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Students in the quad enjoy the sounds and sights of the International Bazaar. (Photo by David Snuffer)

A bazaar of culture

By Bindu Rai

The Association of Cultural Exchange hosted a true global event on Thursday, October 29. This event was global because the participants represented over ten countries. The International Bazaar was an opportunity for the international students to share some of their rich culture and historical background.

Flags of many nations flew high on that cold windy day. International students displayed mementos that symbolize their countries. In the student quad, people had brought beautiful ornaments and clothes, while some displayed pictures to give observers a more visual presentation.

One of the popular events of the day was the henna-body tattooing. Ms. Naveed Siddique represented the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan and India, as henna is a part of the culture of all three countries.

The DJ played music from various countries to create an aura of diversity. Many of the students let their hair loose and danced the hour away. One of the highlights of the afternoon was the free barbecue for the students, which was hosted by ACE in a joint venture with the Hospitality Club. The food was delicious and just what the students needed, some warm food to take their minds off the bitter cold.

Last year the International Bazaar was held alongside International Night. But due to the crowds it drew, the event became too large, so this year ACE President, Karen Miyanaga decided to host it as a separate event.

This proved to be a highly successful day, but due to the cold weather and the high wind factor, most of the students at the stalls complained because they had to stay out in the cold for "too long." Next time, ACE should either host such an event a bit earlier in the semester or hold it indoors. Not only was it cold, but the displays kept flying off and numerous times the flags flew off even after being tied down.

Winter parking

By George Miville

With the upcoming winter, and the parking problems that come with it, I would like to share the following information with the college community.

There are slightly more than 1000 legitimate parking spaces on campus. At night (11:30 p.m.-7:00 a.m.), approximately 500 spaces are taken up by resident students and the few staffers on duty.

During the average school day, the center campus lots (B, C, D, F & G) are generally full, with outlying lots, A and K by the Gym and J (staff only) by the lower suites, having as much as 50 percent vacancy.

If there are no major functions going on in the daytime, staff, faculty and commuter students can always find a parking spot within 500-600 feet from where their classes or offices are.

Beginning November 15 and ending approximately March 30, the all-night parking ban will be in effect in parking lot B, the main lot, and in lot A (between the Gym and the International Center.)

When it snows, lots A and B will be cleared first. On the following night, all vehicles must be moved into A and B lots so that the rest of the campus can be cleared of snow.

Commuting students, staff and faculty arriving in the morning may occasionally find lots A and B full, but parking spaces will be found by driving deeper into the campus' residential area.

Vehicles not in compliance will be towed to assure proper snow clearance. Those with up-to-date parking decals will be relocated to another campus lot, generally at a cost of \$30.

Vehicles without decals will be towed off campus, generally at a cost of \$75.

Additional parking has been created at the site of the old hockey rink (west of the athletic complex), lot K. This is where overnight guests as well as the general college population will be allowed, except on snow removal nights.

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From the Editor's Desk:

Here is the third issue of The Observer for all to enjoy. We were pressed to get this one out because of the Thanksgiving break, so Andrea and I were afraid this one might not be as long or as good as the last two issues. But we proved ourselves wrong, mainly because we have a staff which can meet deadlines regardless of when they are. I am very proudof their work, and I hope the staff will do just as well for our next issue. The deadline is December 6 because we want to get another issue out before the semester break.

I hope the college community will be interested in reading this issue. There is a lot to read about that is of interest to every student on campus. Examples include information on many clubs and organizations of NHC, numerous reviews, the Campus Security Log, a RD campus profile, another contest for you to enter, and of course up-to-date sports coverage.

Some members of our staff recently took a trip to Northeastern University for a college newspaper conference. It was fun and very informative. I feel that the highlight of the event was that we had the chance to talk with other students who work on their school newspapers. We were able to exchange ideas and feelings about our school publications. The staff and I would like to thank Dean Doucette for funding this opportunity for us.

As a reminder, our next issue's deadline is December 6, and I encourage any of you to write for The Observer, whether it is an article, profile, letter to the editor, or anything else.

Thanks to all who contributed to this issue and hope you all enjoy reading the current issue.

Tara Cowdrey Co-Editor in Chief

under Duote of the issue:

"What you think of yourself is much more important than what others think of you."

--Seneca

From the Editor's Desk:

I am pleased to say that this issue turned out well even with the lack of time we had to produce it. The Observer staff is growing constantly and becoming stronger every issue.

I would like to bring to everyone's attention that The Observer has started a classified section. This is good for selling books, cars, computers, CD's, tapes, furniture, just about anything. The prices for classifieds will be \$3 for 25 words or less and \$5 for anything over 25 but less than 40 words. Checks only please. What better way to sell something? Our circulation is around 2,000. To submit a classified put your name, phone number and what you're selling in an envelope and drop if off in the mail room with attention to Box 1084. Please type or write neatly. Also, please put in an envelope with your check enclosed. This is an easy way to sell something. This month we are also sponsoring a new contest, your wackiest holiday gift. The prize is \$50. Just think, \$50 to spend on anything (maybe holiday gifts). Again, drop off your entries in Box 1084. The Observer staff will choose the winner. Their entry will be featured in the December issue of The Observer, deadline for the contest is December 7. Anything after that date will be good chuckle but will not be used. Last time we sponsored a contest we didn't get much of a response, so we hope you take advantage of this one. It's \$50 for free! Why not take five minutes out of your day and write a sentence or two abut your wackiest gift.

Thanks again for reading The Observer. Remember anyone can submit articles.

Andrea Hill Co-Editor in Chief

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Wackiest Gift You Ever Got Contest

Holiday season is around the block, and time is ticking away on the clock.

Put on your thinking caps and get wacky. To win \$50 grand prize, describe in less than 20 words the craziest present you ever received.

Contest entries must be posted by December 7 to make them eligible for the prize.

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Dear Editors:

New Hampshire College's programs in secondary teacher education may be one of the best-kept secrets on campus. Many students don't know that they can choose to major in English or business and, at the same time, become certified to teach high school. They can earn a teaching license in just the four years it takes to get a bachelor's degree. The best news is that there are teaching jobs everywhere.

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) predicts that more than a million new teachers will be needed over the next 10 years to keep pace with rising enrollments and to replace the large number of teachers who are retiring. Experts anticipate roughly 200,000 openings per year over the next decade. The DOE experts fear there may be a shortfall of 50,000 teachers each year. Since there is a supply and demand problem, the teaching job candidate has a tremendous advantage.

The October 1998 Spotlight, a newsletter of the National Association of Colleges and Employers, reports the following statistics released from the DOE relating to teaching jobs:

 Public school enrollments reached 52 million in 1997; the baby-boom plus immigration will increase enrollments even more;

- About 40 percent of public school teachers in the United States will retire or leave the profession by the 2003-2004 school year;
- Half of those teaching by 2005 will have been hired between 1997 and 2005. Largescale hiring will continue through 2015;
- Alaska, Connecticut and New Jersey currently have the highest teacher salaries. Salaries are increasing nationally.

Teacher preparation programs at New Hampshire College have been fully approved by the New Hampshire State Department of Education, which means that, upon completion of this major, graduates receive a New Hampshire teaching license. Anyone earning this license is automatically eligible to teach in New Hampshire, in all of the New England states and in twenty others as well. The remaining states recognize this license but may require an additional course or test, requirements that are easy to meet for any graduate of the New Hampshire College programs.

If you have any interest in a teaching career, contact Dr. Carolyn Hollman at extension 2212 for information about the English teacher program or Professor Laurence Pelletier at extension 2272 for information about the business and marketing teacher programs.

Carolyn Hollman

Dear Editors:

I read your last issue of The Observer with rapt attention, finding the lead story on the cover page extremely interesting. And I couldn't help but think how fortunate we are at New Hampshire College to be the recipients of a million-dollar grant, one aimed at improving our computer systems while making us competitive with other colleges. Ms. Patane's story continued with additional news concerning an accompanying grant of \$54,000 meant to guide planners in assessing how best to spend the \$1,000,000. At first, and admitting to some obtuseness, I had trouble understanding why \$54,000 was needed to help others spend \$1,000,000. My poor brain just couldn't grasp the connection between the two grants; and I knew if anyone gave me a million dollars, I wouldn't need professional planners to assist me in its dispersal. Then it occurred to me - in a mini-epiphany - that the smaller sum, the baby grant of \$54,000, was unquestionably intended for a more rational and practical purpose, one having something to do with the acquisition of critically needed campus furnishing. I thought about this some more and experienced another light-bulb episode: the smaller grant, despite the reporter's story, was really intended to outfit the AV Studio with new seats, and just maybe to upgrade the room's sound system. Of course, I reasoned, this was the College's playful way of telling us one thing and doing something quite delightfully different – a kind of irony commonly encountered in Pope or Swift – administrative *legerdemain* at its inspirational best. I'll bet these rascals have even ordered the chairs by now and they are winging their way to campus as I scribble this letter.

So now I wish to apologize for the unkind and hurtful tone of my last letter. I should have known the College was fully aware of the shabby and dangerous state of the AV chairs and that it was busily and diligently working on a satisfactory solution to the problem. How could I have thought, even for an unguarded moment, that the daily agony our students experience while seated in this room was not an issue of vital concern to the administrative worthies of NHC? I ask, then, that the College community excuse my cynical conclusions and rhetorical incivilities. Never again will I question the wisdom and good intentions of those academic navigators charged with our welfare and destiny. Very soon it will be safe to invite the Dean and his retinue into the AV Studio and request they be seated without our fear of embarrassment or their fear of personal injury. And the same happy results will await our students while we all anticipate the new chairs.

I remain your servant and devoted well-wisher hoping to speak ex cathedra in my next epistle,

Don Sieker

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Students receive scholarships

By Katy Faria

On Tuesday November 10, the Student Scholarship Recipient Reception was held in the NHC Hospitality Ballroom.

The guests, which included the NHC students, alumni, professors and various representatives from corporations which gave scholarships, mingled over delicious treats prepared by culinary students.

Michael DeBlasi, the NHC Director of Alumni and Community Relations, welcomed and introduced the guests. He ended by introducing Dr. Richard A. Gustafson, the president of New Hampshire College.

President Gustafson welcomed the recipients and said it was an honor to have them. He continued by stating that over 700 scholarships were given to NHC students this year. These scholarships came from individuals, companies and corporations that felt they were making a good investment in the students here. Gustafson explained how when he went to Boston University, he would not have made it through without the funding of corporations.

President Gustafson said these NHC scholarships provide recipients with the opportunity to succeed. He said they are "standing on the shoulders of the people who have gone before" them. Because of this opportunity they will "have broader shoulders and will help others." These scholarships were given to recognize the level of work that the students have accomplished. According to President Gustafson, the recipients should return the investment in them by supporting future students.

DeBlasi ended the evening by saying he hoped the same students will be back next year, and he encouraged the guests to stay and enjoy more culinary delights.

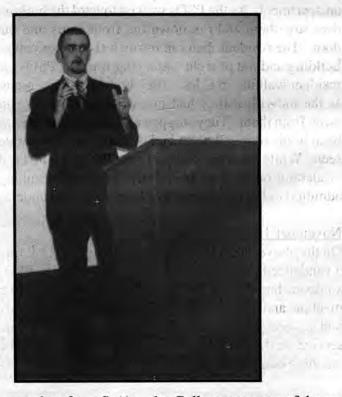
Kosovo: NHC students join in a struggle for justice

By Bindu Rai

"Believing in justice;" that is what the Kosovo struggle is all about. On November 4, this struggle was the talk of the evening when two guest speakers came to NHC. Their purpose was to spread knowledge of the misery and heartache of the people in the Albanian province of Yugoslavia. Mr. Nideem, a student at St. Anselm College, and Mr. Armin, an acquaintance of his, are citizens of Bosnia. They expatiated on the harsh realities of the bloody massacres that have spread through Kosovo.

NHC student Ms. Najla Rabee is the President of the Human Rights Committee (HRC) and the Muslim Student Association (MSA) on campus. She decided it was time to educate the students and faculty members and to make them a part of the campaign. With the help of Professor Hassan, she was able to arrange this event. When asked about the problems that she faced organizing this event, she described having to organize everything in two weeks. With the help of other members of the HRC, this event proved to be a success. She appreciated the large faculty turnout. Nideem and Armin spoke passionately about the hundreds who are slain every day by the hands of the Serbs just because they want a "Greater Serbia." President Slobodan Milosevic sent Serbian forces into Kosovo in 1989 and declared that Albanian should be removed as the official language and that Kosovo should be joined with Serbia to form one great nation. When thousands protested, as 90 percent of the population were Albanians, they were massacred. No second thought was given to the fact that hundredsof those being murdered were young children. People now fear that history will repeat itself, and Kosovo might turn into another Bosnia crisis.

Isabelle, another member of HRA, distributed a letter, which they are sending to President Bill Clinton in reference to the atrocities in Kosovo. They urge him to take necessary action before it is too late. As Rabee said, "Nearly fifty years after World War II, our nations uttered that they would never again stand silently in the face of injustice. And yet here we stand on the verge of a new century with a tolerance and almost an acceptance of genocide."



Mr. Nideem, a student from St. Anselm College, was one of the guest speakers at the Kosovo meeting. (Photo by Bindu Rai)

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Campus Security Log

Compiled by Andrea Hill and Tara Cowdrey



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

November 3, 1998

On the above date a PSO went to a resident's room. The resident stated that someone had gone into his room and trashed the place. He was also missing his social security card. He said that his laptop was broken and that his roommate's belongings were thrown everywhere. His door had not been locked. The PSO advised the resident to file a report and that he should lock his door when he leaves.

November 7, 1998

On the above date a PSO was sent to a dorm hallway to investigate an unconscious female in the hallway. Upon arrival, the PSO found the female lying halfway into a room. She was breathing, but would not respond to voice or pain stimuli. The PSO requested an ambulance for her. While observing the female, the PSO spoke to one of her friends. The friend stated that he was carrying her down the stairs and she hit her head against the wall and "went out like a light." He stated that she had had a lot to drink, and the PSO noticed that the friend was also under the influence of alcohol (mood swings, breath, glassy eyes, and lack of balance). He stated that they were just playing around. The female's parents were called, and she was transported to the hospital.

November 7, 1998

On the above date, two PSOs observed a resident throwing approximately 12 empty beer cans out the living room window of an apartment. As the PSOs walked toward the building, the resident saw them and ran down the front stairs and out the front door. The resident then ran through the center entry of another building and out of sight. At a later time the PSOs observed the resident walking in C lot. They both positively recognized him as the individual they had just witnessed littering and running away from them. They stopped and I.D.'d him. He stated he had been in his room all night and denied being the person they had seen. While speaking with him, the PSOs smelled a strong odor of alcohol on his breath. At first he denied drinking, but then admitted to having a couple of beers. He was underage.

November 10, 1998

On the above date a PSO went to Washington Hall for a report of a vandalized vending machine. Upon arrival the PSO found that someone had thrown a chair through the front of the candy/chip machine and had stolen 1/2 to 2/3 of the contents. The moneybox had not been broken into. The PSO reported the break-in to food service staff. Food Service said they would call the vending-machine company.

November 11, 1998

On the above date, a housekeeping employee came to the Public Safety office to report a stolen Walkman from a housekeeping closet in one of the dorms. The housekeeping employee stated they had last seen it there Monday morning. The Walkman had been hidden under a plastic dish and a back brace. The PSO checked the area and spoke with the housekeeping supervisor, but was unable to locate the item. Housekeeping has no suspects at this time.

NHC graduate promotes internships with Hybrid Recordings

By Mark Williams

On October 30, the manager of college-radio promotion for Hybrid Recordings was on campus hyping the intern program through the Career Development Center (CDC).

Jason Fisher, an alumnus of NHC, first saw the campus on a tour of schools during his junior year at Fairfield Prep, Connecticut. "As I walked around the campus I just knew I was going to go to school here," he said. (His best friend, Ryan Fisher, who is also his brother, transferred to NHC in 1996 and is graduating this December with a marketing degree.) Jason Fisher graduated in 1996, also with a bachelor's degree in marketing. He credits his alma mater with motivating him to make career-oriented goals and providing many great times in his Whittier Hall apartment. In the summer of 1995 he completed an internship through the CDC with Columbia, Epic and Workgroup under Sony, cementing his position in the music industry.

Fisher's love of the music business was cultivated early in his life. He grew up around family members that were involved in "the biz," so that by the eighth grade he had already decided his career path. He knew from first-hand experience that "the money is in working behind the label." He enjoys the music industry as a whole and has often accompanied the two A&R (artist repertoire) people he works with to hear new bands in which the company is interested.

Now he is in charge of marketing Top 40/Alternative music and publicizing bands on a tour that includes approximately 900 college radio stations. He does interact personally with the people who work these stations, but he says the major part of his job is "sitting on the phone all day selling my artists, getting them airplay." The artists Hybrid currently represents are Guster,

Martin's Dam, Mike Errico and Sherri Jackson. Hybrid Recordings also produces the Further Festival Compilations with music from Bob Weir's band, The Other Ones, distributed by Sire.

Fisher says he loves working with college radio because they don't base the airtime of an album on record sales. This gives him a chance to promote songs on the album besides the "hit-of-theday." This relationship with student broadcasters also provides a population of people already interested in the field from which to select for internships.

Hybrid Recordings used to get all of their interns from Metropolitan Entertainment, the recording company's owner, but Hybrid wanted to meet people before hiring them. Now, they fax applications to numerous college stations along with flyers advertising internships. In Fisher's first foray into touring colleges for interns, he made a connection with NHC. Through CDC, Hybrid Recordings offers internships year round and encourages young people to get an early start in the music business. In spite of the monotonous work sometimes required of interns, Fisher said, "It's worth it, if not for the free concerts and CD's from a-to-z, for the experience of living and working in New York."

Fisher lives in Manhattan, a forty-minute commute from his office in New York City. He says he loves living in New York, but "it ages you, the city is so fast paced." Other than his annoyance at unreturned phone calls, Fisher says he has fun at his job and believes anyone interested in business should look into an internship with Hybrid Recordings. The address for Hybrid Recordings in New York is: 2 Pennsylvania Plaza, 26th floor, New York, NY 10121.

You can also reach Jason Fisher by e-mail at: eggmmann@aol.com.

Honors Program

By Ruthie Pistorino

Dr. Julianne Cooper, Director of the Honors Program, is overseeing a trip to Italy for 10 days, from May 10 through 19, 1999. The main purpose of the trip is to allow NHC students to enjoy an educational experience through a unique cultural journey.

Italy has countless landmarks, beautiful churches, museums and monuments. A few of the spectacular locations on the itinerary are *Venice*, where you will enjoy the chivalric St. Mark's Basilica; *Florence*, where you will be captivated by Michelangelo's beautiful statue of David; and *Rome*, where the majestic Colosseum is located. Also, there is no place in Italy that is farther than 60 miles from the Mediterranean Sea and the history of Italy reaches back into the "dawning of civilization." The group will settle in Rome for five days so the students will be able to savor the cafes, street-life and sights.

Going to Italy will provide NHC students with a cultural experience that can be gained only by going abroad. Students will be able to stand beneath the famous ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and at the Vatican they will see the indescribable colors of Michelangelo's "Last Judgement."

The total cost of the trip to Italy is estimated between \$2000 and \$2,4000. This estimated cost includes round trip airfare, hotels, transportation, breakfast and dinner daily and all tour and entrance fees. Dr. Cooper has scheduled the trip through Casterbridge Tours, a British Educational Tour Company. A benefit of using Casterbridge is that "each group travels on its own private tour and is never combined with any other groups." By ensuring exclusive attention to the group a greater emphasis is placed on the group's desired understanding of the country. A few more incentives for using Casterbridge Tours are no registration fee or admission charges, a 24-hour escort and guide service, guaranteed tour dates and quality hotels offering comfort and cleanliness.

Dr. Cooper would like to invite all who are interested to join her on the exciting trip to Italy. If anyone is seriously considering accompanying her, there is a \$500 check (sorry – no credit cards accepted) deposit required by December 4, 1998; the balance of the payment must be received no later than 90 days prior to the date of departure. Dr. Cooper can be contacted on campus at the Delphi House (603) 668-9798 ext. 9798, for further information, questions or brochures regarding this trip.

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Living in the Safe Zone

By Jennifer Miles

What would you do if your roommate sat you down one night and told you that he/she was gay? Some NHC students were asked how they would react if their roommate told them this news. Adam Davidoff, a junior Sport Management major, said, "It's his prerogative. Do what you want to do. It doesn't bother me."

Most of the students interviewed agreed with Davidoff. Tracy Chase, a senior Marketing major from Maine, said, "It wouldn't matter to me. I look at homosexuals the same way. I know they don't find me (a straight person) attractive."

Jennifer DiVenuti, also a senior Marketing major, commented, "At first I'd be a little thrown off, but I would accept it. If you're happy that's all that matters." John Cioffi, a sophomore Economics/Finance major, partly agreed with DiVenuti; this kind of news would shock him at first. He said, "It would make me feel insecure. It would make me wonder if he was staring at me when I was changing."

There are still a number of students who are not comfortable with homosexuals. Joey Wentworth, a freshman Business Management major, simply said, "I'd move out." Kevin Neely, a junior International Business major, said, "I would probably re-

quest a new roommate. I'm not against it; I just couldn't live with that."

Although NHC has not had any severe incidents of hate crimes against gays, prejudice against homosexuals is still a problem. In light of the recent murder of the gay University of Wyoming student, colleges across the nation are improving their gay awareness programs. The Safe Zone is a nationwide group for anyone who supports people who are homosexual and wants to see equality on campuses. The NHC chapter of Safe Zones is still seeking students, faculty and/or staff who would like to become allies, non-judgmental individuals on campus who are supportive of sexual diversity and who are available to talk openly about sexual-orientation issues. Kate Stepno, a sophomore Humanities major and NHC Safe Zone ally, said, "Safe Zone is the perfect group for addressing needs and questions of a sexually diverse population. This includes lesbians, gays and bisexuals."

If you or a friend needs someone to talk to and wants to get involved with the NHC Safe Zone, please contact Sara Wilson in the Wellness Center at 645-9679. A list of NHC Safe Zone allies can be obtained at the Wellness Center also.



CAPE update

Kate Giannetti

Hello, everyone. This is just a little update to tell everyone about all the great things that are happening with CAPE. Before I start, I would like to remind everyone that CAPE meets faithfully every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center. We would absolutely love it if some new people showed up, so everyone is welcome and we hope to see you there.

We just had a very successful Fall Weekend that was put on by the Major Weekend Committee. Our Pub Committee just had a TGIF and Settie performed. Monthly Committee did a wonderful job on Casino Night during Family Weekend. Our Travel and Recreation Committee just went to play some paintball and have had a few free movie nights. The Concert Committee is still hard at work to bring a wonderful concert to campus in the spring. CAPE also worked hard with SGA on Midnight Madness.

Coming up in the next few weeks:

- On November 19 in the Last Chapter Pub, the Monthly Committee will be hosting a comedy night.
- The Pub Committee will be hosting Bingo also on November 19.
- On December 11 CAPE will be helping the Executive Committee put on the Holiday Semi-Formal.

If anyone would like to get involved in CAPE or has any questions, please feel free to call us at ext.9716. We would love to hear from you. Hope to see you on Monday.

It's getting closer . . .

By Traci Keith

Thursday, October 15, at noon, some NHC students gathered on the soccer field to take their class picture for the year-book. They began to realize they are seniors and will be graduating in May. There were different emotions toward graduation buzzing around in these students' heads.

When Communication major Courtney McMennamin, 21, was asked what her thoughts were about graduating, she said, "I am very nervous and scared to leave my comfortable environment. I don't want to graduate. I wish I was a freshman again." This is a common thought from many seniors. She also said she "has to get into the real world and it's not a game anymore." Hospitality major Catherine Giannetti, 22, said, "It is scary to know the way I lived my life for four years is almost over and change is hard to accept. I am not looking forward to it. But I am excited for a new adventure." Marketing major Andrea Scalia, 21, said, "It's really scary, I'm gonna miss my friends to death, but it's kind of exciting starting the rest of my life."

There are definitely a number of changes after college life. One big change is there isn't any cafeteria that accepts meal cards that are paid for by one's parents. Or those part-time jobs where it is easy to call in sick on a Friday morning. Sport Management major John Feudo, 21, looks forward to moving on but will miss the great friends he's made. He also will miss "the excuse of 'I'm a college student, anything goes."

There are students who are jumping at the chance to graduate, such as Sport Management major Jennifer Tavares, 20. She said, "I can't wait to graduate because I have been doing the same thing with the same people for four years. It's time to grow up, move on, and start a whole new life somewhere else."

If one looks at the positive aspects of graduating, homework is one; there won't be any homework due the next day. There also won't be any statistics or capstone classes, which should make all seniors jump up and down.

There are some students

who have mixed feelings about graduation. Hospitality major Brian Krause, 21, was asked if he was ready to graduate and replied, "I kind of want to go but not really." Many students are unsure of what happens after the big day of wearing a cap and gown. They don't know if it is going to be easier or harder in the "real

world."

Graduation is a stepping stone that college students face. There are many positive aspects about graduating that students will soon learn. But, there will be mixed emotions whirling about on NHC's campus throughout the year until the big day comes for the graduates of 1999.

As the Culture Turns

International Adoption

By Kimika Embree

As more and more couples and single parents either cannot have their own child, or would prefer to adopt, they are looking across the oceans for that special child. Many nations are open to allowing adoptions to take place and finding a warm, loving home for a child. However, adoption is not an easy process, nor should it be looked upon as the easy method of parenting. After having analyzed information from different adoption agencies and their regulations, it is clear to see that only those who would really love the child would be capable of adopting.

It is important to realize that there are two variations, besides the common meanings of the word adoption. The first is special needs adoption. This is where the children are handicapped: physically, mentally or emotionally. Accordingly, some requirements have been relaxed and fees lowered to enable placement for these special children. The second type is called targeted adoptions. These are also known as pre-arranged adoptions. In this instance, the birth mother may want a specific kind of family to give the child to, and won't do so until that family is found.

There are often special requirements when a couple or a single parent decides to adopt internationally. For example, in Russia, both parents must attend an adoption hearing, which can last from seven to fifteen days, and they must be married. In China, there are mostly females between the ages of one and two to adopt. The parents must stay in China for seven to ten days, and arrive on a Sunday. Singles or married couples 30 years old may adopt. If the adoptive parents already have children, they can adopt a healthy child. If a family is looking for male and female infants and toddlers, then Guatemala is a nice place to look. Parents do not have to travel. There is escorting available. This means that the child is brought over to the nearest major city to where the couple is located and is accompanied by a nanny. If the couple or single woman is 25 years old or older, they can adopt. India has mostly female infants available, and the escorting service is mandatory. There is no option to travel. Throughout all the above listed countries, the adoption fees range from \$3,000 to \$5,000. The international fees are from \$5,300 to \$16,300. Combined, the cost is expensive. However, the joy of having a child is worth more than money.

It is important to realize that adoption is a positive option in having a family. Not all adoption processes are smooth and hassle free. However, the final result of a happy, gurgling baby in one's arms is worth the wait.

Voices and Faces

By David Snuffer

What is your favorite movie of all time?



Josh Engel Junior Hospitality Administration Major "Carlito's Way/Mobsters."



Tim Moran Freshman CIS Major "Lethal Weapon 2."



Mary Skeen
Freshman Marketing
Major
"Billy Madison."



Ben Christensen Freshman American Studies Major "Godfather Part I."



Michelle Todisco Sophomore Social Science Major "Event Horizon."



Scott Hirschberg
Junior Communication
Major
"Debbie Does Dallas."

Keith Desjardins Sophomore Sport Management Major "The Lion King."

B.J. Gamache
Junior Sport Management Major
"Muppet Treasure Island."

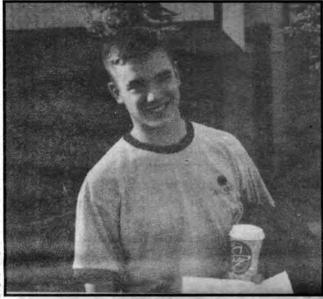


Rob Kilman Senior Restaurant Management Major "Animal House."



Tim Pollard
Sophomore Marketing
Major
"Dazed and Confused."

Chris Thompson
Sophomore Business Administration
Major
"Dazed and Confused."



Bill Koval Senior Hotel /Restaurant Management Major "Predator."



Nicole Sirote Freshman International Business Major "Good Will Hunting."



Erica Elder Sophomore Marketing Major "Top Gun."



Laurie Freeman Freshman Marketing Major "Dirty Dancing."



Kristy Hiller Freshman Accounting Major "While You Were Sleeping."

Entertainment

Movie Review:The Waterboy

By Andrew Cummings and Marc Pawlowski

Ever since the release of Billy Madison in 1995, Adam Sandler has been one of the largest box-office draws in the industry. Now with his latest film The Waterboy accumulating \$38 million plus in its first weekend Sandler has established himself as one of today's top comics.

In The Waterboy, Sandler plays the role of Bobby Boucher, a Cajun, stuttering, 31-year-old waterboy. After being fired from a position on a Louisiana powerhouse college football team, he decides to offer his services to an inter-divisional team of losers guided by head coach Klein (played by Henry Winkler). After one preseason practice, which contained the usual insults aimed at Boucher, he finally stands up for himself by tackling the main instigator, the team's quarterback. His true powerful, hitting style pours out, and Coach Klein gives him the opportunity to play on the squad as one of the team's starting linebackers. In the meantime, Boucher's over-protective momma, played by Academy Award-winning actress Kathy Bates, is unaware her son is attending college and playing for its football team. Also bothering his momma is the fact he has started to spend more time with convicted felon girlfriend Vikki Valencourt, played by actress Fairuza Balk.

As the season progresses Boucher steadily becomes a fan favorite as his defense continues to dominate and win games. Boucher even leads his team to their first-ever bowl-bid. Unfortunately, his mother finds out about his antics and fakes an illness to keep her son off the gridiron for this important game. The locals (most notably a hysterical cameo by Sandler's old SNL buddy Rob Schneider) band together to beg Boucher to play in the bowl game.

The morning of the game, Boucher's momma realizes his importance to the team and the community and gives him her support, allowing him to arrive at his game by halftime. This sets up the somewhat predictable ending, which still provides the film's consistent laughs.

For Sandler's cult fans, this film lives up to its six-month hype. The comedy provides endless humor from start to finish, even for those not impressed by Sandler's patented innocent, dumb-ass character style.

If you're an Adam Sandler follower or fan, this movie will impress you. And if you have never given his films much of a chance, you might find yourself pleasantly surprised.

Kane said this song was "the saddest of the sad." The third song by Dowland was "Frog Galliard," which was composed for dance. The next artist that Kane featured was Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). He played "Prelude and Fugue in D major" and "BMV 998." Then Kane performed a piece by Franciso Tarrega (1852-1909), who began the modern period of guitar playing. The guitar Tarrega used resembled the ones of today. Kane played a romantic tune titled "Capricho Arabe," which pays homage to the music of southern Spain.

After the intermission, Kane continued with five Catalonian folk songs arranged by Miguel Llobet (1878-1937). He then played three pieces by Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887-1959), the foremost Brazilian composer. Kane explained that Villa-Lobos defied categorization; his music was very eclectic. The three pieces were "Prelude No. 1,"

"Prelude No. 4" and "Choros No. 1." The last composer that Kane featured was Leo Brouwer (b. 1939). Brouwer is a contemporary artist who composes very vibrant and rhythmic pieces. He first performed in Cuba and because he couldn't leave his country it took a while for his music to be recognized. Kane played "Lento," a very slow work, and "Obstinato," a fast and lively piece.

The Spectrum Series put on another wonderful show with Chris Kane.

Each month the NHC Spectrum Series First Thursday Café presents plays, lectures, films and other cultural events. Next month they present "Sweet, Hot, and Sassy." The performance will begin at 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 3, in the Hospitality Ballroom. Admission is free.



Drawn by David DeColfmaker

A lesson in music history

By Katy Faria

The stage is set, a single chair and a microphone stand. In walks a man carrying his guitar. It is Chris Kane, a well-known performer in New Hampshire, and an instructor at the University of New Hampshire.

Thursday, November 5, meaning of Puffe to the imagina-The Spectrum Series presented tion. The second piece was pos-"An Evening with Chris Kane." sibly the greatest hit of the Renais-The show began at & p.m. As sance, according to Kane. It was people filed into the Hospitality titled "Lachrimae Pavan," which Ballroom, they grabbed refresh-means flow my tears in Greek.

ments, and sat down to await the performance.

Kane started the night with three beautifully played pieces composed by John Dowland (1562-1626). These works were written during the Renaissance. The first piece was titled "Lady Hundsdon's Puffe." The audience was told to leave the meaning of *Puffe* to the imagination. The second piece was possibly the greatest hit of the Renaissance, according to Kane. It was titled "Lachrimae Pavan," which means flow my tears in Greek.

Holiday Semi-Formal

"Holiday in the City"
Small gym, December 11
9 p.m to 1 a.m.
D.J., photographer, beer tent,
King and Queen contest,
Prince and Princess contest

Horoscopes by Etherea

ARIES (March 12 - April 19)
Romance flickers, flickers and then burns. You attract many with your vibrant personality. Keep a cool head. Calmness reigns.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20) Great work and play opportunities on the horizon. After discussions with peers, seize the day. Hold on.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20) Share with family and friends and love will grow. Your mood is right for a new encounter. Patience is a virtue.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22)
You are giving off sparks of energy. Concentrate on work and major rewards will result.
Stay focused, especially Thanksgiving week.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You excel in competition during this cycle. Play hard and enjoy. Pour yourself into self-improvement. Much laughter.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Financial gains are foreseen. A windfall? An investment? Spend wisely. LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) A brief visit to friends or relatives brings you joy. Bring them a gift. Be generous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Your work needs your attention; strive. New romance indicated in the social sphere. Caution in decisions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Your love of life and carefreeness attract others. Adventure is near. Exciting social events stimulate you. Maintain some balance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Finish uncompleted matters; a resolution is needed. If you take a chance, good luck can be yours. Experiment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Satisfy your passions. You will enjoy trips and social encounters. Be careful.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20)
You are bursting with powerful energy; channel it into work
and you succeed. Your individuality is accentuated and
attracts an interesting other.
Enjoy the contact.

And Miss Reardon . . . confuses a little

By Bindu Rai

The curtains were raised once again for the NHC Drama Club to show off their talents. On the nights of October 30 and 31, "And Miss Reardon Drinks a Little" was performed in its full glory at the Derryfield School. Professor Charles Wilbert, the Drama Club faculty advisor, directed this play, written by Paul Zindel. His direction should be commended; every minute detail was well planned, ranging from the props to the lighting.

Amongst the cast members, there were a few veterans, while some made their acting debut here at NHC. The lead (Catherine) was performed by Shahla Siddiqui, currently a graduate student who has had many other plays under her belt ("Macbeth" and "My Fair Lady" to name a few). Her performance was applause worthy. Sharing the limelight was Rebecca Comtois from Central High School. She played the role of Anna, who was the center of the plot; she gave a stunning performance.

There were a few mistakes made during the performances, but they were beautifully covered up by the cast members; the pistol which Anna carried secretly in her robe fell out during the performance...and did not remain secret anymore. One confusing incident was the break between acts on October 30. The lights dimmed, and then before the audience could react, they came on again for the next act. Apparently there was some confusion amongst the cast members regarding the break.

The plot unfortunately was a bit too difficult for many to follow. The story revolved around Anna, one of the three Reardon sisters, who apparently had a nervous breakdown. The audience detected hints about her having sexually abused one of her students, but they were left at the end wondering if she really had committed the crime or not. Catherine, the eldest Reardon sister, had a few drinks, argued with her other sibling, Ceil (played by Aimee Wilson), then drank some more. There were also subtle hints regarding the three sisters having been sexually abused by their father, but that story was never fully revealed.

When I questioned a few students regarding the plot, they were shocked to find out the sisters might have been abused. Some didn't even realize that Anna was being accused of sexually abusing a child. I think another play should have been chosen. One which college students could have more easily interpreted, as they were the majority of the audience.

A & E Editor seeks writers

Greetings, New Hampshire College. My name is Mark Williams and as of last month I have taken the position of A&E Editor for *The Observer*. My job is to obtain and write stories on arts and entertainment.

Anyone interested in writing articles that pertain to the arts/ entertainment (such as book, movie and CD reviews; critiques of restaurants, or information on concerts, art shows and night-life) should see me at either *Observer* meeting during the week. The staff meets on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in *The Observer* office and Thursday afternoons at 12:45 p.m. in the SGA Conference Room (across from the Pub). If you can't make it to a meeting, you can leave articles, article ideas and pertinent information in *The Observer* mailbox at the Information Booth, attention Mark Williams.

I am hoping to attract some consistent writers to report exclusively on arts and entertainment. If you don't have the time to devote to being a full-time staff writer, I encourage you to contribute articles whenever you can. I look forward to talking with anyone interested in writing for the NHC student newspaper.

NOTE: As of this issue, Observer deadlines will be posted in the window of the Observer office. The deadline for the next issue is December 16. I would like to receive all arts and entertainment articles two days earlier on Tuesday, December 14. Thank you.

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Campus Profiles: Hula in the hall

By Katy Faria

Suzie Phillips grew up in Warwick, R.I., but stored away her hula gear to come to NHC. Now she resides on the third floor of Washington Hall where she is known as "the hula girl."

Suzie has always loved being the center of attention, but having a large family made this almost impossible. Growing up with five brothers and two sisters made it hard for her to have her own identity. Suzie started to take dance lessons to stand out from her siblings. She started dancing when she was four years old. She studied ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical and gymnastics until she was fifteen years old when she began modeling. She also began to participate in beauty pageants. At one pageant a dance company, Judi T. Dance Studio, explained to her that hula dancing would be helpful in the talent portion of pageants. She liked the idea of hula and went back to dancing.

Suzie started performing hula in competitions and luaus, which are Hawaiian festivals. She learned right away that hula is more than just a dance. Hula is the art of telling a story through body movements. The hand motions tell the story. Suzie says "it is a really cool way to express yourself."

Once a hula dancer feels she has mastered the dance, she can become certified in order to join the club circuit and perform at hotels. This is what Suzie did. She became certified and joined the circuit with the group "Kukki and the Coconuts." It wasn't easy, though. Not only must a dancer be able to successfully complete the dance motions but she must also know the different cultures of Hawaii.

Each island includes different dance steps because they have different stories to tell. Depending on the island, the hula dancers use different implements in their dances. For example, the island of Molokai uses ipus, which are carved coconuts, to make sounds that go with the music. On Maui, pou balls are used. Pou balls are cloth-covered balls attached to a woven string. The pou balls are swung around the body while dancing.

Suzie explains, "It takes a long time and hard work to master, but it is worth it." She says dancing has a lot of rewards, such as the reaction of the audience. "It pleases me to see how much fun the audience has watching a show. They really enjoy it," she says.

Suzie's fellow residents of Washington Hall's third floor, who named her "the hula girl," beg to see her perform. She has given nothing but refusals so far. She is not yet sure of her future in hula. Suzie's hula gear was left behind in Warwick, and it is undetermined if it will make the trip up to New Hampshire.

A passion for the job

By Peter Eagles

"I love being an RD," said Kimberly Grueter, the Resident Director for NHC's Washington Hall.

Kim was a student and Resident Assistant at Plymouth State College when she realized she didn't know what she was going to do after graduation. She began searching for a job while still a senior at PSC, applied for the position of Resident Director at Riviere College, and took it. Asked why she took the job, she said, "I wanted to take it to the next level. I like to run programs and socialize."

Since then, Kim went on to become a RD at San Jose State. Her career has spanned the last five years. This past January, she moved back to her home state of New Hampshire to fill one of the positions as a Resident Director at NHC.

As an RD, Kim has to live on campus and currently resides on the first floor of Washington Hall. "I like living on campus," she said, "I come and go as I please and I get to know everyone. This way I'm always here. Living off campus makes it hard to get to know the students and deal with them every day. It's like living two separate lives."

When asked what the most difficult part of her job was, she replied, "Showing kids that we're not their parents. They're allowed to come and go as they please, but if they make a mistake then we're going to handle it. They're not at home anymore, so they need to learn how to handle themselves and make smart decisions. Our job isn't really to punish them, but more to guide them

in the right direction."

She said the best part of being an RD is seeing everyone come in at the beginning of the year and watching them evolve as the year goes on. Most of the kids consider this to be their home by the time Thanksgiving break rolls around. "It drives Mom nuts when their kids say they're going home, meaning school," said Kim.

Becoming an RD isn't easy. First you have to become an RA. To do so, you must go though the application and interview process and then attend a group session to see how well you interact with a group of people. An RA's responsibilities include monitoring the halls during quiet hours, making sure there aren't any violations of the alcohol and drug policies and reporting any such violations to the Residence Director.

To become an RD you have to attend more meetings and classes. If you do become a Resident Director, most schools require that you have your master's degree or be working on it. The responsibilities of an RD include

running programs and trips for residents, answering any questions residents may have about residence life policies and handling any violations of quiet hours or the drug and alcohol policy.

When asked if it's a good idea to become an RD at your own school, Kim suggested, "It's better to go somewhere else. Everybody here has already shown you what they know; it gives you some diversity and experience."

When she leaves her position as an RD, Kim wants to become an elementary school teacher: any grade from one to five. "I have two bosses ahead of me, but I have no intentions of moving up. It's not the type of interaction I want to have with the students. I love little kids, so I want to work with them when I'm done," she said. She is now in the process of taking teaching certificate classes. As she put it, "The programs I make now are basically lesson plans made fun."

Kim loves her job and working with the people around her. For her this isn't just a nine to five job; it's her life.

CAPE: An excellent contribution to the

college

By Courtney McMennamin

CAPE, the Committee for Activities and Programming Events, is the largest student-governed organization at NHC. CAPE is responsible for a large number of the events that take place on campus. CAPE currently has approximately 100 members, more than any other extra-curricular activity in the history of the college. President Catherine Giannetti, a senior Hospitality major, has her work cut out for her. She said, "The hardest part of CAPE is communication, delegation and making sure not to step on anybody's toes." She works closely with seven other executive board members. They include Monthly chair Tiffany Lyon, Major Weekend chair Staci Pike, Pub chair Jill Dupuis, Concert chair Nathalie Haddad, Travel and Recreation chair Jesse Buss, Treasurer Michelle Gamage and Publicity chair Angie Burroughs. Giannetti said, "Our executive board consists of eight talented students that donate their time not only to the other members of CAPE, but to the success of the student life."

CAPE meets every Monday at 6:30 p.m. Giannetti opens the meeting at the crack of the gavel, and the executive board immediately separates into individual groups. Issues such as how current events are running, future plans, delegation of jobs and questions/concerns are addressed. These focus group meetings last from a half hour to two hours depending on what needs to be covered.

Major events that CAPE has brought to the college are the appearance of Dave Matthews, The Mighty Mighty Bosstones and three major weekends a year. These ideas all develop at a regional conference called NACA that the executive board and three other members are able to attend. The success of programming such events is what sets NHC aside from other colleges.

Students joined CAPE for a variety of reasons. Rebecca Wildstein, a freshman Accounting /Finance major, heard about CAPE from her RA and joined because she "wanted to get involved." Freshman Business Administration major Sheila Thurston said, "I wanted to get to know my fellow students, and find out what they were going to get involved in." From a differ-

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ent perspective, well-established senior Communication major Tatum Turner said she joined CAPE "to be reassured that student activity fees were being spent properly and effectively."

The future outlook for this governing organization is bright. Students are getting more involved as the years go by. Sophomore Sport Management major

Tom Presti said, "CAPE has immensely changed internally by reevaluating the way they have run their membership, executive board and programs. Giannetti said, "It was a long hard road to achieve this successful status, but I feel and I know that the hard work I have gone through in the past two-years will be maintained after I graduate."

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By Ben DeGennaro

Without software, a computer cannot work correctly. It is a good idea to keep up-to-date on the newest software updates, patches and fixes. Many software updates need to be purchased, but many utilities, add-ons, patches, bug fixes, shareware and freeware are available on the Internet.

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Many students use web browsers. They use them to surf the World Wide Web and to send and receive e-mail. Most of us are familiar with Netscape and Internet Explorer. It is a good idea to keep upto-date on these browsers, because security loopholes can cause problems with buying online and other people watching you online. To keep up-to-date with these browsers, check out (http:// www.browsers.com) and download the newest browsers. Currently, the newest version of Netscape is 4.08 or 4.5 SR2, and 4.01 or 5.0 for Microsoft Internet Explorer.

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NHC: Diverse or inverse

By Charmaine Madamba

International faces are all around campus and surely any NHC student has observed that a foreigner can be seen at every turn. They may be the Europeans on the way to a soccer practice, Japanese talking excitedly in their native tongue while smoking in the quad or a few Chinese students who are still dazed by being in a strange land.

NHC has built itself on the image that it is a diverse community but this statement brought about disparate reactions. Some nod to agree that our campus is culturally enriched while some raise their eyebrows in question saying that diversity implies some sort of exchange.

And is there one?

Dr. George Commenator, Director of the Center for International Exchange, says there are a total of 551 foreign students in all the departments of NHC and 20 percent of the undergraduates are international, "There is interaction among foreign students themselves and when it comes to Americans and international students, there is more than there used to be," Commenator says. "What level is 'enough'? People from different countries are better in interacting in groups. But no matter how much interaction it's not enough."

"NHC is a diverse community in terms of its student body. There are exceptional numbers of international students in this school," said Najla Rabee, a 22-year-old junior from Dubai majoring in Economics and Finance. "There isn't really any interaction between American and probably the lack of interest of a lot of Americans."

When Chizuru Iwasaki, 22, was asked if she thinks there

is a lot of interaction between the diverse cultures at NHC (particularly Americans and international students), she gave an emphatic "None!" "Foreign students become shy and just step back by themselves," she said. "American students, they just stick around or set groups that a lot of international students have difficulties joining, such as fraternities, sororities and sports teams." Iwasaki, a senior from Japan majoring in International Business Fashion Merchandising, has noticed this in the four years she has been a student here.

Dr. Cindy Earle, 61, English Tutoring Advisor and an Associate Professor/Writing Specialist at the Learning Center, has constantly worked with international students. She was asked what might be the factor that hinders students' interaction with each other and said, "Fear, both foreign and American students have little patience with anything they're not familiar with." "Ethnocentrism is the worst," she added.

The various opinions from different students raised another question: How far will international students go in terms of being open-minded to diversity? Janice Deura, a multiracial (Filipino and Japanese) 21-year-old junior majoring in Accounting, there is, somebody's gonna say was asked if she would date American guys. "No. I like Asian guys! We have similar backgrounds," she said. "They are more presentable and, in a sense, my parents would approve. Actually I have not met an American guy that I've wanted to date yet. Or maybe I'm not really looking."

Although some do not international students. Maybe it seem to experience the diverse atis because of the false stereotypes mosphere of New Hampshire attached to certain cultures or College, some Americans, like Chad Detjen, acknowledge that the blend of cultures adds to the students' learning experience. "I feel that there is a lot of diversity and a lot of interaction between American and international students," Detjen, a freshman who majors in Sport Management, said, "In at least three of my classes, I have international students for classmates and just by listening to what they have to say in class I get a feel of who they

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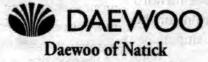
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Three-Year Degree Program

By Ben DeGennaro

The second year of the Three-Year Degree Program is underway. Dr. Martin Bradley, coordinator of the program, has been working hard for its success. Assisted by the three-year faculty, he has been preparing a challenging curriculum for the students.

The three-year program consists of module classes spread out over six semesters, rather than the traditional eight semesters. Currently, the program offers a bachelor's degree only in Business Administration. Future plans for the program include adding two majors, Marketing and Computer Information Systems.

The freshman class has completed its first set of modules in CIS and Communication. They have started their second set of modules, which will end just before Christmas break.

The sophomore class recently took a trip to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston to view the Monet exhibit.

Both three-year students and professors recently spoke with a local architect from Manchester. He talked about business ethics, how businesses integrate emerging technology and about the future of his business. The next speaker will be a former employee of Digital.

The three-year program is off to a great start. It may emerge as a new standard for higher education.

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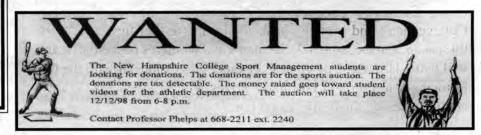
By Bill Kovel

The Student Government Association is now in the process of planning the holiday semi-formal. This popular event will be held on December 11. The executive committee is also involved in this process and any additional ideas are always welcome. If students have ideas or suggestions please attend CAPE meetings on Monday evenings at 6:30.

In other news, the SGA finalized its plans for The Board of Trustee's proposals for the upcoming spring meeting. Each member of congress is now working diligently researching each project.

During November 21-24, the SGA executive board will participate in the annual National Conference on Student Services in Washington, D.C. Events include speakers and seminars on ideas to improve collegiate life. Each member is looking forward to returning to NHC with many new ideas.

If any student has issues that the SGA can address, please inform your class representative. The meetings take place in the SGA Conference room at 6 p.m. Each meeting is open to all students and you are encouraged to attend.



Cross-Country closes season in N.Y.

By Tara Cowdrey

The NHC men's and women's cross-country teams ended their season on October 24, in Albany, N.Y., at the NECC Championships.

The women finished off their fourth season well with a placing of 7th out of 9 teams. Senior Jean Tuson was the first runner to cross the finish line for NHC in 69th place with a time of 21:57. Sophomore Tara Cowdrey ran a season-best time of 22:53 and finished in 91st place. Freshman Jaime Davidson and junior Lynn Beal were neck-in-neck for the last 100 meters of the finish. Beal slightly edged out Davidson with a time of 24:20 and finished 111th, with Davidson right after her in 112th place and a time of 24:21. It was a season-best time for Beal. Sophomore Melissa Cowdrey recorded a personal-best

time of 31:10.

The men finished off their second season as a varsity sport with an 8th place finish out of 10 teams. In the men's race, senior Brian McLeod was first for NHC, setting a new school record of 28:49, and placing 83rd. Junior Johan Brandt wasn't far behind finishing 92nd with a personal-best time of 29:05. Senior Josh Matthews had a strong finish with a time of 31:47. Michael Lascelles and Eric Lombardo also ran personal-best times. Lascelles finished 134th with a time of 31:51. Lombardo had a time of 32:40 and placed 140th. With a time of 33:45 was senior Richard David. Chris Laperle, sophomore, finished the race in 40:30.

With many good runners returning next year, look forward to an even better season for the NHC cross-country teams.

Students react to NBA strike Although 1998 was a gr

By Jennifer Conley

With the traditional Thanksgiving NBA double-header just around the corner, many disgruntled NHC basketball fans voiced their opinions about the recent refusal of the players to participate in any games until their disputes with the owners over salary caps ended in their favor.

"What happened to playing a sport because you love it? They only play for the money." This reaction from Kellie Patane, a junior Sport Management major and manager of the NHC men's basketball team, is shared by many basketball fans on campus.

Professional athletes not playing because of disputes over money is nothing new to sports fan. "Look at what happened to baseball," said Brian Ellis, a senior Marketing sports fans. "The two years after the strike the attendance dropped way down." Although 1998 was a great season for baseball, it took years to get the fans' support back after the strikes.

"I think it's more the players than the owners," said senior Marketing major Miki Hall. Kathleen DeFreitas, also a senior Marketing major, said, "In the end the owners will be losing money when the fans don't show up." Jarrod Galante, one more senior Marketing major, said, "The players get a salary every year while the owners make more and more."

The price of a ticket to catch a game at the Fleet Center is ridiculous. "What are they going to do? Raise the price of a ticket to make up for the fans who are mad and won't go anymore?" asked Ryan Schiebout, a junior Marketing major.

Most college students not looking forward to an exciting career as a professional athlete cannot relate to the situation the players and owners are in. "Give me a job after graduation with a minimum starting salary of 70 grand a year," said Schiebout.

Hospitality Student Association News

By Kimika Embree

The Hospitality Student Association (HSA) would like to wish each of you a happy holiday season. We are featuring many new events for the upcoming months and hope that you can join us. The activities consist of experiencing new ways in which we can further our education within the hospitality industry.

We are looking forward to a guest speaker that we have arranged to come to New Hampshire College on November 19. Mrs. Jan Baker, the General Manager of the Merrimack Hotel, has agreed to come speak to us on her experiences as a hotel manager. This will be enlightening for all hospitality students, and a good time to ask questions about the industry.

The HSA is looking at future events to give us a better grasp of the industry. All students are welcome, and we hope you will make a stop at the hospitality building to join us in this opportunity to gain insight into the hospitality industry.

Wednesday night fever

Come strut only your best 70's gear. Join the New Hampshire College men's and women's basketball teams as they tip off the 1998-99 season. On December 2, the men's and women's basketball teams will battle UMASS Lowell at 5:30 and 7:30. Come and join the fun. Remember to come in costume. Prizes will be given for the most enthusiastic and the best-dressed fans.

Name change causes uproar university implies that

By Tatum Turner

"Changing the name of the college would affect the undergraduate domestic student recruitment. One of the basic marketing principles is name recognition. We are a young institution, and we would be making a big mistake as we are currently gaining popularity," said Pauline St. Hilaire, Associate Director of Admission. Many members of the NHC community have expressed their concerns about changing the name of the school from a college to a university.

Because NHC added two new doctorate programs, the college is eligible for university status. Some are positive about this possibility of change. Jason Rabinowitz, NHC alumnus and graduate student at Lehigh University, said, "Because we have university status, we should publicize our achievements as a higher education program. It will not only attract more students, it will attract more prestige." George Miville, Director of Public Safety, said, "Changing the name will give us more status. A university implies that there are more choices, more majors and more international flavor."

But other members of the NHC community said changing the name will hurt the reputation of the college. "NHC has very few traditions as it is. Why would we risk a name change ... and what's next, changing the Penmen?" said John Krause, NHC alumnus. (When surveys were done previously on the issue of changing the school mascot, the Penman, the response was an overwhelming no.)

"NHC is a very well-known business school throughout the world, and changing the name of the school will only lose its identity," said Maureen Monterio, senior Marketing major. "University implies a big school, which will drive away prospective students looking for a small school with a close-knit community," said Anthony Mazzotta, senior Hotel and Restaurant major.

NHC has hired a consultant firm to investigate the name change. They have conducted many focus groups, and have sent out surveys to the NHC community.

NHC beats Franklin Pierce!

NHC Press Release

Sophomore Steven Kowlessar netted two goals to lead the New Hampshire College men's soccer team to a 4-1 victory over Franklin Pierce College on Saturday in opening round action of the NCAA Division II Men's soccer tournament. NHC improved to 16-2-2 and will face Southern Connecticut State University in the Northeast Regional championships game next weekend.

Mats Nyqvist and Richard Walker also scored for the Penmen.

NHC opened the

scoring 16 minutes into the contest when Nyqvist, a 6-foot-5 defender, headed in a corner kick by Ulf Karlsson. "We told Mats at the start of the season that we would be using him a lot more during corner kick situations," said NHC head coach Tom Poitras.

The Penmen doubled ther lead just 4:45 minutes later when Walker took advantage of a defensive mistake. After the ball was missplaced by a FPC defender, Walker found himself in alone on the FPC goaltender. He dribbled past him and slid the ball into an open net

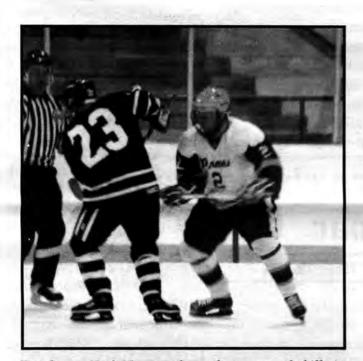
from 10 yards, for his 21st goal of the year.

If the seeds hold, the Penmen will most likely head to New Haven, Conn. next weekend to play Southern Connecticut State in the regional championship game. SCSU handed the Penmen a 2-0 loss at Penmen Field earlier this season.

"We have eight seniors that have never beaten Southern Connecticut, and we know the road to the final four will most likely go through Southern Connecticut," said Poitras. "It will be a good opportunity for those guys."



Richard Walker gets off a shot during the NCAA Regional game vs. Franklin Pierce. (Photo by Colin Manning.)



Freshman Nick Nugent showed some good skills in his first college competition. (Photo by Tom McDermott)

NHC Hockey has close call with Plymouth State

NHC Press Release

The New Hampshire College hockey team christened the new Tri-Town Arena in fine fashion on November 7, posting a thrilling 3-2 victory over in-state rival Plymouth State College before a crowd of 350. It marked the season and conference opener for both ECAC Northeast teams.

Graduate student Jean Marc deGrandepre netted the game-winning goal with just 1:30 to play in regulation, as he banged home a loose puck during a scramble in front of the PSC net. Sophomore Rich Miller led the Penmen attack with a goal and two assists, while his twin brother Rob netted NHC's second goal of the night.

NHC evened the score with 17 seconds to play in the second period off a powerplay goal by Rich Miller. The Penmen took their first lead of the night midway through the final period off Rob Miller's slap shot from the blueline. NHC maintained the one-goal lead until the

15:55 mark when a PSC player took a cross-ice pass from another teammate and one-timed a shot past NHC goaltender Nick Roussel during a 5-on-3 power play. The NHC penalty killing unit killed off seven of nine PSC power plays, including a five minute major and one 5-on-3 advantage.

Roussel, a freshman out of New Hampton School, turned in an outstanding effort for NHC in his first career game and finished with 36 saves.

Men's team opens season with a big win

NHC Press Release

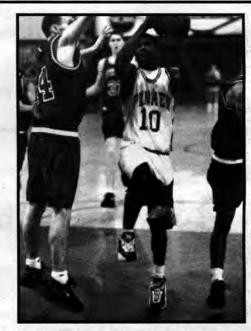
The New Hampshire College men's basketball team opened its 1998-99 season with a 74-58 victory over Adelphi University in opening round action of the Sheraton Four-Points Classic on November 13 at Saint Anselm College.

Junior Bobby Miller paced a balanced attack with 14 points and six rebounds, while freshman Nambi Williams turned in an impressive debut with 12 points off the bench. Sophomore Ryan Chartrand added 11 points and five assists for the Penmen.

NHC held a 27-26 lead late in the first half, but took a 41-28 lead into the break after outscoring the Panthers 14-2 over the 4:53 of the half.

Adelphi cut the Penmen lead to single digits, 45-36, early in the second half, but NHC responded with an 11-2 run and opened up a 56-38 lead following a three-point play by Miller with 9:59 to play. The Penmen maintained a double-digit lead the rest of the way.

Seniors Orlando Ranson and Rob Welsh both netted nine points for NHC, while fellow senior Tarik Sheppard chipped in eight points and five rebounds.



Bobby Miller played a key role in NHC's win over Adelphi on Friday. (Photo by Bruce Taylor)