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"Where the World Comes to Mind"

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## In the new millennium, your vote DOES count!

By Sharon Smith

To many Americans, the state of Florida equals lying on the beach and going to famous amusement parks. However, all eyes have been on the Sunshine State for a much more serious reason. As of Nov. 7, the day of the General Election, Florida has been on the minds of most Americans.

All of this excitement surrounds the election of this country's next president. Presidential candidates Al Gore and George W. Bush, along with the rest of the country, are currently questioning the procedure that we use to elect our chief executive.

The debate revolves around the idea of the Electoral College and the popular vote. In the minds of many, the popular vote better represents the voice of the people. Those who support the Electoral

College defend it saying that it allows smaller states such as New Hampshire to have a more significant impact on the outcome of the election.

Many are predicting that "Election 2000" will soon be written about in history books for two primary reasons. The first of these involves a recount of votes and protests surrounding the ballots. The state of Florida, which on election night originally declared a statistical tie between the candidates, later had a recount to potentially solve this problem. In the process of doing so, a problem with the ballots themselves arose because residents in the Palm Beach area claimed that the ballots were difficult to read and understand. Because of this, many felt that they accidentally voted for Reform party candidate Pat



Who will be the next president of the United States? (Provided by Tribune Media Services).

Buchanan instead of Gore.

The second history-making issue involves the role of the media in the election-night coverage. In many areas, multiple newspaper headlines were printed and distributed declaring both candidates as the victors. Manchester's local newspaper, The Union Leader,

resisted declaring an overall winner and instead reported on the fact that Bush claimed victory over Gore in the state election.

As it stands, the United States does not have a president-elect. Absentee ballots are still being counted, and laws regarding the

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## Niagara: Closer than you may think

By Geoff Morgan

The typical Wednesday evening on the NHC scene is usually pretty quiet. Traditional-aged commuter students have just about all gone home, and the majority of those who reside on campus have



Mike Bureau, Housekeeping Supervisor of the third shift, cleaning up the 200 gallons of water (Photo by Geoff Morgan).

either headed back to their dorms or are congregating in the café. Yet there's really only one place where students can go in order to find some real peace and quiet in a relaxed atmosphere conducive to studying, where one is spurred into academic action by the sounds of rustling pages, the swift scribing of pens, the whirring of microfilm reels...and the dull roar of falling water emanating from the men's lavatory?

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 8, at approximately 8 p.m., more than one curious gaze was directed towards the far wall of the Shapiro Library as a mysterious liquid substance began seeping out from underneath the closed door of the men's bathroom. The oozing was accompanied by a continuous series of loud gushing noises that disrupted the studies of several students.

Reference Librarian Cheryl Stockman was notified immediately of the situation by freshman Ryan Kenneally, who was the last person to use the facilities before the incident occurred. Stockman then promptly called campus security, and officers Andrew Towne and Massi Pupino arrived on the scene within moments. Towne waded through a sizable puddle to determine that the source of the leak was none other than a burst pipe running from the bathroom wall to the urinal, and that the mysterious liquid in question was in fact only water. Housekeeping Supervisor Mike Bureau of the third shift arrived only a few minutes later with an industrial wet/dry vacuum cleaner, and between the three of them they managed to shut off the leak and remove 250 gallons of water from

the library's carpeted floor.

"The pipe broke on the urinal, is all," said Towne, wiping the moisture from his brow with the sleeve of his jacket. "This is my third shower of the day."

"The pipe was just throwing water like crazy," explained second-in-command Pupino to Stockman, who appeared understandably concerned by the presence of a 20-by-15-foot pool in her library.

"Our biggest concern," Stockman said, "was saving the computers and the microfilm as well as preventing the risk of electrical shock, what with all of the wires and everything else."

"I flushed it, and it burst," said Kenneally with a laugh. Then, "In the words of Bart Simpson, 'I didn't do it. Nobody saw me do it. You can't prove anything.'"



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# From the Editor’s Desk:

Welcome to the third issue of The Observer for this academic year. As I’m sure some of you agree, this semester has flown by fast. Before you know it we’ll be heading home for Thanksgiving. And after that, winter break is not far away.

As a senior, I’m beginning to realize that my time left at NHC is short. So I have been trying to make the most of it by getting involved in a lot of activities I have yet to do as an NHC student.

One such activity was the Celtics Opening Night Celebration 2000 on Nov. 1. Not only had I never been to a professional basketball game before, this was one of the first off-campus activities I have done. It was a lot of fun, plus the tickets were only \$10. Thanks, CAPE!

Have you ever been to Jazzercise or one of the other routine workouts held in the dance studio of the athletic complex? Neither had I until my roommate convinced me to go last week. I went to the cardio kickboxing session, which was a really good workout. If you are looking to get fit and have fun, I recommend attending one of the workout sessions.

The point I’m trying to make is that there is so much to do on campus, and there are many opportunities to get involved. Whether you write for The Observer, go to a game or do step aerobics, there is an activity for every student on campus.

So I hope to hear that no one is bored this year because there are many ways for you to be sure you aren’t.

Enjoy this issue and don’t forget to write a letter to the editor if you have any comments.

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*“Hide not your  
talents. They for  
use were made.  
What’s a sundial in  
the shade?”*

**Ben Franklin**

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# To the Editor:

Hearing someone complain all the time is discouraging; however, when teachers complain, they usually have just cause. Although teachers complain about many issues, the things that annoy them most are late work, absenteeism, and punctuality.

Late work is something that all teachers are faced with. Teachers work hard to get papers graded and handed back to students. When work is handed in late, there is more work for the teacher. For example, when half of my English class didn't hand in the assignment that was due, the teacher was forced to penalize the students' grades.

Poor attendance is something else that teachers complain about. Teachers often go over material in class on one day, and when a student is absent, they may end up having to repeat the lesson again. A student missed a class, and when he returned, the questions on the material had

already been covered.

Punctuality is another element that teachers complain about. One day our teacher started the class because it was 10 a.m. In the middle of her sentence, the opening of a door interrupted her. A student had arrived late and had caught the eyes of the entire class. We were all distracted, and the teacher lost her train of thought. She then had to ask the students what she had been talking about.

Complaining is often very frustrating, but it can be beneficial in making changes. Teachers have the right to complain about certain things such as late work, absenteeism, and punctuality because they disrupt their classroom. A teacher's job is to teach, and when something gets in the way of doing that complaints are made simply to improve the classroom situation.

-Matt Melvin

# Your vote DOES count

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process of voting are still being reviewed in many areas. The country awaits results from Florida, Oregon and New Mexico, which when combined account for 37 electoral votes. These crucial votes could put either major contender over the 270 votes necessary for a victory.

So what does all of this mean for the country? It has been speculated that a Constitutional

Amendment may be proposed to remove the Electoral College. Many are also hopeful that universal ballots will be looked into and laws surrounding the elections will be reviewed and revised. All in all, the end result will involve someone moving into the oval office. Who will that person will be? We'll just have to wait and see.

# Local results

By Sharon Smith

Despite the confusion with the presidential election, on Nov. 7 the voters in New Hampshire took to the polls and voted for their local officials. In the race for governor, Democrat incumbent Jeanne Shaheen pulled away with her third victory in the Granite State.

The race between Shaheen and former Senator Gordon Humphrey (R) was consistent with the national election, in that its results were very close. Shaheen finished with a 5 percent lead over Humphrey, coming in at 49 and 44 percent respectively. Independent candidate Mary Brown and Libertarian John Babiarz received a combined 7 percent of the total votes.

In the more local races, in the 1st Congressional District, U.S. Rep. John E. Sununu (R) won his third term versus State Representative Martha Fuller Clark (D) and Ban Belforti (L). In the race for the 2nd Congressional District, U.S. Rep. Charles Bass won his fourth term by defeating Barney Brannen (D) and Brian Christeson (L).

Again consistent with the national race, there was a record voter turnout for the state. In Manchester's Ward 1, nearly half of the registered voters for the ward had voted by lunchtime. This trend was common throughout the state, with lines stretching around buildings and people in some areas having to wait nearly an hour to cast their vote.

# A lesson in human dignity

By Geoff Morgan

On the evening of Nov. 2 something special took place in NHC's function room. It started with the arrival of older men and women, smiles adorning their faces as they surveyed ten circular tables set for dinner. They were greeted by Jane Glennan, coordinator of The Educational Continuum at NHC, who provided them with nametags and directed them to their assigned tables. Students, faculty and staff also arrived in a steady trickle until the room was crowded with faces varying from youthful to wizened, with skin from colors light to dark and all shades in between. Finally everyone was seated, and the format for the evening's proceedings, modeled after the educational forum Global Citizens Circle and sponsored by the NHC Human Rights Association and The Educational Continuum, officially began.

Prof. Eleanor Dunfey Freiburger, co-chair of the Global Citizens Circle and advisor to the Human Rights Association, greeted the audience with a wide smile. After introducing herself, she asked the guests to stand and introduce themselves in turn. Only then was it truly possible to appreciate how diversified the audience was. In attendance were participants from at least a dozen foreign nations, Cameroon, China, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Nigeria, the Philippines, Turkey and Zambia among them.

When the last guest had finished speaking, and at Dunfey Freiburger's gentle urging, the focus turned inward to each table as ten appointed group leaders began steering conversations toward the perceived ways different cultures tend to treat children and older adults. By design, each table was comprised of guests of varying ethnicity and age.

How much respect is afforded to the elders in your culture? Who takes care of them? How greatly are children valued in your culture? Are they often respected? These were some questions asked by the group leaders and directed at the guests seated at each table. While one person spoke, the others sat back digesting his or her words even as they digested their food.

With the exception of a few minor points, those seated together at one table seemed to share more in common than might have at first been apparent. Coordinator for the

NHC Community Outreach Partnership Center Teru Oi from Japan and student Danny Mofya from Zambia were in agreement with Doris Hyler, a New York native, Continuum member and Jewish Student Association Adviser at NHC, when the discussion turned toward children. It was the opinion of everyone at the table that children should be treasured, but these three were the first to indicate that they felt there was a correlation between the educational level of parents and how well they treated their children. Everyone agreed elders are deserving of respect from younger generations, though it seemed as if the ways each person would accord that respect differed slightly from culture to culture. In the end, through discourse both sincere and enlightening, the guests increased their appreciation for those differences, while gaining an understanding of the basic similarities among them.

"It's very enlightening to hear how people older than myself feel about younger kids," commented participant Diana Campbell. "Sometimes, depending upon the group, there are not a lot of differences. People have similar values."

"This is what Inner City Partners is all about," said participant Ikomi Ngongi, referring to the large-scale agency he means to establish in Manchester, a company that will provide foreign immigrants with the help they will need to become valuable members of the community. "This is what we want to create. By bringing people together, we find out who they really are," he said.

"Most foreigners are isolated from society because they come with handicaps such as a deficiency in the use of the English language, financial problems or culture shock. Without being properly inducted into the community, they remain isolated for long periods of time, and very few things in life can be as painful as isolation. (Inner City Partners) will provide these people with a link to bring them together with other members of the community and give them back a measure of their dignity by enabling them to interact and contribute to society," Ngongi said.

"Our purpose tonight was to bring a cross-section of the world to our table and let the conversation on dignity begin," said Dunfey Freiburger as both the dinner and the discussion drew to a close. "That's what we wanted to accomplish."



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# Backyard Treasures: The hero down the road

By Sharon Smith

Upon reviewing my political articles in the last issue of The Observer, I came to the conclusion that I needed to write a story that did not contain the word “president.” Instead, I have decided to use my column space to inform the New Hampshire College community about some of the historical and/or famous things in Manchester.

My historical journey begins with a local site near NHC. Many of you may have driven past this landmark on your way to campus, or even taken a walk by or through it. The location I am referring to is Stark Park, named after General John Stark.

This park, located on River Road, is a monument to one of America’s most famous revolutionary heroes. Stark is best known for his involvement in the Battles of Bennington and Bunker Hill. He served directly under George Washington and was in command of the American forces at Saratoga when the surrender at Yorktown took place. He died May 8, 1822, the last surviving general of the American Revolution.

Though originally from Londonderry, N.H., the Stark family moved to this area in 1736, when John was eight years old. His family homestead was originally located near the Amoskeag Falls, but was later moved to its current place at 2000 Elm St. It now serves as a museum and can be toured by the public. Stark and his wife Molly established their home beside Stark Park. It burned in 1866, and all that remains of their home is the well.

Though many may have driven past Stark Park, few may have taken the time to navigate through its winding roads to the statue of Stark himself. He is proudly remembered with his horse, Hessian. Upon further exploration of the park, one can see the burial site of Stark and his family.

Though many may know Stark only as a Revolutionary War hero, we are reminded of his words every day. His quote “Live Free or Die,” written on July 31, 1809, has served as the state’s motto since 1945.

Stark’s dedication to our country during the war and his time-less words serve as a reminder of the rich history right here in Manchester.

## CSC News

By J.B. London



The Commuter Student Council has been busy with events such as the Halloween party in the pub on Oct. 27. There was a professional DJ, dancing, free food and prizes. All who attended had a great time; CSC considered the party a success. On Saturday, Oct. 28, CSC went to Keene for the annual pumpkin fest! They broke last year’s record reaching over 20,000 pumpkins. We had dinner at Applebee’s and headed home. On Tuesday, Oct. 31, President Richard Gustafson attended our CSC meeting. He spoke about our name change, new buildings and the master plan. The floor was opened for questions and comments. Currently, CSC is planning for our “winter wonderland” Christmas party to be held in the pub, Dec. 9 at 8 p.m. All students are welcome to attend! Questions or comments? Email CommuterNHC@aol.com.



The Wizard of Oz was one of the themes seen at the Halloween party hosted by the Commuter Student Council (Photo provided by Jessica Brennan).

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# Campus Security Log

Compiled by Tara Cowdrey

*The reports printed here have been selected from the Department of Public Safety's records. All individuals and locations have been made anonymous for obvious reasons.*

11/1/00

On the above date the supervisor of food service reported someone unknown had set off seven stink bombs throughout the student center. Housekeeping cleaned up the area and sprayed the student center with air freshener.

11/5/00

On the above date a vehicle turned around at the main gate and then dropped off a passenger. Two PSOs followed the person walking on campus. He was I.D.'d and found to be a student. The student did not like the fact that the PSOs were checking him out and felt he was being harassed. The student had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath, slurred speech and was unsteady on his feet. The PSOs followed behind to make sure he got home safely.

11/5/00

On the above date a PSO responded to a student who reported that an unknown person sneaked into an apartment and removed the two sliding mirror doors from the medicine cabinet in the bathroom. The subject then smashed them in the stairwell. The student who reported the incident said he/she had no idea who would do this.

11/8/00


On the above date a PSO was requested to the library for a small leak. The PSO received a second call and was told there was now a major leak. The PSO saw and heard water pouring out of the men's bathroom and found the pipe broken on the urinal. A screwdriver was used to gain access to the panel and the main water line was shut off. Housekeeping began cleaning with a wet/dry vacuum. 250 gallons of water had gone out into the library and offices as much as 20 feet.

11/8/00

On the above date a PSO was asked to check the cars on the fire road. In the apartment area, the PSO found a student unloading his vehicle. The PSO noticed a paint ball gun in the vehicle. When questioned about the gun, the student said he used it over the weekend, and could not bring it home. The PSO said he would take the gun up to the office and the student could get it back when he could bring it home. The student was happy the PSO took the gun as he expressed concerns about roommates getting their hands on it.

11/9/00

On the above date, a vehicle came around a corner and threw something at a PSO truck, hitting the windshield. The PSO at the gatehouse was called and waited for the vehicle. It flew by the entrance and the PSO remembered the vehicle from a ticket the PSO wrote that night. Later that night, the vehicle came back on campus. The PSO I.D.'d the three students in the vehicle. None of the students asked why they were being I.D.'d. Whatever hit the truck appeared to be liquid and did wash off.



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# SAS News

SAS has been working feverishly to enter your Spring 2001 class schedule...so when will you get it?

Upon confirmation of payment for the spring 2001 semester, SAS will print your official class schedule and deliver it to your campus mailbox or local address as quickly as possible. Submit your payment early and get your schedule early. Payments are due no later than Dec. 15, but we will be checking accounts as early as Nov. 27. Since we can print your schedule only after you have paid, you can receive it faster with early payment. Don't delay.

If you have any questions about the amount due or your TMS payment plan status, please stop by SAS as soon as possible.

The SAS/Service Center will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 22, for carpet replacement.

The office will reopen after noon on Monday, Nov. 27.

In an effort to have the least amount of disruption to the community, we have scheduled the replacement to coincide with a long holiday weekend. Please try to complete your business before or after these times. If you need SAS assistance during this period, staff will be available in the SAS/Operations Center and will try to help you. Thank you.



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Patience pays off

By Mersiha Mehinovic

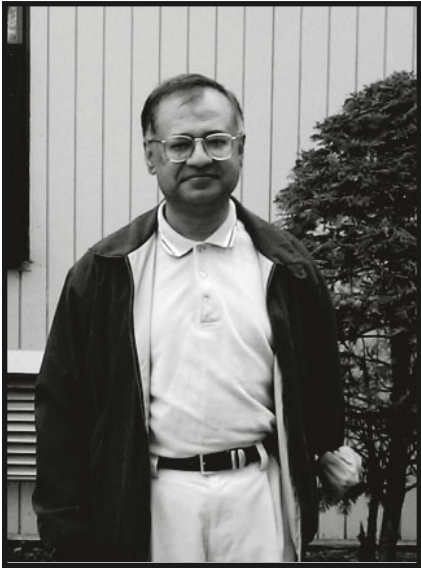
“My father, after seeing me teach my younger brothers and sister, insisted that I should become a teacher,” says Dr. Mahboubul Hassan, associate professor of economics and finance at New Hampshire College and the recipient of the 1999-2000 Excellence in Teaching award. Unfortunately, after the completion of his graduate studies, he didn’t go into teaching; rather he joined an industrial development bank in Bangladesh as a financial analyst.

Hassan was born and raised in Dhaka, Bangladesh, where he completed most of his education. He went to Dhaka University to get his undergraduate degree in economics and earned honors. Later he completed his MBA there, specializing in finance. In 1980, he came to the United States with an assistantship from Boston University to study for a master of arts in political economy. In the fall of 1982 he was awarded an assistantship from the University of New Hampshire to begin his doctoral studies in economics. After four years of coursework, workshops and comprehensive exams, he ran into a dead end with his dissertation proposal. He said, “God in his own merciful way will always show some glimmer of hope to His slave, when the slave faces some hardship, provided the slave has patience to bear that hardship.” In 1986 Hassan with his wife, Lutfun, and son, Mahmoudul, moved to Manchester, and he joined the economics department of NHC. A decade later Nova Southeastern University gave him a second chance to fulfill his dream to get a doctorate degree, and this year he completed his doctorate in business administration.

In Bangladesh, Hassan also worked for the United Nations Development Program as a Program Officer. After the death of his father he realized that he should fulfill his father’s dream, so he joined his alma mater Dhaka University as a lecturer. Even today, he feels bad that he joined the teaching profession only after his father’s death.

When asked about teaching, Hassan said, “The hardest part of teaching is to make a complex and abstract concept simple enough that an average student can grasp it.” He said he had three brilliant teachers in his life; two are in Bangladesh, Dr. Abdur

Rob and Dr. Wahiduddin Mahmud at Dhaka University, and the other is in the United States, Dr. Michael Manove at Boston University. They all had one thing in common: they made complicated concepts easy to understand. He expects his students to study hard and appreciate that education is something personal; it is theirs and cannot be taken away by anybody under any circumstances. “The more you get it, the more you want it,” said Hassan. His students admire him because he is there to help them and not to put them down.



Dr. Mahboubul Hassan was the recipient of the 1999-2000 Excellence in Teaching award (Photo by Sharon Smith).

His reaction to getting the Excellence in Teaching award is as follows: “I have been a finalist for this award eight or nine times. For nearly a decade, during the award ceremony I always thought of myself like Erica Kane of the daytime soap All My Children, but at the same time I know that an award is just a recognition of an effort by our peers. I firmly believe that our objective in life should be to do our best with honesty and integrity in whatever we do and not to worry who ends up on top, because we are all trying to do our best, and somebody has to end up on the top. However, as I indicated to you earlier, God advises us to be patient, and this year I came out on top, and this is the first time in my life that I came out on top in something, and I can tell you it is a good feeling when you are recognized by your peers.”

Hassan’s message to the students and alumni of NHC is the following: “Here at NHC the faculty and staff are just playing their roles

as supporting actors, but the lead players are the students of NHC, who are going to get their degree from NHC, and the alumni, who already have degrees from NHC. Their degree will be valued more if NHC does well, and it will be valued less if it doesn’t. So the value of their degree is tied to the growth and

development of this institution. Therefore students and alumni of NHC should play an active role and give their utmost effort to build and make NHC a great educational institution, so much so that it would be every parent’s dream to send their children to NHC.”

A path well chosen

By Jennifer Baggett

On Thursday, Oct. 26, Prof. John Fleming’s Principles of Public Relations class got a lesson in the reality of the field when NHC Director of Public Relations C. Robert Lindquist spoke about his career.

Lindquist graduated from UNH in 1976 with a bachelor’s degree in history. He received his master’s in public relations from Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., in 1981. Fellow alumni include David Letterman, the late-night talk-show host, Janice DeWitt, who starred in the role of Janet on the 80’s television sitcom Three’s Company, and Jim Davis, Garfield cartoonist.

After college, Lindquist worked at Rockingham Park, a horseracing track in Salem, N.H., as the assistant director of public relations. He then made the trek to Philadelphia to work for another horseracing facility, Liberty Bell Park, where he held the same title.

Fellow alumni include David Letterman...and Jim Davis, Garfield cartoonist.

In January 1988 Lindquist began at NHC, where he was the associate director of public relations before moving to the job he currently holds.

Responsible for the entire operation of college public relations

and the publications department, Lindquist handles media relations and pitches stories that are interesting and portray a positive image of the NHC community. Other tasks include institutional advertising, the development of internal and external newsletters, managing the department’s budget and supervising public relations assistants, student interns and work-study students.

Lindquist believes that honesty and integrity are key for public relations practitioners but stressed writing is important as well. “Being able to write and put ideas into words establishes your credibility with the public,” he said.

In his “spare time,” he is an instructor at NHC and has taught Principles of Public Relations, Introduction to Communication and Public Relations Campaign Planning.

Though he is head of public relations, Lindquist views the college president, Dr. Richard Gustafson, as the ultimate public relations representative of NHC. He complimented the president as being “a terrific public speaker, quick on his feet and in a good-standing relationship with the state, government and the community.”

When asked if he liked his job, Lindquist replied, “yes.” He said, “There are no typical days. The to-do list I usually have prepared for the day sometimes never gets touched due to new situations that arise during the course of a work day.”

Lindquist has a sense of humor. When questioned about the possibility of changing the school’s Penman logo, he attempted to draw a quick sketch on the board that provoked a giggle from the class. His reaction, laughing: “Drawing is not a course requirement in public relations.”

# Seniors surveyed for their say

By Mark Williams

Most seniors are beginning to count down the days to the culmination of their four years at NHC, but how many are aware that the week before graduation is dedicated to the graduating class of 2001?

The Senior Week committee, co-chaired by Kari McLeod and Karry Smardon, hosted a “meet the seniors” night on Thursday, Nov. 2, in the Last Chapter Pub to survey seniors in the hopes of getting some ideas to make Senior Week seven unforgettable days.

After presenting ID’s at the door, receiving a green or pink wristband (over and under 21, respectively) and having their name checked off the master list of NHC seniors, the students were treated to free popcorn, massive aluminum trays of Chinese food and “the drink of the night,” according to senior Melissa Hartford, pink lemonade. A student DJ took requests for everything from Michael Jackson’s “Man in the Mirror” to Korn’s “Freak on a Leash” before Smardon took the microphone to thank everyone for coming and ask them to complete a survey of ideas for Senior Week. She also mentioned

the passing of the deadline to petition to graduate and announced the 100-day formal—celebrating the countdown to graduation—on Friday, Feb. 2, at the Wayfarer Inn, before encouraging everyone to have a good time.

Last year the Senior Week committee planned all the events and there was a lot of grumbling according to Smardon, who was a junior at the time, that the entertainment and events weren’t much fun. This year, in an attempt to get the students involved in the planning, the results of the survey will be used to get an idea of what functions would be most enjoyed.

A tentative schedule includes attending a sporting event on Sunday, May 6, a pub event with free food and a comedian on Tuesday, May 8, an overnight event from Wednesday, May 9, to Thursday, May 10 (choices include but are not limited to all-night activities at the Steele Hill Resort, a cruise to Nova Scotia on the *Scotia Prince*, a Harbor Night cruise in Boston Harbor or white water rafting in Maine).

The committee also has open meetings on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. in front of the pub for seniors to give organizers their input on the preparation of this last hurrah for soon-to-be NHC alumni.

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## THE MAJORITY OF NHC STUDENTS ARE TOBACCO-FREE!

The Great American Smokeout to take place November 16

Compiled by the NHC Smokeout Committee

Smokers around the country have the opportunity to change their smoking status on November 16 as part of the American Cancer Society’s annual Great American Smokeout. The event is intended to educate the community on smoking trends, to draw attention to issues related to smoking and to encourage smokers to take a 24-hour pledge to stop smoking and possibly begin their way to a smoke-free life with the support and help of many people.

### WHY ARE NHC STUDENTS CONCERNED AND INVOLVED IN TOBACCO PREVENTION EFFORTS?

- A group of interested students have worked to understand the trends of our own campus and have discovered through data that the majority of NHC students (3 out of 5) are tobacco-free, that 1 out of 5 are occasional tobacco users, and only 1 out of 5 are daily users.
- The percentage of NHC students not using tobacco has increased over the past four years and the percentage of daily users has gone down.
- College-age students are the target of tobacco industry ads since the industry can’t advertise to children and teens.
- Many smokers don’t know it but they spend an estimated \$1,000 or more per year on cigarette products (*that’s a lot of textbooks*).
- Every day over 3,000 adolescents smoke their first cigarette.
- New Hampshire is ranked third in the nation for teen female smoking.
- 30% of all cancers occur because of tobacco-related diseases.
- Tobacco is the most common factor in lung, throat and mouth cancers.
- Tobacco is the leading cause of all preventable deaths in the United States.

### What can you do?

Whether you are a smoker or not, we need your support for the Great American Smokeout on November 16! Stop by our table in the student center and pick up information, educate yourself on smoking trends at NHC and nationwide, and help someone take the pledge and COMMIT TO QUIT. *Make November 16 a day to remember!*



# Campus e-classifieds add clarity

Tribune Media Service

After receiving what seemed like daily e-mail messages to the entire campus announcing the sale of a student’s futon, DePaul University officials took an unusual step and developed its own online marketplace.

That’s not to say that picking through trash bins for discarded but perfectly good furniture and household appliances isn’t still a competitive sport at the start and end of each school year. But the university’s Intranet site, the DePaul Town Square, facilitates the trading of everything from animals to zip drives. The site, launched six months ago, lets students, faculty and staff post free ads under several categories, including “electronics,” “tutorial services” and “tickets.” At the same time, it helps ensure that the university’s e-mail system isn’t overloaded with sales pitches or requests for rides home.

“I think that DePaul is definitely moving in the right direction,” said graduate student David Bohn, who hopes the site will help him sell his 1990 Mazda Protege.

So do officials at other universities who have wondered not only how to unclog campus e-mail systems, but also how to cut trash pickup costs when students depart and put castoffs into needy hands instead of landfills. Students for years have honored informal traditions—such as the one at the University of Chicago where off-campus apartment dwellers use couches and cookware handed down by long lines of previous tenants. But relatively few can turn to university-sponsored programs for help buying, selling, trading or donating their really cool “junk.”

Lisa Heller hopes to change that. She organized sales at the University of Richmond in Virginia and Tufts University in Boston after seeing the great stuff—computers, fans, microwaves and soup mix—students tossed curbside. Heller, now a rhetoric instructor at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, hopes to inspire students there as well. Earlier this year she founded Dump & Run Inc., a nonprofit service that collects students’ throwaways in the spring and sells them to incoming students in the fall. The money raised goes to charity. Heller hopes to have

at least 10 more campuses running similar sales next year.

Her efforts and online ventures such as the one at DePaul have encouraged construction of a Web site aimed at helping students at the University of South Florida find better homes than the county dump for their unwanted goods. Florida legislators chipped in \$45,000 for the site, which is expected to launch in November.

“When I was a student, I knew I could go to the Dumpster and find all kinds of things I needed,” said Jesse White, a USF graduate who is now president of Resource Management Group, a consulting company that is coordinating the Web site’s development. “It wasn’t hard to find vacuum cleaners, irons and ironing boards that had no business being there.”

The University of Wisconsin at Madison’s Surplus with a Purpose program, devised about 20 years ago, has struck a balance between the online marketplace and the cluttered barn where Heller stockpiles the goods she collects.

Called SWAP, the program’s inventory is composed of surplus items that students leave behind and that are collected by the university and nearby state offices. About 20,000 square feet of space holds pencils that sell for nickels each and lab equipment worth thousands. The Internet lets customers see SWAP’s inventory and connects buyers and sellers without necessarily having to house the items purchased.

“I obviously had nowhere to put the crane that came passing through here a few weeks ago,” said SWAP business manager Tim Sell. “And that horse, well, I wasn’t sure how I was going to feed him, either.”

Heller hopes the online marketplaces popping up on campuses will reduce students’ wasteful disposals. Dump & Run would be a logical safety net just in case they don’t, she said.

“I’m really interested in seeing any kind of resource rescue succeed,” she said. “But we’re ready to back up the Internet by doing the old-fashioned thing: getting the stuff together, getting it into a warehouse and then having a big yard sale.”

# Volunteer Opportunities

**Nov.18** - Food Basket preparation at Masonic Lodge, Goffstown - evening.

**Nov. 25** - Help decorate Goffstown Common for holidays. Good family time.

**Dec. 2** - Musicians, set up, sales, program distribution, assist riders into hayrides, photographers, face painters.

**Dec. 10-16** - Christmas wrap for American Lung Association from noon to 8 p.m. Two- or four-hour shifts.

**Dec. 21** - Clean up Toy Shop for another year.

For more information on these and other volunteer opportunities, contact Jean at (603) 668-8601 or 1-800-VOLUNTEER.

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<b>Monday</b>		<b>Thursday</b>	
7 a.m. Vince		7 a.m. Vince	
11 a.m. Dusty		9 a.m. Christina	
2 p.m. Ben P.		12:30 p.m. Ground 0	
3:30 p.m. Ben C		2 p.m. Ben P.	
6 p.m. Dustin		3:30 p.m. Mel	
10 p.m. Lee		5 p.m. Mark W.	
		6 p.m. Matt	
		8 p.m. Mustaffa	
		11 p.m. Lee	
<b>Tuesday</b>		<b>Friday</b>	
8 a.m. Yannis		8 a.m. Richie	
9:30 a.m. Dustin & Ben C.		9:30 a.m. Jeremy	
11 a.m. Jenn R.		2 p.m. Ben C.	
12:30 p.m. Craig		5 p.m. Dusty	
2 p.m. Steiner		6:30 p.m. Dave	
3:30 p.m. Mark H.		8:30 p.m. Trevor	
5 p.m. Lisa		10:30 p.m. Vince	
10 p.m. Roger			
11 p.m. Lee			
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Saturday</b>	
7 a.m. Vince		7 a.m. Vince	
8 a.m. Richie		9 a.m. Brian	
2 p.m. Ben P.		11 a.m. Greg	
3:30 p.m. Summer and Mel		2 p.m. Gaspar	
5 p.m. Dusty and Ben C.		6:30 p.m. Dave	
6 p.m. Nick			
7 p.m. Jen F.		<b>Sunday</b>	
8 p.m. Brian		7 a.m. Vince	
10 p.m. Ground 0		11 a.m. Brian	
		2 p.m. Damon	
		5 p.m. Ben	
		6 p.m. Richie	
		8 p.m. Greg	
		9 p.m. Nicole	
		11 p.m. Roger	
		1 a.m. Mustaffa	



# Honors Program News: Did somebody say boot camp?

By Ruth Ann Pistorino

Summer vacation. Is it all fun and games? Lauren Sharron, a 19-year-old sophomore and member of the NHC Honors Program, would have to say no. She made a life-altering decision this past summer to join the U.S. Army National Guard.

Why did Sharron, already a year into college, decide to join the Army National Guard? “It was something different to do,” she said. The fitness level that is achieved and the discipline that is learned while in Army Basic Training is unlike anything, anywhere.

On April 25, 2000, the night before her induction ceremony, Sharron was picked up at her house by an army representative and taken to a hotel to spend the night with the rest of the soon-to-be inductees. She received a 4:30 a.m. wake up call for her full-body physical examination, which included five shots in a mere 15 minutes. By 10:30 a.m. on April 26, she had passed her physical and was sworn in as a new member of the U.S. Army National Guard.

Sharron chose to do the “split-option” plan, which meant that her mandatory Basic Training and her Advance Individual Training (AIT) would be split between two summers. On May 24, she started Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Sharron explained that the initial tasks came down to four: eating, sleeping, formation, and the infamous kitchen duty. The usual duration of this introduction is between one and two weeks; Sharron and her barrack were kept for the full two weeks because of Memorial Day weekend. She stated that the phone privileges during this time were irregular and kitchen duty was all too often.

The following nine weeks were divided into three phases: the red phase, the white phase and the blue phase. Sharron explained that red was the “break-you-down phase.” During this time, privates were made to feel like dirt, constantly being yelled at and pushed to their limits. She made it clear that “Drill Sergeants were constantly in your face.” Physical training (PT), muscle work and cardiovascular exercising took place for most of the day, every day. Classes and briefs were also part of the red phase, where Sharron learned everything from the Unified Code of Military Justice to personal hygiene. These long, in-depth briefs took place in one classroom with over 250 people. The red phase was strict, challenging and meant to mold privates for the two phases that lay ahead.

The white phase, which was less strict, incorporated less PT and permitted 15-minute phone calls every Sunday. Sharron admitted, however, there are ways around the allotted 15-minute calls. The white phase tested Sharron on her work with a M16A2 Rifle, used in the training for Basic Rifle Marksmanship (BRM), which lasted from approximately 5:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day. The torturous gas chamber was also in this phase, where CS gas, otherwise known as tear gas, was released into a room full of privates. Sharron said this was her worst experience while at boot camp. She explained that most privates experienced pretty harsh side effects when exposed to the CS gas, such as skin and eye burning, uncontrollable nostril excretion, vomiting and loose bowels. When the privates made it to the end of this phase and passed the Marksmanship Test, they were placed in the category of Marksman, Sharp Shooter or Expert. Sharron, ranked as a Marksman, was ready to enter the final phase of glory.

The blue phase was described by Sharron as “not very strict at all.” Privates could walk around without Drill Sergeants, so long as they were with a buddy. This phase incorporated PT every day, and weapons such as grenades and machineguns were in use. To pass grenade qualifications Sharron had to successfully throw two live grenades. This event was her favorite because she enjoyed holding that much power in one hand. Toward the end of this phase a required three days were spent in the field, constantly marching and doing intense PT. It was during this time that Sharron was placed in what was called “truck detail,” which meant she was placed in the gas chamber twelve times in one day.

Then came the final event, a 19-kilometer up-hill march back to the base, in full battle gear, which consists of 35-lbs of equipment, a backpack and eight weapons. Sharron said that the march seemed endless and the heat was nauseating, but the ultimate fulfillment was priceless.

August 10, 2000. The worst was over and family-day had finally arrived. Approximately 250 privates and their family members scurried around one gym anxiously trying to find each other. “I never cried so hard in my life,” said Sharron, “Even my dad was crying and if you know my dad, that NEVER happens!”

Then it was time for graduation, the last step in officially completing basic training. Graduating as a Private First Class (PFC), Sharron will be heading off to Shepherds Air Base in Texas next summer to fulfill her AIT requirements, the second half of her split-option plan. Ultimately, her job title in the Army National Guard will be Military Occupational Specialist, otherwise known as Dental Assistant.

Sharron stressed that joining the Army National Guard was one of the greatest decisions of her life thus far. The learning experience and knowledge she walked away with will stay with her for the rest of her life. The discipline and physical endurance that were gained were immeasurable. “If I had the decision to make again, I wouldn’t change a thing,” said Sharron. In fact, she encourages everyone to seriously think about the personal accomplishments gained when becoming a member of the U.S. Army National Guard.

# The radio strikes back

By Dustin Salzberger and  
Amanda King

It’s November and students are back into the swing of things and so is RadioNHC. After an initial string of setbacks and rumors we were shutting down, the radio has had an amazing past month and no problems with our broadcast.

It’s an amazing twist of fate that the reception came through. After the first few weeks of school the reception was sporadic and proved to be frustrating for the staff. “Morale was beginning to drop there for a bit” said Ben Peirce, General Manager of Radio NHC. “But this couldn’t have come at a better time; it really has re-energized the staff and our listener base.”

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listener base.”**

Radio NHC has many plans for the upcoming months, now that the rest of the bugs have been worked out. We have a new and much improved website located at [www.radionhc.com](http://www.radionhc.com) created by our new webmaster Rico Ratcliff, who has brought an excellent idea and vision to our site. The sales team, led by Jen Forrester, has been actively seeking out sponsors and selling advertising space to businesses in the greater Manchester area.

Dustin Salzberger and the Promotions Staff attended Greek Games covering ragball and ultimate frisbee. Also, Salzberger was lucky enough to catch comedian Steven Lynch at the station for an interview. The Promotions team will be attending all sorts of events on campus, handing out prizes and other surprises to those in attendance.

So that you can catch your favorite DJ on air, take a look at the schedule on the website. If you are interested in doing a show of your own, look at some of the open spots and give the station a call at extension 4695, or stop by the office. We’re located in Stark Hall, across from the Yearbook office, in rooms 1 and 1a.

# VOICES AND FACES

What is your favorite class this semester and why?

By  
Sharon Smith and Andrea Hill



**Semih Beker**  
**Alumnus**  
**Business Admin. Major**

**Kemal Zeytinoglu**  
**Senior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*“Intro to Business, just because.”*



**Holly Devenow**  
**Junior**  
**Accounting Major**  
*“Lunch. I love food.”*



**Shannon Argraves**  
**Freshman**  
**Hospitality Management Major**  
*“Intro to Hospitality with Prof. Ravi Pandit. He makes hospitality exciting!”*



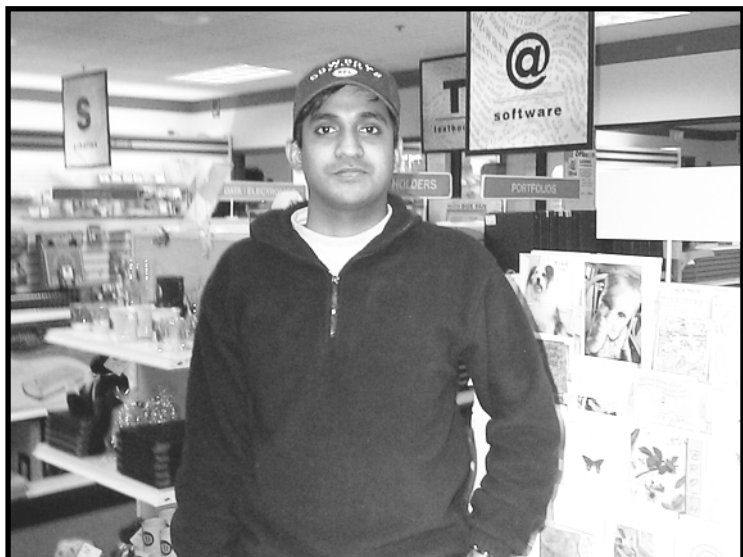
**Larry Linden**  
**GSB**  
**MBA**  
*“Research Methods. It’s fun, and the teacher is great.”*

**Cheryl McNall**  
**Junior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*“Environmental Issues. Prof. Degnan has a weird sense of humor and makes it interesting to learn about our environment and its future.”*



**Richard Selig**  
**Freshman**  
**Communication Major**  
*“My favorite class is writing with Prof. Lord mainly because he makes it fun and doesn’t always do the same old boring things.”*





**Rajneesh Sadanand**  
**GSB**  
**MS-CIS**

*"CIS 510. Apart from the course work, we get some excellent real-life work examples which will benefit us during our internship."*



**Chris Lin**  
**GSB**  
**MBA**

*"MBA 670 is very challenging to me. I've learned a lot from the professor."*



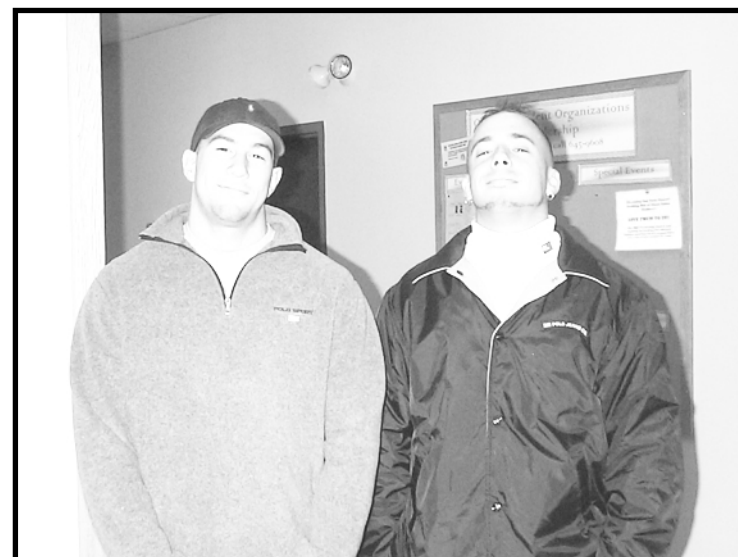
**Richard Walker**  
**Senior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*"International Business. I have an 'A' at the moment."*

**Xolani Moshuge**  
**Junior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*"Environmental Issues. Prof. Dolbow is my boy."*

**Robby Vanrykel**  
**Junior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*"Marketing. I like the teacher."*



**Jenelle Taillon**  
**Sophomore**  
**Psychology Major**  
*"Psychology of Individual Adjustment. It's very insightful and personal."*



**Chris Fish**  
**Senior**  
**Travel/Tourism Major**  
*"Business Finance because Hassan is the man!"*

**Mike O'Meara**  
**Senior**  
**Business Admin. Major**  
*"FEX with Heather Downs because she's cool or Wine Tasting, self explanatory."*

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Dilemma  
passes  
through

By Katelyn Duggan

On Friday, Nov. 3, students poured into the doors of the Last Chapter Pub as the band Cosmic Dilemma was warming up for their performance. Talk of the event had spread through school and the pub was filled by the time the first notes strung from the guitars. Cosmic Dilemma put on a great show with a Phish- and Grateful Dead-type sound and a relaxed, mellow attitude.

The crowd was loving the performance and getting into the music as the sounds just kept flowing. The band played roughly ten of their songs and were jammin' from 9:30 p.m. to around midnight, with the crowd always wanting more.

"The pub was rocking. It was a good time had by all," said sophomore, and Phi Delta Theta brother, Jeremy Steiner.

The pub was filled with a general good and happy atmosphere, which set everyone at ease as students got up and began dancing in front of the band. People were standing in doorways, at the bar, or hanging out on the couches. Everyone was into the band and the band was into their performance and the crowd.

The band consists of Will Bradford, Tim Haney, Dan Ingenthron, Dan Desmond and Dave Champagne. Based out of Boston, these guys have been playing together for the past year and a half.

If you unfortunately missed their performance or want to get some more information on the band, and future shows, you can check out their web-site at [www.cosmic-dilemma.com](http://www.cosmic-dilemma.com). They also have CD's available that you can pick up at any Newbury Comics, Tower Records, or on their web-site. The concert was sponsored and put on by Phi Delta Theta fraternity and CAPE.

Seeing them live again is also a possibility. Get your word out there and speak up, and they may perform at NHC's pub again soon.

Actress performs tribute  
to Millay

By Geoff Morgan

Upon a wooden table rest a bottle of wine and a gold-plated goblet, its rim sparkling with the reflected light from above. Scattered over the remaining surface of the tabletop is a disheveled stack of writing paper. A single chair sits in the center, a shawl draped over its back. Off to one corner, a coat-rack stands alone and forgotten while the real centerpiece of the show glides smoothly onto the scene. Dolores McCullough raises her arms to the



Dolores McCullough presented a one-person show on the the American poet, Edna St. Vincent Millay (Photo by Geoff Morgan).

ceiling and in a loud, clear voice commands the attention of the audience.

"Stranger, pause and look," she begins dramatically, reciting a familiar line from "The Poet and His Book" from renowned sonneteer Edna St. Vincent Millay's *Second April*.

No audience member needed to be told twice as the New York actress launched into her compelling one-person show, a unique blend of enactment and documentation of the fascinating life of the great American poet. Those fortunate enough to attend this latest Spectrum Series event, coordinated jointly by Spectrum and the NHC Drama Club, were in for another memorable performance.

The drama unfolded with McCullough's portrayal of Millay during the poet's years at Vassar College in New York. With much of the same raw energy and charisma that the poet must have possessed in life, McCullough led the audience on a journey through the personal events that fueled much of Millay's distinguished career. Through the actress' monologue and recitation of a collection of the poet's works, the

audience bore witness to some of Millay's greatest accomplishments, among these an honorary degree from New York University and the first Pulitzer Prize for poetry awarded to any woman.

Contributor to human's rights, benefactor of society and poet extraordinaire, this was the picture that McCullough painted of Millay. By the time she concluded her drama with Millay's death in 1950, it was clear that the audience felt much the same way. McCullough made it possible to believe that the ghost of one of the most prominent figures in American literature had come to visit for an hour in the AV studio, sharing with a handful of fascinated individuals the details of Millay's remarkable life's journey.

McCullough, an English language and literature teacher in New York, has been performing this drama for over twenty years, ever since she received the blessings of Millay's sister. In the future, as the show continues to thrive, the actress plans to incorporate supporting characters into her performance.

The night of Oct. 27 concluded the Spectrum Series of events for the semester, but the program will resume its operations Feb. 9, 2001, at 8 p.m. in the AV studio with singer Lisa Neubauer and her musical associates.

A CD you shouldn't go without

By Steve Fredrickson

The Oct. 31 release of All That You Can't Leave Behind marked the first original album from U2 in three years and is easily their most satisfying effort since 1991's Achtung Baby. Following the irony-laced lyrics of Zooropa and the experiments in electronica found on Pop, the Irish band has returned to its roots. It has now come to rely on its strengths: subtle production and beautifully idealistic songs.

"Beautiful Day" – already a radio hit – opens the album with impetuous optimism, as if the new millennium has given the band a fresh outlook on their sound. Much like other tracks, "Elevation" being the most notable, techno elements can be heard throughout. However, they are relatively understated, leaving

room for The Edge's driving guitar riffs. Prior to now, U2's work had been dominated by an electronic beat, not allowing him to accentuate the songs.

Many other tracks prove irresistible after just one listen. "Wild Honey" is a lighthearted ballad reminiscent of the innocence of love and youth. "In a Little While" can be characterized as a blues song, using a soulful rhythm to tell its story. There is also "When I Look at the World," which shoots down sanctimony with its provocative lyrics.

Yet U2 cannot manage to elude claims that the band takes itself too seriously. This is evident on "Kite," a syrupy and overly sentimental song. On "Peace on

Earth," Bono's lyrics cross the line to preachiness, sounding more like a contrived hymn than a rock song. These two tracks epitomize what turns some critics and listeners off to their music.

Although devoted fans will welcome the sincerity, others surely will not. U2 will lose some of those who enjoyed their brief reinvention. But at heart, they always hoped to make a more permanent mark, and they've done that with All That You Can't Leave Behind. Ultimately, it compromises nothing and offers no apologies, as the band has seen more and knows more. After all the superficiality, the boys have found themselves again.



# Restaurant Review: Cotton

By Melissa Cowdrey

There's a restaurant in Manchester called Cotton. It's located at 75 Arms Park Dr., where Café Pavone used to be. Three of us decided to try this new place out.

Reservations are taken but not required. When we got to the restaurant, we were promptly seated and were given the day's specials. We ordered our drinks and food, and while waiting for our entrees we were given bread and butter.

From first appearance, you can tell that Cotton is a high-class restaurant. The ambiance included light, romantic, classical, but sometimes slightly jazzy music. There were small lights on the ceiling and above the tables that were very focused, which gave a romantic touch. Along with the romanticism of the restaurant, there is a theme of 40's, 50's and 60's movies.

The restaurant is fairly small, but the use of the area for seating is allocated well to avoid feeling crowded. There is a dining area with

regular table seating and a few booths. This restaurant is not really family oriented. It's a great place for a date or a drink after work with your friends. This is also a smoke-free restaurant.

When we got the food, it looked and tasted delicious. We tried portabella picada and roasted chicken. The picada was a big stuffed mushroom over noodles. The chicken included red-skinned mashed potatoes and green beans. There were 11 entrees plus specials that were priced from \$12 to \$20. Soups and salads offered many choices and the desserts were to die for. I recommend the Cotton Ball and the Crème Brule White Chocolate Cheesecake.

The total for our dinner plus dessert was \$85 with the tip.

This restaurant is a nice establishment. The service was outstanding; our water glasses were never empty. I highly recommend this restaurant for anyone looking for a romantic place to eat.

leadership, said, "I had a blast." She also commented that she was pleased with the "real diverse group of people and for many students this was their first program."

As for future events, Downs and the Travel and Recreation Committee, who made this event possible, are looking into attendance at a Boston Bruins game.

# Sandler shares a bit about 'Little Nicky' and career success

Tribune Media Services

Adam Sandler returns to the big screen in *Little Nicky* on Friday, Nov. 10, his most special effects-laden film to date. The comedian plays the lead role of Nicky in the film, one of the Devil's three sons, whose task is to save the world from his two older brothers that want to create a Hell on Earth.

In the midst of the 90 minute chaos, Nicky wrestles between good and evil to the soundtrack of music by hard rockers Disturbed, Filter, Incubus and Powerman 500. In addition, P.O.D's new song "School of Hard Knocks" makes for a great backdrop to Sandler's fighting amidst the fires of Hell. Along for the ride are co-stars Patricia Arquette, Allen Covert, and Rhys Ifans.

The film is by far Sandler's most risky, and it's obvious that this one is going to have some trouble straight out of the starting blocks. Although Sandler's work should never be taken too seriously, this film will certainly put him in hot water with countless religious groups due to the spiritual representations in the film. "We didn't want to offend any one with the Heaven and Hell references," said Sandler at the House of Blues hotel in Chicago. "If someone does get upset over it, we didn't mean it."

Sandler is virtually fearless at poking fun at others, and *Little Nicky* features guest appearances from Rodney Dangerfield, Henry Winkler, and Ozzy Osborne, who are amongst the cameo list of actors that provide some laughs. However, the humor is sometimes missed in the film due to all of the constant movement and elaborate

sets that fill up the screen during almost every scene. "We wrote this movie and didn't say let's write an effects filled movie," Sandler said. "We just wrote as funny of a film as we could for the premise.... We learned a lot of computer stuff. Sometimes you're in a shot and then they shoot a green screen later on and put them together."

Sandler plans to continue on with his script writing and has even considered some Internet-related script writing after the release of *Little Nicky*. He's also well known for his comedy albums, which he would also like to get back into sometime down the road.

"I like cutting albums, mostly the freedoms of an album," he said. "People are not on top of you telling you this has to sell. When making movies, we do the funniest things we can do at that time. When making an album, it's more like hanging out for a night without treating it like a movie which has to be more of a story."

This comedian has truly grown since his Saturday Night Live days, and whether *Little Nicky* passes or fails won't change his memories of the support he received from friends during his younger years.

"When I was in college, I was not really sure what I was going to do," he said. "The best thing I did with my life was get a lot of friends on the same pages as me and we all encouraged each other to take chances. When I was doing stand ups, I'd try to do something funny. I just stuck with it and my buddies would come to my show and we all just got started by doing it together."

# NHC students wild for Celtics

By Tara Cowdrey

On Nov. 1, the Fleet Center in Boston was filled with screaming Celtics fans. Among them were 43 students and two staff members from NHC.

As part of the Celtics Opening Night Celebration 2000, the fans from NHC were treated to a balcony seat, a t-shirt, soda and a hot dog – all for \$10.

This wasn't any ordinary basketball game. Along with being the first game of the regular season for the Celtics, it was also college night. Students from other institutions, such as Stonehill College, Mount Ida College, UMass Dartmouth, Daniel Webster College and the University of New Hampshire, were also in attendance.

The night started with the national anthem sung by Ruth Pointer of the Pointer Sisters. Then Paul Pierce of the Celtics said a few words. The 6'6" forward said, "Thanks to all of you for your support...I'm doing well." Pierce is the recent victim of a stabbing.

After the end of the first quarter, the names of the colleges represented were flashed on the

scoreboard. NHC students went wild when their name showed up.

Halftime entertainment was the Blue Man Group, three men with blue faces wearing all black except for the green Celtics symbol on their shirts. For five minutes they entertained the audience with interesting stunts, concluding with a funny version of "Chubby Bunny."

Also during halftime a presentation was made in recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of African American NBA players. On Oct. 31, 1959, the first African American player in the NBA, Chuck Cooper, took the court for the Celtics.

The NHC fans witnessed the Celtics beat the Detroit Pistons 103-83. Antoine Walker was the MVP of the game with 33 points. And the home crowd was pleased with Pierce's 28 points on the night.

Sophomore Nicole Lessard said, "I really had a great time...It was incredible how Paul Pierce got 28 points when we weren't even sure if he was going to play."

Heather Downs, assistant director of student organizations and



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# Horoscopes

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**Aries** (*March 21-April 19*) — You’re smart, and you’re learning quickly, too. Keeping a secret is difficult. Don’t let on how much you know, for a while. You don’t want to get an innocent bystander into trouble. Discretion, now, is the better part of valor.

**Taurus** (*April 20-May 20*) — A partner’s wishes are your command. Unfortunately, your money’s involved. Are you paying for the date? You probably can afford it, so don’t complain. Be the big spender and make a loved one feel special.

**Gemini** (*May 21-June 21*) — You might be tapped for an overtime assignment. You’re the best person for the job, but you don’t think so. Is that because you’re trying to leave town early, to visit a friend? Show you’re the best choice by being super-efficient.

**Cancer** (*June 22-July 22*) — Your head’s full of dreams of the perfect home, but your roommate’s on a different wavelength. Convincing this person that you’re right is worth the trouble. That’s especially true if you’re talking about renovation or a move.

**Leo** (*July 23-Aug. 22*) — A partnership could lead to a team effort, and the other way around. If you’re looking for true love, join a group that shares your interests. Your house is a good place for a meeting, and tonight’s a good night.

**Virgo** (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*) — Success can be yours if you push. You’re sometimes shy about saying what you want; you don’t let people know how smart you are, either. Well, cut it out. Be bold, and you could get the promotion or job you richly deserve.

**Libra** (*Sept. 23-Oct 22*) — Have you been daydreaming about far horizons, but does a lack of funds have you stopped? Don’t give up on the goal. Try something you’ve never done before. Other people have, so how hard can it be? Start by talking with somebody who knows.

**Scorpio** (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*) — Follow the money trail, and you’ll find out who’s got it stashed away and who’s all talk. Don’t tell them how much you’ve got; that’s none of their business. The more you know about their business, though, the better off you’ll be.

**Sagittarius** (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*) — You’ve got something stashed away that could be useful. It could be the clue you need to put the puzzle together. A friend can get you headed in the right direction. A partner can help you figure out what to do next.

**Capricorn** (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*) — If you think there’s a mistake, check with an older friend or your supervisor. Don’t repeat the same error over and over again. Trust a hunch and find out if the instructions you’ve been given are right. Don’t follow blindly; watch where you’re going.

**Aquarius** (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*) — An initial setback might slow you down, but don’t give up. You often come up with your best ideas when you’re under stress. Go over your notes again. You might have missed something.

**Pisces** (*Feb. 19-March 20*) — Separation from a person you care about may have you stressed. If you can’t get there, maybe they could come to you. Entertaining a dear friend at your house would work out fine for you both.



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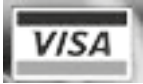
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## The Demon Song

By Geoff Morgan

### Chapter 1 Continued...

They called her “Violet,” and sometimes even “thin Lynn.” They called her a lot of things, though most of them were harmless and branded with affection. “Violet” came from the exotic color of her almond-shaped eyes. “Thin Lynn,” she supposed, was a nickname just as deceptive as her physical appearance. A confident grin broke through her outer layer of calm as she faced the fighter standing before her.

Muscles rippled underneath her gym suit as she danced about on her toes, constantly keeping even with her opponent’s circular motion. Kendel Sampson smiled as well, for he was the best of his graduating class.

“Any day, now,” Lynn purred, her smile wide and her eyes flashing challengingly.

She watched carefully as Kendel shifted his weight more completely to his supporting leg, the sudden rippling of the muscles just above his knee telegraphing his intentions as clear as daylight.

“Are you really so eager to be beaten?” Kendel teased.

“I’m only eager for this fight to begin,” she answered.

“Then I suppose I must oblige.”

Kendel had graduated first in his class the year before, and was the pride of Quasar Academy. He had earned his reputation as a fast and efficient fighter, and his fellow Sentinel officers regarded him with the highest respect. The man’s abilities were no different this day, for his charge was so sudden and so quick that most of the spectators seated around the ring weren’t even aware he had moved at all. Kendel’s grin was one of triumph as his leading fist sailed towards Lynn’s pretty face. But the smile abruptly vanished when he realized that she was moving, too.

Obvious surprise replaced the look of victory on his face as he felt his leading foot being swept out from underneath him; he hadn’t even noticed Lynn’s arm wrapping around his wrist. Then he was flying forward head-over-heels as Lynn twisted his arm behind him.

Numerous onlookers, most of them trainees like Lynn, groaned in sympathy for the Sentinel as he slammed face-first into the mat. Officers of all ages came to their feet

simultaneously, concern for their comrade etched upon their faces. Amidst all of the attention, under all of their stares, Lynn smiled with satisfaction. She sat straddling Kendel’s lower back, one hand still gripping the young officer’s wrist and the other held firmly against his arm above the elbow, locking the limb in place. Kendel’s fingers twitched weakly, and his mouth was set in a grimace of pain. He tried to rise, but a slight twist to his already strained arm was all that was needed to convince him to stay put.

“I can break it, Kendel,” the young woman threatened pleasantly, her smile undiminished.

“You mean you haven’t done so already?” the Sentinel hissed through clenched teeth.

“I don’t think so,” Lynn answered honestly, though in truth she had applied a bit more force than was necessary.

Suddenly a hand touched lightly upon her shoulder, and she looked up to see the referee’s stern face.

“That will be quite enough, Ms. Johnson,” the older man stated firmly, nodding towards the helplessly pinned officer. “This fight is over.”

Lynn nodded her head in agreement, and she released her hold on Kendel’s injured arm. The young woman stood beside the referee as the Sentinel jerked up into a sitting position, clutching his wounded limb against his muscular chest. The look that he shot her was venomous, but Lynn offered him a hand anyway.

Kendel stared at her seemingly delicate hand, studying it as if it were the head of some poisonous snake. Reluctantly, he did take that hand and was surprised by the strength of her grip. With her help, he pushed himself to his feet.

Standing, Kendel loomed head and shoulders above Lynn’s slender, 5’6” frame, and he outweighed her by at least ninety pounds. Yet all that mattered very little to him at that moment, for next to Lynn he felt not quite so large. He eyed her curiously as the referee announced her victory, thinking perhaps that her reputation as a fighter was better deserved than his own.

“How’s your arm, Kendel?”  
“Strained. Nothing too serious, I think.”

“Maybe you should see the medic or something,” Lynn cautioned. “Just in case, you know?”

“I’ll send you the bill if there’s something wrong with it,” he said, smiling good-naturedly. He waited until she had turned away to allow himself to wince in response to the pain.

Lynn ignored the many bewildered stares that the Sentinels threw her way, intent upon the distant locker room doors. She ducked in between the thick, colored ropes and hopped out of the ring, then made her way steadily to the doors. Fellow trainees, young men and women that she had come to know over the course of the past year, rose to shake her hand and pat her on the back. They whooped and cheered and clapped their hands, and Lynn nodded graciously. The trainer stood leaning against the wall, watching her go with almost fatherly pride.

The faintest hint of a smug smile was all that she offered the older Sentinels as she strode casually through their midst, not once looking back over her shoulder to meet the gazes that followed her every retreating step. Then the doors were closing behind her, and she was at last granted her solitude.

Her sigh was one of relief as she walked slowly towards the locker cabinet set far off in the left-hand corner of the room. There she changed hurriedly into her regular clothes, and was just tying her sneakers when a familiar voice spoke up from the front of the room.

“You defeated Kendel Sampson in just over fifteen seconds,” Heraad Sharpe, Lynn’s personal trainer, said proudly. “No one has ever beaten him before, and you go and do it in fifteen seconds.”

Lynn looked up into his warm, gray eyes as she finished up with the last knot, brushing away a strand of glossy black hair from her eye as it fell annoyingly into her face. Praise was the last thing she had expected to hear from the man who had spent so much energy in the past by condemning her particular fighting style in the ring. Apparently he noticed the look of shock in her face, for he immediately backed off a step and cleared his throat loudly.

“I know I’ve been pretty much at your throat since you came here,” he started to say. He opened and closed his mouth as if trying to capture exactly what it was that he wanted to say, but then thought better

of it, apparently, and tried another approach.

“I was aware of your reputation even before you came here,” Heraad began anew. “I heard about your championship victories abroad, and I’ve talked with the coaches at Freeport Academy about your accomplishments on their team. I expected to see you in movies and television documentaries,” he said, shaking his head, “but I never thought that I’d see the day when you walked through Quasar’s doors.”

Listening carefully to her trainer’s every word, Lynn pulled on her jacket and took a seat on the bench just before her locker. She wondered what it was that Heraad was going to tell her, for she had never known him to be a man of many unimportant words.

“The moment you walked in here, Lynn, I knew you for something special. I knew that you were different from the others in ways that no one but me seemed to realize.”

Lynn wondered where this conversation was going. All she wanted to do was go home, shower, and then take a nice long nap.

“It’s true that I initially tried to convince you to forget about your past experiences with the fighting arts. That I tried to convince you to fight just like any other Sentinel would. From the very beginning your training was a kind of a test, a test of our wills and your determination. In the end, you were the victor. During your year here you have never lost once. Not in fighting, training, or in the studies of the laws and sciences of our organization. In the end, I couldn’t even convince myself that your particular fighting method-”

“Char’lan Shuraka,” Lynn interrupted.

“Whatever,” Heraad said, forestalling her with his raised hand, the phrase having no meaning for him. “The point is that you were right, and that I was wrong. Sharlin Shurucka, or whatever you call it, as unorthodox as it might be, is undeniably more effective than what we teach here at the academy.”

Lynn smiled appreciatively, knowing how hard it was for the proud man to say as much. She wondered how long it had taken him to muster that much courage. Heraad stared at her with those unblinking gray eyes of his, a wide smile slowly finding its way into his normally stony expression.

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OPINION

*Editors’ Note: Students’ opinions are accepted to be published on the opinion page, yet they do not necessarily reflect the views of the editorial staff. If anyone would like to write about his/her religious beliefs, that will also be accepted for publication on this page.*

Good News

By Mark Williams

In the closest presidential election since John F. Kennedy beat Richard M. Nixon in the 1960 race to the White House, George W. Bush and Al Gore have taken the democratic process to an unprecedented level.

The country expected a close contest, but one week after the American people cast their votes, the results are still “too close to call.” As in any competition, emotions ran high and the resulting projections as the networks scrambled for ratings deep into the night were shaky, at best, particularly those concerning the diverse population of our southern-most state, Florida. At 2:25 a.m., Nov. 8, Bush was declared the winner by all of the stations carrying the returns. As most Americans headed for their beds, Gore supporters waited despondently at the Democratic headquarters in Tennessee for the vice president to make his concession speech.

Now amid the clamor over unfair ballots, absentee voters and the customary post-campaign bashing of the Electoral College, the future of our country’s leadership rests in the hands of 5.8 million Florida citizens.

On Nov. 7 less than 100 million Americans voted for the next president of the United States. Regardless of the outcome, this election acclaims the top five states in the nation for a voter turnout of close to 70%. While this is a marginal improvement over past years, it makes one wonder what the five states with the lowest voter participation registered. 50%? 30%? Less? This year, more than ever before, your vote had an impact. If you went to the polls last Tuesday, whether the candidate you supported wins or not, your duty was dispatched and your voice *was* heard. If you didn’t vote, don’t let your opportunity to make a difference pass you by again! Make it a point to participate in the next possible election on any level.

Don’t forget, the presidential race is only once every four years; local officials are elected every year in your town, county and state and have just as much, if not more, impact on your life as the next president. Voting for a moral America is a necessary step to the rejuvenation of our great Republic. We must make the politicians know that we will not tolerate anything less than a return to the godliness that brought us this far.

Last Tuesday, I did not vote for a candidate or a party. I voted for democracy, my belief system and the will of my Heavenly Father.

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NHC equals SNHU: The chance to shine brighter

By Kelly Muller

A new school year has gotten underway, and for most people that means returning to familiar friends, classrooms and teachers. A majority of those enrolled at New Hampshire College are returning students, and getting back into the swing of things means returning to a place where everyone knows your name. But for some NHC is unexplored territory. Whether you are a freshman or a transfer student, as I am, you have tons to learn. So what is the one thing that all students, new or old, have in common? We are embarking together on the road from college to university status. The era of the name change is upon us.

Last year, I attended a university and witnessed first hand the opportunities a university offers. When I heard that NHC was changing to university status, excitement rushed through me. Some people may not understand what the change means for NHC. Of course, the school will be called Southern New Hampshire University. The university will be organized into three schools: The School of Business, The School of Liberal Arts and The School of Hospitality. Each school is developing new courses, including foreign language classes. With a

foreign language, students will enhance their career opportunities when they graduate.

With courses being added, where will all the classes be held? Space is limited in the academic buildings that exist. The answer is simple...new academic buildings are planned and construction will begin soon.

We are the last students who will attend NHC. It is time to close one book and open another.

The book that is being opened means more opportunities for the school and for its students. Universities have an edge over colleges in many areas. They usually offer more competitive sports teams. They generally offer more classes in different course material. Last, graduating from a university gives you an edge when you step into the real world.

Before you get upset over the name change, remember the positive points that a university will bring. Now the transition seems to be a nuisance because of the construction and talk of higher tuition (again). But this change is a benefit for the rest of your life. This is your future in the palms of the school’s hands. I believe NHC is doing this for you.

The Demon Song

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“I just wanted to say that I’m extremely proud of you, Lynn, and that I’ve enjoyed being your trainer more than you will ever know.”

“You talk as if you’re not going to see me again,” Lynn said. “We still have another year together, you and I.”

“No,” Heraad said, shaking his head from side to side. Lynn looked at him more closely, and she realized that his smile was suddenly sad.

“You’re moving on now, Lynn. I’ve talked it over with the

Board, and the executives have decided that your training with me is at its end.”

“What?”  
“Congratulations, Lynn. Your basic training is at its end, and the time for your apprenticeship is now at hand.”

“And after that?”  
“After that, you will become a Sentinel.”

*Editors’ Note: The Demon Song will be serialized in each issue throughout the academic year.*



# What’s up with Washington?

By Richard Victorino

Election 2000 has come and gone, yet its presence is still felt. No, it’s not because we are in awe of who our 43rd president is, but the fact that we don’t know who it is.

For many students on this campus, this was the first opportunity to participate in a presidential election. Some may have chosen to vote, to exercise their right. Others may have chosen not to vote, in part because there’s the notion that our one vote doesn’t count. But what better election than this one to show our generation that your vote does count?

The tight race between Al Gore and George W. Bush has become a suspense drama fit for television: two men fighting for the right to be called the leader of our country. And to add to the drama, the responsibility for choosing the next president lies in the state of Florida and its 25 electoral votes.

At first Gore was believed to have won the state, giving him an edge over the governor of Texas. Then it was announced at around 2:20 a.m. that Bush won the 25 votes, making him the president-elect. However, the seesaw battle for the Sunshine State continues days after the election, with America unsure of who will succeed Bill Clinton in the White House.

But why is Florida so important in this election? How is it that Gore hasn’t been elected president since he leads in the total popular votes? The answer lies in the concept of the Electoral College. Each state has Republican electors and Democratic electors, which is who we actually vote for on the first Tuesday of November. The chosen electors then meet in their state capitals to vote for a president and vice president. A majority of the vote, or that magic number 270, is needed

in order to win. Electors almost always choose the party that their state has chosen. In fact, 24 states have laws saying the electors must support the candidate their state voted for. Florida is one of them. Their 25 votes would put either candidate past the 270 mark, making him the next president. You can see why Florida is so important.

The question still remains, however, why isn’t the popular vote responsible for electing the president. Our founding fathers created the Electoral College so that smaller states have more of a say in who would be president.

So what the writers of our constitution created for the sake of fairness has come to this: The vice president telling Bush not “to get snippy about this” when retracting his concession, a minute-by-minute watch of a presidential election.

Now we must wait for the recounts of counties and absentee ballots in order to make sense of this madness. It has come to a mere thousand votes, a little more than the size of the student body. The right to vote has been shadowed by the question, “How could my vote count?” Yet this election has shown how important it is to voice our opinions. Perhaps this election will raise questions about the effectiveness of the Electoral College. Maybe young voters will become motivated to get involved in the election process. No matter what, Election 2000 will be talked about for a long time. And years from now, when we’re asked if we remember the election, some of us will be able to say yes, I had an impact on who would become the 43rd president.

*Information from AP and the Boston Globe was used in this article.*

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# This is simple?

By Heiko Hesse

“Most people don’t have a good, healthy lifestyle,” says Vincent Zuccala, 39, head athletic trainer and fitness director at New Hampshire College. In order to improve present lifestyles, he aims to write a book about this topic. So far he has written about 80 pages of notes about how to eat, values, family, almost every element that applies to healthy living. What currently distracts him from fulfilling this personal goal is his job and other interests. To quote him, “For about two years I’ve been talking about writing this book, but I don’t know when it’s going to be finished.”

Zuccala’s day usually starts at 5:30 a.m. when he takes his dog for a walk. At 6 he begins working with clients as a personal trainer. Afterwards, he continues with his own fitness training, which normally lasts about 1-2 hours.



Vincent Zuccala is currently writing a book about almost every element that applies to healthy living (Photo by Sharon Smith).

With a Bachelor in Science in athletic training and corporate fitness from Salem State College and a master’s from Eastern Illinois University, Zuccala started working as an athletic trainer at NHC in 1985. In the following years he

gained other certifications, such as Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and licenses in strength training and conditioning.

Now he is also responsible for the construction of the weight room, which is going to open at the new gym mid December. His tasks then will switch from personally treating athletes to more “overseeing things,” developing and implementing fitness programs as well as consulting to varsity athletes and students. According to him, the “impact on someone’s health” is an important factor in his job.

Among the athletic body he is highly respected for his competence. One colleague even called him a “Renaissance man” due to his various interests and his education level. “I kinda like this expression,” says Zuccala.

Apart from his “basic” job, he teaches college courses in fitness management and health, shows a passionate interest in cars, loves to cook, plants his own vegetables in his garden and spends most of his free time with his wife and two children. He characterizes himself as a person who is the “Super Type A mentality” and often puts too much pressure on himself. According to him, “When in the morning I plan to do four things and at the end of the day I’ve achieved them, I’m happy.”

It is not surprising that not much time remains for him to complete his book. The possible title is “Keep It Simple.”

When asked how he sees NHC in 10 years, Zuccala replies, “It’s an exciting place to be as the college is technologically and environmentally involved in a change.”

# Hall calls five more

By Nick Coates

Five new members of New Hampshire College’s Athletic Hall of Fame now reside in the shrine after they were honored on Oct. 22 during the college’s Alumni Weekend gala. This year’s inductees now bring the total to 44 individuals.

Those being marked for distinction were (followed by graduation year): Sue Cashman ’94, Julie Ciarcia ’91, Will Flowers ’93, Totty O. Totty ’93 and John Wood ’88.

Cashman is known for her contributions on the soccer field. A four-year member of the team, she ranks eighth in both career goals and career points. She was also named a second team All-American as a senior.

Ciarcia was noted for her efforts on the basketball court. Right now, she ranks second in career points fifth in career rebounds, and sixth in career steals among the program’s all-time leaders. She also currently holds five school records, including most rebounds in a season.

Flowers’ stellar four-year career in basketball is one of the big reasons why the Penmen became

one of the top Division II programs in the 90’s. He remains one of only four players in program history to total over 1,000 points, 700 rebounds and 200 steals. He was also named MVP of the NCAA New England Regional in 1993 and played in 123 of 127 games in his career.

Totty was one of the best all-around players in the storied history of the men’s soccer program. During his career he played both defense and midfield and earned All-American honors at both positions. And as a freshman in 1989 he led NHC to its only national championship. He is also the only player in program history to garner NECC Rookie of the Year honors.

Woods was heralded for his distinguished career in the hockey rink. He totaled 50 points in each of his first two seasons and established the school record for most points in a season by a freshman with 53. In just 88 games, after an injury his junior year, he notched 164 points and currently ranks third in both career points and career goals (78) and fourth in career assists (86).

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# Penmen hockey

By Ben Peirce

Don't expect to see a lot of new faces on the ice this year for the Penmen. The New Hampshire College ice hockey team, which finished runner-up last year in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference's Division II playoffs, starts this year with a roster rich with experience. The Penmen lost only two seniors to graduation last spring and are expecting big things from this year's team, which includes 10 seniors and 19 returning players.

Last year the Penmen finished with an 11-5-1 record (15-9-1-overall). The 1999-2000 season also marked the third straight post-season appearance and a second consecutive trip to the Division II finals. This year already looks promising as the Penmen won their first two games, a 9-2 rout of Fitchburg State and a 4-0 shutout against Worcester State College. The two victories earned them a first-place finish at the Paine Webber Classic, a tournament hosted by Fitchburg State.

In 1997-98, a team that featured 14 rookies finished with an impressive 14-9-1 record and brought NHC to the post-season for the first time in eight years. This year

seven of those players, Chuck Croteau, Scott Proulx, Chris Laperle, Tom Fielding, Shawn Sleeper, Rich Miller and Kyle Lapane, will return as seniors. This veteran core has one last chance to bring a championship to NHC.

The Penmen started their first game on Nov. 2 with Croteau, Miller and senior Dan Roy at forward on the first line. Proulx and juniors Nick Nugent and Mike Cesere made up the second line. Senior Matt Nee centered sophomore Vin Forgione and junior Ryan Frew. Lapane, Sleeper and sophomore Doug Place round out the fourth line this year.

On defense, Fielding, juniors Steve Acropolis and Brian Favreau and senior Kevin Doherty should be strong this year. Nick Roussel, who posted a school-record 2.98 goals against average as a rookie in 1998-99, returns in goal for the Penmen after sitting out last year due to ineligibility. Junior Chris Vokes also returns in net.

There are some freshmen to look out for this season. Chris Wingren and Dan Brown should see time at defense and Brian Holland should challenge for playing time in goal. There is no question next year will be a rebuilding year for the Penmen, but boasting the most experienced roster in the league, look for big things to happen on the ice this year as they seek the elusive Division II crown.

# Runners post personal records

By Melissa Cowdrey

For the men's and women's cross country teams, Oct. 29 was their last race of the season. The Northeast 10 Conference Championships were held at Stonehill College in North Easton, Mass.

It was snowing, windy with gusts up to 40 mph and only about 30 degrees during the race.

Overall, the women placed 10<sup>th</sup> out of 11 teams in difficult competition. They did beat Franklin Pierce College, which was their main goal. The men ran, but only had four runners so they didn't score as a team.

Many personal records on both teams were recorded. Freshman Kristen Sidie came in first for the Penwomen and placed 44<sup>th</sup> overall. She ran a season-best time of 21:12. This was the third-fastest time in NHC history.

Senior Tara Cowdrey broke the 22-minute barrier for the first time in her college career. She ran a time of 21:29. Melissa

Cowdrey ran her personal-best time of her college career with a time of 24:13. Tara placed 56<sup>th</sup> while Melissa placed 94<sup>th</sup>. Freshman Katie Fitz ran a time of 27:06 and placed 105<sup>th</sup> while sophomore Nicole Lessard placed 108<sup>th</sup> with a time of 31:44.

Senior Shawn Gove ran a college-career best time of 30:03. This is 1:37 off his previous best time. He placed 78<sup>th</sup> overall. This is the fifth-fastest time in the four-year history of the men's cross country team.

Freshman Justin Kochanowski ran a personal-best time of 32:37 and placed 98<sup>th</sup>. Senior Craig Martin also ran a season-best time of 34:10 and placed 107<sup>th</sup>. Freshman Sean Sennott ran a time of 36:09 and placed 114<sup>th</sup>.

All of the seniors ran career-best times and were happy to end their careers on the NHC cross country teams with their best efforts.

# Season comes to a close

By Nick Coates

Despite finishing the season two games below last season's mark, the New Hampshire College women's soccer team made steps towards becoming more successful in the future.

The Penwomen came into the 2000 campaign after struggling to an 8-10 record last season, while holding a 6-2 record in the NECC but, this season, in the more competitive Northeast-10 Conference, NHC finished at 6-11 overall while posting an undefeated (3-0) out-of-conference mark. The Penwomen also graduate only five players from this year's squad and return a core of eight freshman and sophomores.

Two of those include freshman Anastasia Carson at goalie and, the team's third leading scorer, midfielder Anna Turbe. Carson saw a majority of the minutes in net for NHC and managed two solo and one combined shutout despite facing 238 shots with fellow goalie Lori Scandurra, while Turbe finished second in goals with five and added two assists to end with 12 points total.

Returning with the duo will

be junior midfielder Julie Gammon. Gammon led the team in assists with five and finished three behind Heather Klorer's 16 points for the team lead.

In their final two games, Klorer took the lead for good after a three-goal performance at Pace University on Oct. 24. The senior midfielder recorded her second hat trick of the season in the win, which was NHC's third in its last four.

The three scores gave Klorer 30 goals for her career, making her only the seventh player in program history to score 30 or more. She also finished ranked seventh all-time in career points with 77.

The Penwomen then finished off the season with a 3-0 loss to the nation's second ranked team in Division II, Southern Connecticut State, on Oct. 28. NHC did its best on the defensive side against the potent Owls offense before SCSU broke a scoreless tie with little over 13 minutes remaining in the first half.

The Penwomen also graduate Krissy Koylion, Jenny Westin, Michelle Fish and Allison Dorunda.

# Women's volleyball finishes season

By Nick Coates

John Vaughn and the New Hampshire College women's volleyball team will have to wait another year before returning to the postseason.

In their first year under the new coach the Penwomen finished with a 1-16 record in arguably the best Division II conference in the nation, the Northeast-10. The Penwomen will be returning all but two players from this year's team, after graduating outside hitter Kristin Kintzer and setter Jennifer Basiliere.

In their final five matches the Penwomen fell by identical scores of 3-0 except against St. Michael's on Oct. 27. There, NHC dropped a 3-1 decision despite a strong match overall.



Senior Jenn Basiliere has been arguably one of the toughest volleyball players on the team the past four years (Photo by Tom McDermott).

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Hockey starts with a tournament victory

By Tara Cowdrey

On Nov. 3 and 4, the NHC men’s hockey team competed in the Paine Webber Classic hosted by Fitchburg State College.

On Friday night, the Penmen went against Fitchburg State at 8 p.m. Chuck Croteau started off the scoring in the first period with a power-play goal assisted by Dan Roy and Rich Miller.

Fitchburg State took the lead 2-1 with a power-play and short-handed goal. Then junior

Nick Nugent scored in the second period to even things up. Matt Nee and Mike Cesere assisted the power play goal.

Tom Fielding also scored in the second period with an assist by Shawn Sleeper. FSC scored again in the second to tie the game 3-3. Another NHC goal was scored in the second period.

In the third period, NHC scored five times to FSC’s three goals, to win the game 9-6. Croteau scored twice in that period and also had one assist. Miller had

two goals and an assist. Nugent had one goal and one assist. And freshman Chris Wingren had one assist.

In the championship game, NHC took on Worcester State College. This team was aggressive from the start, and with some poor refereeing, both teams were lucky to skate away with no major injuries.

The game began at 7 p.m. and was very physical, but scoring didn’t begin until seven seconds left in the third period. Wingren and Steve Acropolis assisted Cesere’s first goal of the night. Many penalties were handed out in the first period.

Fielding got his first goal of the game with just over three minutes left in the second period. Scott Proulx

assisted the goal.

Miller scored just over four minutes into the third period, and was assisted by Proulx and Croteau. The last goal of the night was scored by Cesere, assisted by Nee and Fielding. NHC prevailed

4-0.

Nick Roussel in goal blocked 21 shots by WSC en-route to his second career shut out his first for the season.

Miller was named the tournament’s Most Valuable Player.



Tom Fielding scored in both games of the tournament to help NHC win the Paine Webber Classic (Photo by Tom McDermott).

Penmen advance in NCAA’s

By Nick Coates

New Hampshire College again finds itself in familiar territory after defeating crosstown-rival, Saint Anselm, in the first round of the NCAA Division II tournament this past Sunday. The Penmen defeated the Hawks, 1-0, with a goal in the 12th minute from Dan Lindemann to advance to the national quarterfinals against Northeast region champ East Stroudsburg.

The location of the game has yet to be determined but will either be at NHC or at the Warriors home field. And, it has yet to be determined whether it will either take place on Nov. 18 or 19.

NHC now stands at 13-3-5 on the year, after winning two straight games against Saint Anselm and has remained unbeaten in its last eight games. The two teams battled for the Northeast-10 Conference championship on Nov. 5 with the Penmen emerging on a 1-0 victory at the Hawks’ Grappone Stadium.

This is the 11th overall and fourth straight appearance in the NCAA’s for NHC, while it was Saint

Anselm’s first-ever visit.

Lindemann, a senior midfielder, scored the loan goal in the second contest when he headed the ball into the right corner off a cross from fellow midfielder Markus Nilsson. The goal came during a flurry of action in front of the Hawks goal. Heiko Hesse nearly scored when a header off a corner kick by Nilsson bounced off the post. Lindeman then collected the rebound but knocked it wide. Nilsson then regained

possession of the ball and sent a cross towards the front of the net where Lindemann then knocked it home.

As the case has been all year, goalie Tobias Svantesson was spectacular in net. Of his seven saves in the game, a number were from point blank range including two back-to-back stops in the second half to rob Hawks’ top-scorers Chris Bagley and Peter Kinney.

The Northeast-10



Senior midfielder, Dan Lindemann, scored the only goal in Sunday’s game against St. Anselm College (Photo by Tom McDermott).

Goalkeeper of the Year also denied Saint Anselm late in the second half in which he made three point blank saves during frantic action in front of NHC’s net.

The win also marked the third in a week for NHC at Groppone Stadium. Earlier in the week, the Penmen defeated the Hawks in the NE-10 championship and nemesis Southern Connecticut in the semis. It was the first time NHC defeated SCSU since 1991.

Both opponents were held scoreless, adding to the school-record 15 shutouts Svantesson has recorded this season. He is also ranked fourth in the nation in Division II with only 0.43 goals allowed per game.

In the first game against the Hawks, senior First Team All-Conference Richard Walker scored the

game’s only goal with just 3:02 remaining to give NHC the title. Walker has totaled 30 points on the year, including 12 goals. For his career he has racked up 145 points on 59 goals and 27 assists.

The win broke the Hawks two-year hold on the NE-10 title and is the first championship for NHC in its first season of play in the Conference.

Next up is East Stroudsburg of Pennsylvania after the Warriors defeated high-powered Dowling, 1-1 (3-2 in penalty kicks) in the Northeast region game. NHC and ESU battled to a 0-0 overtime tie earlier this year in the second round of the Labor Day Classic in Manchester.

A detailed season recap will also follow in the next Observer.

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