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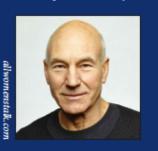
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# The Clery Report

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The Clery Report is filed by every major college and university and is released once a year.

The Clery Report is public information and discloses the crimes that have been reported in the last year.

The Report for 2014 was released on Oct. 1, 2015 and also includes information from 2012 and 2013.

#### NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY AND ALLY WEEK

Nicole Clark News Editor

The office of Diversity Initiatives and Generation Equality held Ally Week to celebrate National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11.

During the week of Oct. 12 they had different events going on all around campus. This was to promote ways to become an ally.

An ally is a person who: educates oneself about different identifies and experiences, learns and practices the skills of being an ally, and takes action to create interpersonal, societal and institutional change.

On Oct. 14 in the student center and the cafeteria they held an event where you could come out of a wooden door frame which symbolized "the closet." This was your time to come out to the world as what you wanted. Whether it was coming out as being gay or a cat lover, it was your decision on what you wanted to tell the world.

The rest of the week they had safe zone training, an SNHU spectrum Roundtable, co-sponsored BINGO and to finish off the week a spirt day where the campus was encouraged to wear purple to show their support!

Rachel Sharp who works in the Office of Diversity as a graduate assistant said, "The reason to do Ally Week is to get the office known to students.

"We want others to become an Ally so we can expand our knowledge of the LGBTQ community.

"The office is open to anybody!"



Above: Haley Mailloux and Tina Gibbons show their pride. Right: Jason Sederquist and Dana Nima have fun with their "coming out."



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#### Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

We are looking to fill several editorial positions for the 2015-2016 academic school year. We would like to fill these positions ASAP in order to provide the proper training. Positions that are available for application and interviews are:

Staff Writers | We are always looking for new staff writers and contributors to the Penmen Press! No interview or application for these positions necessary.

If interested, please e-mail penmenpress@snhu.edu with your information!

#### **LETTER FROM THE PENMEN PRESS**

Have you ever been really hungry, but when you get to the Dining Center, there are so many lines and they are so long that you can hardly tell what leads where? Yeah, weive been there too.

One of the hardest challenges a Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) student has to face throughout the day is getting themselves a decent meal in a decent amount of time. The high traffic times during lunch and dinner leave many students to wait in hunger.

During these times of the day, many students are in between classes in the hopes of getting a meal. With the significant population of residential and commuter students, as well as faculty and guests, it is clear that not all can be comfortably accommodated at



Most students wait in line longer then they eat.

the same time.

Holiday weekends only exacerbate these problems for the students who remain on campus. While there are less students on campus to create a wait, the Dining Center has a delayed opening and an early closing time. The expectations of low student turn out allows the Dining Center the option to open minimal food stations. The options are poor, and the wait time for students is still long as a result of few choices.

The ways that food services at SNHU are handled could use some serious improvements. Many students are unhappy with prep times and the inability to eat at a convenient hour because of the wait. With assignments and tests piling up, students canít afford to waste a half an hour in line nor should they have to rely on Pizza 911 or Munchiez to get food late at night.

#### CORRECTION: THE HUNTING GROUND

To the Editors,

The Penmen Press' review of "The Hunting Ground" (The Penman Press, Oct. 7, 2015) encapsulated a very powerful film. However, we want to clarify one incorrect point: SNHU's Women's Center cannot provide confidentiality if you report a sexual

To confidentially discuss your experience with sexual as-

sault, you must speak with someone in the Wellness Center. Only the Wellness Center's counselors and nurse practitioners can offer total privacy; all other SNHU employees (faculty, staff, and student staff including RAs) are mandatory reporters and must share sexual assault information with campus authorities.

We at SNHU do not tolerate sexual assault and work to support survivors within federal

guidelines; when seeking help, please consider whether you want to report confidentially and then reach out to the appropriate staff or faculty member.

Sincerely,

Jay Tifone Director, Community Standards

Brooke Gilmore Director, Women's Center

#### RESPONSE FROM PUBLIC SAFETY: **COMMUTER PARKING**

Public Safety was unable to respond to our reporter for her article, "Tardies Skyrocket: Unexpected Closing of Commuter Lot," in time for our last publication. Jim Winn, the Director of Public Saftey, reached out to us in order to properly inform the campus of what had happened.

On Sep. 30, "Parking Lot 11 was closed for a Marketing and Communications Event called the Community Fair. It was closed to accomodate vendors to have accessibility to the Atheltics building to do the volume of material and equipment they needed to bring in and out of the building," Winn

When asked if students were informed before Parking Lot 11 was closed, Winn stated, "Typi-

cally the department organizing the event, or Public Safety will put a message on the SNHU Portal notifying students of major events that will effect parking. This is done only if parking will be seriously impacted. In this situation no message was sent out, because there was still plenty of parking available for Commuters and Staff in Lots 24, 26, 15, 16, 27. Lot 11 is also one of the University's smaller Commuter lots."

When asked how students would be notified of parking changes in the future Winn said, "As in the past and in the future when large events take place that will have a serious impact on available parking, messages will be sent out to students on the portal. There are a couple of upcoming events

taking place during the semester that will require Commuter Lots to be closed. For one of these events we will have to close one of the larger Commuter Lots for this event. When we do this we will notify Staff and Students on the portal."

The final remarks that Winn wanted to leave with students he said, Several times per year, Public Safety conducts parking lot surveys at various times throughout the day and night. We do this to make sure we have enough available parking for Commuters, Residents, and Staff. Many times we have to close a parking lot the night before the event, so the parking lot is empty for first thing the following morning. In some cases if the event starts later in the day the parking lot will sit empty until the event starts.'

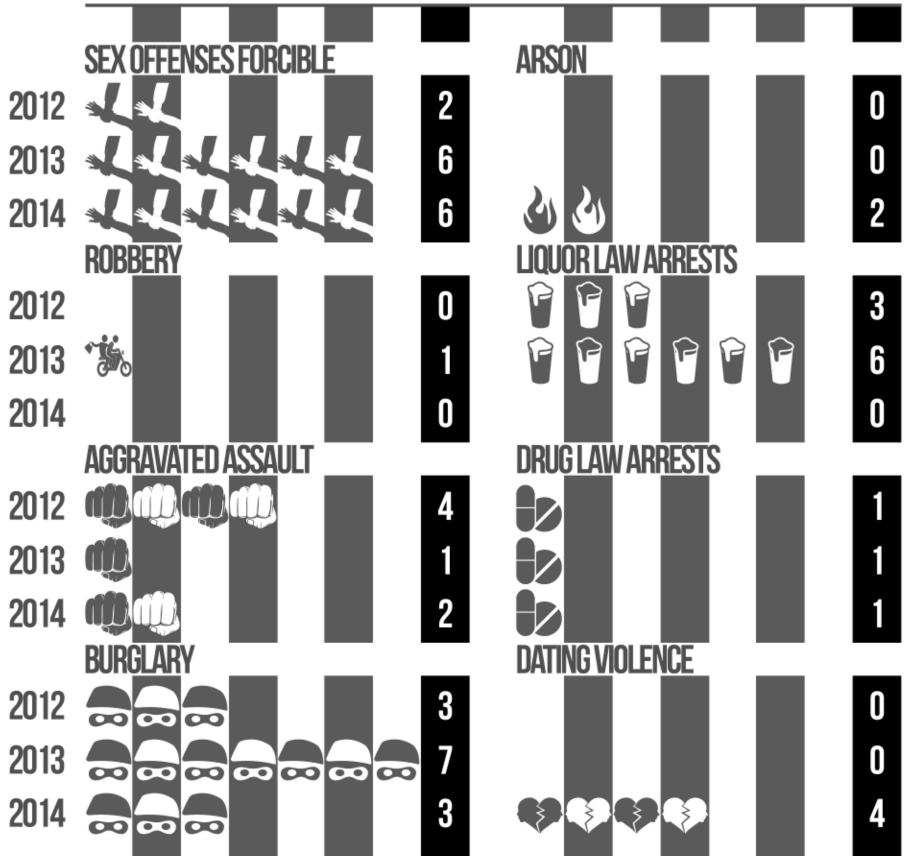
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### REPORTED SNHU CRIME STATISTICS FOR 2012-2014



LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS REFERRED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION: **501** IN 2012, **414** IN 2013, AND **258** IN 2014. DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS REFERRED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION: **45** IN 2012, **43** IN 2013, AND **17** IN 2014.

### NEWS

#### A REASON TO KEEP YOUR GPA UP

Shannon Collins Staff Writer

It's hard to believe that we are already 1/3 of the way through the semester! We have been hard at work with exams, assignments, extracurricular activities, and work. With so much going on, it's easy to let an assignment slip. However, if you are receiving financial aid, you might want to think twice about not studying for that exam tomorrow. At Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) there are academic requirements for retaining financial aid.

SNHU has an undergraduatequalitative requirement that requires students to have a grade point average (GPA) of at least a 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in order to retain financial aid. While your federal financial aid has that minimum GPA of 2.0, some scholarships offered through SNHU have their own cutoff.

For example, the President's Scholarship and Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship both require students to maintain at least a 3.0 GPA to remain eligible. If you were awarded any SNHU scholarships, check to see if they have a minimum GPA requirement in order to remain eligible and keep receiving them.

There is also a quantitative aspect regarding the completion of credit hours that could affect your financial aid. If you have questions you should check out the "Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress" on the Tuition and Financial Aid page on the www.snhu.edu website.

Failure to meet qualitative and quantitative standards will result in a financial aid suspension until the next evaluation period. While on suspension, you are not eligible to receive federal financial aid, but you still can take classes. You can appeal your financial aid suspension. If you are approved and have an approved academic plan; you will be placed on financial aid probation. During that time your financial aid will be reinstated.

If you are struggling in any of your classes, don't hesitate to get help! There are several resources on campus that can help keep your GPA at a satisfactory level so that you can keep receiving that much needed financial aid. You can meet with the teacher outside of class, form a studygroup, visit the Learning Commons in the library, attend dropin tutoring sessions, or talk to your advisor. Good luck in your classes and keep those GPA's up!

Questions? The Campus One Stop office in Exeter Hall can help you get the right information.

### ACADEMIC EXPLORATION FAIR

Laurelann Easton Staff Writer

Unsure of what to major in? Want to change your major or decide on a minor for your degree? Tuesday, Oct. 27, Academic Advising is hosting an Academic Exploration Fair for any students with these inquiries in mind. This event will be held on the second floor of the Dining Center from 4:30-5:30pm.

Faculty, alumni, and students will be there to represent each major available at Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU). These representative will be available to answer any questions students may have about certain areas of study, such as what to expect, what will be learned, as well as to dispel any fears students might have.

The fair will also be a mixture of more than just major studies information. Information about any academic opportunities occurring or coming up will be available. This includes: Undergraduate Research Day, a pre-professional type of event that occurs every year, Study Abroad, or Community Engaged Learning, which links local Manchester opportunities to SNHU.

Career Development will also be present at the Academic Exploration Fair, available to answer any questions students may have about available internships, and part-time or full-time job opportunities based on each student's field or major.

Any questions about this event can be emailed to Sarah Robbins at s.robbins@snhu.edu. No matter what academic questions may be floating around, this fair will be able to answer them!

#### **VETERANS WEEK AT SNHU**



Lexi Emerson Staff Writer

The Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) chapter of Students Veterans Club (SVA) is hosting Veteran's Week Nov. 8-14. They will be having events every day to honor Veterans and active military personal.

Throughout the week, there will be numerous displays around campus to educate students on the duties, responsibilities, and sacrifices of the members of the United States military past, and present.

A tentative calendar of events is as follows;

Sunday, 8 Nov - "Art of War" Trip

Monday, 9 Nov - Job Fair Wednesday 11 Nov (Veteran's Day) - National Roll Call (ACC) / Bingo Thursday, 12 Nov - "The Hornet's Nest" Movie Screening

Saturday, 14 Nov - 5K Road Race

The NH Army National Guard will be displaying military equipment on campus during the week as well.

During National Roll Call on Nov. 11, the names of fallen military personal from the Iraq, Afghanistan conflict will be read aloud. Commencement of the roll call will begin at 5 a.m.

SVA is also co-sponsoring Bingo Night in the pub on Nov. 11. Prizes will be handed out to winners.

On Nov. 8, there will be a trip to a photography exhibit at the Currier Art Museum titled "Witness to History". Veterans Support Services is co-sponsoring this event, including transportation, admission, and a guided tour.

There are three different tour times, and the event is open to all students who sign up via SNHU tickets, on the MySNHU home page.

Bus departure times are 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. With each tour lasting about an hour, and a return to campus approximately 2 hours after departure.

### TO EAT OR NOT TO EAT: THE HUNGER BANQUET

Ceilene Mitchell Advertising Manager

Mark your calendars! On Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015 from 6- 7:30 p.m. in the Penmen Room, Outreach will be funding the Hunger Banquet. It is an educational event sponsored by a nonprofit organization called Oxfam. The Hunger Banquet is free for everyone and even counts as six penmen pride points.

The event is hosted by members of Outreach where participants randomly draw a piece of paper from a hat containing one of the following options: lower class, middle class and high class. With each class assignment, the participants are provided a meal based on their selection. This program is designed to raise awareness for hunger and homelessness.

Once everyone has had a chance to eat their class-related meal, there is a question and answer panel allowing everyone to share their feelings on the activity and entire concept. They are provided an opportunity to reflect on their experience and

digest a deeper understand of exactly what is going on in our world today.

The mission of Outreach is to build a stronger community on and off campus. Vice president, John Santosuosso said, "Income greatly affects hunger rates. There are many people who are blind to the idea that hunger and poverty are an issue. With this event, we hope to open these eyes and raise awareness for a good cause."

Email outreach@snhu.edu to get involved today!



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### NEWS

#### NO LABELS: PRESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE

Alex DelGreco Staff Writer

Nonprofit organization No Labels held their first Problem Solvers convention on Oct. 12 at the Radisson in Manchester, NH. Over 30 states, induding Washington D.C., had 82 college chapters of No Labels represented on stage. The event drew out a crowd of over 2,000 people sitting to watch the eight presidential candidates in attendance.

Republican candidates Donald Trump, Chris Christie, George Pataki, Lindsey Graham, and John Kasich delivered remarks live at the conference. Democratic candidates Bernie Sanders, Martin O'Malley, and Jim Webb appeared via stream.

In the spirit of forming a biparti-

san government, Trump had said in his press conference to reporters before his remarks that he agreed on the concept of compromising.

Trump's remarks indicated he could get together with everybody, in a business setting. He was not receptive to other voters who had tried to attempt a dialogue and seek agreements in working towards the government.

However, when it came time for Chris Christie to speak, he had the people ask him the questions they wanted to hear. He remembered certain faces he knew and took the time to answer responses directly. This tactic let him go over the allotted time that was given.

Despite the engagement of Trump and Christie's speeches, Sanders was an anticipated speaker at the event. He was welcomed with a warm reception but he did not give time for questions.

No Labels insists on committing to a bipartisan process that focuses on creating 25 million new jobs over the next 10 years, securing Social Security and Medicare for another 75 years, balancing the federal budget by 2030, and making America energy secure by 2024.

No Labels is a 501(c)(4) social welfare advocacy organization established in 2010. The organization, led by Republican Jon Huntsman and Democrat Joe Lieberman, calls for a National Strategic Agenda that asks the next President and Congress to focus on at least one of the four goals set in the agenda within the first 30 days of the next administration.

#### A SPOOKY CELEBRATION

Zach Charland Staff Writer

There will be a Halloween dance in the pub on Saturday, Oct. 31 at 8 p.m. The event will be sponsored by the members of the Gaming Club. As far as refreshments go, there will be pizza and a regular witches brew assortment of beverages available for consumption.

The Gaming Club would also appreciate any help setting up decorations for the dance, as a spooky ambiance isn't easy to create when one lacks access to ghosts and haunted houses.

The dance is sure to afford the same surreal, magical sense of wonder as those nostalgic days of trick or treating in the neighborhood. While it won't fill up any pillow cases with candy, it will allow people to don their best costume and enjoy a night full of pizza and dancing.

All are encouraged to attend, to take place in this wonderfully spooky opportunity. After all, it's not every night people get to put on a costumes and skeleton dance the night away.

Students can also be happy with the fact that Halloween will be falling on a Saturday this year. So there will be no need to fret over a lack of sleep after a long night out!

#### GAMING CLUB HOSTS MARIO PARTY

Brian Creevy Editor in Chief

What club hosts events where you can gain friends and lose them at the same time?

Gaming Club hosts events every Saturday in the Corcoran Room, and on Oct. 10, they held a Mario Party competition. They played "Mario Party 8" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and there were two games in total.

Freshmen, Kenny Karns and Jack Krauskopf were the two winners of the competition, with Kenny winning the first round. Both players won as the character Waluigi.

"Mario Party 8 probably ruins relationships more than Monopoly, but, overall, ten out of ten," said Brendon DiBiasio, the President of the Gaming Club.

The Gaming Club has another event planned to take place of Saturday, Oct. 24. The event will be Takorns Quake/Retro Gaming Night held in the Corcoran Room or the Stark Lab (location TBD). The only requirement for participants is to bring their own laptop.

Throughout the remainder of the semester, the Gaming Club has several other events planned including a "Hearthstone" event and a "Magic: The Gathering" tournament. More information on these events and the other planned events can be found on the club's Facebook page "SNHU Gaming Club."

SNHU Students gather around the TV to play Mario Party 8.

### **CAKE DECORATING CONTEST**

Annie Boghigian Health & Wellness Editor

Earlier this month, Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) students were able to test out their baking skills in a cake decorating contest. The event was co-sponsored by Student Involvement and the Culinary Student Association. Taking place in the Last Chapter Pub, students had an hour to decorate their cakes with provided supplies.

There were eight teams of five SNHU students, and their cakes were judged by criteria created by a panel of student judges. The winning cake was created by

five field hockey students.

Assistant Director of the Office of Student Involvement Tom Balestracci was proud of how the event turned out.

"All of the students loved doing it, and a lot of students even showed up just to watch it unfold and root on their friends," said Balestracci. There were 40 SNHU students in the audience. Junior Culinary Management major Katie Krizar has experience decorating cakes.

"For me, the hardest part is getting the edges/sides perfectly smooth!" said Krizar who has had copious experience decorating cakes through her education at SNHU



This Halloween themed cake took first place in the contest.

Students interested in decorating cakes can contact the Cake Decorating Club at cakedecorating@snhu.edu.

#### A NIGHT AT HOGWARTS

Bridget Downey Staff Writer

As October begins and we get back into the swing of things, events on campus are becoming more inventive and common. The first event for the Hogwarts club was "A Night At Hogwarts".

At 5 p.m. on Oct. 12, the pub was filled with touches of Harry Potter theme ambiance. There were tea candles hanging from the ceiling, the house crests draped around the room, and Harry's face on the posters that were on practically every wall.

The night began just like any first night at Hogwarts, where the newcomers were sorted into

their houses with people around the room cheering them on. After the sorting ceremony, many people wandered around the room to look at the different attractions of the event.

In the back a chess board was created on the floor for wizards chess, near the pool table was a blank wanted add where you could pose as a criminal, and a wand making station where arts and craft supplies lay for students to design their own magic wand.

There was even a butterbeer station, complete with ice cream, cream soda, butterscotch syrup, and cinnamon.

Shortly after the opening

feast, supplied by Pizza 9-1-1, the marathon began. "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" took the entertainment to 11 p.m. as students sat around enjoying and discussing fan theories while deciding who was worthy of the title "fan" depending on how well they knew Daniel Radcliff's lines.

Though the beloved series may have ended four years ago with the release of the final movie, J.K. Rowling spoke the truth when saying "Hogwarts will always be there to welcome you home."

And that it does, even if it's in the pub on a Monday.

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# OPINION

#### COSTUME COURTESY

Tyler Leighton Editor In Chief

Remember when we were kids? When for Halloween our parents would set us out on the town, because that was safe, and let us run around gathering candy from strangers, also safe? Explaining this holiday to somebody who has never trickor-treated must be really difficult.

No matter what, it was the most fun holiday of the year, and the best part about it was the costume you wore; I bet you still remember your favorite. You could impress your friends by being a ninja turtle or scare the crap out of them as a ghoul. So here's some advice to keep your Halloween costumes looking fresh, and to make sure these memories don't turn into a nightmare.

To start out, Halloween may seem like it's a long ways away: the last day of October, but think for a moment: when was the last year where you weren't struggling on Oct. 30 trying to find a costume? Don't wait, spend at least a couple hours thinking about your costume.

Toilet paper mummies stop being cute as soon as you're able to buy your own toilet paper. And please ladies, I don't want to

tell you what not to dress as, but please. Don't be a cat.

Another word to the wiselate October in NH is cold, very, very cold. All the power to you if you'd like to dress up as a sexy tree, but you should be warned that your branches will be shaking by the end of the night.

That goes for the guys too! Just because you're wearing a man toga made out of bed sheets doesn't mean you should forgo any other clothes. That is not advisable for so many reasons, the first of which being that nobody wants to see your frozen emper-

Never, and I will reiterate this, never make a costume that you think is clever. Want to be a serial killer? Don't tape a box of Lucky Charms to your chest and walk around with a knife. Just cover yourself in blood and carry a severed arm.

If you have to explain what your costume is, that means you've failed Halloween. It takes a clever person to make a costume like this to work.

Halloween is a time for fun and it's the only holiday with an age limit. So this year push back the clock just a little bit longer and dress up, eat candy, and carve pumpkins.

#### HERE'S TO HALLOWEEN

Megan Palmer Copy Editor

Halloween, spooky ghosts and ghouls. The full moon and drifting clouds are on their way and the prepping has begun!

While choirs might not be singing in the background that it is the most wonderful time of the year, it is still possibly the most fun coming-of-age, yet putting-off-adulthood, a college vagabond can have.

There's less than a month till the good ol' spookin' so it's time to get a move on! The scouring for scary movies, the Walmart raid for the Milky Way Darks, the delicate draping of fake cobwebs; anything to get you in the Halloween spirit.

And of course, the pinnacle of October zest: the Halloween costume. But where to start? The superhero? The sports star? The cultural appropriation that everyone is going to feel uncomfortable about? The possibilities are endless!

Except if you are a woman, the possibilities are anything but. The Halloween industry has been tailored to one kind of costume for women: the slutty "insert literally any noun here."

Slutty Nurse. Slutty Iron Man. Slutty Slice of Pizza, trust me. It's there

Of course, men think this is solely for their benefit; as though the only thing running through my head when I pick my costume is "How many creepy dudes can I attract before sunrise?" When truly, whatever costume I put on my body is there because I want it to be.

But ladies, if your goal is to pick up the hot werewolf, then you go girl! Go get him, but beware of his bite and watch out for hickeys.

Yeah, the slutty costume sometimes the only choice, but make sure it is one you are choosing for yourself.

Gentlemen, here's a tip for you too: even though Halloween is all about the spooky and the scary, it is not an excuse to be creepy and gross when it comes to how you treat other people.

And ladies, dress however the hell you want. No one can tell you not to, no one can make you feel bad for it, and no one can tell you that you are wrong.

Halloween is about being whoever or whatever you want to be. All the stereotypical, last minute Draculas can just suck it.

#### DON'T FORGET YOUR BLINKA

Lexi Emerson Staff Writer

This past Columbus Day Weekend saw thousands of drivers coming from many states, especially Massachusetts, descending upon New Hampshire to look at

Don't get me wrong; the leaves are gorgeous, and it's an amazing ride through the country side with gold and red tones brightening up

life while enjoying pumpkin spice everything. Fall is here, and it is here in full force!

The problem however lies in the inconsiderate lack of blinker use. When you're driving down the interstate going 70 miles per hour, I don't think it is too much to ask that you give a warning before you slam on your breaks and pull your car to the side of the road to take a picture of a tree.

The highways were congested



enough by people traveling home for the long weekend, only to become more congested by accident after accident. Accidents that were most likely caused by drivers looking out their side windows rather than their windshields, ogling at yet again, trees.

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Fall in New England happens every year. It is guaranteed to happen in your state if you live within weekend driving distance of NH. The changing of the leaves precursors their eminent death.

Heads up to those of you who are planning to engage in the leaf peepshow taking place this year. The process of leaf peeping is essentially driving hours to look at dying leaves that you have in your backyard.

A warning to all drivers this fall: be vigilant as the blinker-less, inconsiderate, distracted leaflookers are out, and they are out in droves. Stay safe, keep your eyes peeled, and a foot on the break at all times.

#### THIS IS HALLOWEEN

Jesiree Carrera Opinion Editor

The store aisles are full of chocolate candy, colorful costumes, and creative decorations for spooky times to come. Walking through Walmart and Target you can see the creepy skeletons, grinning ghouls, and the Santa Claus' lining the

Can you guess what thing is not like the others? If you guessed Santa, you're right!

While Christmas is a great time of the year, full of joy and happy celebrations, it's not even close to December yet. It's still only October and it's ridiculous that stores are already sending out Christmas advertisements.

From October 1 to November 1, it is absolutely Halloween time until the turkeys start gobbling. Christmas advertisements, decorations, and shopping should begin after, and only after, the turkeys are cooked.

It almost becomes too much for Christmas and other holiday season songs to overrun the stores for more than the month of December. Also, all of the shiny tinsel, glittery ornaments, and faux evergreen trees take away from the spooky beauty of the Halloween spirit.

Give me my spooky scary skeletons, fake cobwebs, and random jump scare decorations. I don't care if the Ghost of Christmas Past, Present, and Future come to haunt me for my lack of Christmas spirit in October, as long as when they come to visit me, they say, "trick-or-treat!"

Halloween deserves the entire month of October to spread the hype and recover from the candy comas. "The most wonderful time of the year" can wait its turn.

### OPINION

#### THE KARDASHIANS: AMERICA'S "FIRST" FAMILY

Amanda Fakhiri Staff Writer

One of America's most trusted magazines is causing dissention among devoted Americans. They have claimed to have found "Americas First Family." What's odd is it's not the Presidents family, who was voted into office. So what's up Cosmopolitan?

The Kardashians have been dubbed this illustrious title. It's understandable to believe it moronic to name a family who became famous off a sex tape Americas First Family. Yet they have worked hard to be taken seriously in American culture

since then.

Comparatively, you could pick the President and his family who are more modest, cultured, and kinda chosen by America. But, on the other end, you could choose The Kardashians who are a pop culture smash who are also modest, cultured, and the epitome of what we as Americans value. It's easy to see how Cosmo had a hard time differentiating

Twitter, on the other hand, was in uproar when the declaration emerged. One irritated reader tweeted. "If the Kardashians are the first family of America, I'm the Queen of England. @ Cosmopolitan, what are you on? #girlbye #CosmoFail."

Another tweeted, try, @Cosmopolitan, but this is America's First Family. And we're damn proud. You tried it. #CosmoFail. Accompanied was a photo of President Obama and his family.

Now, people will have their opinions, but it's not like this is a democracy. Oh wait...it is! That's awkward. Unfortunately, Cosmo doesn't really care. As far as Cosmo is concerned, "Love or hate them, the Kardashians embody what our country has come to represent to the rest of the world; vanity and excess."



### OPEN LETTER FROM A COMMUTER

Jessica Miller Contributing Writer

I am a commuter and have been for three years. This is my final year and am sad to say I wish it was over sooner. The parking lot situation is atrocious to say the least. And I don't foresee it getting any better in the near future.

I have seen resident students parking in the commuter lots because they are going to be late to their classes. I have seen faculty park so abhorrently by Larkin Field that it almost caused a five car accident.

And the frustrating thing is that nothing seems to be done to monitor people who do this sort of thing,

no tickets, no nothing. Yet I received a ticket once as a visitor before I even attended campus, because I accidentally parked in the wrong spot by the admissions office.

Campus Security seems to be a joke when it comes to parking violations, as no one ever seems to get penalized for it, nor have they ever advised me of closed lots in those three years.

in addition, Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) will be expanding again in 2016 with a predicted closing of commuter lots.

SNHU appears to have no concern for the commuters at all; if they did, they would recognize this is an

Why not take away resident lots? Most colleges don't allow cars on campus until at least junior year. More of SNHU's population is commuter or online and yet they cater to the few who live on campus. Something seems wrong there.

I commute from Salem, NH. I have to leave my house at 6 a.m. just to guarantee myself a parking spot, because by 7 -7.30 a.m. there are no spots left usually. I do this for my 8 and 9.30 a.m. classes left to hang out in the computer lab for hours.

This is what your commuter population has come to, penalizing us by taking away what could be described as vital importance for commuters.

#### THE GAMER GENERATION

Kevin Guimond Staff Writer

Playing video games has become a big part of what today's generation is using for entertainment. However, some people fail to understand that. Many of them end up being from older generations.

We may wonder, why is this? Could it be because they are just jealous of the fact that our generation has more entertainment? Could it be because many of these people can't seem to find trust in the actions of the younger generations?

Many parents end up encouraging kids to stop playing video games and do something more productive. Yet, at the same time, these parents let their kids consume television for hours.

The question has to be asked,

what's the difference? It's quite possible that parents see video gaming as a threat of addiction, due to the fact that it can be so absorbing. This could also be combined with the fact that adults don't understand how it works as entertainment.

Many think that video games are far too addicting for kids today based games like World of Warcraft. However, this only makes up a small percent of gamers who live their life this wav.

A much larger percent of gamers are the ones who know how to limit themselves on the amount of time gaming.

Whether it be with work, school, or other things that need to be done, I feel that this past generation needs to have faith that we can game as much as we like, while still being successful people.

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### CREATIVE



"Matters of the Heart"

Anonymous Contributing Writer

I have so many emotions Scattered around my brain I feel like I could relapse As I walk back from a night of affirmation My knife used for precaution and for protection Draws layers of my skin on my thumb Itching for more

Because it might dissolve my pain Because it could erase even one emotion Maybe then I could understand all the others

Maybe this is a blessing in disguise Maybe it's good for you Maybe we'll both be better off alone

But maybe this will destroy me

Sometimes, I'm sorry And sometimes, I'm not And sometimes, I'm guilty But mostly, I'm lost

I'm not happy together But I'm miserable apart So I'll commit myself to me And matters of my heart.

"Heart Strings"

Kayla Durant Staff Writer

My heart strings are being spliced in two. It must be love if it hurts this much though Only love can bring you to the pinnacle But only love can bring you to the pits of despair.

It must be love if it hurts this much though. Only Love brings you to a place where everything is one. But only love can bring you to the pits of despair. My heart swells up like an ocean tide and crashes peacefully.

Only love brings you to a place where everything is one. Where your body ends and his begins anew. My heart swells up like an ocean tide and crashes peacefully. Only love can bring you to the pinnacle.

"This is Our Relationship"

Bridget Downey Staff Writer

This morning, he realizes he has too much homework for his own good. There's no way to get it all done by tomorrow. Work is at 4 and he's barely got one class assignment done.

A quiet Sunday spent in my room finishing my own work before I decide to highlight his ENG 200 articles so he won't need to spend 3 hours he doesn't have on them tomorrow before class. This is my kind of relation-

It's graduation day and my brother can't make it. His wedding is the next weekend and next to nothing is done.

You plan for our celebratory dinner to take place five minutes from his apartment so there's no way he could miss it.

This is my kind of relation-

We're totally broke and bills are piling up. We sit at the table in our tiny kitchen and I decide that we have Netflix and cable is unnecessary.

The pizza ingredients are cheaper than ordering it so we learn to make it together before watching "The Princess Bride" for the thousandth time.

This is my kind of relation-

Our oldest is late for school. You offer to drop her off on your way to work and tell me to take an hour before my meeting to slow down and take in the silence that doesn't seem to exist these

This is my kind of relation-

ship.

I just got the call from my agent; my first book is being pub-

You arrange for all of our closest friends to meet at the bar for eight and send the kids to the neighbors for a while. "Tonight," you say "we're celebrating!"

This is my kind of relation-

It's your best friend's tenth wedding anniversary and the cake you ordered came in the shape of a bustier instead of the replica of their wedding cake and there's no time to fix it.

I call in a favor from a culinary friend from college and she drags over a three tier cake from her bakery so we don't have a complete catastrophe.

This is my kind of relation-

t's all this and more. It's a lifetime of support, of give and take. It's not a job, it's a buddy system. And you're a really good buddy.



"A Fine Life'

Jason Cook Contributing Writer

We spend our lives Fist over pride To buy washing machines and balloons.

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"I'll Give You..."

Samantha Loring Contributing Writer

I'll give you my ears, so you can hear. I'll give you my eyes, so you are not blind. I'll give you my lips, so that you can speak. I'll give you my mind, so you can think. I'll give you my arms, so you can hold the one you love. I'll give you my legs, so you can flee from trouble. I'll give you my soul, so you can live. I'll give you my dreams, so that you have something to follow. I'll give you my happiness, so you don't feel sorrow. I'll give you today, so you can have tomorrow. I'll give you my knowledge, so you're not left in the dark. But the one thing you already have is my heart.

### ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

#### **SOMA: SMART & SCARY**

Gabriel Carrio Staff Writer

SOMA, the newest game from seasoned horror developers Frictional Games (of the Amnesia and Penumbra series), was released last month for both PC and Playstation 4.

With Halloween approaching, a sci-fi horror game makes for excellent spooky activity during this time of year.

Keeping to their roots, SOMA not only provides tense, frightening moments, but has an intelligently written story, providing many confusing twists and turns with each major development.

In the game you plays as Simon Jarrett, from Toronto, Canada in 2015 who wakes up in 2104 at the PATHOS-II base. You are left to figure out how you got there, and how you can get home.

While the plot points are confusing, they are also genuinely interesting (if you like sci-fi horror). With every consecutive story event, something is discovered that explains the previous one, so you never feel lost on the plot.



The game is paced very well, and provides segments of exploration, puzzle solving, and intense confrontations with the game's mutated, AI-human hybrids between each plot device. The story is primarily told through exploration as the truth behind the main mystery is uncovered

by communication devices found on corpses, old computer logs, and notes that presumably dead characters wrote.

The more you explore, the more you learn about the world around you: it is a massive, sprawling underwater station.

The second half of the game takes a crazy left turn, as you uncover the mystery behind the events of the station, and set a goal to save what's left of humanity in an unconventional way.

The only major downsides to the game are some obscenely long loading times. Starting the game up meets you with a two minute loading screen, followed by another two minute loading screen when you start playing. One might think that, with

One might think that, with all this loading, the game itself would be seamless. Unfortunately, that isn't the case. With every major event, another quick loading screen appears. But, to the game's credit, you hardly notice the stuttering load screens while playing.

If you're a fan of science fiction or of horror, I highly recommend giving this game a try. For the full frightening effect, make sure you play in a dark room with headphones on.

The ambience of each environment is scary enough on its own without the monsters populating them.

SOMA is an incredibly well written game, with intriguing characters and an even more intriguing story. On a scale of 1-10, SOMA gets an 8.5. Great, but with some flaws. Pick it up if you get the chance; it's worth your time.

### THE IRON GIANT SIGNATURE EDITION

Addison Thyng Staff Writer

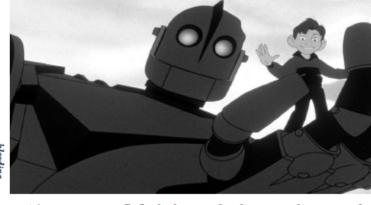
In 1999, "The Iron Giant" hit movie theaters. Released by Warner Brothers Animation Studio, it was one of the few films to challenge Disney's domination of animated movies at the time.

To many viewers' surprise, the movie was an all-around wonderful film, wowing both audiences and critics alike. The adaptation of Ted Hughes' children's book "The Iron Man" was hailed as one of the best hand-drawn animated films not to come out of Disney.

16 years later, Brad Bird decided to rerelease what many consider his first crowning achievement, in theaters for two days only: "The Iron Giant: Signature Edition" complete with touched up animation and two never before seen deleted scenes.

The film has more than held the test of time offering great animation, great characters, and an all-around excellent story that still stands up to today's "good movie" qualifications.

I had high hopes that the film would still be as good as I remembered it being, but couldn't help feeling worried that it may have aged some. Luckily, with the touch ups done by Bird and his team, the movie still looks as good as it ever did.



The CGI giant still flawlessly blends in with the two dimensional backgrounds and every scene looked incredible.

While the tale of a child having a "sort of pet" and wanting to keep it a secret is nothing new, "The Iron Giant" tells it so well. The characters make it feel refreshing and the twist that the story puts on the giant toward the end varies up the formula even more.

For the signature edition, Brad Bird added two new scenes to film that fit into the narrative well. While the first is just some more character building, the second one, later in the film sticks out in my head. Without spoiling anything, we see a glimpse into the giant's memory and get some context of where he came from and what he is. While these do add

to his character and gives some foreshadowing, I personally think that it ruined some of the ambiguity of the giant's past.

"The Iron Giant," no matter which way you dice it, is still a fantastic film. It's funny, it's charming, it's heartfelt, and it gives a good message. The ending is still bittersweet and leaves you with a warm feeling as the credits start to roll.

Unfortunately, by the time this article is printed the movie will already be out of theaters, but the signature edition will be released on DVD and Blu-Ray.

"The Iron Giant: Signature Edition" was the rerelease that the movie deserved. It's a film that everyone should see, and will stay with the new generation to live on in the hearts of adults and children alike.

#### **HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 2**

Laurelann Easton Staff Writer

Dracula, Mavis, Johnny and all their monster friends return in the sequel to "Hotel Transylvania," and a lot has changed. Drac has opened the Hotel to humans, and they mingle well with the monsters.

Mavis and Johnny get married, and they have a child. This sequel follows Drac's worry over whether or not his half-human and half-vampire grandson Dennis (or Dennisovich, as Drac says the child's vampire name is) will ever show signs of fangs. If Dennis springs some, then Mavis will want to stay, rather than move her family to the mostly human cities.

Drac and his monster friends go off on an adventure to bring out Dennis's fangs, while Mavis and Johnny vacation in the human world to visit her in-laws. Enlisted by Drac, Johnny has to convince her that it would be better to stay at the Hotel.

Further into the movie, Drac's father, Vlad, accepts an invitation to visit, and this human-hating vampire sets the monsters and humans of the hotel into a frenzy to try to please Drac's scary father.

The movie works to drive home the idea for kids that you don't need to change who you are for friends or family. Until the end, it's up in the air if Dennis will grow fangs or stay human. As soon as it is revealed, however, the movie takes a barreling roll into the denouement of the plot.

Though it rushes to tidy up the points of conflict at the end, the rest of the movie had good pacing for the ridiculous fun that occurs.

As soon as the villainous monster of the movie appears, though, the movie becomes predictable. This monster speaks like the classic and obvious type of villain, which throws off the tone of the movie. Dennis also develops into himself at the end too quickly and easily to be true, which made it difficult to like the final scenes of the movie.

Yet, if you loved the first Hotel Transylvania, the movie is worth seeing. If you have any younger siblings, bring them along, as they are sure to enjoy it. This sequel stays true to the first with its hilarity, and if you can move past the ending, it's enjoyable to watch.

# HEALTH & WELNESS

### WELLNESS CENTER HOSTS FLU CLINIC

Annie Boghigian Health & Wellness Editor

Southern New Hampshire University's (SNHU) Wellness Center is hosting a Flu Clinic for students on Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Located in the Student Center, students are able to get a Flu shot for \$15. The shot can be paid through cash or they can charge it to their student account.

Wellness Center employee and SNHU student Alec Biron is looking forward to the Flu Clinic

"I think that Wellness Center's Flu Clinic is a fantastic way for students to have access to flu vaccinations in an inexpensive way!" said Biron. Junior Taylor Picard sees the benefits of having an on-campus Flu Clinic.

"I believe that having a Flu Clinic at SNHU is beneficial for the students because those that do not have a way to go to a local pharmacy are able to get the shot on campus," said Picard.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "those with flu-like illness should stay away from classes and limit interactions with other people...for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever." The CDC advises students with the flu to limit their contact with others even if they are taking medicine.

Students with concerns can visit the Wellness Center.



### STRESS WEEK IN NOVEMBER

Addison Thyng Staff Writer

Midterms, projects, and winter colds, all of these things are signs that winter is coming. Many students around this time of year find themselves just wanting to let go for a little while and forget about all their responsibilities. Luckily, the Wellness Center is giving SNHU students that opportunity.

Throughout the month of November (and a little into De-

cember) Wellness will be holding The Stress Management Series, a string of weekly events that will allow student to take a load off right here on campus both educating them and allowing them to go hands on with different ways of relieving stress.

Each week will be a different theme including: Art Therapy, Aromatherapy, mindfulness and meditation/breathing, and finally Nutrition. There will also be a special event each Wednesday that will be hands-on for students who participate.

There is no extra cost, no commitment, and no sign-ups, if any of those topics seem like it will help you relax then show up to that appropriate event.

These workshops are meant to help students learn about different techniques of relieving stress and enable then to help themselves in the future. All events are set on the Wednesday of that appropriate week from 7-8:30 p.m. in the ACC Learning Commons. Wellness hopes to see you there.

### COLLEGE COFFEE DRINKERS

Kayla Durant Staff Writer

Coffee can be seen on college campuses and in dorm buildings. According to psychiatry and behavioral sciences professor at Duke University James D. Lane, coffee, like most caffeinated beverages, "exaggerates the stress response," and can cause a dependence on the liquid energy. Coffee also has been shown to raise blood pressure, and for those who already have existing blood pressure problems, coffee is not recommended.

Coffee can "improve memory, decrease fatigue, improve your mental functioning," according to WebMD.com. Researches of the Linus Pauling Institute found that coffee could possibly help prevent

Type 2 diabetes, liver disease, and Parkinson's.

Coffee grounds also serve other purposes in the beauty world. Kirsten Hudson, of Organic Authority, describes the uses of coffee in beauty. Coffee is a natural exfoliate. Simply scrub one's body with used coffee grounds and then rinse for fresh, brand new feeling skin. Coffee grinds can also be used in the treatment of cellulite and coarse hair.

According to the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, people should only drink about 3-5 eight ounce cups day. That would look like either 3 short Starbuck's coffees or 1 venti sized coffee at Starbucks.

Knowing one's body and its limits can be viewed as helpful for coffee drinkers as well.



#### THE MAKE UP OF MAKEUP

Kayla Durant Staff Writer

What's really in that lip gloss and eyeshadow that gives it such a lovely iridescent shimmer?

That's right, fish scales. Esther Inglis-Arkell, in a written statement found online, explains that years ago, people would coat regular beads with fish scales in an attempt to emulate a pearl, and grant it the same radiant light.

So, it would only make

sense to then put fish scales in popular lip wear, eyeshadow and most other beauty products that seem to glitter.

If the thought of coating one's lips with fish scales is too revolting, popular makeup companies Urban Decay, Lush, and Too Faced all make cruelty free lipsticks advertising bold color with no harm to the fish population.

According to Cindy Kim and Alicia Yoon, founders of peachandlilly.com, snail slime is destined to be the "newest fad in skin care."

Studies have shown that the proverbial fountain of youth lives within the slime secreted by snails. Just like humans secrete oils to protect their skin, snails secrete a thick, mucous-like fluid when they feel threatened.

This fluid contains nutrients, such as hyaluronic acid, antimicrobial peptides, and glycoprotein enzymes that are said to increase production of collagen and elastin fibers.

These fibers help prevent wrinkles and other side effects of premature aging.

# SPORTS

#### FIELD HOCKEY KEEPS PUSHING

Brianne Torre Staff Writer

This past week, field hockey has now played eight of their twelve conference games, three of which have been home on Larkin Field.

The Lady Penmen against Stonehill this past Tuesday took a hard loss going 8-1. Freshman Maddie Holt had the lone goal for the girls in the second half, but the squad couldnit quite pull through against Stonehillis eight goals.

Sophomore goalkeeper Jill Piacitelli made seven saves in the first 40 minutes for the penmen, while Senior goalkeeper Cassey Nickerson had 11 after subbing out Piacitelli.

Penmen fought until the very end against Southern Connecticut on Friday Oct. 2 with a 1-0 loss. Nickerson tallied five saves for the Penmen while her forward Holt led in shots on goal with also five.

Piacitelli had 10 saves for the Penmen against LIU Post with a 2-0 loss. LIU scraped two goals by Piacitelli in the second half and while Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) had 4 shots



Field hockey keeps fighting.

on goal (Sophomore Amaris Taylor with two of the four), the girls went under.

During their latest game, the girls allowed four second-half goals by Assumption. Taylor and classmate Erin Frost both shared a shot on goal, but Assumptionis goalkeeper turned them away.

Next game for the penmen is Wednesday, Oct. 21 when they host Franklin Pierce on Senior Night before traveling to Pace and Adelphi to wrap up the season.

#### **MEN'S GOLF NE-10 CHAMPS**

Matt Martin Sports Editor

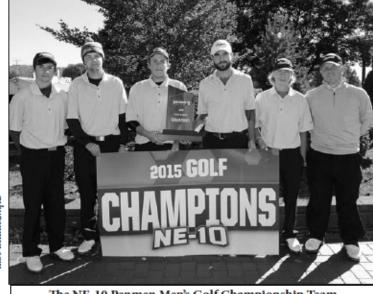
The Penmen Men's Golf team stayed hot over the past couple weeks. At the North East 10 Championship, the boys finished first out of ten on both days of the tournament crowning them the NE-10 Champions for the first time since 2002.

In the first day of the tourney on Oct. 4, the boys finished one shot ahead of Defending Champs Bentley with 290. Topping the score sheet at third for the Penmen was Defending NE-10 player of the year Jake Nutter.

Nutter finished one under par at 71 while John Clancy wrapped up his day tied for fourth and Joshua LaCasse recorded two birdies to finish seventh on the day.

In the second day of the tourney, the boys tied for first, but won the playoff hole to beat out Le Moyne for the title.

Nutter had a huge birdie to seal the deal for the Pen-



The NE-10 Penmen Men's Golf Championship Team.

men in the playoff. Freshman Gavin Dugas topped the Penmen score card, and was not only named to the All-Conference First Team, but also he is this year's NE-10 Rookie of the Year.

Also receiving All-Conference Honors were Nutter, LaCasse, and Clancy.

Head Coach Matt Arvanitis received his first NE-10 Coach of the Year Award for his coaching efforts this past season.

The Penmen finished second out of 12 at the Saint Rose Fall Shootout. Nutter finished first at three under par.

Men's Golf is in action again at the NEIGA Championship Tournament on Oct. 25-26.

### **VOLLEYBALL MAKING HISTORY**

Matt Martin Sports Editor

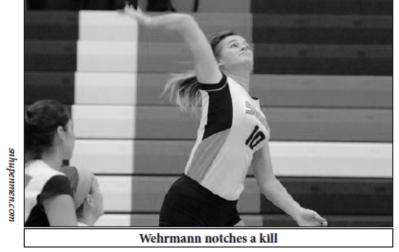
For the first time in Volleyball history, the penmen have been 4-1 in their conference play. "Every team in the conference is extremely close, so it's really important that we're playing our best volleyball every game," said Sophomore Kathleen Schurman.

Women's Volleyball has been giving their fans entertaining shows with their last two home games going into five set wins, while their away game to Assumption ended in a 4 set victory.

Stonehill on Sept. 29 kept up with the Lady Penmen going into their fifth set, but the girls wanted the win a little more, and they got it in 15. Sophomore Marisa Coronis had a season high 20 kills, with classmate Vic Wehrmann behind at 14, her season high.

Senior captain Catherine Cotton had an impressive 42 assists, and big news for senior Maeghan Higginsshe is now in second place on the Southern New Hampshire Univer-

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sity (SNHU) career digís list with an astonishing 1,411.

Wehrmann topped her personal best with 17 kills against Assumption last Saturday, with Coronis right behind her with 12. Cotton had another impressive 45 assists and 11 digs. In total, the Penmen finished with 92 digs, their second-highest total of the season. Higgins led the way there with 21 digs. The Queen City Cup on Tuesday Oct. 6 also ended in five sets with SNHU making it to 15. All around, a very close game. Coronis finished her game with 16 kills, while Junior, Meg Salamun notched her game with 14.

The Volleyball squad will play their next games at home on Friday Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. against Le Moyne and again on Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. when they host Saint Rose.



# SPORTS

#### **WOMEN'S TENNIS WINS NINE STRAIGHT**

Matt Martin Sports Editor

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) Women's Tennis has jumped to a 10-1 record winning their last nine matches in a row. Five of those wins have come in the month of October. On Oct. 3, the girls traveled to American International College (AIC) and won 9-0. Three of the nine matches were won by default.

In sets where AIC competed, Senior Ashley Loft and Grad Student Nour Kaddour paired up to win in doubles action. Also winning their doubles match were Freshmen Kaitlyn Poje and Rachel Wagner. Sophomore Lindsey Baum along with Poje, Wagner, and Loft got singles wins as well.

The next day, Oct. 4, at New Haven was another win for the girls in shutout fashion. Poje and Senior Yolanda Green, as well as Baum and Wagner teamed up for wins in their doubles matches while Loft and Kaddour were stellar again in their doubles win. All of those ladies also got wins in



their singles matches.

On Oct. 7, the Penmen beat out Bentley for an 8-1 win getting five singles wins and three doubles wins. Loft and Kaddour stayed hot with a win while the teams of Baum and Wagner, and Poje and Green stayed together for wins. Kaddour, Loft, Baum, Wagner, and Poje all recorded singles wins in match play.

More and more wins to report as the Penmen got another 8-1 victory against St. Michaelís on Oct. 9. Loft and Kaddour, and Baum and Wagner won again in their doubles matches. And yet again, the whole team got wins in singles actions. Green and Poje fell short in a hard fought doubles match.

A 7-2 win came against Queen City Rival St. Anselmís on Oct. 10. Loft/Kaddour, Green/Poje, and Baum/Wagner all paired up once again for wins in doubles action. Loft, Poje, Baum, and Wagner won their singles matches. The most notable was Poje who shutout her opponent in both sets.

Assumption paid SNHU a visit on Monday, Oct. 12 and the Lady Penmen once again won 7-2. Kaddour and Loft got a doubles win once again. Baum and Wagner picked up the other win in doubles play, again. Loft, Kaddour, Poje, Wagner, and Baum all won singles matches. This month has been very kind to SNHU.

It was also kind to Ashley Loft who, on Oct. 13, was named NE-10 Player of the Week. She had this to say about the team's success and her award: "Our team is on a roll and working hard hopefully to reach the Finals. With our chemistry, positivity, and spirit, we can bring a championship to SNHU. I'm very grateful for my award and will try my best to hold my current undefeated record. Go SNHU!"

The Lady Penmen hold a strong position for the NE-10 Championship. Keep eyes and ears out for them down the road as they venture for gold.

### PENMEN MEN'S SOCCER CONTINUES STREAK

Brianne Torre Staff Writer

Men's Soccer continues to make fans proud by keeping their win streak at 10-0. Within their 10 games, they have scored 20 goals. The team nor their fans can complain at how successful their season has been so far.

Southern New Hampshire University is (SNHU) 10-0 start is its best since 1988 when the Penmen won their first 22 games.

Senior Dom Samuel scored the lone goal for the Penmen on Sept. 30 against Franklin Pierce, while classmate Nick Zucco tallied his fifth shutout victory this season. SNHU outshot Franklin Pierce 14-6, and the hosts held a slight 7-6 edge in corner kicks.

Two second-half goals from grad student Rayane Boukemia and Sofiane Tergou gave the boys the 2-0 win against Le Moyne. Originally, Boukemiais goal did not count because of the awkward bounce it had off the inside of the top post, but after both referees talked over the event, it was ruled a goal giving Boukemia his second goal of the season. Zucco only had to make one save to make his sixth shutout, which he did without hesitation.

Lastly, at New Haven on Oct. 10, Tergou gave the Penmen a very early lead scoring at 3:25 in the first half. Play was aggressive, but possessive, considering SNHU had 37 shots while New Haven could not measure up with their six shots.

The Penmen led in corner kicks 7-1 against New Haven, showing that offensively the squad was attacking as often as they could in a 2-1 win.

Join the Penmen on Saturday Oct. 24 on Larkin Field against Merrimack in an NE-10 match up.



The third ranked Penmen celebrate after a goal.

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