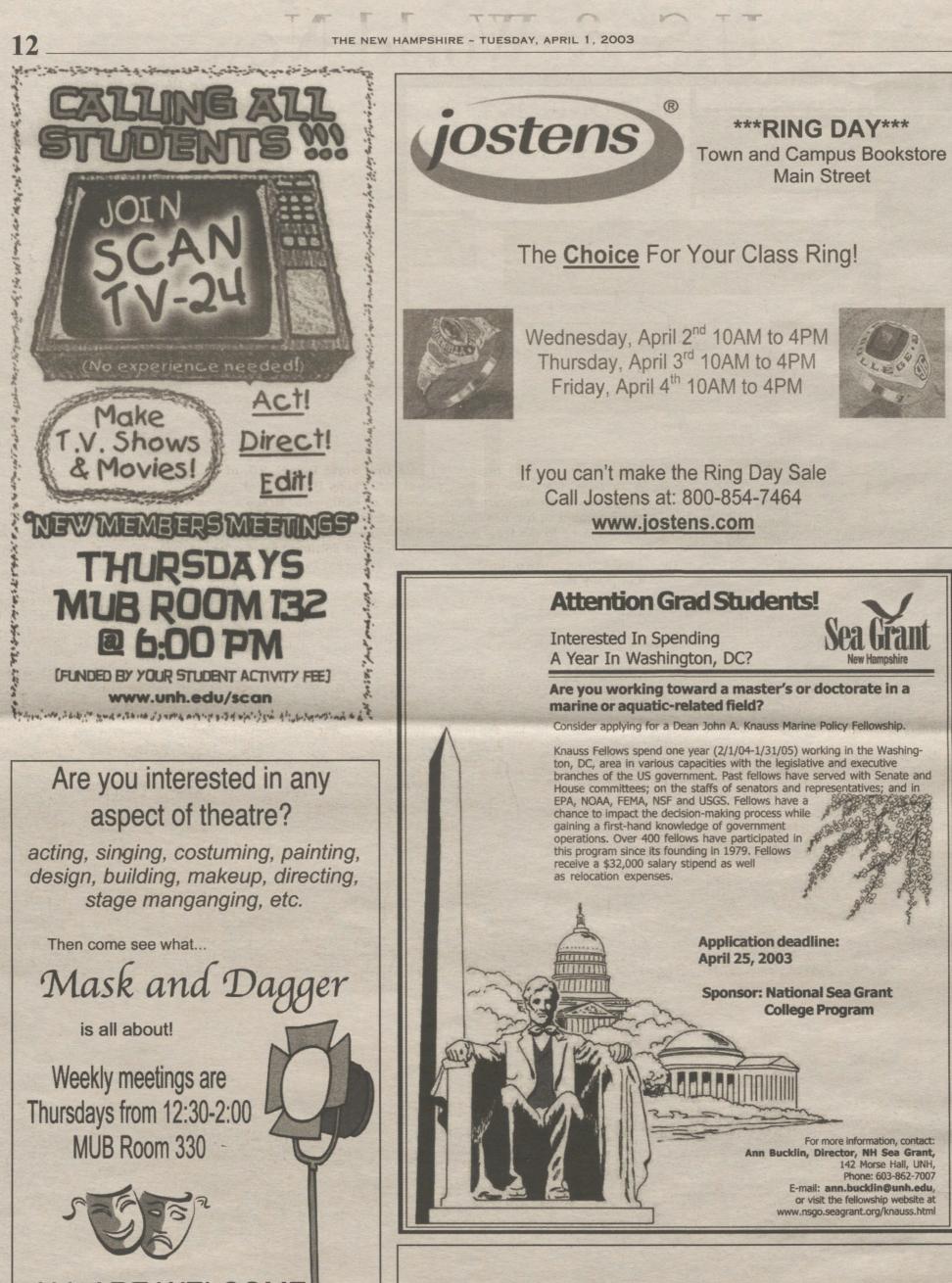
Jean Anderson, a senior, agreed. It was her second Casino Night as a customer, and she compared it with a spring break trip she took to Atlantic City.

"It's great for people like myself who don't know how to play. You lose \$10 instead of \$100," Anderson said.



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Battle in Baghdad looms as U.S. troops close in on capital

By Jeff Wilkinson, Ruby L. battlefield, Bailey and Martin Merzer more airstrikes **Knight Ridder Newspapers**

KUWAIT CITY, Kuwait — U.S. Army soldiers edged closer to Baghdad on Monday, fighting from behind sandbags and punching through one front-line Republican Guard unit outside Saddam Hussein's capital.

High-ranking U.S. officers said the first major clash in the battle for Baghdad could begin Tuesday _ a comprehensive ground assault against an entire Republican Guard division dug in between the U.S. Army and the city.

"Where the regime is, we're coming," said U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks.

Other officers warned that the war could prove bloodier than many Americans expect and they again raised the specter of U.S. troops confronting chemical or biological weapons

We're prepared to pay a very high price," said a senior official at U.S Central Command in Doha, Qatar, who re-quested anonymity. "If that means there will be a lot of casualties, there will be a lot of casualties.'

One U.S. soldier was reported killed Monday in a battle in Najaf, bringing the U.S. death toll to 48, with many others wounded.

Total Iraqi military and civilian casualties could not be estimated, but U.S. officials said seven Iraqi women and children were killed by U.S. troops near Najaf when their van did not stop at a checkpoint as ordered and after warning shots were fired.

Other accounts said that three Iraqi men also died in the incident and that an Army unit delayed firing warning shots until the van was so close that it alarmed other soldiers who raked the vehicle with cannon fire

Four Army soldiers died in a suicide car bombing in the same area on Saturday and U.S. troops have been on high alert for additional suicide bombings

To reduce the threat to

hammered areas in and around Baghdad early Tuesday. Eight thousand precision-guided weapons have been fired since the war began, 3,000 of them since Friday, the Pentagon said.

In Washington, the Pentagon claimed that relatives of Saddam were trying to flee the country and implicitly challenged Saddam to prove that he is alive.

'Since the coalition bombed Saddam's headquarters at the very beginning of the war, the world has nei-

ther seen his hide nor hair, only tapes," said Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke. We've not seen his sons. We've seen evidence that family members are fleeing the country or trying to flee the country.

Company Bravo.

She refused to give evidence to back up her assertion.

As for Saddam's current condition, Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations said he believed that his nation's leader was alive.

"I cannot believe these kinds of speculations," Mohammed Aldouri said. "It's part of the propaganda war. Obviously he's still alive and he's the chief commander right now.

The comments came after armored and ground elements of the Army's 3rd Infantry Division fought their way into Hindiya, about 50 miles southwest of Baghdad.

Trading fire with Iraqi soldiers who sought shelter behind shrubbery and brick walls, U.S. forces reportedly killed at least 35 Iraqis and captured sev-U.S. soldiers and prepare the eral dozen who wore the distinctive insignia of the Republican Guard.

Other U.S. forces probed the outer circle of Baghdad's defenses as war planes relentlessly battered Iraqi positions in and around the capital. Among the targets struck Monday: the presidential palace used by the commander of the Republican Guard Saddam's son Qusai.

After several days of attempts, the bombardment finally knocked Iraqi television off the air, though only temporarily. Two planes destroyed an Iraqi military cable repeater station about 100 miles north of Baghdad to disrupt the regime's communications.

With major encounters on the horizon, the Army's 4th Infantry Division with 30,000 U.S. combat and support troops prepared to enter the war. That will mark the first large reinforcement of coalition troops since hostilities began.

The division's spokeswoman, Maj. Josslyn Aberle, said the first 500 troops and their equipment from Fort Hood in Killeen, Texas, would disembark

Commanders prepared for high number of U.S. combat deaths

Tuesday in Kuwait.

She would not discuss the division's orders or how long it would take to deploy all of the unit's troops and 14,000 pieces of armored vehicles, fighting helicopters and other equipment

Eddie Ledesma - KRT

But a U.S. military official said on condition of anonymity that the division would be 'pouring in" constantly over the next week or two, going directly into combat.

The division's equipment has been floating on ships in the Mediterranean for weeks because of Turkey's refusal to allow use of its bases as a staging area for a northern front. Now, the 4th Infantry will enter the war from the south.

"They are going to augment our forces at the front and fortify the rear areas," said one U.S. official, who requested anonymity. "They are a substantial combat multiplier. They'll give the Iraqis a wallop.

In southern Iraq, a measure of stability emerged as allied forces captured 200 Iraqi prisoners near Basra but still

struggled to suppress the paramilitary fighters who have been striking supply lines with hit-

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In Samawah, a small city about 120 miles south of Baghdad, soldiers from the 82nd Airborne Division confronted mortar fire but rounded up more than 50 Iraqi

"We've effectively cut off a good portion of what (the enemy) thinks he owns in the area," said Maj. Pete Wilhelm, a spokesman for the 82nd Air-

In other action, a raid to recover the body of a Marine killed earlier in the war turned up no sign of the remains but destroyed several Baath Party offices in Ash Shatra, a town 23 miles north of Nasiriyah.

Marines also reported capturing two Soviet-designed FROG surface-to-surface missiles, with a range of about 60 miles, near the city of Ad Diwaniyah in central Iraq.

A convoy of up to 700 civilian vehicles was spotted Monday leaving Basra for relatively safe harbor in Umm Qasr. Officials believed that the vehicles carried families seeking refuge and humanitarian assistance in the British-controlled port.

In the southern town of Az Zubayr, British forces replaced their helmets with berets to signal that the fighting was over and the situation was returning to normal. A pickup game of soc-cer between local citizens and soldiers from the Duke of Wellington Regiment in the border town of Safwan was won by the visitors, 4-2.

(Wilkinson is with U.S. Central Command in Kuwait; Bailey is on the USS Kitty Hawk; Merzer anchored from Washington. Contributing were Knight Ridder Newspapers correspondents Sandy Bauers aboard the USS Harry S. Truman; Drew Brown with the 3rd Infantry Division outside Karbala, Iraq; Jessica Guynn at the Pentagon; Mark Johnson with the 82nd Airborne Division in Samawah, Iraq; Daniel Rubin in Landstuhl, Germany; Peter Smolowitz at allied headquarters in Latar; Warren P. Strobel at the State Department; and Juan O. Tamayo with the U.S. Marines in Iraq.)

U.S. Marine combat engineers Lance Cpl. Steve Dowel, 20, of

Statesville, North Carolina, left, and Pfc. Phillip Deal, 18, of

Culpeper, Virginia, guard the perimeter of Bridge Co. Bravo's

encampment at the 8th Engineers Support Battalion forward

by the Iraqi army or militia are a constant threat to Bridge

staging area in the Iraqi desert on Monday. A lone camel isn't

too dangerous except for their nasty habit of spitting but attacks

By Peter Smolowitz Knight Ridder Newspapers

DOHA, Qatar — American commanders are prepared to suffer a high number of U.S. combat deaths during the battle for Baghdad and will not leave Iraq until Saddam Hussein is toppled, a senior official at U.S Central Command said Monday.

Generals see "an awful lot of ominous signs" that Saddam will use weapons of mass destruction and they believe the Nebuchadnezzar division of the elite Republican Guard has moved south of Baghdad to shore up the unit's Medina Division, which has been pounded by American airstrikes, the official said.

goal of winning Baghdad.

"We're prepared to pay a very high price," the official said, speaking with several reporters on condition of anonymity. "If that means there will be a lot of casualties, there will be a lot of casualties.

'It would be impossible for anyone to think we will walk away with anything besides victory."

In a wide-ranging interview at coalition headquarters in Qatar, the official said he soon expects Iraqis in the southern cities of Basra and Nasiriyah to rise up against Saddam supporters.

The official said commanders are concerned that U.S. troops have found more gas masks, protective suits and chemical detection equip-

was expected, and those finds have increased commanders' belief that Iraqis have been authorized to use chemical weapons.

'We have found a lot more of it than we're comfortable with," the official said. "Will people hesitate to act on those orders? I can only say I hope so."

The official said, however, that is not surprising that coalition forces have yet to find any chemical weapons, calling them "probably hidden very well.'

Commanders believe they will find chemical and biological weapons after the war, once they can talk to Iraqis who helped make, use and hide them.

"The hunt is very, very important But neither concern changes the ment in overrun Iraqi positions than to us, but the hunt really happens in

stability operations rather than combat operations," the official said.

The official also said that the war plan, criticized in some quarters for underestimating the number of troops that would be necessary to carry out the war, is not a minute-by-minute plan, but rather a "framework that allows for different locations and different pressures." He cautioned it may not unfold as people expect, particularly the Baghdad invasion many believe will be key to the war.

"People have this view of the campaign that it's all about the 3rd Infantry Division moving down the road," the official said. "If you're looking for a big push of World War II-sorts of forms, I don't know that you'll see it."

choices choices choices choices choices choices choices A quarterly publication produced by the Division of Stude If anxious, add exercise! If anxious, add exercise! t is natural to have low to moderate levels of stress and tension throughout your day. However, it is not natural to feel anxious all the time or depressed about what seem to be simple events. However, anxiety and depression are two key areas of concern for college students. Attending classes, taking tests, writing papers, doing homework, using a computer, attending additional study sessions or labs, working a full or parttime job (on or off campus), and joining any groups with additional meeting times are just a few of the stressors. Add (for some) taking care of a family member, nurturing a child, dealing with a disability, learning a new language, living in a new country, or recovering from an illness/accident, and you have dramatically increased the stress. Now, add the horrific events of Sept. 11, concerns for safety, loved ones going into possible war, and the uncertainty of world peace, and you can really feel like you are going over the edge. So, what can vou do? Many research studies have

shown that one of the most effective methods of relieving stress, tension, anxiety, and mild depression is EXERCISE. "Exercise, particularly aerobic exercise, has consistently been shown to be effective in helping individuals manage psychological stress," says Cedric Bryant, Ph.D., FACSM, and chief exercise physiologist/vice president of educational services for the American Council on Exercise.

Exactly how exercise helps in relaxation and stress management is not totally clear. However, exercise increases blood flow to the brain, releases hormones, stimulates the nervous system, and increases levels of morphine-like substances in the body that can

have a positive effect on mood. Exercise may trigger a neurophysiological high that produces

an anti-depressant effect in some, an anti-anxiety effect in others, and a general sense of "feeling better" in many. According to some researchers, exercise is as effective as psychotherapy or drugs in treating mild to moderate depression!

Physical activity can have

on mental health. For example, active adults have an enhanced self-image and greater self-esteem, more confidence, more assertiveness, better emotional stability, and a greater sense of self-control and independence. Further, some research suggests that the greater the skill efficiency, the greater the appreciation of the quality of life and selfdiscovery through exercise. Skill efficiency is a measure of the individual's proficiency and expertise in a given athletic endeavor, so increasing this expertise leads to a heightened sense of achievement. Moderately intense exercise has even been reported to have a beneficial effect on the immune system, which might lead to a reduction in sick days and higher levels of productivity each day.

It may not be the ultimate answer to all your worries, but being physically active could have a very positive effect on your daily life and your emotional state. People who exercise regularly tend to show a healthier response to emotional stress than sedentary people. But remember, exercise is only a temporary fix for anxiety and ultimately you will have to continue to deal

significant and positive effects emotionally and mentally with the source of your stress. If you seem to be struggling with issues and exercise is not helping, you should seek out the advice of a trained psychotherapist.

In some instances, individuals may work out to excess, which can actually decrease the immune system response and make them feel worse. If missing one workout causes

you to become more depressed or anxious, then you need professional help. Also, excessive amounts of exercise can lead to a state of fatigue, which could be characterized by insomnia, lack of appetite, more anxiety, and a loss in interest about personal life issues. If you are experiencing these issues, try cutting down on your intensity and ease up on yourself. Try to remember why you started working out in the first place.

So, be active! Pick sports or programs that make you laugh, bring you joy, and make you "feel good." Find others to play with and make it a regular part of your social calendar. Try to get away from sources of stress, large crowds, loud noises, or the office environment. And finally, don't skip chances to move, like climbing the stairs instead of taking the elevator or walking the extra blocks from a more remote parking place. Take control, be responsible and wise in your choices of activities and the amount of time you participate, make sure you have medical clearance to begin any new activity, and have fun. Physical education classes in high school may not have been fun and, in fact, they may have been very stressful for you. As an adult, you now have the chance to pick your activities, wear what makes you comfortable as you move, and be as foolish as you'd like, without worrying about a grade. Think positive, think happy, think fun, and think about what is the

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Second semester is ofsion-making in ten a time when students run out of money. Maybe you now realize you didn't make enough money last summer to make it through the year, your Spring Break

cost way more than you planned, or your carefree spending in the fall has caught up with you. In any case, you wonder how you can make it through the next six weeks with such minimal funds available.

Financial uncertainties will often be a part of our lives. For now, the question of where the money is coming from may mean you have to curtail your daily latte habit; ten years from now you may be trying to pay the mortgage, car pay ments, and day care costs, and feel like you can't dine out when you want. How do you keep a balance so you feel like you have a life, and that your money sn't controlling you?

balance. Listen to that inner voice: what is right for you (not just your friends, who may or may not have more funds)? Then follow it. You'll feel better when you do. Your mental and physical health will reflect your comfort level with your decisions.

And when it comes to spending, don't forget that those charge cards sneak up on you. They are not the answer to financial balance. In general, paying the minimum payment on a \$500 bill will take you about nine years to pay it off, and in the meantime you'll pay almost as much in interest as you did for what you bought. Not a smart

way to spend your hardearned money. And besides, you'd probably feel guilty every month when you get the bill, another feeling you don't want to have to deal with.

At this time of year it's not easy to face each day not knowing where the money for lunch or dinner is coming from. But seriously consider what all your options might be. Sometimes we've shut ourselves off from some healthier options for less than healthy reasons. If your parents are in a position to help you out, ask

right for you!



them to help tide you over until you get some summer earnings. Don't try to live on pasta or bagels when funds are short. Your brain needs to be well fed for you to do your best academic

Balancing your finances with all the other demands in your life isn't easy, but it can be managed. Be clear about what is most important for you, then follow through with decisions and actions that support you being vour best.

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In a word: attitude. Your perspecchoices tive on what you want or need may vary greatly with your financial resources. When you're flush with cash, ordering out for pizza or going out to dinner with friends may seem like a thing you need choices to do to be one of the group. When you are strapped for cash, this is no longer a basic need, but paying the phone bill or buying food is. Your perspective changes when the uncertainty of additional funds looms. How will I eat the rest of the week if I blow all my choices money on this dinner out? If I'm not going to be able to eat decently the rest of the week, is this really worth it?

Many facets of our world seem to be less certain than they were even a couple years ago. How do you deal with uncertainty? Are you one of those who just goes along and adapts to whatever happens with no great stress, or do you get anxious and try to control everything that might come down your path? How you respond to uncertainty can make a big difference in your total health, mental, physical and spiritual.

This Well-Cat highlights some of the many facets of uncertainty, from the personal to the global, and how we can respond in a healthier manner. We have many choices we can make, some of which help us feel better both in the short and long term. Life will always have its uncertainties; the more we can make choices that are healthy for us, the more enhanced our life will be, and no doubt we will be empowered to contribute to a healthier community and

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Creating peace The peace within

Anxiety caused by war and fear of terrorism is creating arge health challenge. Rerch shows that emotions of r and anger can definitely imde the healing process. A onic heightened state of alerts and helplessness can impair immune process, interrupt ep and exacerbate everything m ulcers to heart problems. It is important in these nes to practice focusing in

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downward into increasing fear crease their ratings and income. and anxiety. We have more choice than most people realize in stopping negative thoughts. We know that meditation, muscle relaxation, physical exercise, massage, yoga or even laughter can help us change our thought process. In this day of mass communications we need to be very selective in what we watch on TV. Broadcasters purposely try to get us riled up and hooked on the news so as to in-

Remember, peace starts at home. Gandhi once said, "Be the change you want to see in the world." We begin to create peace when we focus on compassion rather than on anger and hatred. Whatever we give our attention to ultimately expands. Many believe that our thoughts influence not only our own wellbeing but events far beyond our own personal boundaries. Psychologists who have studied the peace process say that there is a very strong relationship between international and local violence. Local psychologist and peace activist, David Diamond, says there is an obvious parallel between his clinical work and peace activism. He urges greater emphasis on rational, loving, thoughtful, and empathic tendencies to produce positive effects for future situations.

Your own peace is something that you can give to this planet. It is wise to practice creating a space in your mind, a picture of what peace would look like for you. Imagine, for example, a world community where there is mutual respect and acceptance of different cultures. It is also possible to change your focus onto something different like a peaceful garden or special person. It is worth trying to find a peace which transcends the problems of life. It is not freedom from the storm, but peace amid the storm.

Celebrating sacred places

As the snow melts and the 's get longer, the winds and mth of spring are beckoning. ring is a time of renewal, of reation, rebirth, and growing o new ways of being. Spring a time of reconnecting, or ning out of hibernation and bining the community. Spring also a time of spiritual celration, a time where folks m various spiritual practices lk on the sacred ground of th and tradition, honoring the acy of those who have gone fore them on this life journey. The Jewish people celebrate ssover during the spring, rking the "passing over" to edom from slavery and bondsuffered by the Jewish ple under the Egyptian Phabh. Buddhists celebrate nnamatsun, the birth of dhartha, the founder of Budsm, often called the Buddha. ddhists in Thailand also celate Songkran, or the Budst New Year. Christians celrate Easter, the resurrection Jesus Christ. Many countries cultures celebrate days of eration and independence, ing blossoms and new life.

April is also the time that er 140 countries celebrate rth Day. This day, celebrated or around April 22 and estabned in 1970, is a time to affirm d honor the earth, and to ng awareness to the ecologistate of our planet. For many pple who find their spirit and nnection to a higher power st keenly in nature, this day ngs special significance. The is also a reminder that many our spiritual practices, includ-Christian celebrations, have ir roots in earth-based tradins. In fact, the timing of Easwhich changes from year to r, is tied to the lunar calen-, celebrated on the first Sunafter the first full moon folving the vernal equinox (April this year). Folks who identify with th-based religions are often reotyped and misunderstood the practioners of other traions. Terms like witch, pagan l others are used, not as descriptive terms, but ways to judge or condemn. What can get lost in our misunderstanding is the way that adherents of earth based spiritual traditions have helped us to see our connection to earth, and our connection to one another often grounded in the health and well-being of our planet. Folks from earth based and indigenous traditions have also helped us to reclaim the notion of "sacred space and ground," and the significance of the landscape in our lives. We, as a people, are growing into the notion

that nature and the spe-cial, "sacred" places in cial. our world have intrinsic values that transcend economics and development potential, but are spiritual in nature. Sacred places are earth places that nurture our hearts, bodies, spirits and souls, and each person, community and culture, has these places, whether we choose to acknowledge them or not.

During the rhythms of spring this year, think about the special and sa-cred places in your life. Imagine those places and the ways they make you feel better, the smells, sounds and feel of them in your life, and on your senses. If you can, reconnect with those special places; if you are far from familiar ground, find new sacred places in your life. Spend time there with people you love, or those you are coming to know. Spend time alone, and enjoy hearing the quiet and blessing of solitude. Touch the earth, and let her touch you; find joy in the small and grand joys that mother earth can bring to you. There will be a panel on Spirituality and Earth on April 9 and April 11, from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. in the MUB. Folks from a variety of traditions, including earth based and indigenous traditions will lead an interactive discussion and celebration of earth and spirituality. This program is co-sponsored by UNH Health Services, The UNH Chaplains Association, the Office of Student Life, the Presidents Commissions, the Department of Residential Life, the Office of Sustainability Programs, The Office of Multi-cultural Student Affairs and the Waysmeet Center of the United Campus Ministry to UNH.

Finding your place in the circle of giving

tunities of Earth Day is the way it invites us to examine our relationship to this planet we call home, and which feeds, shelters and nourishes us. Earth day reflections challenge us to ask questions about what is ours to take, or to use up. Earth Day encourages us to consider future generations, and what will be left for our children, their grandchildren and their descendants. Earth Day can be a call to consider what is mine and what is yours, and who actually owns or controls the natural resources of our earth, which typically transcend geo-political and human boundaries. This can be a

time to consider questions such as "by what right do I take for myself or my people, the resources of this earth, and what will be left for future generations?" Reflecting on Earth Day helped me to recall some events that happened while I was in college. One year, our university community was enhanced by our first book and record store, opened by a graduate of the university that I at-

tended. The shop became a haven for music and book lovers, and the sounds of music and the feel of new books became wonderful ways to spend spring afternoons with new and old friends.

One day, I walked downtown to check out the newest releases, and was greeted by a sign that announced a "going out of business sale." Shocked and dismayed, I went in to talk with the owner and to plead a case for the store to stay open. Sadly, the owner talked about why he needed to close, and one of the primary reasons was the amount of books and music that were missing, apparently stolen from him. The volume of missing goods had increased each month and reached a point where he could not meet his debts, and he needed to close. I can

One of the promises and growth oppor- things like street signs, park signs, coffee mugs, food or ... you name it. Other times it is skewing numbers so you pay fewer taxes; or manipulating figures so there is a great return on an investment that is warranted. We have witnessed far too frequently in the recent past CEO's who have raided pension and employee funds, tried to avoid paying taxes on luxury items, or denied hard working people what is rightly and justly coming to them

Acts of theft or taking, big and little, can do more than harm those who are the ones being taken from. They can also steal from our own souls, and our own sense of ourselves. When we take what is not ours, or what is rightfully someone else's, we diminish ourselves and the communities we live in. When our abundance or material things are gained, not by our own work or merit, or by gifts of generosity, but through theft and manipulation, then the collective souls of our people suffer, not just the person who had something stolen from them.

Some native cultures practice the notion of the "give away." That is, every so often, or on certain occasions, neighbors in the community would come in and take tangible, material things that belonged to the giver. Folks would practice letting go of their material possessions; by opening up their homes to be sorted through like a Saturday yard sale, except no money changed hands. While it could be painful to part with treasured possessions, one could be comforted with the knowledge that they would be the beneficiaries of give aways in the future.

Our society does not practice the "give away," at least on any large scale. In some ways, ours could be viewed not as a culture of giving away, but as one of "taking." We will take what does not belong to us, often simply because we can. This might apply to individuals, but also to entities, organizations and governments in their relationship to people, the earth and each other. Our organizations, after all, are made up of individuals, and if we cannot see the harm in small

still see the sadness on his face and hear the disappointment in his voice as he talked about the closing of his store.

I came to discover that I knew some of the people who had taken items from the store, and that some considered folks who were still purchasing books and music as just plain stupid. Many of the folks I knew justified their taking because they did not have the money for them, but needed the books or music for school, pleasure or both. One acquaintance remarked that if the owner was naïve or ignorant enough to allow things to be stolen from him, than he deserved it.

In the years since college, I have grappled with the notion of folks taking what does not belong to them. Sometimes folks take things from stores; other times folks take things from front lawns or porches; sometimes there are

takings, how can our collective organizations see the harm in their own "takings?"

United State citizens are often described as generous and caring. We are at our best when we are giving from our hearts, unconditional and without thought as to what that giving might gain us in the future. As springtime comes to the seacoast, welcome it by embracing the beauty of giving, and reject the notion of "taking." Research has indicated that those who give are healthier and live longer; common sense implies es that taking diminishes not only the taker but also the takee.

Celebrate spring by being a giver, not only to those you know but to those you don't. Not only to human beings, but also to all living things and to the earth. Remember the words of the singer/ songwriter Livingston Taylor, who writes "giving your all to others and it all comes back to you.'

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Horoscope time!

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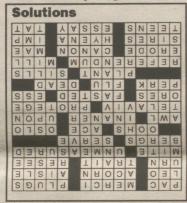
Today's Birthday (April 1). You're clearly a fool, since this is the day of fools. No matter what steps you take, no matter how hard you try, nothing can help you on your quest to becoming wise and diplomatic.

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

Aries (March 21-April 19) -Today is a 0 — And so are you. Perhaps a religious conversion is in your best interest, look up some information on the Raelians.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -Today is a 5 - Go out there and surprise the world by wearing no pants. However, also be sure to avoid hot oatmeal and public hangings.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) -





Today is an 8 — Now seems like a good time to pick up another hobby. Maybe you should give brainwashing a try. Hone your skills on small children and passive squirrels.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) -Today is a 5 — Today is a day for exploring. So get yourself down to the UNH dairy barn, unhook the metal plug that opens to the cow's stomach and take a look inside. Be sure to remember your camera and make the memories last a lifetime.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 10 — Today is a great day for you. If you ever wished to set up a dictatorship on a small island nation, your day has arrived. No one can cure your insatiable bloodlust.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 2 — It's hard to stay calm when it looks as though there's a good chance a third eye will emerge from your forehead. Just do the best you can, and don't take it personally if somebody yells. Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -

Today is an 8 — If ever there was a time to delegate, this is it. Storm the floor of the United States Senate and say your piece on the dangers of small, disposable ketchup and relish packets.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -Today is a 6 — After a hard day of work, you may feel like biting your tongue. So do it. Sprinkle with thyme and pepper, and just go back with it. Try not to be nervous, but if you are a couple shots of Jack may help.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 10 — You're usually a casual, easygoing person. This will come in handy today when you walk in and find your roommate making out with a chicken.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 5 — Today may be a good day to stop bloodletting.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -Today is an 8 — You're a very intelligent person, so that probably makes it a little harder to figure out why you keep wetting the bed.

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Stop worrying. There is no end in sight. Just accept and look into a good wetsuit.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -

Today is a 5 — I'd like to say it looked good, but I can't lie, if I were you I wouldn't even get out

of bed in the morning. On the other hand, take the time to do the 50 hot dogs in one day thing that you have always wanted to.

Staff members Matthew Doucet and Evan Czyzowski took over the horoscope for April Fool's Day.



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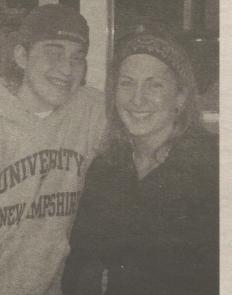
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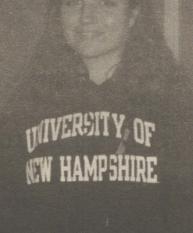




"Strip Club."



Jessica



"A bowling alley."

Alison Shupe sophomore psychology



"Chipotle."

Jess Schlosser senior English



"A good Thai restaurant."





"Roller Skating Rink / Snoop Dogg Memorabilia Shop."

Patrick Poulin senior business



"A brothel."

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Amy Cheurefils & Paula Farina freshmen undeclared



"A movie theatre and a good clothing store."



Stratos Argiras sophomore undeclared



"A big movie theatre."

"A dance supply store."

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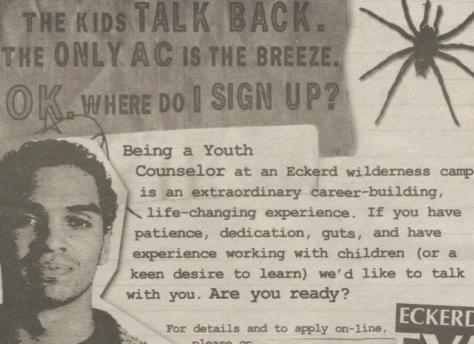
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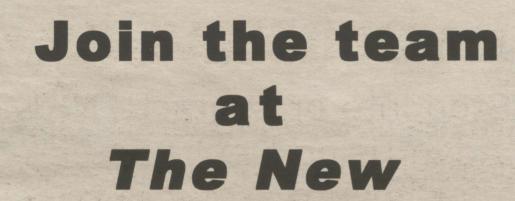
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Editorial **Reality TV** at its best

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Reality TV has reached a new level since the beginning of "Operation Iraqi Freedom." Americans have been glued to their television sets watching live coverage on the all-news networks of coalition troops cruising across the Iraqi desert. The word "embedded" is used a countless number of times each day as networks go "live to David Bloom, reporting from the 3rd Infantry Division in southern Iraq." What often gets overlooked are the journalists who are risking their lives to bring the story to the people of the world.

Despite the risks in reporting, journalists have piled into the Middle East with satellite cellular phones and cameras, wearing bulletproof vests in hope of reporting the story of the century. More than 500 members of the press from countries all over the world are in the region. Some are traveling with coalition troops, manning newly formed news desks in Kuwait City and reporting from the center of Baghdad, even though the United States has urged them to leave. They are on war ships in the Persian Gulf and at military bases throughout the region.

In 1991 during the first Gulf War, news networks were unable to go "live to Baghdad." Due to extremely high censorship in Iraq, journalists were unable to transmit live video and had all of their reports screened for content. Even in their wildest dreams, these journalists who reported in '91 would never believe this kind of coverage would be possible now. But thanks to technology and hundreds of brave men and women, the world is able to see the war unfold firsthand.

Besides dodging bombs, journalists are still facing many other problems, especially those stationed in Baghdad. The Iraqi government has expelled some networks such as CNN and The Fox News Channel for broadcasting fair coverage. It has also been speculated that the Iraqi government has imprisoned a freelance journalist and two journalists from the Long Island based newspaper Newsday. A handful of journalists have even been killed in the conflict.

Letters

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ~ TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2003

Anti-war rallies are pro Saddam

To the Editor:

After seeing the "die-in" protest I'm absolutely disgusted with the ignorance of the UNH Peace and Justice League (PJL). Is this the kind of liberal garbage my student activity fee funds? The PJL are clearly uneducated, misinformed and I for one truly feel bad for them. They are living in an unrealistic and idealistic mindset; they should grow up and realize their protests are not going to change anything, except waste their time.

War is certainly not an at-

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tractive solution by any means. Collateral damage and soldier casualties are facts about any war, which is why war is the last option. Diplomacy failed, inspections failed and Saddam failed to disarm in 45 days (condition in 91, Gulf treaty). Its time the PJL and other anti-war protestors get their head out of the clouds, learn the facts and realize antiwar protests are simply pro Saddam Hussein rallies.

Doug Briere Senior

Fraternity advocates violence

To the Editor: As a student at the University of New Hampshire I have witnessed some actions that deeply concern me. I am writing to you about the negative and regressive remark of "Beep to Bomb Saddam," on the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. I thoroughly agree with your letter to the UNH community addressing differing opinions and freedom of speech. However, as a leader of the University the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity has a duty to not advocate violence at home or abroad.

The Greek system is founded on the concept of ser-

vice to community. The service to community is implicitly positive, therefore adding to our community not detracting. Statements based out of hatred and ignorance warrant further education and understanding. If Lambda Chi Alpha and the Greek system want to support our troops they should focus on building our community. Negative energy spent on empty gestures and words only detracts from what our fighting men are working towards. Patriotism goes beyond negative graffiti.

Stephanie Rochon Sophomore

Show respect for the dead

To the Editor:

The cover story of the March 28 issue of TNH, "Protestors 'die-in' to make their point," disgusted me. That anti-war protestors were imitating dead Iraqi civilians disgusts me. It tells me that they don't know what they're talking about. I tell them look this: www.timesonline.co.uk and read the article "See Men Shredded, Then Say You Don't Back War,' from March 18 of this year.

Besides saying that Hussein's youngest son fed people into a machine for shredding plastic, it

also documents one of the most horrific things I've ever heard people to do to humiliate other people: women were hung by their ankles while menstruating until their periods were over. No one would like to see anyone imitating that in front of the Dimond Library, would they? Please, show more respect for the dead and those who are suffering at Hussein's command, and for the fact that we are trying to save others from that fate.

Vilija Pauliukonis Sophomore

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Op-Ed

Students vote for independence from Bush

Dan Vorosmarty and Benjamin Greenfield

An open letter to the UNH community:

Thursday before break, you may have seen the "Emergency Vote on the War in Iraq" table at the MUB food court. Many students took part in the vote. However, the results of this vote only reflect the views of our campus and the students who did participate. For those of you who did not get a chance to vote or did not hear about it, the questions on the ballot were as follows:

1) Do you support a war against Iraq?

Do you wish to declare your independence from the Bush administration?

Would you be willing to sign 3) a declaration of independence from the Bush administration? The results of the vote:

90 people support the war in Iraq, and 271 do not support the war.

205 wish to declare indepen-

dence from the administration, and 150 do not 198 are willing to sign a dec-

laration of independence, and 156 are not Percentage wise, this breaks

down as the following: 75 percent do not support

war, and 25 percent do 58 percent wish to declare

independence, and 42 percent do not 56 percent are willing to sign a declaration, and 44 percent are

not (Discrepancies are because not everyone voted on all questions)

Many of you are probably wondering what our aim was with this vote. The main purpose of the vote was to raise awareness, shake people up, and to make them think for themselves about the world around them. We called it a "vote" because it was an exercise in American rights, which cannot and should not be taken for granted. The fundamental idea of democracy is that government derives its power from the people.

Several times we were asked by students, "What is my vote going to do to change anything?" These words should never be uttered in a democracy. You may try to write this vote off because of its small scale, but the fact remains that in any true democracy the government does not have a right to do anything that the people do not directly support.

Some voters expressed concern that the questions themselves were biased. However, we devised the idea for the vote with the (correct) assumption that a majority of students were against the war. The first question is of course not biased at all. We recognized that the second two questions would be considered leading. However, our intention was that by presenting people with such a radical concept, it would cause students to say to themselves, "What could possibly be happening in the world and in our country that people are rationally considering such radical possibilities?"

Now that we have seen the results of the vote, apparently a majority of students did not consider the second two questions to be completely outside of the realm of sanity. In fact, they agreed with the idea. The next step is to go forward with the drafting of a declaration of independence from the Bush administration. This should and must be a collective effort, just as the original declaration of independence was. In the coming weeks, look in TNH and around campus for information regarding a "town meeting" style forum in which we will draw up a preliminary version of a declaration.

We want to make it very clear that we are not advocating separatism or the renouncement of citizenship, as some voters suggested we were. We are Americans, and it is our duty to make sure our rights are preserved and our government remains in our own hands. We cannot allow another election to be compromised in the same

manner as the 2000 election. We challenge the students to embrace the public forum and develop and discuss their own ideas. To those of you who voted against the war, now that the war is a reality, this vote stands as a reminder of how you felt before "Operation: Iraqi Freedom" began. You must ask yourself if the media circus surrounding the war has swayed your opinion? Do you feel compassion for the soldiers and civilians involved in this conflict? To those of you who voted for a declaration of independence, has the war strengthened your resolve, or have you joined in the xenophobian fervor? All of us have definitely felt confused now that the war has begun, and that is exactly why we must keep our minds open and not succumb to the feeling of powerlessness. We must accept the terrible reality of war, and in accepting this, also accept our absolute responsibility to ensure that the war truly ends in peace and justice.

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Oversimplification eliminates important issues

Jason K. Pietrzak Senior

In response to the letter in the March II edition of TNH"Oil is not the answer", it is clear that the writer has engaged in some selective omission in his statement of the facts regarding the Iraqi oil situation. The op-ed piece claims that Iraq is not the dominant oil producer in the world, which is true, however, the facts the piece provides leave out much of the big picture. First of all, it is no secret that oil has secretly been leaving the country during the last decade. This oil transportation is undocumented though, and so the true numbers on Iraq's oil exportation is not clear. What is known about this oil is that there is a substantial amount and that it probably has a large effect on world markets

Aside from these facts and figures is something much more important. Current Iraqi oil production is low because Iraq lacks the necessary infrastructure to produce oil at its potential output. It is believed that Iraqi oil reserves are enormous and second only to those reserves of Saudi Arabia. In the aftermath of a US invasion, it is reasonable to conclude that Iraq's oil infrastructure will be reconstructed and that oil output will be increased substantially to the point at which Iraq may play a very major

The statement that the U.S. wants to go to war with Iraq over oil over-simplifies the matter. It is likely that U.S. control over the large Iraqi oil reserves will be used to achieve U.S. security by pre-venting the other OPEC nations from using oil as a weapon against the world economy. By stabilizing oil supplies and prices, the U.S. will be free to pursue more ambitious goals in the Middle East and these goals may include greater stability in Saudi Arabia and other countries in the region as well as an end to OPEC.

Clearly, these achievements would make the war on Iraq very beneficial to the U.S. should it choose to pursue certain goals in the Middle East; however, there are many losses that the U.S. will face in the war that may outweigh the benefits of oil security. Most obviously, are the many lives that may be lost fighting the var, no official estimates of these losses have been released to my knowledge. Other losses include the possibility that the war will further destabilize the Middle East and add fuel to the fire of anti-Americanism. That will affect many of our allies in the region. The war is also caus-ing a rift between the U.S. and many of our allies (and a rift between US citizens).

There are many factors to be considered, and there is a lot of misinformation coming from all directions. Oversimplification only takes attention away from the

University writing program troubling

Elizabeth Crepeau, Occupational Therapy

Dorothy Kasik, Interim Director, Writing Across the Curriculum Dawn Meredith, Physics Tom Newkirk, English Department, Director of Composition Sam Smith, Animal Science

To the University Community:

As members of the University Writing Committee, we want to summarize developments in the university writing program that we find deeply troublingindeed, a huge step backward for a program that has gained national recognition.

1. Cindy Gannett, the Director of the Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Program (currently on leave) has indicated that she will not return to the University, in part because she finds the new reorganization plan, developed by the Provost's Office, to be unworkable.

2. This plan precludes the hiring of a tenure-track replacement for Professor Gannett's position. The new WAC Director will be drawn from existing faculty—or the position will be filled by a new "faculty affiliate," the equivalent of a non tenure-track lecturer. Thus, the Composition faculty at the university has effectively been reduced from four to three, an extraordinary small group to meet the writing expectations of this university. 3. The administration has rejected the University Writing Committee's recommendation that the WAC director have "a strong background in composition and writing program administration." They see this as too "narrow" a criteria and want more "flexibility" in defining qualifications. In fact, they see the committee's recommendation as an attempt by the English Department to retain control of the position (even though this recommendation was supported by faculty representatives from the colleges)

We find it incomprehensible that the Provost's report fails to endorse this standard. If a comparable position would be open in quantitative reasoning, faculty would surely expect a background in mathematics, statistics and pedagogy. We are also deeply troubled that the administration would override faculty recommendations concerning academic qualifications.

4. Because there is no assurance that the new WAC director will have a solid foundation in composition, the English Department will not support the placement of Teaching Assistants in the WAC program or Writing Center next year. We have also pulled the course for tutors because there is no assurance that there will be qualified directors in place to teach the course.

Several facts have become evident in the work of the University Writing Committee this year. First, decisions are made by a handful of administrators in the Provost's Office. Second, these deions are poorly communicated to the Committee, which has been asked to "advise" on issues

role in world markets. important issues that our world is facing. JH far from conser

James Tucker Sociology

Perhaps the author of "An Australian instructor's view on war," which appeared in the March 28 issue of TNH should spend a little less time in the virtual world of "educational listservs" and take a look at the real world around him. He would discover that UNH is hardly a "conservative" university where people are either "passively pro-war" or apathetic. Did he miss the news that the Student Senate passed a resolution condemning the Bush administration's war plans? Was he too busy to attend a recent "teach-in," sponsored by the offices of Academic Affairs and Student Life, where most of the participants were opposed to the war?

After he pulls himself away from his computer, the author might want get off his moral high horse and quit patting himself on the back for being a brave "academic of conscience." After all, it doesn't take much courage to post an anti-war photograph on the Internet, and it doesn't show much intellectual depth when the photograph shows a protester holding a sign that reads "Bombing for Peace is like ***** for Virginity."

I certainly hope that the author is not representative of the professorate in Australia. If he is, I will paraphrase the author himself: My prognosis is for longterm problems ahead for the quality of Australian higher education.

that seem to have already been decided. Third, these decisions will result in a reduced role for WAC and a lower (i.e. more "flexible") level of professionalization.

We hope that the Faculty Senate will take a look at this new plan because the WAC program was created by the Senate. We further hope that this divisive and regressive plan will be tabled until the incoming provost has a chance to review it.

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<u>Op-Ed</u> Week in Greek

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Alpha Xi Delta

The sisters of Alpha Xi Delta were pleased that we were able to open our kitchen and house to the Student Health Management Organization for their spaghetti dinner fundraiser. We would like to congratulate them for a wonderful fundraiser!

We are all looking forward to our philanthropy bowl-a-thon that will be held April 11 at Dover Bowl. All of the money collected will be donated to Winners-On-Wheels, an organization on campus that provides programming for children who use wheelchairs. We are very pleased to be having some of the children and their families join us on the eleventh for a great night. Pi Kappa Alpha

The Brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha are proud to be invited with the Durham Police Department in supporting our troops abroad. Brothers have together spent a considerable amount of money purchasing essential items such as toiletries, stationary and non-perishable food items. In doing so we hope to remind the brave men and women who serve and protect the United States how much we appreciate their daily sacrifice. We encourage all those interested in supporting this effort to contact the Durham Police Department.

In other news from Pike, on Monday, March 24 and Tuesday, March 25 Brothers and New Members participated in Daffodil Day, delivering purchased daffodils in support of the American Cancer Society, a tradition Pikes are proud to have continued over the past three years and look forward to doing so in the future.

Finally, the Brotherhood would like to congratulate Junior Joel Hamman (Spring 'or) in being named one of the Top Ten Scholars at UNH with a 3.95 Cumulative GPA. Hamman is a Business Major currently studying abroad in Australia. Congrats to Hamman and keep up the good work.

Supporting our troops

We in the Greek System are very proud of the men and women in the Middle East and want to give all of our support to them. While we all have differing opinions on what should be happening in Iraq, we all agree that our troops need our support and thank them for the sacrifices they make every day. Phi Kappa Sigma

Ever walk by Phi Kappa Sigma and see a bunch of houses made out of cardboard? This is our annual cardboard city. Once a year, the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma raise money and we donate it to My Friend's Place homeless shelter. On top of this, we all get together one night and build houses out of cardboard and sleep outside for the night. This year's cardboard city is Friday, April 4. We have also invited over the sisters of Alpha Chi Omega. They are also raising money for this philanthropy. On top of this, there will also be a brother/sister auction at this event. Brothers from Phi Kappa Sigma and sisters from Alpha Phi

will be auctioned off so come make your Jackson with a host family provided by the bids!

Sigma Nu

This past weekend the brothers of Sigma Nu participated in a UNH campus cleanup that took place mainly around Madbury and Baghdad Roads. Also this past weekend the brothers worked with the campus fundraiser company in order to raise money, of which a portion will be donated to a chosen charity. As we approach the middle of the semester Gamma Delta is in their fourth week of the pledge pro-gram. The weeks ahead are sure to be busy ones, with several service and community projects scheduled for the month of April. Alpha Phi

Everyone has gotten themselves back into the swing of things here at Alpha Phi after a great Spring Break. Girls went to different parts of Florida and Jamaica to relax for the week. The house is back with tans and enthusiasm for the nice weather that the spring semester has to offer. This week sisters sold sneakers at the MUB for the American Liver Foundation. Thanks to everyone for his or her generous donations. Also, don't forget April 25 from 1-5 p.m. is our annual "Cuffs for Cause". We are getting ready for that. Stop by, it will be on T-Hall lawn, hopefully the weather is nice. It will be lots of fun.

However, with all the fun that the spring offers, it is also a very emotional time for all the seniors in our house. They have been very active with everything and are spending a lot of time reminiscing together. It will be hard to see them pack-up their apartments and rooms, but we know they will all do great in what path they choose to follow.

On a happier note, we are having a great time getting to know our new members and are so excited to be welcoming them into our house.

Have a great week!

Alpha Chi Omega The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega would firstly like to welcome everyone back from spring break. We hope that everyone is well rested and prepared for the remainder the busy semester we have before us. Here at Alpha Chi Omega, we are proud to say that two of our sisters displayed a higher level of commitment and dedication to community development and service projects during break. Molly Whatmough, a sophomore in the WSBE program, traveled to St Louis, Missouri and participated in "Alternative Break 3" a service program that guides and teaches children from the preschool to high school level. Through her experience, Whatmough was able to participate actively in assisting the children in after school events, helping them with their homework, and offering mentoring and tutoring services.

Alli Baldwin, a freshman in the Language Arts program was also busy this break volunteering for "Alternate Break" in Jackson, Mississippi. Baldwin stayed in North

St James Episcopal Church. During the volunteering program she also worked with the Stewpot Community Center gardening, cleaning, serving lunch, and playing various games with less fortunate members of the community. In the afternoons, Baldwin also worked at Operation Shoe String, a program where she focused on teaching, tutoring, and mentoring children ages K-5 in an after school program. Both of these motivated and dedicated women encourage others in the Durham community to look into and participate in service programs such as these during breaks and free time. After talking to them, it is easy to see that the experience was not only unforgettable, but rewarding. It's important for all of us to keep in mind what we can do to help others not only in Durham, but anywhere we can. Keep up the good work girls!

ΑΧΑ ΦΚΣ ΑΧΩ ΣΒ ΣΦΕ ΤΚΕ ΑΞΔ

Alpha Chi would also like to congratulate the new members in Alpha Chi along with Kappa Delta, Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, and Chi Omega. We know as a community we can do great things and we look forward to the wonderful things our new members have to offer. Great job with recruitment everyone.

In upcoming events, get ready for UNH's first annual "Singled Out" event on April 10 in the MUB. The fundraiser will be modeled after MTV's Singled Out, and is dedicated to raising money for Polio. The event costs \$3 to participate an \$5 to watch. All UNH students are welcome to sign up to participate or watch the event. See any member of the Greek community for information, or get your tickets at the MUB ticket office. We hope to see you there!

A Time for a Space: An Exchange in Philosophy A war philosophy

Bryan Proulx TNH Columnist

I remember when words were free. My kindergarten teacher told us "words are free, say what you want but don't swear.'

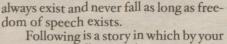
In the recent weeks, watching the

news, I caught glimpses of various protests spread out all over the country, gathering only from what seemed as a consensus of principle. "Bush is a murderer" I saw one sign read, the protestor who held it, merely a young boy, kept the sign eye level so the camera could capture his face. He was smiling.

The word rebel is a synonym for protestor; however, by no means is the knowledge of their relation benefiting anyone, war protestor and conformist alike.

America is now, for only the extreme superstitious, becoming as one big wishbone, temping its own split and separation, if not through anti-Bush protests themselves, by the Efreedom superstitions, that drive them. These superstitions I mention provide the philosophical force behind any and all fabrications that consider protests and ŒAmerican freedom, directly interchangeable in individual exercise.

If you consider our college education costly, try our ignorance. This war is nothing less then spellbinding and I believe the level of ignorance to the many answers we seek depends solely upon the individual person's mindset. It is often said that a wise man hears one word and understands two. One such man was Charles Kingsley, former professor of Modern History at Cambridge. He heard Efreedom, and he said "There are two freedoms - the false, where a man is free to do what he likes; the true, where he is free to do what he ought." And what is ought is war. Aside from the current discussion, Peace on our home front can be best described standing as an endangered species at the edge of a cliff, we playing bystander watching from a distance nervously, several feet behind. We don't dare go near it, but simply admiring it as well being completely unaware of the safety net set up on the cliff's other side. What we sometimes forget is that peace will



allowing it paralleled with current events many philosophical arguments may arise. Once a weed said to a visiting ci-

cada- "Don't rest upon me today, I hear it coming." And in reply the large winged insect said noth-

ing, confused, just writing it off as jealousy for its inability to fly. And him being that he can, took off to rest on that of a tree instead, only to be shortly awakened by the strong odor of freshly cut brush. What the weed heard was a lawnmower. And, in an attempt to save a common home, both Cicada Killers and cicadas alike united amongst the nearby trees maneuvering aggressively down though their limbs to take to the mower, the

cicada killers stinging and the cicadas biting, but however the effort strong, it was useless. Together they lost the war, though since the small battle established something more magnificent then the victory that was all the farmers. Amazingly two arch enemies, which the cicada's and the cicada killers were, at least for that one particular region, became friendly contacts.

To mention lastly, I believe it is wonderful to see some sign of normal America and its military, two prior strangers that met at war, beginning to betriend each other across the likes of an entire ocean, with no more than the bond between one's undying support and the other,s unfailing appreciation to get them all through, alive. Thanks. Remember: We are not replacing their sand, their desert changes, both attractive and intermittently, by itself. Bush and company have had the right mentality from the beginning- capture its royals and then the oils; focusing on eliminating terrorism at its core, Iraq. Our military actions, bushwhacking weeds of tyrannical brush is merely the start in maintaining its becoming to greener fields. And however long it may take, many Americans confidently envision yet another victory for democracy in that Iraq will be the newest member on to its list. Just think- in a decade, terrorism will be a thing of the past, and with ridding it, so will war.



"It's All Greek to Me!" The Weekly Column of Greek Affairs

Greek Affairs Web site

Steve Pappajohn **Coordinator of Greek Affairs**

Did you know that there is a website out there that can give you up to date information on the ins and outs of UNH Greek Life?

Before I forget, its www.unh.edu/ greek

Anyway, on this site you can see photos, or get contact information for Greek presidents and Interfraternity/ Panhellenic Council members, or members of the Greek Affairs Staff/Team! There is an up to date calendar section, outlining all the upcoming meetings and events that the Greek system has planning or is co-sponsoring. There is also a news section for you get up to date information on the other great stuff that is happening throughout this community too.

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This is the official travel package of the University of New Hampshire Athletic Department and the Wildcat Athletics Council.

WOMEN'S LAX FALLS TO UCONN

A strong second-half comeback effort by the University of New Hampshire women's lacrosse team fell short, and the Wildcats fell to 20th-ranked University of Connecticut 9-5 Sunday afternoon at the George J. Sherman Family Sports Complex.

UNH is now 0-8 on the season, with four losses to nationallyranked teams. UConn is now 5-2. Trailing 6-1 in the second half, the Wildcats rallied to 6-5 with four unanswered goals. Kelly Blaney began the comeback with a strike at 42:42, then Jessie Groszkowski scored 12 seconds later to trim the deficit to 6-3. Groszkowski netted her second goal of the game at 47:18 and Blaney scored her second of the half 16 seconds later to pull the Cats within 6-5

UNH could not net the equalizer, however, and was held scoreless the final 12:26 of the game. The Huskies extended their advantage to 7-5 at 52:54, then secured the victory with tallies 24 seconds apart in the 57th minute.

Wildcat goalie Danielle Martin stopped 15 shots.

UConn quickly built a 2-0 lead with a Jacqui Hamilton goal 53 seconds into the game and a tally by Bonnie Wehinger at 2:33. The Wildcats pulled within 2-1 when Kristina Blanchette scored from the top of the fan at 6:09. Kariane Lauri netted a goal 45 seconds later to reestablish a two-goal Huskies' advantage.

The score remained that way

for nearly 20 minutes, until Kelly Feeley gave UConn a 4-1 lead at 26:36 and Tammy Michel scored 67 seconds later. The Huskies took that 5-1 lead into halftime.

New Hampshire returns to action April 1 at Boston College. The next Wildcat home game is April 6 against Virginia Tech. Game time at Memorial Field is 1 p.m

GYMNASTS NAMED TO ALL-EAGL TEAMS

The University of New Hampshire women's gymnastics team had five gymnasts named to the All-EAGL teams at the EAGL Award Banquet, which was held on the University of New Hampshire campus Friday, March 28.

Senior assistant captain Jen Dickson earned an unanimous All-EAGL First Team selection on uneven bars and a All-EAGL First Team all-around selection. Dickson was named to the All-EAGL Second Team on bars. floor, and all-around in 2002. Dickson was also named to the All-EAGL Second Team on beam and floor.

Senior captain Michelle Harley was named to All-EAGL First Team on balance beam. She was also named to the All-EAGL Second Team in the all-around.

Harley earned her first EAGL Gymnast-of-the-Week honor for her performance for the week of Jan. 28. Harley was named to the All-EAGL Second Team on beam and vault in 2002, and on vault in 2001, while being named to the All-EAGL First Team on vault in 2000. Earlier this month, Harley was named to the EAGL All-Academic team for the fourth time in her college career.

Freshman Amanda Hall was one of four unanimous selections for All-EAGL First Team on vault. This season, Hall was named EAGL Gymnast-of-the-Week twice on March 3 and March 11, while being named to the EAGL All-Academic team. Junior Tara Phillips was also named to the First Team on vault. Phillips earned the first ever EAGL Specialist award on Jan. 15.

Sophomore Jayne Propert was also named to the All-EAGL second team on bars.

rmelo leads the 'Cuse to

By Lisa Olson **New York Daily News**

Carmelo Anthony was doing jumping jacks in the corner, his arms and legs a windmill of excitable energy. Soon he was pogosticking clear across the floor, bopping around his Syracuse teammates and through a teary-eyed Oklahoma team, searching for the only target that mattered.

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Toss aside all those other hurts. Keith Smart's baseline jumper and Derrick Coleman's missed free throw and Jim Boeheim's stubborn refusal to appease the braying masses have no place in this picture. It's all about the here and now, for this young and starry-eyed Syracuse team bound for the Final Four.

So Anthony spied his goal, not that she could possibly be missed; she was wearing a T-shirt that had his smiling mug on the front, and the words "That's my baby" imprinted on the back, and she was, after all, his mother, and tossed a freshly-minted East Regional Champions T-shirt her way. It was like piranhas circling, the way the swarm of Orange moved in, but after some fierce muscling Mary Anthony emerged, waving her prize.

"All I could see was that joyous expression on his face," Mary said of Carmelo,

TITLE, from back page-

"That's my baby!"

For the final award of the night, Goodspeed was named EAGL Coachof-the-Year for the first time in her career

Syracuse freshman, tournament MVP, future NBA lottery pick, her baby boy. Someone else caught (the shirt) but I took it from him.

That might have been the Orangemen's lone gaffe of the day. Don't think they hadn't noticed how the NCAA Tournament was suddenly prairie-open wide, top seeds Arizona and Kentucky both going down with thuds. "We did see the pattern," admitted guard Gerry McNamara, "but then we quickly put it out of our heads.

McNamara was allowed a tiny fib, considering the Orangemen had just pounded Oklahoma, 63-47. The Sooners were the No. 1 seed, after all, and the best team from perhaps the best conference in the land. Syracuse, so green Boeheim sometimes feels he must hold his players' hands when they cross the street, was nobody's bracket darling.

Boeheim would be forgiven a smirk or two. It's been 16 years since Smart's last-gasp heave from the baseline crushed his heart. Boeheim's Orangemen would return to the final again in '96, but it's that 74-73 loss to Indiana in '87 that still hangs in the Superdome cobwebs. Just don't expect Boeheim to point them out when his team lands in New Orleans this week.

"I had a tremendous experience in New

AYERS, from back page -

play.

dove to slap in a lifeless puck in the crease.

Justin Aikins and Jim Abbott assisted on the

Orleans for five days, 39 minutes and 56 seconds," said Boeheim. "Now I have to get that other four seconds."

Sitting next to him on the podium, Anthony, wearing the net on his head like some science experiment gone mad, and Kueth Duany, Syracuse's lone senior, covered their mouths and tried not to giggle. They get a kick out of Boeheim's dry wit, his grouchy Principal Skinner demeanor.

Conformity is not his nature. The 2-3 zone is about as popular in college basketball as the two-handed set shot, but Boeheim stubbornly stuck with it all season. The Orangemen are 28-5, and it's a wonder those five losses didn't cause locusts to descend on northern New York.

"I know whenever we lose we shouldn't be playing it," he quipped, mimicking the voice of thousands of experts.

He's brilliant now, the genius who came up with the plan that made it seem as if Oklahoma's backcourt of Quannas White and Hollis Price had never been introduced. Not even in middle school did the old friends look this bad: a combined 4-of-25, their passes flying into the stands, their shots turning into air balls, their screens interrupted.

Syracuse was a whirling blur of desire, hustling for loose balls and grabbing anything that hit the glass. Guards Duany and McNamara were quicker, bigger, more eager to get their knees dirty. Hakim Warrick, the tall glass of water in the post, swatted away almost anything that sneaked through.

And then there was Marvelous Melo, his perma-grin bright enough to melt the snowstorm outside. The Sooners played Anthony straight up, which was about as wise as asking him for half of the substantial signing bonus that is sure to come.

He had 20 points, 10 rebounds, and an ability to make Boeheim's face crack with delight. The moment was brief, to be sure, but unmistakable. From the same spot where he would jump and pogo, Anthony sank a soft three-pointer that put the Orangemen up by 18 points, then turned to the Syracuse bench and deviously pointed at Boeheim. Even a statue could not ignore this beacon of joy.

Soon they were singing "One more year," the hometown crowd imploring Anthony to shun the NBA's goldbricks for a little while longer. New Orleans and its cobwebs could wait; this was the here and now, bouncing up and down.

'Yes, one more year," agreed Mary Anthony, nodding to the chant.

Two more games, four more seconds, one more year, the targets keep moving, even while Boeheim stands still.

"This is the type of game we wanted, low scoring, low shooting, but there was only one big problem and it was Michael Ayers," Parker

"The puck was just sitting on the goal said. Along with Ayers and Callander,

against average (1.14) and in save percentage (.942).

But if streaks have anything to do with rankings, UNH is atop of the list. The Wildcats are currently riding a 12 game unbeaten

"Winning coach of the year is nothing compared to winning as a team to-night," Goodspeed said, "Coach of the year really means team of the year. It is a nice compliment to the team to be looked upon so highly by their peers."

Goodspeed is relieved that the event passed with such success for her both her team and her staff who have worked on the meet for the past year. She looks forward to a little rest, but she also knows that the team isn't done yet. They head to the University of Michigan on April 12 to take part in the NCAA regional competition.

"We are just going to take it easy this week, and then really step up training again before the regionals,' Goodspeed said, "There is a fine line between over-training and perfection."

goals that you're not going to put on your highlight tape, but it's one that's great as far as momentum goes."

line, and I kind of had to leave my feet to

nance, making an incredible glove save on Bryan ice. Miller, followed by another sprawling stop to deny Frantisek Skladany. Sophomore Sean time the Wildcats shutout the Terriers, a span Collins capped off the night with an empty netter in the waning minutes of the third.

Accrediting much of the success to his defense, the modest Ayers just claims he's doing his job. Umile on the other hand, can't boast enough about his goalie.

"He never gives himself enough credit," said Umile. "When we make a mistake and the other team creates a good scoring opportunity, water. They head into Buffalo in search of their he always makes us look good."

BU coach Jack Parker was happy with his team's play and the fact that the game had gone exactly as planned, minus the showstopper.

get the puck," Foley said. "It was one of the Hemingway and Garrett Stafford also made the all-tournament team. Hemingway scored two goals and added an assist in the first round win over St. Cloud State, and Stafford was his From there Ayers continued his domi- old self, skating as the top defenseman on the

> The win over BU marks the third straight which stands at 194:24 scoreless minutes. In those three games, Ayers has 89 saves. So what was the difference in the past three games compared to the first two losses against BU?

> 'I just stopped coaching and let the guys play," said Umile. "They have played absolutely terrific in the last three games.

Now the 'Cats swim in some common first ever national championship against the number one team in the country, Cornell with the top goalie in the nation, Dave LeNeveu. The sophomore net minder is first in goals

streak. The question now is how healthy they will be. Senior defenseman Kevin Truelson sat out with a nagging foot injury Saturday, and it is uncertain as to if Gare will be 100 percent come April 10.

Foley seems to have an answer for that. "You're not going to replace Lanny Gare, there is just no replacement on our team for it but the biggest thing we have going for us is that we play as a team," said the captain. "When someone goes down there is always someone to fill that role, and Preston did a great job tonight. That has been the key to our season."

The two teams from the west that will fly to Buffalo are defending champs Minnesota, and the University of Michigan, who upset top-seeded Colorado College 5-3.

The stage is set. UNH is two games away from their first every national title. Simply put by Umile, "It's awesome, it's exciting...we're going to the Frozen Four."

No holds barred

By Matt Doucet Staff Columnist

If I seem a little distracted during this column it's 17 hours and counting until Pedro and I are reunited. Does it get any better than Opening Day?

The answer, of course is no. I guess I'd be willing to listen to arguments for Christmas, but the fact of the matter is, Opening Day is pleasurable on so many different levels that the FDA should probably start taking a good, hard look at it. Then again, if I were a Tigers fan and my Opening Day starter was Mike Maroth, I'd probably feel a lot differently. (Mike Maroth? Mike Maroth? I'm honestly debating right now over whether or not they really think he's their best pitcher or if Tigers manager Alan Trammel had dropped acid before he made his decision and was really impressed by Maroth's aura. I'm leaning toward that this guy was this good? the latter.)

You know, if I had to do it all over again, I'd come I'm getting the riot gear ready. here for equestrian.

the Final Four two months beforehand, at a point when they weren't even ranked, is almost impressive as me calling the Patties in the Super Bowl last year. But it was different with Syracuse. The Patties had that feeling from the third game on. Syracuse was just amazingly talented, you just knew that if they came together, and got on the same page, that no one would touch them. I honestly don't know that I've

most of it isn't going to stick around for very long. As for the rest of my picks (which I still haven't received compensation for) I'm pretty satisfied. All of my Final Four teams made it to the Elite Eight, which isn't bad considering I picked them two weeks before any brackets came out, and at that point I hadn't realized that Dwayne Wade was going to turn into MJ for the month of March. Did anyone know

ever seen so much talent on a college team. Too bad

I'm not guaranteeing anything, but let's just say

Few things in sports are as disappointing as I hate to say I told you so, but calling Syracuse in watching Davis Love III win a golf tournament, es-

pecially when you've bet a kidney that he blows up on the back nine.

It seems like I say this every year, but the Texas Rangers have a chance to be really, really good. And for once it isn't just their lineup, which, with Mark Texiera waiting in the wings, is downright scary. But the other night I watched Francisco Cordero and Urbina blow away Anaheim in the ninth and knew that if their starters can just hold the other team to single digits consistently, they're going to win a lot of games, because those two guys are going to be pretty much going lights out.

I'm honestly ashamed to say that I attend this University with the people who painted that message on the fence on Madbury Road. Not for what it says, because I guess this is still somewhat of a free country, and you can say whatever you want. I'm ashamed and disgusted because the point of a university is to get people to think, and it's pretty clear that whoever is responsible for that hasn't spent a second of their time here thinking about anything.

Club briefs

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Strong showing for Wildcat Wrestling at nationals

The UNH Wrestling team placed 12th out of 47 teams competing with a total of 41.5 points at the National Collegiate Wrestling Association National Championships held at Lafayette College. This mark was one better than last year's 13th place finish at Nationals. The Wildcats got a fantastic distribution of points from their entire team, with all members helping the cause

Freshman Wildcat Scott Couture took sixth place in the 141 pound division, which was good enough to claim All-American status. Scott wrestled extremely well both days of the tournament, cruising to five wins and being the top point scorer for the team. The top six at every weight class earn All American status.

A number of other wrestlers had strong showings at their first ever National Championships including Phil Germakian, Tod Thone, Mike Dunham, Jon Gaffney, Brett Seastedt, Eric Esty, and John Condosta. Freshman captain Tod Thone proved especially tough as he wrestled an entire match with a badly injured knee.

In the final matches of their UNH careers, seniors Tim McMahon, Matt Patterson and Brian Topping all wrestled extremely well and were huge contributors to the UNH success. Junior captain Skip Burns was the team's second leading scorer with three wins throughout the championships. Sophomore captain Ryan Holder won his first match vs. an All-American wrestler from Grand Valley State, but was defeated in his next match, falling to the eventual champion.

Fencing demo huge success

On Wednesday, March 19, four members of the UNH Fencing Club accompanied the Strafford County

of approximately 300 people on the history of fencing and fencing as a modern sport before the symphony played the music from the popular movie. During the Zorro number, fencers Evan Quinlan and Random Martin performed the fencing choreography created by Chris Lamontagne (05). They also did some free-style bouting to show the audience the type of fencing the UNH team does.

The Fencing Club's performance was well received by the Symphony and the audience, and much interest was generated about fencing.

Men's volleyball set for champion-

ships The men's volleyball team will host the NECVL Championships on April 5 and 6 held at the Hamel Recreation Center at UNH. The Wildcats finished the regular season with an 11-2 overall record and a 6-1 record in the North Division, good enough for 10th overall heading into the championships. Only the top 20 teams in the NECVL qualify for the championship weekend.

Cycling continues to cruise

The UNH cycling team took home a second place finish in the UVM Tour de Hempfield race held in Lancaster, PA and a fifth place finish at the Lehigh Mountain Top Crit held in Bethlehem, PA.

In the Men's A race in Lancaster, PA, Patrick Hourihane took home an 11th place finish, with Nick Hight-Huf, Corey Piscopo, Zachary Soucy, and Michael Joos finishing 17th, 18th, and 21st, 25th, respectively. In the Women's A race Sheila Vibert finished second, Catherine Dudley eigth, and Erin Olafsen, Karyn Hanson, Emilie Weed, Kristina Scott, and Erin Luckhardt finished 15th-19th, respectively.

In the Men's B race Ryan Fleming finished fourth, Jeff Garnett 15th, and Brian Keegan 24th. In the Men's C race Joel Daniels finished 16th, Daniel Zube 19th. Joshua Kissinger 23rd, Frank Marowitz 29th, Matt Piatrowski 30th, and Ken Stokes 31st. In the Men's D race, Kelson Danielson finished third, John St. Onge 14th, Mike Grafstein 15th, and James Murphy 17th. In the Men's A race at the Lehigh

Mountain Top Crit Justen Peters finished ninth, Patrick Hourihane13th, Nick Hight-Huf 15th, and Corey Piscopo 20th. In the Women's A race Sheila Vibert finished in second place, with Catherine Dudley 12th, Erin Olafsen 14th, Karyn Hansen 15th.

What? What, the triangle?

In the men's B race Ryan Fleming finished 18th, Jeffrey Garnett 21st, and Brian Keegan 26th. In the Men's C race Daniel Zube finished 20th, Joshua Kissinger 21st. Joel Daniels 22nd, Frank Marowitz 25th, Benjamin Carbonetti 29th, Ken Stokes 34th, and Matt Piatrowski 36th. In the Men's D race Kelson Danielson finished sixth, John St. Onge 15th, Mike Grafstein 18th, and James Murphy 19th.

UNH men's rugby splits pair on England Tour

The UNH men's rugby team, coached by John Godsman, sent 18 members of the UNH men's rugby club on a 10-day tour of England. While there, the team attended a coaching session led by USA rugby coach, Dan Lyle and then played two matches during their stay in the UK.

The first match saw UNH upending the Avon Colts of Bath, 25-15. In the first 30 seconds of this match, junior Andy Sinclair tackled his opponent so aggressively that he dislodged the ball, which was picked up by Pat Quinn and advanced for his first of two tries on the day. Unfortunately, Sinclair broke his hand making the tackle and was forced to the sidelines for

the duration of the trip. Another try for the Wildcats was scored by Rick Friberg after receiving a pass from Josh Hiltz. Hiltz had a tremendous run, weaving by opponents that set up the score by Friberg.

The Wildcats weren't as successful in their second match of the trip, losing to a select-side team from the University of Cardiff. The loss did provide the team with a valuable learning exper ience and they look forward to the start of their spring season, state-side, when they take on Dartmouth College on April 5 down in Hartford, CT.

vanced their record to 2-0 with a dramatic 8-7 victory vs. Pioneer Club Lacrosse League rival Bridewater St. 8-7 at Bridewater.

The Wildcat offensive attack was led by Hunter Churchill and Adam Mackey who had two goals each and Brian Kurtz, Derek Leary, Travis Welsh, Jay Rushforth who each added one goal. Zach Taylor had 2 assists from the midfield position and Craig McViney had an assist from the defensive back line.

The Wildcat defense, led by Ronan Donovan, Matt Leonard, Greg Gagne and Chris Sahler, were solid all game, limiting the Bridewater attack to only seven goals. In goal for the 'Cats was Colin Burke, who registered 19 saves and shut down the crafty attack from Bridewater.

The next men's lacrosse home game is the Jim Urquhart Memorial game on Saturday, April 5 vs. the University of Rhode Island. The game begins at 1 p.m. and will be played on Bremner Field at UNH.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, April 1-Men's Lacrosse-game vs. WPI (Away)

Thursday, April 3-Dance Team-National Dance Association Championships @Daytona Beach, Fl

Friday, April 4-Cycling team-UConn Grand Prix @ Storrs, CT

Saturday, April 5-Men's Lacrosse-Jim Urquhart Memorial Game vs. URI (Home) @ Memorial Field, UNH-1 pm

Saturday, April 5-Men's Rugby-Game vs. Dartmouth @ Hartford, CT

Saturday, April 5-Men's Crew-Race vs. Holy Cross @ Lake Quinsigamond, Worcester. MA-10 am

Saturday, April 5- Cycling team-UConn Grand Prix RR @ Storrs, CT

Saturday, April 5-Men's volleyball-NECVL Qualifier @ UNH, Hamel Rec Center-9 am

Saturday, April 5-Fencing Team-Club National Championships @ Univ. of Florida

Wind Symphony for their production of the Mask Of Zorro. The collaboration occurred at Noble High School in North Berwick, Maine.

Linnae Selinga, president of the UNH fencing club briefed the audience Men's lacrosse scores narrow victory The UNH men's lacrosse team ad-

Sunday, April 6-Cycling Team-UCon Grand Prix TTT @ Storrs, CT

Sunday, April 6- Men's Volleyball-NECVL Qualifier @ UNH, Hamel Rec Center-9 am

Sunday, April 6-Baseball Team-Game vs. NHTI (Home)-12 pm

Good luck to the UNH Dance Team as they travel to Daytona Beach, Florida this Wednesday to compete in the NDA **Collegiate National Championships!** The girls performed their routine for friends and family at their final exhibition on Sunday evening.



Sharp play stamps 'Cats ticket for Buffalo



By Joe Kennerson Staff Writer

WORCESTER, MASS -For University of New Hampshire men's hockey goalie Michael Ayers, the Frozen Four stirs up some scary memories. Last year as a sophomore, Ayers was lit up by the University of Maine for a career high seven goals in the semifinals in Minnesota. This year Ayers is one of the best

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in the land. He now leads a more experienced team into the Frozen Four following a 3-0 shutout over Boston University in Saturday night's quarterfinal match-up in Worcester.

The junior goaltender was stellar. He stopped 27 shots to record his seventh shutout of the season, and was named Most Valuable Player of the northeast regional tournament. The 3-0 blanking also marked the first time in 27 games that a shutout occurred in a regional game at the Worcester Centrum. The win sends UNH to the Frozen Four for the fourth time in the past six years, and gives Ayers a chance for redemption.

"It's awesome to get back to the Frozen Four," Avers said. "Last year's game has come up a lot with me and reporters, but we've battled all year and we are hoping to make our trip there better than it was last time.'

Ayers did have some help on his side. Senior forward and team



Allie Gaines - Staff Photographer

Sean Collins carves up some ice while making a sudden stop. Collins scored an empty netter Saturday,

point leader Lanny Gare went down 35 seconds into the game as he crashed into the boards and separated his shoulder. Gare sat out the game and is listed as day to day. In comes Preston

Callander. The sophomore forward joined the front line along with Colin Hemingway and Josh Prudden. And on the team's first power play, Callander collaborated with Prudden for the first goal of

the game. Callander finished the weekend with two goals and an assist to earn a spot on the all tournament team.

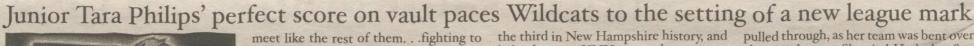
"Preston doesn't give himself enough credit," said Coach Dick Umile. "He's played on that line before, and when he's with them they don't miss a beat.'

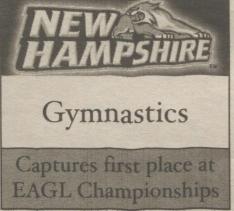
With a 1-0 lead going into the second, UNH was forced to play shorthanded much of the period. In the first BU power play of the period, Ayers stacked the pads to deny Terrier Mark Mullen on a break away. Minutes later Mullen had another open opportunity, but was shut down again by Ayers. The New Hampshire defense did its job by clearing out the middle and minimizing rebound opportunities. By the end of the period, the 'Cats killed four BU power plays

UNH put the game out of reach half way through the third when junior captain Patrick Foley

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Sublime effort brings gymnastics the title





By Danielle Houston TNH Reporter

They always save the best for last. As the eighth and final host for the annual East Atlantic Gymnastics League Championship, the University of New Hampshire women's gymnastics team beat out seven of the region's toughest competitors Saturday night, and did so perform their best routines.

"I told the team before we began that we just needed to focus on hitting sets,' said Head Coach Gail Goodspeed. "We had no control over the outside and how the other teams were going to perform, so we just needed to focus on us."

On the first rotation, UNH began on the floor exercise. Junior Brie McNamara started the event for the Wildcats, and with her 9.750, the 'Cats took off with a bang. Freshman Amanda Hall beamed at the crowd and ran to embrace Goodspeed after her 9.825 performance. Senior assistant captain Jen Dickson pumped up the crowd with a musical montage that ended with "I'm So Excited", and resulted in a score of 9.800. And with the crowd on their side the 'Cats never looked back from there.

The 'Cats then moved on to their second rotation, and possibly their strongest event of the year: the vault. They must have read one fan's poster ahead of time, "Vault to the top," because that's just what UNH did. Junior Tara Phillips completed helped to earn UNH a record team score

on the event with a 49.475. Sophomore Vanessa James followed suit with a personal best vault score of 9.900. Hall made sure the event ended on the high note set by her teammates. She scored a 9.925 to complete the rotation.

The Wildcats kept up their momentum, with their strongest performances

Winning coach of the year is nothing compared to winning as a team tonight. Coach of the year really means team of the year. It is a nice compliment to the team to be looked upon so highly by their peers.

---Gail Goodspeed, head coach

pulled through, as her team was bent over cheering her on. She tied Harley's 9.875, the best score on bars for the 'Cats.

For its final rotation on beam, UNH knew they had to keep up the level of performance that they had so strongly maintained. Setting yet another school record, the 'Cats combined for a total 49.325 on the beam. Sophomores Jayne Propert and Vanessa Berrios both performed nearly flawless routines, earning 9.900s for the team.

"We won because we had consistency tonight," Phillips said, "Everyone hit everything.

Cheers of "UNH! UNH! UNH!" flooded the Whittemore Center from the 2,456 fans in attendance. When it was announced that the runner-up was North Carolina State, the UNH gymnasts knew they had won. They jumped up and embraced each other, as Nelly's "#1" and Kool and the Gang's "Celebrate" played over the loudspeaker.

'To hear this arena rock for gymnastics is such a tribute to this team," Goodspeed said, "The fans definitely helped to pump up this team and earn us the win."

with a whopping score of 196.750.

The score not only beats out all team scores that the Wildcats have recently been surpassing, but also sets a new EAGL record, breaking last year's 196.425 score set by North Carolina.

That's not all the 'Cats walked away with. Aside from the obvious victory, they had one "perfect 10," a team vaulting record, an all-around competitor, and a coach of the year. But UNH began the

her vault with a huge smile. And she had reason to smile.

With her team and fans raising ten fingers and chanting, "Ten! Ten!," the judges confirmed what everyone was anticipating, a perfect 10.000 vault.

'Before I started I was getting pumped up just listening to the crowd cheering," said Phillips. "I had no idea I would get a 10."

Her perfect score on the vault is only

coming on the bars. Senior captain Michelle Harley led her team with a 9.875. After Dickson wobbled on the bar, nearly falling, fans gasped, knowing that she would likely lose several points. The pressure was on for freshman Mariana Pena-Trestini, the final competitor on bars, who had thus far only competed in two meets due to back injury. But Pena-Trestini

Hall received a third place all-around award and vaulting award, while Phillips took home first in the vault with her perfect score. She received a standing ovation from that audience, and with his daughter standing on the top of the podium, her father yelled from the audience,

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