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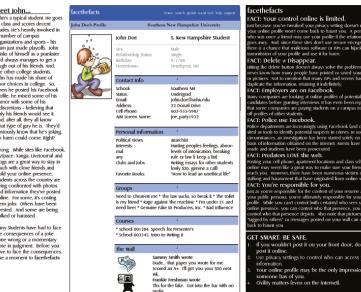
Facebook/MySpace Warning Brochure Produced by Student Life Office

Sharon O'Donnell

Contributing Writer

A newsletter was recently sent to faculty and students of Southern New Hampshire University regarding the online Web sites Facebook and Myspace. The newsletter was issued as a warning to the students who upload photos that show illegal alcohol and drug use. It was also issued towards those students who discuss these issues on the Web site. Facebook is a "social utility," or virtual community, that is used to connect people everywhere. It was originally created to be used by college students only; however, in the past year it was altered so that High School students, companies, and regions now have access to it as well.

Scott Tierno, the Director of Student Life/Student Center, states in the newsletter that Facebook "is increasingly being



Student Life Office produced a brochure about Online Social Networking Sites Image/Scott Tierno, Director of Student Life/Student Center

used as a means to glorify reckless and or/illegal alcohol and drug use." He also writes that students are a using this web site to exaggerate their sexual activity and promiscuity. Tierno then goes on to warn students that there have been situations where students have been prosecuted by local law enforcement as a result of things that have been posted on Facebook.

According to USA TODAY, Michael Guinn had been "thrown out" of John Brown University, for posting pictures of himself dressed in drag. However, Guinn believed that only his friends would

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SNHU Students Stir Up Safety Concern

Katlyn Morin

News Editor

An e-mail to SNHU students was sent out in response to inappropriate behavior that took place on the weekend of October 27-29.

Noted behavior consisted of violent confrontations, property damage and disrespect for one another.

Dr. Scott J. Kalicki, VP of Student Affairs, addressed in his e-mail the importance of the university's code of conduct and that "no cases of physical confrontation can or will be tolerated."

"Students, visitors, and any member of the (SNHU) community share a responsibility to maintain a safe environment," Jim Winn, Director of Public Safety, said.

"There's an expectation," Winn said of students. "These are the rules."

Winn asks students to be responsible and to not take matters into their own hands. "If



Dr. Scott J. Kalicki, SNHU VP of Student Affairs Photo/SNHU Dept. of Publications

you're having a problem, Public Safety is here for a reason."

"Everybody has a chance to walk away," Kalicki said. According to Kalicki, this semester has seen "more incidents with more students resorting to physical confrontation."

Students are reminded that the university takes violations seriously and physical/verbal violence is not

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Election 2006 Coverage

Andy Collins

Layout Editor

On Tuesday, November 7, Americans went to the voting booth to elect public officials in the mid-term elections. After all of the votes were counted, the 2006 elections proved to be a very influential one which will be changing the political make up of our country in the next few weeks.

For the first time since Woodrow Wilson was President, both the House of Representatives and the Senate had their majority parties swap, resulting in a Democratically controlled Congress. For the first time since the "Republican Revolution" during the 1994 elections, the Democratic Party gained control of both the House and Senate.

A number of firsts for the US Congress happened during this year's mid-term elections. Nancy Pelosi (D-California) is expected to become the first female Speaker of the House, and Harry Reid (D-Nevada) is expected to become the



Image/ci.sauk-rapids.mn.us first Mormon Senate Majority Leader. For the first time ever, Representative Keith Ellison (D-Minnesota) become the first Muslim elected to the

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Did you vote in this past election?

Don't Follow Politics
17%

Not Registered
31%

Yes
25%

Poo People Surveyed

Survey Says...

Caitlin Murphy

Staff Writer

The vote is the most powerful instrument ever devised by man for breaking down injustice and destroying the terrible walls which imprison men because they are different from other men.

> ~ Lyndon B. Johnson 36th President of the United States





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The Observer | Letter from the Editor

Amanda Russell

Editor in Chief

So I'd like to ask the student body one question: "what's your favoritecafé fod?" Our last issue had some blatant mistakes that were recognized by not only our staff in our weekly meetings, but also by the faculty, students and administration on campus. We received emails and suggestions over the past month giving us advice on how to make the newspaper a better publication, and our staffs has taken all the advice to heart. We've worked hard on making this issue much better than the last.

In addition to spending more time on the "little things" we've also enhanced our staff by making Julie Lancaster our new opinion editor, and Daniel Smith our new club editor. I'd

also like to thank professor Diane Les Becquets for encouraging her journalism students to submit news articles. We've got some great students who are being published for the first time this month. As always, we encourage anyone to submit articles to the observer@snhu. edu, or attend our weekly meetings on Wednesday's at 2:15p. m. in Robert Frost, room 301.

There's less than a month left of the semester, I hope everyone finishes out the semester strong! Just remember that you can make up for all those hours of sleep lost due to studying, group projects and papers when winter break rolls around. It'll be here sooner than you think!

Facebook

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be able to view his posts and was very upset by this.

Kristie Hobart, an Education major at SNHU, states that Facebook is a way for students to connect with one another and that what individuals post on their page is their own personal information that should only be viewed by their friends. Hobart says that, "We all have freedom of speech. This is a violation of it."

Jason Baker, a senior at SNHU, was also upset when he found out about the newsletter, "its [Facebook] our personal property and we should be able to express ourselves on it without having to be worried about being arrested."

Whitney Pratt, a fashion merchandising major at SNHU, says that "Facebook should only be allowed to be used by us [college students].... anyone who is not in college should not be able to look at what we are writing to our friends." When asked about her thoughts on whether or not Facebook was becoming unsafe, she replies that "it is definitely becoming more unsafe because anyone and everyone can join it now." She also states that it is not just law enforcement posing as students to view their profiles but "crazy" people as well. She is referring to situations where students have been stalked by online predators.

MSNBC reported in February 2006 that the law enforcement in Connecticut arrested a man when they discovered he had raped a young girl he had found on Facebook. On Long Island, another man was arrested last fall when he lured a girl he met through Facebook and sexually assaulted her. Jamaal Russaw, a SNHU student, says that one does not know who is viewing the information students are posting on Facebook. He states that "it [Facebook] puts people out there and students must take precautions because it [Facebook] is the internet. The internet is one of the most scariest places to go in the world"

Another student, Kayleigh Mallieux, a Business major at SNHU, feels that students are becoming "too comfortable" on web sites such as Facebook and should not post personal information on the internet because anyone may view it. "Students have to be careful about what they say and what information they post. They do not know who is viewing their information and could find themselves in trouble, whether it is with the cops or some Internet psycho."

Most students interviewed agree that the law enforcement should not be viewing their posts. They also agree that students must take proper precautions to ensure that their information is private

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US Congress, and two Representatives became the first Buddhists in the US Congress.

Locally, a number of highly contested elections came to a close across New England. Here in New Hampshire, both Representatives Incumbent were defeated in close elections. Carol Shea-Porter (D) defeated Jeb Bradley (R-I) in the First Congressional District, Paul Hodes (D) defeated Charlie Bass (R-I) in the Second Congressional District. Incumbent Gubernatorial candidate John Lynch (D) defeated James Coburn (R) to keep his position of Governor of New Hampshire.

Probably the most noticed campaigns in the region were

Distinguished Poet Reads at SNHU's Pub

Ian Nicholas

Contributing Writer

Baron Wormser, former Poet Laureate of the State of Maine, gave a free reading in the Last Chapter Pub Tuesday night as part of an effort by SNHU's Creative Writing department and the School of Liberal Arts to showcase distinguished writers for students. He read to a crowded pub, first prose from his memoir The Road Washes Out in Spring, and later, poetry from his collections such as Subject Matter, Mulroney and Others, and the chapbook Carthage, on subjects as varied as nature, tattoos, childhood, and an uncaring American President. His new book of poetry comes out in 2008.

and that only their friends are viewing it.

At the end of the newsletter Scott Tierno writes that with education he believes he will "be able to help our [Southern New Hampshire University] students make more informed and responsible decisions about their behavior on the Internet." Facebook is a great way for students to meet others with similar interests, interact with their friends who attend other schools, organize study groups, and talk with their professors. When used properly and safely it is very effective.

the campaigns for Governor of Massachusetts. One term Governor Mitt Romney (R) did not seek re-election and instead endorsed Lieutenant Governor Kerry Healey as the Republican nominee. After a close Democratic Primary, former US Attorney General Deval Patrick became the Democratic nominee. Grace Ross (G-R) and Christy Mihos(I) also ran but only saw poll numbers in the single digits. In the end, Deval Patrick (D) became Governor-elect winning 55% of the vote. The highly publicized "Question 1" to allow a separate class of liquor licenses to be created for grocery stores was defeated with 56% of the vote.

Overall, 2006 was a great year for the Democratic Party. No Democratic incumbent lost, and no Republicans captured any open House, Senate, or Gubernatorial seat previously held by a Democrat for the first time in US history. With the 2006 Elections now over, it is only a few more months until the 2008 Presidential election is at our front door. A number of people have already announced their candidacy, and still more are to come, but if the trend continues, the Republican party will have to re-focus their strategies to gain ground back in D.C.

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condoned. "It is a clear tier violation," Kalicki said. The disciplinary proce-

dures section in the student handbook states that, "a particular incident may involve mitigating circumstances that increase or decrease the severity of an offense.'

Behavior that took place in late October is not typically associated with SNHU campus community.

"This is not us, it really goes down to people being responsible - for themselves and for each other," Winn said.

If you witness violations of the code of conduct, Public Safety can be reached at extension 9700 and will respond immediately.

There are officials on and around campus as well as emergency call boxes and lights that are located throughout the campus providing direct contact with Public Safety if needed.

News

Great Expectations for SNHU's New Dining Hall

Jennie Fitzgerald

Contributing Writer

A new dining hall and multipurpose room, expected to be finished in Fall 2008, will be "the heart of SNHU," according to SGA President, Okendo Lewis.

Significantly bigger than the current student center, it will be a glass building half the size of a football field, located on the Eastside. Although located across the street, the walk will be worth it to many.

Dr. Kilicki, President of Student Affairs says, "We want people to stay." He called the project trendy, up to date, and contemporary. It will encourage students to dine in a less crowded, less noisy, more comfortable area.

His expectations for the project are high, hoping that it "will bring a better quality of life and dining to the students and faculty". The dining area will

The dining area will have 450 seats, including booths and tables. It will have a restaurant-like feel with carpeting and fireplaces.

Various food stations will be offered, such as a snack bar/ fried food area, stir fry area, a grill, and an international cuisine area. They will be circular stations where students walk around instead of in a cafeteria line. Students can watch the chefs prepare the food and have more selections when deciding what to eat.

The multipurpose room will be located on the second floor where special events will be held, such as concerts, guest speaker presentations and coffeehouse performances. There will be seating for 350 people and foldable stages for events. People will have a place to

socialize, conduct meetings, and enjoy entertainment.

"It's about time," says junior Rachel Bliss. SNHU has long been in the expansion process. The dining hall was supposed to be finished fall 2007, but because of the increase in gas prices, had to be postponed until 2008.

Although many are excited about the project, some are concerned. Whether the dining hall should be a priority is being questioned by our SGA President, Okendo Lewis. Comparing SNHU to a restaurant, he says, "You can have all the fancy silverware, nice tables and top of the line décor, but when it comes down to it, if the food [education] isn't good then you don't have a successful business."

He believes that our school's priority should be education; updating the library should come before the dining hall. According to Lewis, SNHU is following a national trend of improving looks before education.

However, also excited, Lewis says, "The new dining hall will be the center of the community; it will reflect what the students want."

Professor Diane Les Becquets believes that the environment of a University is vital to the learning process and the

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P.S. Log

Dan Smith

Photo & Clubs Editor

10/29/06 1:30 am

P.S. officers responded to a fight on the third floor of Washington Hall. The report was of a couple of students entered another students dorm and started a fight. The student in the room grabbed a small bat and chased them out of the room. P.S. broke up the fight and one of the students was bleeding from the mouth. The Police were called and one student was arrested.

10/29/06 12:40 am

P.S. responded to a domestic fight in Washington Hall. One resident was reportedly assaulted by her boyfriend. Hooksett PD was called but no one was arrested.

10/29/06 12:40 am

In lot 19 a PS officer saw three individuals in a car. When the PS officer approached they noticed the persons in the car had a lighter and a glass bowl. The glass bowl contained unburnt marijuana. The PSO also noticed a plastic bag in the car. The PSO confiscated the bag, bowl and lighter.

10/27/06 11:09 pm

PS responded to a fallen girl. The girl was very intoxicated and would not stay still. The officer did manage to get ID form the girl but she was very uncooperative. The girl kept trying to stand up and falling down again and again. The girl was eventually forcibly transported to a hospital.

10/31/06 11:45 pm

An unregistered guest was reported in NC. When PS officers came to the room the guest was asked to leave. The officers found students playing beer pong, most of them underage, and forced all the beer to be poured out.

Financial Speaker Visits SNHU

Frank Rubino

Managing Editor

Peter Bielagus, nationally known financial speaker and author of the book Getting Loaded, gave a speech on personal finance for students and faculty on November 1. If you missed the event, some of the key points that Bielagus went over included five ways to raise your credit score, and three reasons why budgets don't work.

Five ways to raise your credit score:

- 1. Report any errors that are on your credit report. Because of common last names and data entry mistakes, 70 percent of people have errors on their credit report that aren't their fault.
- 2. Pay off any credit card debt you have.
- **3.** Establish a credit payment history. The easiest way to do this is to open one credit card and charge the same item each month such as gas for your car. Then, pay it back in full on time each month, thus
- **4.** Stop applying for new credit cards.
- **5.** Add your name as an authorized user on your parent's credit card(s). When doing so, your parent's

never carrying a balance.



Peter Bielagus visits the SNHU Community to speak about Financial Success Photo/Andy Collins

credit score automatically becomes yours, even if you don't use their card. Only do this if your parents have a high credit score, as this would be to your benefit. Three reasons why budgets don't work:

1. People are in "la la land" when they create budgets. People fantasize

and are unrealistic when

2. People don't budget for

creating

their

budget.

the little things. Small purchases such as snacks and coffee can add up to a big dent in your budget.

3. Chain reaction shopping. Meaning, if you buy one

expensive item, suddenly all your other expenses increase as a result. Bielagus, a former real estate broker in Boston, is working with Hearst Entertainment to develop the first personal finance reality TV show.

Something NEW For You to Do!



Talk, Paper, Scissors, Manchester's new paper crafts studio & shop offers a great atmosphere for getting together with friends and being creative. We'll supply the beautiful venue, tools, assistance and even ideas for your next get together.

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Set aside some "me time" or make it a girl's night out. Plan to visit the late, Paper, Scissors studio at 575 South Willow Street in Manchester.

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Refund Card Comes to SNHU |

Dan SmithPhoto & Clubs Editor



Southern New Hampshire University has moved to a new system of doling out refunds to students who are entitled to them. The program sets up an online program for you to choose a preference as to what you would like to do with your money. The three options are: receive a paper check, deposit the money into another bank account of your choice, or deposit the money into the account provided by Higher One (the company that provides this service).

Another feature to this card is the debit feature. Higher One gives each student the option

to set up an account with them. Now if a student has opted to have the refunds deposited into the Higher One account then this account is automatically set up. This account works exactly like a checking account; a student can deposit and withdraw money just like they would in a normal checking account. The only difference is that any refunds that the student has opted to receive in that account will be deposited directly in the account.

The SNHU One Card was provided to student by SNHU to make it easier to receive refunds. Higher One includes these other features as a way to better benefit the student body as well. There is no need to take part in any of the programs with the exception of receiving your refunds. If there are any further questions about the SNHU One Card please log onto www. SNHUOneCard.com/easyhelp.

Former High Profile Investigator to Teach at SNHU

Steven NormandinContributing Writer

"Whitey" Bulger is in the news at Southern New Hampshire University. Thomas J. Foley, the lead supervisor of the investigation that led to an indictment of James "Whitey" Bulger, has signed on to become a professor of Southern New Hampshire University's new program in justice studies.

To go along with more 26 years of service in law enforcement Foley, a former Massachusetts State Police Colonel and Superintendent, has his bachelors degree in criminal justice from Westfield State College and a master's degree in criminal justice from Anna Maria College. He has also received the United States Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service from Attorney General John Ashcroft in 2004, which is the departments' highest award employee performance.

While Foley's experience and credentials are impressive, his work with the "Whitey" Bulger case has caught the interest of students around campus. Bulger, the wanted fugitive and ringleader of the Irish Mob, is currently wanted on numerous charges including racketeering, along with 18 counts of murder. He fled prosecution in 1995 after being tipped off that he was to be indicted. His whereabouts are still currently unknown.

"From chasing Whitey Bulger to teaching at SNHU? That blows my mind." Said Southern New Hampshire University student Scott Evans. "If I wasn't so bad at Business Law I would sign up for that class!" Fellow students Mike Rooks and Steven Fucci both said they were planning on taking the course. SNHU student Scott Weiner, for one, was not as excited about the opportunity to learn from Foley. Weiner stated that Foley could not be that exceptional at his job, considering Whitey Bulger has still been missing "for what? 15 years?"

The justice studies program, which is intended for senior justice professionals who must understand law, constitutional protections, finance, budgets and employment policies, is scheduled to begin for undergraduate students in the fall of 2007.

Class Registration Made Easier through Online Service

Jennifer Manning

Contributing Writer

Registering for classes online may have its difficulties but compared what students used to have to go through it is now a piece of cake.

Kyle Doyan, a SNHU graduate, recalls using a big book to have to pick the classes he wanted because there was no online registration. "People used to wait in line at 4AM or earlier," he says "and people were always angry and it was just a mess."

Before the online registration process at SNHU occurred, students had to register for classes at the Student Administrative Services office. The doors opened at 7am but students were always camped out long before then in order to insure their spot in line and to make sure they got the classes that they wanted and most importantly needed.

"When classes were full you would be out of luck because then you would have to re-do your whole registration sheet and you didn't know what classes were opened or closed," Kyle said.

Now students have the opportunity to sleep in their warm beds the night before reg-

istration. They set their alarms for 6:50 am, turn on their computers, log on to PENPAL and at 7am they point and click away. When a class is full they have the ability to search for another one as soon as they find out. However, despite its benefits, online registration does have its downfalls.

Richard Conway, another SNHU graduate, said that one time when everyone went to register for classes the servers were down. "Everyone freaked out and went to the (SAS) office. The people there had to do it manually," he said.

Also, some students may encounter problems with their own computers; nonetheless, the overall feedback from students is that online registration is the best way to go. Tyler Edmunds, a current SNHU senior, experienced the waiting in line to register for classes his freshman year, the last year this process was in effect. "People were camped out with sleeping bags and food," he says. "They even their computers with them so they could watch movies to keep them entertained for the hours that they would be waiting." Tyler feels that in today's fast paced college atmosphere, including classes,



work, clubs, and social activities, students need an easily accessible program to help search and register for courses.

While computer problems may continue to arise, "students can always rely on the SAS office to register," Edmunds says. He warns that students should make sure that they have reliable computers so that the registration process goes as smoothly as possible.

Current students may think registering online is a pain but if they had to wait outside in forty degree weather for seven hours in pushy lines, with grumpy students who are all trying to sign up for the same classes they would hopefully learn to appreciate the current registration process that Southern New Hampshire is using.

In the end, after speaking to many SNHU students, the consensus is that PENPAL is a great system that, with proper use, is reliable and a great tool for today's college student.

An Inconvenient Truth Comes to SNHU

Andy Collins

Layout Editor

On Monday, November 13, students and staff filled Walker Auditorium in Robert Frost Hall for a showing of *An Inconvenient Truth*. The movie is a documentary about Former Vice President Al Gore's mission to educate people about the dangers of global warming and how our civilization is causing most of the harm.

Global Warming increasingly become an issue on the front page since the modern environmental movement started in the 1970s. Starting in 1958, scientists began sending up weather balloons to measure the levels of carbon dioxide in the Earth's atmosphere. The levels do increase and decrease once a year because most of the vegetation lives above the equator and more carbon dioxide is converted to oxygen during our Spring and Summers. Overall though, the levels have been steadily increasing yearly and it does not appear to be slowing down.

One of the most covered topics in the movie is a part about weather patterns and the increasing of tropical weather events as the Earth's temperature rises. Since the end of the US Civil War, temperature readings have been recorded across the country. Of all the years on record, the ten hottest years on record have all occurred in the last 14 years, and 2006 was the hottest of them all. These hotter temperatures is causing warmer waters in the Oceans which fuels stronger storms like hurricanes.

The part of the movie which caused the biggest reaction from the faces in the audience was about the rising of sea levels across the world. If the western ice shelf of Antarctica or the ice on Greenland broke up, sea levels world wide would go up 20 ft. 20 ft. may not seem like much water, but for low lying areas like Florida, the Netherlands, and parts of India and China it would displace millions of people.

Al Gore has given his talk about global warming over 1,000 times, and has pledged to keep doing so to educate enough people to cause major changes in how our society puts a price on our Earth's natural goods and services. The movie was met with great reviews by students talking after the showing was finished as they left the auditorium.

For more information about An Inconvenient Truth (which is now available for purchase on DVD in a 100% environmentally friendly package), or what you can do to help reduce your individual carbon emissions, visit http://www.climatecrisis.net/

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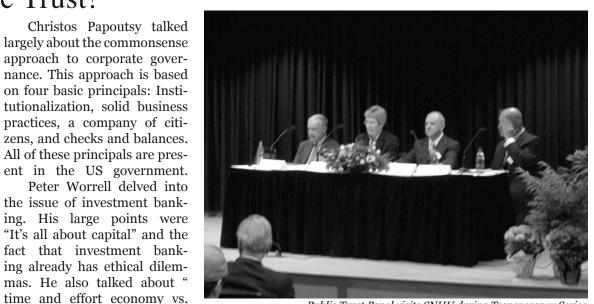
Dan Smith

Photo & Clubs Editor

On Wednesday November 8, a group of well-known professionals gathered in Walker Auditorium to discuss the problem of the loss of public trust in corporate governance. The presenters included Paul Brountas, Peter Worrell, Christos Papoutsy, and Annabel Beerel.

Paul Brountas described why the public distrusts corporate America. He set forth examples of corporate scandals to accentuate his point. Some of the problems with corporate governance is "excessive executive compensation" and "backdating of stock options", Brountas pointed out. Without a good board even the best CEO cannot make a good company as well as visa versa. Brountas wrapped up his speech with the Twelve Precepts for Directors and the Five I's.

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Public Trust Panel visits SNHU during Transparancy Series Photo/Dan Smith

described in great length how to create an ethical environment all coming down to trust. She also described her theory corporate governance

called the Systems Theory. The event lasted about

two hours and had a question and answer session at the end. All of the presenters

well welcomed warmly and

there was even a photogra-

pher from CNN in attendance.

Dinning Hall

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dining center will be a great addition. "It can light up the senses, encourage learning, intelligent discussions, and get people in tune with culture."

In the next five years, SNHU hopes to establish a new library, a community and economics building, expand classes, have more greenery instead of parking lots and make River Road SNHU property.

Many students are excited about the change, claiming that it will "bring us one step closer to putting us on the map," Shannah Gingras says.

The current cafeteria will be transformed into a fast food type of area, but will still be there for the students and faculty to utilize.

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Women's Health Q & A

I'm confused about the "morning-after" pills you can take after having sex. Just what are they and how do they work?

Cyan Magenta Yellow Black

Pardon the pun, but there are a lot of misconceptions about emergency contraceptive pills.

Emergency contraception (EC), which goes by the brand name of Plan B®, has often been referred to as the morning-after pill.

The truth is. EC is effective up to five days after unprotected sex- not just the morning after. EC significantly reduces the risk of pregnancy after unprotected intercourse by providing a short burst of the hormone progestin that disrupts the process essential for pregnancy. It is up to 89 percent effective if taken within the first 72 hours. But the sooner you take it the more effective it will

Make no mistake, however, EC is not a substitute for a routine birth control method, nor does it protect against sexually transmitted infections. It is intended to be a back-up emergency measure in the instance of sexual assault, when no other birth control was used, or in the event of a method failure.

EC is extremely safe and will not affect an established pregnancy. It is believed that greater awareness of and access to this after-the-fact contraceptive option could prevent 1.7 million unintended pregnancies and 800,000 abortions a year.

It is also entirely different from a medication abortion or the so-called "abortion pill." The abortion pill-known in Europe as RU-486-is a completely different product for a very different situation. Prescribed in this country under the brand name Mifepristone, it is administered by a medical professional to terminate a very early pregnancy.

Later this year, Plan B® emergency contraception will be available at pharmacies and health centers without a prescription for consumers over 18. Until then—and after-women and teens can still get Plan B® at Planned Parenthood health centers and most pharmacies (with a prescription). And-because we're lucky enough to live in a state with an EC Collaborative Practice law —you may also be able to get EC directly from a participating pharmacist, without first visiting your

health care provider

For more information contact Planned Parenthood of Northern New England at 1.800.230.PLAN or visit www.ppnne.org.

Opinion

Hannaford's Offers Lower Prices

Frank Rubino

Managing Editor

Many people living in the apartments and townhouses on campus cook their own food, and therefore have to go grocery shopping. There are three supermarkets within easy driving distance of Southern New Hampshire University. They are Shaw's in Hooksett, Hannaford's on Bicentennial drive in Manchester, and Stop and Shop in Manchester down by the mall.

As a way of comparing their prices, I took a sample of prices for 18 random grocery items that a college student might buy. The prices and totals are listed below.

Although I didn't compare the prices for every single item that the three supermarkets sell, I think that the sample is an accurate representation of the overall prices at the three stores.

Hannaford's turned out to be the one with the lowest prices, totaling \$49.00 for the sample. Shaw's was the highest with a total of \$54.13. Although the difference might not seem like much, it does come out to about 10 percent. If you could save 10 percent each time you go grocery shopping, the savings would accumulate over time. Stop and

Shop was in the middle with a total of \$50.88, about 4 percent higher than Hannaford's.

The sample includes only name brands since not all supermarkets offer the same products in generic brands. If possible, buythegeneric or store brand since it's always cheaper. Also, to provide a more accurate sample, all prices are regular and not sale prices. To save more money, check a store's flyer to see if an item you need is being offered on sale. And finally, never go grocery shopping when you're hungry! You'll end up buying twice as much than if you were full!

| Item | Stop & Shop | Hannafords | Shaws |
|---|-------------|------------|---------|
| Bananas, 2lbs. | \$0.98 | \$0.94 | \$1.18 |
| Hood 1% Milk, half-gallon | \$2.19 | \$1.79 | \$2.29 |
| Tropicana premium orange juice, half-gallon | \$3.19 | \$2.79 | \$3.79 |
| Kraft cheese singles, 24 slices | \$2.99 | \$2.99 | \$4.29 |
| Colombo yogurt, 8oz. | \$0.67 | \$0.67 | \$0.89 |
| Mama Celeste Pizza for One | \$1.29 | \$1.25 | \$1.50 |
| Wonder Classic White Bread, 24 oz. | \$2.49 | \$2.49 | \$2.49 |
| Skippy Creamy peanut butter, 18oz. Jar | \$1.99 | \$1.89 | \$2.00 |
| Tide Origional, 100 fl. oz. | \$6.99 | \$6.99 | \$7.19 |
| Coke Classic, 12pk. | \$4.19 | \$4.29 | \$3.79 |
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| Campbell's Chunky Soup 18.8oz. Can | \$1.29 | \$1.67 | \$2.19 |
| Cheerios, 150z. Box | \$3.19 | \$3.49 | \$3.49 |
| Hood Chocolate Ice Cream, 1.75 quart | \$3.59 | \$2.50 | \$3.00 |
| Total: | \$50.88 | \$49.00 | \$54.13 |

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Dear Lexi,

I have feelings for a professor of mine. I can't help it. Is this a problem? -Puzzled Pupil

Puzzled Pupil,

It's a free country. You're an adult now – it's only a problem if it interferes with your academics. Whether or not you get an A in the course this professor teaches is another story.

Dear Lexi,

I know I'm a good guy and everything, but why is it that every girl 'friend' I have ends up liking me? It's so hard to let them down. -Hard to Get

Hard to Get,

The next time you are having a friendly chat with your 'girlfriends' mention to them casually that you have this occurring problem. They may sense that it makes you uncom-

fortable and it will also show them that you're concerned and care about your friends. Instead of letting them down each time...give one a chance. You never know what may happen.

Dear Lexi,

I have this friend who has had the same hairstyle and look for the past ten years. I don't want to hurt her feelings but she really needs a change. She's pretty boring. How can I let her knowthis without insulting her?

-Friend Needs Fashion

Friend Needs Fashion,

Do you have a few other friends who could join you and your friend in need for a girls night of beauty makeovers? This will not single out your friend and will make it an experience for you all to share together. Suggest haircuts, colors, makeup, and trying on each other's clothes. If she isn't into the idea of a makeover, tell her to come along anyway and maybe she'll change her mind.

Feel free to e-mail Lexi at letterstolexi@hotmail.com with questions or concerns!

Safety and Parking at SNHU

Jerice Cosentino

Contributing Writer

Parking here on the Southern New Hampshire University campus has been a huge problem for both faculty and students for quite some time now. It's difficult to find a convenient spot and people are at their maximum frustration with the system.

Students who have lived on campus have been dealing with this problem for years, but now with the ever growing student population at SNHU, faculty members too have seen the problems of trying to find a spot. Coming back late at night and trying to find a spot close to your dorm room and apartment is a struggle, and is definitely a cause for concern due to the recent attacks at colleges across the country. "I work late, and at night when I come back I have to park far away and it scares me. I worry about the walk back, and I talk to my boyfriend on the phone the whole time until I reach my doorstep. There aren't even any

emergency lights," Says junior Lucretia Joy. Safety is what should come first at SNHU and having students have to walk through the dark without any emergency lights near by is not benefiting anyone.

SNHU has tried to fix the parking situation by assigning designated lots according to where on campus students are living. For example if you live in the Westside apartments you have the right of parking in the lot closest to your building. Freshmen now are only allowed to park down in what is called the "ghetto" or lower suite lots. "The parking situation last year was horrible. You couldn't find a spot close enough to where you live if you tried. At least it has improved somewhat since last year, but it could be better" said junior Kristen Hemphill.

As SNHU grows in size like it has been for the past years, its time to think about the student's needs and safety. SNHU is a small private school, and good parking is a must have.

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Opinion

What Does Safety on Campus Mean to the Students?

Shannah Gingras Contributing Writer

"I think Public Safety should actually find out what some of the students real concerns are before they go around acting like they are doing everything they can for the good of the SNHU community" says senior Jennifer Manning.

Students agreed that on the weekends they felt safe within the confines of Southern New Hampshire University. However, those confines do not exist as strongly in the day-to-day life of SNHU. "I would feel safer on campus during the week if they [Public Safety] used the same measures [of campus accessibility] as they do on the weekends," states senior Pat O'Neill

On the weekends from Friday afternoon until Sunday late into the evening the main entrance to campus is opened on a permission-granted basis. The remainder of the week there are the main entrance and the side entrance to campus, both left mostly unattended.

pointing out that the inconsistency of people in the booth could be asking for something drastic to happen. "Look at UNH with the guy who cut women's shirts while they were sleeping," Manning comments.

While the SNHU campus is expanding in its residence areas, students were told that there would be an escort service late at night for people walking back and forth since parking has changed so drastically this year. Freshman must park in a specific parking lot that is farthest away from the freshman residence halls. "I don't feel comfortable walking to my townhouse from "the ghetto" when I get home from work at 11 o'clock at night. And I really wish that I could call public safety for a ride (especially when it gets colder out) but I heard that public safety just drives beside you and that would make me feel like they were taunting me," Manning says. She went on to reiterate that during the week, campus

Manning agreed with O'Neill has no way of knowing who has come on to campus. The school has no control over what happens along the road that connects the main side of campus and eastside residence areas. If they happen to see something they can prevent it, but if they aren't there students vulnerable. This idea prompted a friend of Heather Prescott to ask for a ride, which she was refused by Public Safety. "But the next day the fliers went up offering the escort service, but what if they aren't around?" Prescott pointed out.

Pierre Collins, Assistant Residence Director, explained that the goal of Public Safety and Residence Life is to have less of a "party culture" on campus.

Their main concern is with students harming themselves or potentially others on the weekends due to excessive drug and alcohol use.

The theme of policy changes this year has centered on the idea of eliminating excessive behavior. Collins feels, "If a party is broken up after just

one person attending the party has had three drinks instead of perhaps seven or eight, then, without even knowing it, we've perhaps saved that person from further risk to him/herself that would have perhaps resulted in an ambulance transport." By limiting the consumption at a party, it also limits the repercussions and potential threat to the student or other students in their area.

Residence Life and public safety are more concerned this year with the internal threat of the actual students. While Public Safety and Residence life are concentrating on eliminating the "party culture" on campus the students are worrying about external threats as opposed to the internal threats of themselves.

As O'Neill points out, "predators do not only attack on weekends.

SNHU Parking

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"At my old college we had it a lot worse, yet then again we were four times the size of SNHU,' savs junior transfer student from Plymouth University Katie Adamyk. Having more parking is a necessity. For both convince reasons, and safety. Students need to feel safe at SNHU, they deserve that right. Faculty also deserves the right to park close to where they work and not have to get early in order to do so. SNHU is going to continue to grow in population and its time to take consideration into safety needs and concerns.

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Entertainment

Bob 'Mah'ley' Humors SNHU

Jordan Lake Staff Writer

There's no way in. SNHU's Last Chapter Pub was filled beyond visual capacity in the wake of Comedian Bob Marley Thursday, October 26.

The line of kids braided around the Student Center pressed their faces against the Pub windows like toddlers at a candy store. This outer crowd waited with baited breath for Marley to take the stage.

Marley's opening act. John Cail ordained the room in braze of blue and denim, taking free rein of the college atmosphere with his "down and dirty" humor. From fat jokes, to drug use, to who-doesn'tlike-a-good-penis-joke, controversy was off limits. While I don't think Marley was shakin' in his boots, Cail kept the audience engaged.

The pre-Halloween crowd embraced Marley's seasonal jokes with that sort of ironic understanding that only a New Englander could fully relate. Rapid segway led the crowd through a nostalgic journey home. Memory was palpable. You could almost taste the familiar conversations you've



Stand-Up comedian Bob Marley at the SNHU Last Chapter Pub Photo/Jordan Lake

had with mom and dad "you've got your shoes on, go pave the driveway." And whether Marley's quick solution to his father's request really was to prowl the house naked, he painted a lovely picture.

Even Shaw's Supermarket wasn't safe from grocery-shopping down memory lane. "Mom went over the intercom sayin' 'put down the sugah' cereal, pick up the fake Pu'p Tah'ts and get ovah' he'ah!" Marley reminisced.

"This is still a blast," said Marley after his performance. "Even though the size of this

crowd hasn't hit me yet, playin' the college shows keeps ya real humble." Marley even gave this reported the skinny on his forthcoming Boondock Saints motion picture sequel. "There was a legal battle between the production company and the director for the rights of the script, but with that settled the sequel is now under way." Fans will be pleased to hear Marley's prominence in new movie "I'm in this one [the sequel] a lot more. There was enough demand for me to have

Run From Running With Scissors

Molly Casazza Staff Writer

The film Running With Scissors, written by Ryan Murphy, creator of Nip/Tuck, and based upon the personal memoir by Augusten Gaylord Burroughs, is confusing to follow. Somewhere in the midst of the film the plot line seems to dissolve. The scenes change, lines are given, but it was not substantial enough to create a meaningful story but rather an awkward grouping of events.

The film lacks enough detail and attention to character development to spark any emotion from the viewers. There is not enough time spent with each character to really get to know them. One exception of this might be with the character Augusten, played by Joseph Cross, who is the protagonist. It was not because there were too many characters either, there just was not enough time spent getting to know each one.

The story is based on of the real life story of young Augusten, and dealing with his family issues. It starts in 1971 when Augusten is seven years old. His father Norman, played by Alec Baldwin, is a distant

drunk who is too selfabsorbed to be bothered by his son. His mother Deidre, played by Annette Bening, is a depressed middle aged woman who has always



felt that she was suppose to be Deidre's obsession famous. with achieving success with her writing and Norman's habit of drinking causes tension in the house and as a result they divorce. This causes Deidre to seek help from a psychiatrist, Dr. Finch, played by Brian Cox. Through the course of her therapy Augusten is forced to live at Dr. Finch's house and is eventually adopted by him. Augusten finds himself living with a mix of crazy characters that make up Dr. Finch's family.

The family is made up of his wife, Agnes, played by Jill Clayburgh, his two daugh-

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The Hanover Street Chophouse Julie Lancaster

much more dialogue this time."

Opinion Editor

The Hanover Street Chophouse, less than a year old is one of the best restaurants in downtown Manchester. Voted Manchester's best house by The New Hampshire magazine, the Hanover Street Chophouse is worth a visit!

The owner, Chuck Rolecek began his vision for the Chophouse almost three years ago. In 2006, it became one of the best steakhouses in this area. Beginning mostly as a steakhouse, the Hanover Street Chophouse is much more than that. Offering select cuts of beef, lamb, pork and chicken the Chophouse has a diverse menu that can please any taste bud. A personal favorite of Rolecek is the cowboy steak. Other favorites of the locals are the Kobe burger, and the swordfish BLT, both located on the lunch menu. Piled high on a homemade bun, the blackened swordfish, roasted tomato, and crisp bacon melt in your mouth.



Large portions are served ever so elegantly with prompt and friendly service. Offering two private dining rooms and a full bar, the business casual, yet elegant atmosphere is unlike any other in the area.

As the founder of CR Sparks in Bedford, New Hampshire and the Event Center at CR Sparks, Rolecek was no stranger to the restaurant industry. After receiving his degree in hospitality from the University of Denver, Rolecek began to work for United Airlines. It was working with catering for United Airlines that really helped Rolecek. While working for this large company he got to expand his knowledge of the industry,

while really getting involved with it. "Work for a good company early in your career," says Rolecek, "work for a company with good standards, good training and good opportunity."

"Consistency, consistency, consistency" said Rolecek when asked about the success of his previous restaurants. "A new restaurant needs to have a good first impression, and a restaurant like CR Sparks that has been around for over 12 years needs consistency, consistency, consistency.

The Hanover Street Chophouse receives my restaurant rating of an A! Located at 149 Hanover Street, Manchester, New Hampshire, call (603) 644-CHOP for reservations.

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Entertainment

Employee of the Month Review

Dan Smith

Clubs & Photo Editor

Dane cook brought a new aspect to the big screen in his classic "doitforthegirl" comedy. The setting of a wholesale store was a perfect place to display the comic genius of Dane Cook.

Jessica Simpson played the perfect hot cashier. The

Directors did a good job of developing Jessica's character by give her more human traits like her giant ears. Dax Shepard was the perfect yang to Cook's yin; he played the arrogant head cashier that Dane competed against for the title of employee of the month.

In the end Dane out plays Dax by winning employee of

the month and getting the girl. Although there were some serious points to this movie it was still a real comedy. The whole cast brought a unique aspect to the classic comedy that was desperately needed in today's cookie cutter comedy world!

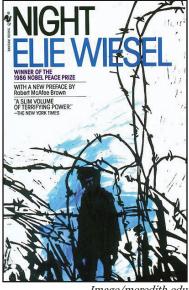
I would recommend that you find a way to have this movie in your collection; I know it will be in mine!

Book Review: Night by Elie Wiesel

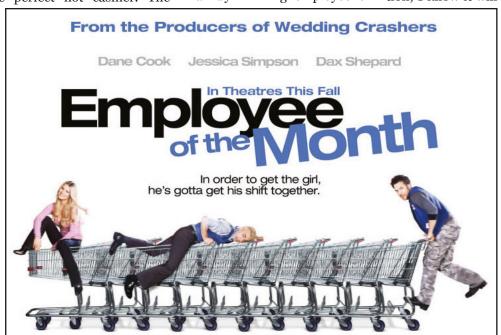
Gayle Nelson Staff Writer

Winner of the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize, critically praised from around the country, comes the terrifying auto-biographical account of a Jewish boy and his family during the Holocaust. Elie Wiesel went through so much anguish and a loss of innocence at such a young age which he accounts for in his auto-biography Night. Wiesel and his family were all taken from their cozy home to a series of horrific Nazi concentration camps. As soon as they arrived there Elie accounts of some of the horrors that went on in these camps. He witnessed the torture and death his family and other innocent people endured during this time. Even at a very young age Elie could still remember and tell a very detailed and accurate story of his account in these Nazi camps. "To remain silent and indifferent is the greatest sin of all." Wiesel always stood by his quote; he always thought it was good for others to know what really went on. This book

will be read on for generations and generations to come. It is a part of classic literature, and I highly recommend that people become more aware of what really went on. This book is very graphic, but it is a part of emphasizing his point on what exactly happened. Night is a part of history, and like Elie Wiesel's quote, no one should stand in the dark about true accounts on something this devastating in world history.



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Student Government Tuesday, November 28th, 2006

President's Message

Okendo Lewis Gayle

Contributing Writer

On November 11-12, the SGA Senate assembled on the foothills of Mount Washington to discuss the problems affecting the SNHU community and develop possible solutions. The Senators grouped in classes (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior and graduates) and identified the following as the problems and solutions for their respective classes:

Freshmen

Problem: Students not getting much out of SNHU 101, it is not challenging enough.

Solution: Get a better understanding what

exactly are the issues with the class and possible solutions.

Sophomores

Problem: Sophomore students need assistance in their transition from underclassmen to upperclassmen.

Solution: Get them involved in SGA recognized clubs and organizations.

Juniors

Problem: Poor attendance to student-led events, intellectual ones in particular.

Solution: Help clubs reach out to the SNHU community.

Seniors

Problem: Some seniors do not know what to do or who to talk to for both graduation and career development.

Solution: Provide assistance and guidance to all seniors in their transition from college to the real world.

Graduates

Problem: Little attention given to graduate issues.

Solution: Focus graduate issues such Webster Cafeteria hours, Website, Graduate School Webster commuter lab, etc...

If you would like to know more or help your representatives tackle any of the above issues please feel free to contact me or any other member of my Executive Board and help us make a better SNHU for YOU!!!

Vice-President's Message

Sam Peret

Contributing Writer

We have had a very exciting month of October and I'm sure many of you are well rested from the much deserved Thanksgiving Break. House of Reps met on Nov 1 and elected the International Students Association Club of the Month for their active planning and involvement including a trip to the White Mountains. A special congratulations to the club president Prince Soko for taking Senator of the month for the SGA in the same month.

The HOR elected the following themes for month of October: Har-Political Awareness. Phi Delta Theta, Phi Delta

Psi, TV Club and Communications Club all took advantage of the Club Incentive Program to get money for their events by co-sponsoring, advertising, and holding a theme related event.

Look forward to a HOR newsletter that will be circulating through the SGA office, outside the cafeteria, and at the HOR meetings which will include past and upcoming events for clubs and organizations, as well as information on club meetings, how to get involved and requests for cosponsorships. You can tune into channel 74 for updates on school events as well as current events on SNHU NEWS for YOU. Remember, it is never too late to get involved at SNHU.

Treasurer's Message

Vijay KailaschandJain

Contributing Writer

Namaste/Hello, it's time to give you all an update regarding the SGA Budget and Finance. I would like to inform you that the **Budget and Finance Committee** has started accepting requests for additional allocations. We have made few changes to the Budget and Finance Polices and Procedures from last year. I have distributed the Budget and Finance Policies and Procedures to all the Clubs and Organization Presidents. Along with those I have also given out the guidelines of Treasurer Responsibilities, tips on Financial Management, drafting your budget, how to manage a ledger and the process to retrieve your funds from SGA. I have also prepared a quick reference guide "Budget and Finance Policies and Procedures for Dummies".

Spending Report:

Details on all student activities funds allocated and how much money has been spent

so far. Total allocation of student activities fee for Clubs and Organization are \$529,551.00 Allocation used by Clubs and Organization as of November 1, 2006 was \$ \$152,163.45 which amounts to 29% of the total allocation. Copies Plus and Office Supplies total allocations are \$7,200.00 and \$4,050.00. Allocation used by clubs and organization \$1,425.00 and \$1,286.60 which amounts to 20% use of copies plus and 32% of Office Supplies.

Memos:

Following clubs and organization received memos from Budget and Finance Committee for violating Budget and Finance the Policies and Procedures: **IGC**

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Reminder:

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Please remember to add "Funded by your Student Activities Fee" on all your publications.

The Budget and Finance Committee meets on Tuesdays.

If you have any questions regarding any SGA associated requests, please feel free to meet with me during my office hours.

Thank you for all your cooperation and as always your favorite SGA is here to make "Better SNHU for You"!

Executive Officer's Message your dining experience, to the

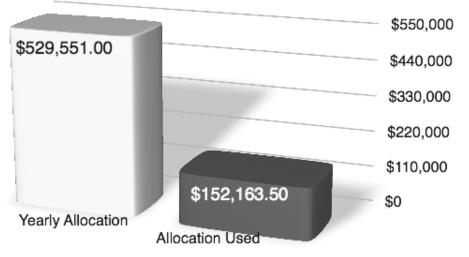
Contributing Writer

Greetings to all members of the SNHU community. As Executive Officer of the SGA I find myself in a leadership position for the student body. I can honestly say I have never felt as polarized in my life, experiencing both high levels of praise and criticism. I have come to understand that those opposite reactions are a result of positions of leadership and are unavoidable. I once read, "Christmas is the time when kids tell Santa what they want and adults pay for it. Deficits are when adults tell government what they want and their kids pay for it." My goal is to not only enhance the experience of current students but also future students, the classes of '11, '12, '13 and on. One way I do that is through monitoring both University and SGA committees. They range from such things as the Dining Committee, which aims to enhance

Budget and Finance Committee, which is in charge of the budgets of all of the clubs and organizations on campus. They all meet once a month and the majority of them encourage students from around campus to attend the meetings. Contact me at Anthony.carr@snhu. edu for details involving meeting times, dates, and locations. I have also recently been voted in as the parliamentarian for HOR meetings. At a past meeting they voted to have Robert's Rules of Order as their parliamentary procedure. And, because it's such a complicated and detailed book and I currently use it to run SGA meetings, Sam Peret, the chair and presiding officer of HOR, felt I would be useful. One quick trivia question for you before I go. The first person to email me the correct answer will win a free t-shirt. What kind of vote is needed in order for the following motion to be passed: "suspend the rules?"

Total Allocation of Student Activities Fees for 2006-2007

Debate Society



Secretary's Message

Tony Carr

Contributing Writer

The last month has been an extremely busy one for all the SGA Senators. This is especially true of our Senator of the month Prince Soko whose contributions to the school have gone above and beyond. As President of the International Students Association and the

Debate Society he has held activities that have been tremendously successful. Along with many campus organizations he was able to successfully host the Political Fair that took place last month. Also SGA on the Road will be November 28th in Conway. This is a great opportunity for any student who has questions or concerns.

Clubs



The New RadioSNHU Lineup For Fall 2006!

5-6 PM Sarah Kaechele

9-11 PM Justin Levesque Rock and Talk

12-2 PM Shabaz

5-7 PM RadioSNHU with DJ B-RICH and DJ Alex

7:30PM-10 PM Tim and Jon

10- 12 AM Rap with T-Brown

- 7 PM "Awesome Forces" With Chris Brown and The Bito vith random banter, guests, characters, segments, not to mention some wesome music from local punk, rockabilly and ska bands!

-8:30 PM Pizza Tony and Brendan Marble Magical Music with Unicorns uns, Fairies, Genies, and Pop Punk!

9-11 PM Radio Land with Timmy D and Evan O!

5-7 PM Mabs Jazz hour with Mabakohena Sekano

7-9 PM Dick and Nick Sports Blitz

9-11PM Chillen With The Leroy Boys: Matt and Sam

Thursday

5-8 PM DJ D-Rock

3-10 PM "The Unexpected" With DJ Dan and DJ Oxy

SNHU Billiards Club

Every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. Jillian's host our 8-Ball tournaments. It's free to enter and you can win up to \$80. While you're playing, enjoy some free food. Transportation is provided, so remember to show up in the Last Chapter Pub at 3:15. Only 16 spots available so sign up fast! Contact President Patrick Guico at raymondpatrick@ snhu.edu or the Vice President Joshua Dick at joshua. dick@snhu.edu for more info.

Creative Writers Get Together for **Book Discussions** and Entertainment

A new writing and book club organized by novelist and creative writing professor Diane Les Becquets held its first meeting on October 17. The group discussed Joan Didion's memoir "The Year of Magical Thinking" and the process of writing over a meal at a local restaurant. The informal club is open to new members. It's next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28th. Student will meet just inside the front entrance of Robert Frost Hall at 6:30. The book to be discussed is "Mystic River" by Dennis Lehane.

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$\Phi \Delta \Psi$ - It's all Greek to me!

What the oldest fraternity on campus has been up to

Greg Davis

Contributing Writer

Some on campus think that the 'Greeks' on campus don't do anything positive for the university and the community, and are just an excuse to drink on the weekends. However, this long-time negative stereotype of fraternities and sororities at universities across the nation is becoming part of the past, and here at Southern New Hampshire, it is no longer true.

The brothers of Phi Delta Psi, the first fraternity on campus, established in the spring of 1966, have been doing some great things for SNHU and the community of Manchester. Since the beginning of this year the men in maroon and gold have hosted a 'Welcome Back' barbeque for SNHU students the first week of classes. They have been actively working on community service projects as brothers volunteered time for a local pond clean up in Manchester and worked with the Special Olympics in Nashua last month.

Most recently, the brothers of both Phi Delta Psi.

and the brothers of Phi Delta Theta co-sponsored a concert event in the Last Chapter Pub which featured the alternative/experimental rock band 'Ellis Ashbrook'. The event was a great time, with a fall theme, which meant that apple cobbler and ice cream were served. Ellis Ashbrook's sound can be compared to a mix of the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Sublime with heavier riffs. You can find out more about Ellis Ashbrook at the band's official site: www.ellisashbrook.com.

Phi Delta Psi has many great events planned for this and next semester, so look for posters and info on future Phi Psi sponsored events. Upcoming Phi Delta Psi **Events**

Dec. 7th - The Phi Delta Psi Lip Sync Contest (presented by RadioSNHU)

January- Rush

March/April-The Phi Delta Psi Talent Show For more information on these and other events, log on to the fraternity's official website at: www.phideltapsi.net.

The TV Club and Communications Club had a great turnout for Nov. 14 recruitment day, where they showed off some great student art and the TV Club's green screen setup. Students can still sign up for either club by contacting the following:

> TV Club: tv@ snhu.edu, meets Tuesdays @ 11:00 am In the AV Studio (next to the library). Communications Club: communications@ snhu.edu, meets Wednesdays @ 2:15 pm in RF-332.

Sports

Women's Soccer Season Ends

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Contributing Writer

The seventh tie of the season proved to be the deadliest as the Southern New Hampshire University women's soccer team was eliminated from the Northeast-Ten Tournament after tying Le Moyne College 1-1 in double overtime.

With the tie, the Dolphins (8-7-1, 6-7-1 NE-Ten) moved one point ahead of the Penmen in the standings and qualified for their first Northeast-Ten Conference tournament berth since 2000. SNHU, which needed a victory to qualify for the NE-Ten Tournament, saw its three-game winning streak end and closed out the 2006 season at 6-4-7 overall and 4-4-6 in the league.

Sophomore forward, Sophia Saint Paul says: "It was there for the taking, we just could not put a whole game together. We out shot, out ran, and simply outplayed Le Moyne. Our luck simply went dry." SNHU out shot Le Moyne 21-6 for the game, 14-4 in the second half, and 4-0 in the two overtimes played after regulation. "We peppered the keeper. We just could not find the back of the net. This was the story of our season," says Saint Paul.

The story Saint Paul is referring to is the fact that the SNHU women's soccer team had an extremely difficult time scoring when it mattered most. The team played in nine overtimes. Tying seven, winning one, and losing one. "Scoring was a frustrating task. We hit the post in every game from every possible angle," Saint Paul says. Scoring was challenging for SNHU, but their defense was impeccable, only allowing twelve goals for the entire season.

Although the SNHU women's soccer team was disappointed by being ousted from tournament contention, next season will hopefully prove to be successful. "We will not be watching from the stands next season, Saint Paul added. 'We will be playing late into November next year."

A Sports Legend Remembered | Wrap-up

Nick Tasso Staff Writer

Right before the start of the Boston Celtics 2006-2007 season; the Celtics and their fans got the tragic news that Arnold "Red" Auerbach had passed. Their cigar smoking beloved coach and front office personnel for decades died on October 28th at the age of 89. As head coach of the Boston Celtics, he won eight straight NBA titles and nine overall in the 1950's and 1960's.

Auerbach joined the Boston Celtics in 1950 and in 1959 he started one of the greatest stretches for any professional team. From 1959-1966, the Celtics won eight titles with Auerbach at the helm. He won nine overall as the head coach of the Boston Celtics and also had a winning percentage of 66% in the regular season.

After coaching, he went to the front office where he once again assembled teams that went on to win NBA Championships in 1968 and 1969. He is well known for making key



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trades and being a draft genius. He drafted both Bill Russell and Larry Bird who are now in the Basketball Hall of Fame.

At the time of his death, Auerbach was the President of the Boston Celtics. In honor of his death, the Celtics wore black shamrock patches on their uniforms which will be worn for the rest of the season. On opening night, along with the shamrock patches, the Celtics also put on a video tribute to Red who will be greatly missed by everyone.

Fall Sports Wrap-up

Stephanie Belida

Sports Editor

Women's soccer ended their season with a 1-1 overtime tie against the LeMoyne Dolphins. The women ended the season with a record of 6-4-7. Senior Carolyn Mahoney was named to the 2006 Northeast 10 All Star Team. Women's soccer also placed five players on the Northeast 10 All Academic Team.

Men's soccer made it to the NCAA Division II tournament. They were ousted in the first round by Franklin Pierce College with a 1-0 loss. They finished their season 9-7-5. The men's soccer team places two players on the Northeast 10 All Academic Team.

Volleyball ended their season with a 3-1 loss to Merrimack College. Volleyball ended with a record of 13-12. They placed two players on the Northeast 10 All Academic team, and Senior Colleen Eddy was named Northeast 10 Libero of the Year.

Men's and women's cross country ended their seasons at the Division II NCAA Northeast Regional at Franklin Pierce College. The men placed 15th out of 22 teams while the women placed 16th out of 22 teams.

Lastly the golf team placed 4th at the Northeast 10 Championship tournament hosted by LeMoyne College.

from last year's team. Head Coach Karen Pinkos is set to being her second season with the Penmen. Last season the women made their first appearance in the Northeast 10 tournament. Look for the women's team to begin their season at home again Bloomfield College. The action begins Novem-

Madden Tournament Begins at SNHU

Nick Tasso Staff Writer

Madden Tournament held by Athletic Intramurals, is down to the final eight It started teams. with 26 teams where participant chose a team at random. Trades, free agent signings, etc was not permitted; team played every game as is.

The eight teams left are the St. Louis Rams (Joel Bisson-

ette), the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (Timothy Richardson), the New York Giants (Michael Ricciardi), Jacksonville Jaguars (Timothy Francis), the Pittsburgh Steelers (Jake Charleston), the Kansas City Chiefs (Jonathan Berube), the Washington Redskins (Brandon Shelby), and the Philadelphia Eagles (Darnell Wilson).

The Rams won in their only match allowing only three points to the Dallas Cowboys.



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The Rams will have a tough test in the next round when they face the Bucs who have scored at least 63 points in their two games. New York may have a tough time beating Jacksonville who defeated New England in the first round by three scores. The Chiefs shutout their last opponent while the Steelers gave up 35 points so that too is going to be a good game. The Redskins gave up two

field goals and a touchdown in their last win while the Eagles haven't played a game because of a forfeit. Every player left has played very well up until this point in the tournament.

Upcoming Xbox Intramural Tournaments include a Halo 2 Tournament and Tiger Woods 2007 Tournament. Look for flyers around campus about upcoming tournaments.

Winter Sports Preview

Stephanie Belida

Sports Editor

Penmen Hockey has started its season off with a 100th win for Coach Rene LeClerc, who is in his 8th season with Penmen Hockey. The hockey team came to the 7-4 decision over Johnson and Wales University in their home and season opener. The Penmen return home after a two game away stint on November 21, 2006, against Tufts University at 7:30pm.

basketball Men's returns nine players from last season. This season will mark Stan Spirou's 22nd season as head coach. The Penmen will spend more than half of their season on the road, but be sure $to\, catch\, the\, home\, season\, opener$ on December 2, 2006 against Pace University at 3:30pm. This game will be a rematch of last seasons Northeast 10 Tournament opener where SNHU defeated Pace 83-70.

Women's basketball also returns nine players

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Sports

Lacrosse Team Has High Hopes

Justine Barker

Contributing Writer

Just two weeks ago they were taping their crosses' (lacrosse stick), tightening their pockets (what you catch the ball in), suiting up with arm pads, shoulder pads, rib pads, and mouth guards filled with spit. The Southern New Hampshire Men's Lacrosse team has iust ended their fall season and has "high" hopes for the spring.

"We brought in two really outstanding recruits who give us a great chance of going further than we ever have," said goalkeeper Greg Palladino.

The recruits that everyone is talking about are brothers Sean and Matt Ball. Sean, a junior is a transfer student from Sacred Heart. He plays mid-field, and you better watch out because he has a shot that is 104 mph. His brother Matt Ball will be entering Southern New Hampshire University in the spring semester, just in time to join the Penmen. He is transferring from a junior college where he was named All-American and Player of the Year. With their speed and dynamic shots, these brothers will be quite the duo to watch.

The recruiting process is very, says coach Paul Calkins. " We start watching kids their junior year. If we like how they are playing then we go to a recruiting showcase during the summer of their senior year.

They are then invited to visit the school to get to know the campus a little better. If they like the school and are interested in attending, then we invite them back for an official tour at the beginning of their senior year."

The newest addition to the coaching staff of the men's lacrosse team is defensive coach Greg McCarthy. He is a recent graduate of Hobart College in New York. He has no prior coaching experience, but was a starter for Hobart all four years. McCarthy was named to the watch list for the Tewaaraton Award Foundation in 2005. This award is given to the top $male\, and\, female\, college\, lacrosse$ player in the United States. The Penmen have already seen a vast improvement in their defense since McCarthy arrived.

"Coach McCarthy simplified our slide packages, making it harder for other teams to dodge against us. This will give our team a clear advantage against our opponents," says attacker Spencer Rennick.

Coach Calkin says he understands the game and knows what it takes to play your best at this level.

The team started off light in September, trying to get everyone back into the swing of things. They practiced everyday five days a week and some even managed to make it to the gym. While they may not have had



SNHU Lacross Players Practice on Larkin Field. Photo/ Kellen Gosselin

a real schedule or any important games, they had quite an impressive fall season. They hosted a small tournament with New England College, University of New Hampshire, and University of Connecticut. According to mid-fielder Brian Molyneaux, they beat all three teams "handily." The team also traveled to Endicott College to play in the team's last fall season games. The team competed against Merrimack, Bentley, and Endicott and won two of their three games, losing to Merrimack by two.

Captain Ben Lanman said, "We controlled the entire game and even out shot them, but we just couldn't get the ball in the back of the net."

However, they did set

some new school records by beating Endicott and Bentley for the first time. With every one of their starters on the offensive side of the ball returning, and adding some young talent into the mix, the Penmen seem extremely positive for their upcoming season.

They lost an All-American and a key starter on defense; therefore the team's defense is it's weakest part. But the team has added a new defensive coach who players feel will fill those holes and make a strong and successful defense. With a great fall season, some new key players, and a new defensive coach, the Penmen might just have a National Championship under their belt.



SNHU Lacross Players Practice on Larkin Field. Photo/Kellen Gosselin

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Running with Scissors

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ters, Hope played by Gwyneth Paltrow, Natalie, played by Evan Rachal Wood, and the adopted son Neil Bookman. played by Joseph Fiennes.

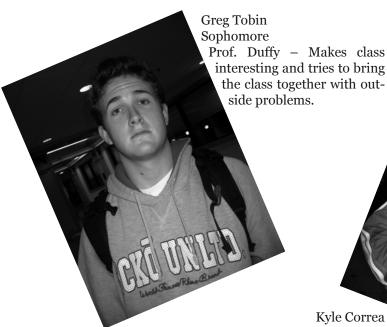
Living in the house Augusten finds himself dropping out of school, putting a sky-light in the kitchen, picking up smoking, eating dog kibble as a snack, participating in activity called "Bible dipping", receiving messages from God through bowel movements, and experiencing his first gay relationship.

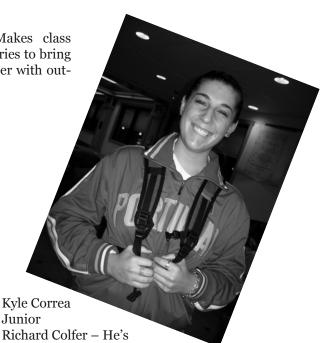
The film is packed with emotional breakthroughs that are more comical than anything. The lack of talent in the actors was not the problem either, but rather the viewers were not in tune enough with the characters to feel the full

effect of what they were saying. Wood delivers a strong monologue about a confession of a former love interest, but it is under appreciated because the audience never got the chance to meet her character Natalie in full effect. The other daughter, Hope, is an emotionally unstable woman who believes that her cat could talk to her. Paltrow has so few scenes in the movie that her talent as an actress is not allowed to be displayed and as a result her character Hope becomes just a brief comic relief.

As a whole, the scenes are scattered and too brief to portray the book justly. The movie falls way short of the expectations set by the personal memoir Burroghs wrote. If you are interested in getting to know Augusten and his crazy adoptive family, skip the movie and spend the extra time reading the book.

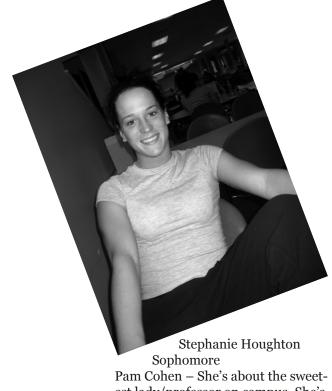
Voices & Faces





Junior Richard Colfer - He's the coolest and nicest kind at SNHU. Not to mention he is 6 foot 8 inches with long hair and a beard.

Stephen Chiavelli Sophomore



est lady/professor on campus. She's always smiling and always happy.

Who is your Favorite SNHU



teacher that makes accounting

fun because of his teaching style.



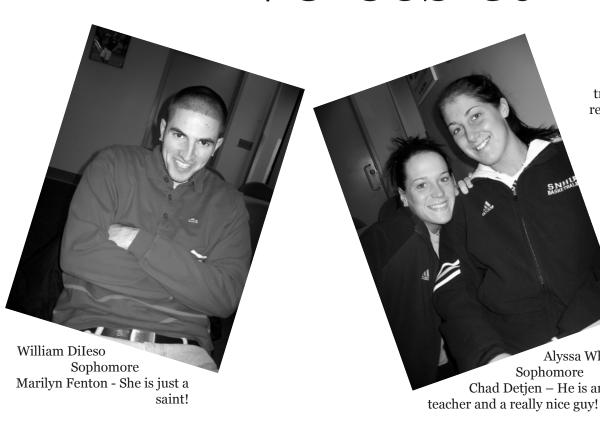
has great style!

Maura Garrity

Senior Dr. Pat Spirou - She is so professional and successful. Plus she

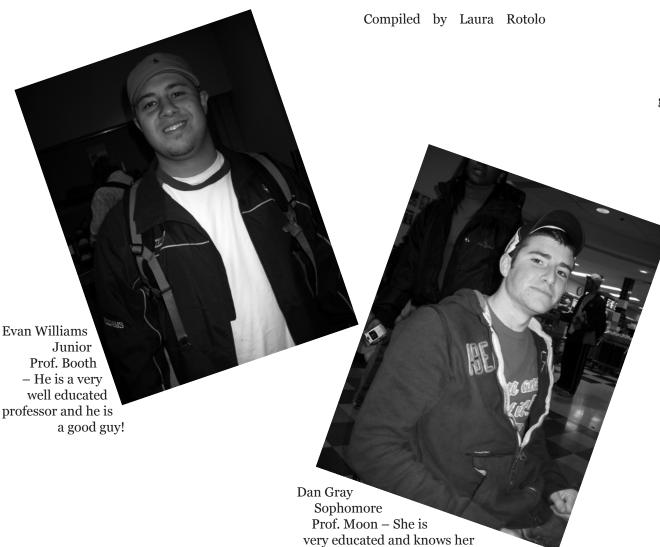
involved and keeps the class real fun.

Voices & Faces



Alyssa Whitney Sophomore Chad Detjen – He is an awesome

Staff Member and Why?



stuff when it comes to business.

Junior Prof. Catano – He's been a great influence on my life here at SNHU since I was a freshman. He looks out for his students and I always love attending his classes! I wish more professor's cared about the student body like he does!

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