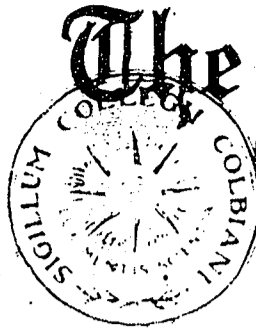


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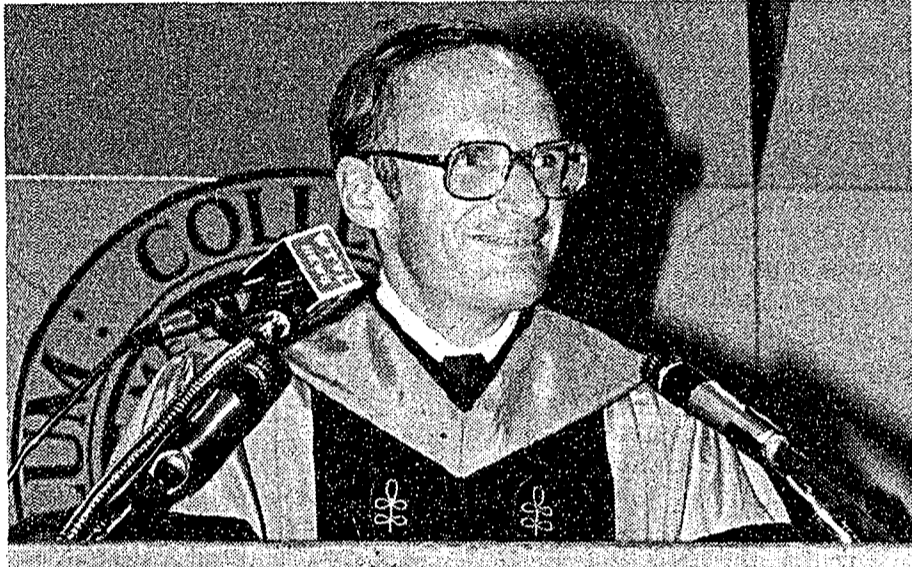
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Cotter to take Sabbatical



by Mike Diamond

President William Cotter told the Echo on Monday that he will take a sabbatical commencing in October 1989. Following Fall Parents Weekend and the September Board of Trustee Meetings, he and Mrs. Cotter will travel to Great Britain where they will reside and work for five months. In accordance with the by-laws of the College, Academic Vice President Robert MacArthur will then assume the President's responsibilities

in his absence.

Cotter plans to study English history while on leave. Specifically, he will examine the 1772 case of Somerset v. Stewart which outlawed slavery in Great Britain. Of concern to Cotter are the reasons why the British government neglected to enforce its decisions. He stated, "This is a topic that we deal with in my class. While slavery was outlawed in Great Britain, black people were still treated as slaves." Cotter plans to utilize law libraries and court records in London as well as

the resources of Oxford and Cambridge Universities in his research.

For Cotter, this opportunity is overdue. He remarked, "While faculty members generally get this leave of absence after seven years, I thought it best to stay on campus until the completion of the Colby 2000 Campaign, the 150th anniversary of Elijah Lovejoy's assassination, and the 175th anniversary of the College."

President Cotter will return to campus for freshman matriculation ceremonies in September 1990.

Dukakis wins in PA

by Mary McHugh

On Tuesday Michael Dukakis took a giant step towards winning the Democratic nomination with an overwhelming victory over Jesse Jackson in Pennsylvania. Dukakis captured 67% of the vote to Jackson's 28% to 3% for Al Gore who suspended his

campaign last Thursday but whose name still appeared on the ballot, Dukakis did very well in all the districts of Pennsylvania while relying on the White Catholic vote to bring him the victory. Jackson again captured almost all of the black vote in the state but could not use it to his advantage. On Monday, Utah Democrats, being

overshadowed by delegate large Pennsylvania, went to the polls. Dukakis won impressively there also. Dukakis won 23 of the state's 28 delegates Jackson picked up 4 delegates, with one delegate going uncommitted.

Thus, as a result of Utah and Pennsylvania, the delegate tallies are estimated at: (2082 needed to win the nomination)

Dukakis	1266
Jackson	850
Gore	419
Uncommitted	396

In the upcoming week, the race should become all the more clear with primaries being held on May 3 in the District of Columbia (16 delegates), Indiana (79 delegates) and Ohio (159 delegates). Jackson should pick

up most of the District of Columbia vote, while Dukakis should be strong in Ohio and Indiana.

On the Republican side, George Bush picked up enough delegates in Pennsylvania to put him over the top in the delegate count and ensure him a first ballot victory at the convention for the Republican nomination.

2 T of clothes for Project Hero

by Betsy Kuller

What could be considered the greatest fund-raiser for Maine's poverty stricken this year is going on this month. Project Hero, organized by The Newman Council, Protestant Chapel Steering Committee, and the Colby Christian Fellowship, has already completed its two week clothing drive with a whopping two tons of clothing from the Colby Community and donors in the Waterville area.

After the clothing drive and the Waterville Walk for Shelter, Senior Bill Derry expressed the response and giving efforts of the Project Hero participants to be "overwhelming." Derry said that the goal of the project was to raise \$6,000 on top of the clothing.

"I was incredibly impressed with the generosity of the students," Kristen Foss, '88 declared, "I think it's great that Colby students have a chance to do something for the people in the community." Matt Reilly, also a Senior, agreed. "People really responded to the cause. It shows you that if Colby people are given the opportunity to give, they really will take it."

The Pumpkin Pie-Fest which was made possible by a group of Colby students who baked Pumpkin pies after dinner last Tuesday, sold them on Wednesday to benefit the Waterville Food Pantry. The Food Pantry provided the pumpkin pie mix which they had as surplus from their Christmas and Thanksgiving food drives.

Still upcoming are the Day of Fasting, the Colby Talent Show this Friday at 7 PM in Given Auditorium benefiting the Soup Kitchen, and Caroline Leary '85 in Performance on Saturday to benefit the Central Maine Shelter Group, helping the Waterville Homeless.

Everyone is strongly encouraged to participate in or support any or all of these events to benefit Waterville's Soup Kitchens, the Food Pantry, the Central Maine Shelter Group, and the Maine Sea Coast Mission.

For more information, contact Jill Wertz, Bill Derry, Tom Charlton, Toby Bell, or Matt Reilly, or write to Project Hero, Box 259, Colby College. Your support and participation will make the difference.



photo by Ingrid Moore

INSIDE:



* The Colby Men's Lax team comes back with a strong win over Tufts last Saturday. Turn to p. 12.

* Find out more about the different perspectives on drinking at Colby. See p. 3

* Read the student statements for class officer positions. Learn what they can do for you. p.5.

NEWS

BGLAD's set foundation for next year

This is an interview conducted by Shelly Freed with Mark LePointe concerning the reaction of the Colby Community to Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Awareness Days and the success and/or failures it incurred.

Shelly Freed: *The first annual B.G.L.A.D.S. week ended on Friday April 15, what was the response, positive or negative in the Colby community? Was the reaction to the week more or less than expected?*

Mark LePointe: The momentum picked up as the week progressed. It was successful in the fact that there was not a significant negative reaction. There were posters torn down but compared to other campuses nationwide where gays and lesbians are harassed outrightly during similar awareness weeks, we

were lucky. I was apprehensive about some people coming to the functions just to see who came to them, but the people who did come seemed to be genuinely interested in the issues. In fact I had one student come to my door and ask me about gay-lesbian issues. I did not really even know the person, I had met them before, but I liked the fact that they felt comfortable to come to me and ask.

S.F.: *How successful were the pink bands? Do you think this will continue into next year's awareness week?*

M.L.: Again as the week progressed I saw more students wearing the arm bands, in fact alot of people got creative and wore them as hair ribbons and so forth. However, I have to say that I was disappointed with the lack of participation of the faculty.

So many of the professors here preach their liberal philosophies, and yet so few wore them. Maybe it is because some were afraid of their status and their tenure might be jeopardized. For the most part I do not think people wanted to be labeled and that is why they were afraid to wear them. What is interesting is the number of women faculty members who wore the bands, many more women wore them compared with the number of men who did. I wonder if this says something about our society as a whole. As for next year, we will continue to do something, the arm bands were less costly than buttons and served the same purpose.

S.F.: *How do you think the faculty's involvement or lack of it influenced the success of the week, and furthermore, what type of role do you see them*

playing in the future?

M.L.: I think that when you have people in high places taking a stand, it makes a difference. I would like to see Gay Lesbian issues addressed as racial issues are presently. It is a college's responsibility to make us, as individuals, more aware and to educate us. Our educators are role models and when they make a statement, it will provide the leadership needed to further the acceptance of all people who suffer from discrimination, not just gays and lesbians.

S.F.: *On the whole, would you call the B.G.L.A.D.S. week a success?*

M.L.: Yes, I think the week was a success, and I think the important thing that I would like to stress is "potential". Now that the awareness week is an annual event, it gives us much more time to plan. I think

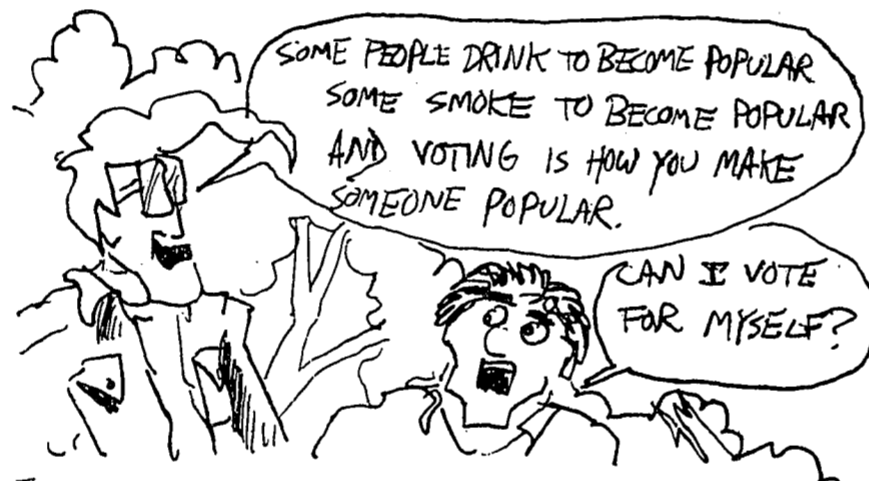
it demonstrated to the Colby community that not everyone here is afraid to take a stand, that's important, it allows more people to come to understand our position. I think the administration proved its loyalty to the cause by being the second college in the east to adopt the non-discriminatory policy concerning sexual preference. I would like to see that support taken one step further through more education. Right now we are working with the administration to put together a booklet to be given to each student that addresses these types of issues. We have to educate both the straight and the gay population. A college atmosphere is where you mold your future. We are the leaders of tomorrow and we have the potential to make a difference.

Voter apathy: a reality

by Lori Wright

Even if the word "apathy" is a little overused, it is probably one of the feasible reasons which explains the fact that only about fifty percent of the student body voted in the Stu-A elections. Although this is a significant increase compared to last year when a mere 300 people voted (and also considering the national average is something like 10% of all registered voters cast a ballot), half of the student body remained unspoken for.

The campaigning took place over the four days preceding spring break and the four days following. Or, you did not notice as the amount of pre-spring break campaigning was so minimal. Chip Kispert, an ex-candidate for Stu-A president, felt that, "the time frame was poor because it never allowed us any time to get going." However, Mary Thomson, Election Committee member, saw this time "as an opportunity for the candidates to get ready, but one of which none of them took advantage." The elections were held purposefully earlier this year in order to allow the new officers sufficient time to "learn the



ropes" and train under the current officers. It just happened that the campaigning fell in the middle of spring break.

As far as publicizing goes, Kevin Plummer, Kispert's co-runner, felt that the Election Committee did an inadequate job of putting up signs and explaining the rules of the voting processes. "The candidates have a responsibility to let voters know where they stand on issues, but it is not their responsibility to tell where, when, and how." Plummer continues, "the rules of voting were not made clear. By tying the Commons and Stu-A elections together, people were under the impression

that you could just vote for someone in your commons. Some people just didn't understand the election."

On the other hand, Marc Enger, the recently-elected president, feels that "the publicizing was as adequate as the campaigning. Information about the elections was publicized in *The Echo*, the Student Center, dining halls--I don't know what else could have been done." Mary Thomson and Tom Ferris, who are both on the Election Committee, feel that it is the candidate's responsibility to publicize. "We are not going to waste our money stuffing mailboxes. They can publicize continued on page 17

Public invited to Women's Studies presentation

An exclusive video-taped interview with Carolyn Chute, author of "The Beans of Egypt, Maine" and a slide presentation on father-daughter relationships, based in part on an on-campus questionnaire, are among the presentations to be made the evening of May 6, when Colby students enrolled in the course "The Female Experience in America," display the fruits of their labor: The public is cordially invited to attend what is traditionally one of the campus' most exciting and interesting student events. The evening begins at 7 PM in Given Auditorium and admission is free.

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the slide-tape presentations and of Professor Phyllis Mannocchi's involvement in "American Studies-Women's Studies 274: The Female Experience in America," which has become one of the most popular courses on campus. Students may wait several years before making it into the SRO course.

"This year's group of students is incredible-they are bright and very committed to their projects," said Ms. Mannocchi, referring to the slide or video

presentation topics of central importance to women's studies that the students must prepare as their final projects for the course. The group working on the Carolyn Chute piece, for example, interviewed a number of Maine authors, writers and critics about the pioneering work of the Maine authoress, then spent an afternoon at Ms. Chute's new Keyser Falls home. The result, said Prof. Mannocchi, is an engaging piece, with some unusual footage.

There will also be videos covering the topic of homophobia on the Colby campus and on women in the media, in particular, how they are portrayed in television commercials. In addition to the slide-tape presentation on father-daughter relationships, there will be others on sibling relationships, female relationships across culture and class, and women in contemporary popular music, both as performers and writers.

Also on tap for the evening will be the presentation of the annual Business and Professional Women's award to the most outstanding women's studies student.

J-Board Summary

Hearing Date	Charges	Findings	Sanctions
April 17, 1988	1) Physical assault of a fellow student 2) Threatening a fellow student 3) Disturbing a class session	Not guilty of #1; guilty of #2 and #3.	Permanent Disciplinary Probation; counseling evaluation at the Health Center; letter of apology to the professor and class; support of Performing Arts Department ban of the defendant from Runnals Union except for classes.



FEATURES

Alcohol and the Colby student

by Chris Preston
Jennifer Scott

The following article deals with alcohol consumption at Colby. Represented below are many diverse points of view; interviews were conducted with people who do not drink to those who drink themselves into oblivion. The people who agreed to be interviewed did so on the condition that they remain anonymous. To honor this commitment false names are inserted.

The statistical information comes from surveys that were randomly sent to one third of the student body. The recipients were selected on a purely mathematical basis to preserve the integrity of the survey. The writers acknowledge that the opinions below are not fully representative of the entire student body, but do reflect general views that exist on Colby's campus.

We received approximately 20% of the surveys. This percentage contains an incredible variety of reasons why people chose not to drink or to drink.

While the survey indicated that the vast majority of Colby students consumed alcohol at some point, there were those who never have. Of the surveys we received 98% of the students said they had tried alcohol, and only 2% percent said they never had. It is important to note, however, that an additional 4% currently abstain after having experimented with alcohol at least once.

The testimony of abstainers

While drinking is an important recreation for many students at Colby, there are those who made the conscious decision to abstain.

"I am definitely not one of those people you see standing in a puddle of beer around a keg at a student center party." 'Bill,' a sophomore, stated. "I'm on hall staff and I have to deal with a lot of drunk people on my floor and it really turns me off watching people do that [getting drunk] to themselves."

'Bill' believes people drink at Colby because of boredom. "People are pretty lazy, for the most part. They want an easy way to have some fun and escape from pressure." In general, he sees a problem around how people at Colby treat drinking. "It takes a lot of peer support for someone to realize that they have a problem and I really don't think that exists here."

What about social life at an alcohol-free Colby? "If going to student center parties where there was no alcohol became the thing to do, I think it might work. Especially if the frat got involved and sponsored parties with no alcohol, then I think the idea might catch on, but

truthfully, it'll never happen."

Tom, a freshman, abstains because he doesn't like the effects of alcohol and would rather remain in control. "People here drink to lose control and that's exactly what I'm trying to avoid. Other's like to just let things go, drinking is an escape for them whereas I'm just the opposite."

Tom thinks that it may be hard for someone on this campus to realize that they may have a drinking problem and should seek help because "Drinking to excess is something that is so common around here that nobody ever thinks that there may be a

"Drinking to excess is something that is so common around here that nobody ever thinks that there may be a problem with it."

problem with it." He believes that the campus would be almost dead with no alcohol to draw people to the parties because the main event at any social gathering is drinking.

'Julie,' a senior, abstains for another reason. She had bad experiences with alcohol when she was in high school and now finds that steering clear of it completely is the safest way to deal with it. "I had kind of a drinking problem in high school. I had a lot of problems with my parents and on the weekends I totally rebelled by getting drunk. It got to the point where I was so sick on weekend mornings that my parents thought I was becoming an alcoholic. They sent me to some AA meetings and I just kind of swore to myself that I wasn't going to drink until I got away from my parents and could deal with

alcohol more responsibly. Now I feel like the best way to deal with it is to completely abstain."

Regarding Colby's alcohol scene, she says, "It really scares me because I think a lot of people get really shitfaced on the weekends. What's scary is that these people are going to go out into the real world and will be forced to handle themselves like responsible adults, and their current drinking patterns are far from responsible."

For those with a drinking problem, Julie mentions, "I think that the most important thing is for friends to be supportive of others who might have a problem. I know that if someone had said to me in high school that they thought that I had a problem, I'd initially be pissed off but then I think that I'd realize that only someone who really cared about me and wanted me to be a better person could have said that to me."

'Linda,' a freshman, has never drunk alcohol and doesn't plan to try it. "My friends think that I'm from a different era or something. The fact is that I get more of a kick out of watching my friends get drunk at parties than I think I actually would if I got drunk myself."

She states that it's very hard for people who chose not to drink at all at Colby. "I know some people who hate drinking and wouldn't do it if it were not for the peer pressure that they get from their friends. Even though maybe not many people recognize it, there is a lot of pressure to drink. It's the main thing to do at nearly every gathering on this campus. When you see so many people around you getting drunk and

seeming like they're having so much fun, it's hard to resist the temptation to join them and see what it's like."

The support for people who don't drink can come from nobody but other students, believes Julie. "It would really help if people were more supportive of people who choose not to drink. It would also help if we weren't penalized for not drinking, like providing a smaller party charge for non-drinkers or more alternative beverages at parties."

While non-drinkers are certainly a minority at Colby, that doesn't mean that they

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ought not to be ignored. They require the acknowledgement of others, and it should be recognized that non-drinkers have their problems as well. An atmosphere that revolves around drinking can alienate those who choose to abstain, and these people deserve respect for making such a choice.

The testimony of those who consume alcohol

'Mike,' a senior, admits that he occasionally makes getting drunk a mission. Although also claiming to be able to stop after a few beers, he also says, "I rarely go out on weeknights, but I do go to parties on Friday and Saturday nights."

"I think people drink at Colby for a number of reasons. One is peer pressure, another is to be cool, and lastly, as an escape from academic and social

pressure."

He also mentions that he does worry about his behavior when drunk. "I sometimes do crazy things and occasionally have destructive influences."

Although he refused to drive drunk, he does consider drunk driving by Colby students to be a serious problem. He felt that the people who do drive drunk either live off campus and have to drive home after partying on campus, or live in dorms but decide to drive downtown to buy food.

'Stacy' believes that Colby's social scene would suffer if alcohol was made hard to get. She feels that people would just move the drinking habit off campus, "thereby increasing the likelihood of driving drunk."

But unlike most, Stacy' drinks not to get drunk but because she likes the taste. She says, "I enjoy drinking a couple of glasses of wine, but then stop."

Like 'Mike,' she feels that Colby students drink get drunk and to escape academic and social pressure, but adds, "People also drink to pick up people and to procrastinate."

Yet she is also quick to point out that peer pressure never played a role in her choosing to drink. "Although it seemed to be the thing to do, I was never pressured to do anything I didn't want to. I think many people use peer pressure as an excuse to drink."

"Part of the reason I think people drink is because they see their parents drink, and consequently follow their role model. Peers perpetuate this tendency. So it becomes an argument like 'they had it so I did it.'"

While 'Mike' seemed to think that his drinking patterns would taper off after graduation, 'Stacy' feels the frequent drinking at college provides a good basis for alcoholism later in life. She points out, "I really enjoy drinking so I consciously drink less so I can retain this privilege."

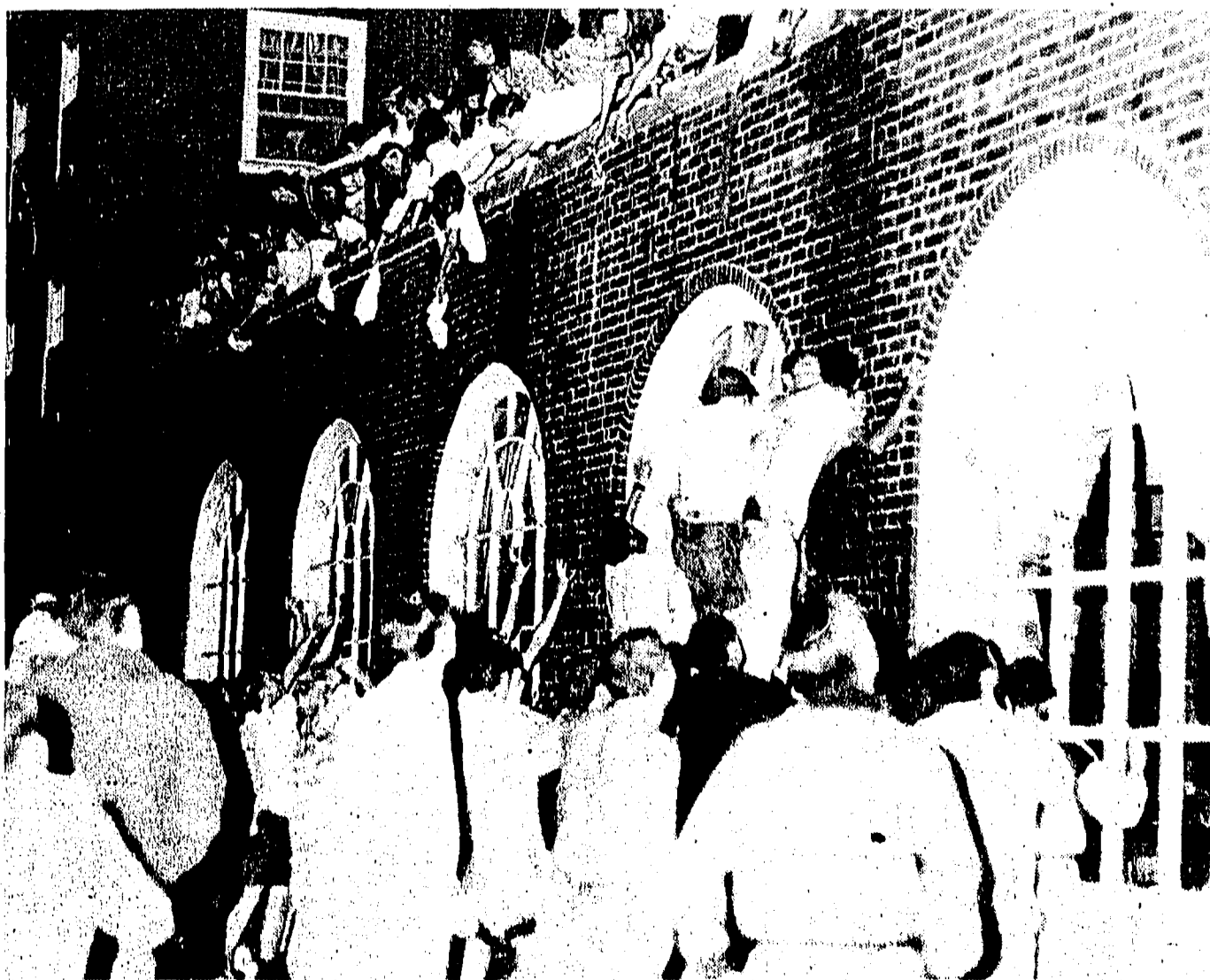
Unlike either 'Mike' or 'Stacy,' 'Sarah' drinks two to three, and occasionally four, times a week. But instead of getting drunk, "I just like to catch a buzz. I don't like to get so drunk that I'm incoherent and bumbling about but just to have fun."

She observes something akin to peer pressure as to why people drink at Colby. "I believe people drink to fit in, to have fun. It's a chance to forget academia: sort of a mini-vacation."

This contrasts 'Stacy's' opinion, who feels that getting "continually drunk becomes a problem because you shouldn't have that much to escape from."

'Ken' takes 'Sarah's' drinking patterns a step further; he drinks to get drunk half the time and the other half to catch

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Alcohol

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a buzz. He says, "I also think drinking is the only social thing students know how to do here. Furthermore, it is fun."

"Steve," another freshman, says, "I normally don't start out to get drunk, but sometimes it happens. It just depends on the mood I'm in and whether I'm with the guys and feeling roudy after a lax win, or a long week of exams."

"I think people drink at college just because it's there. It's more socially accepted than drugs at college and I like the taste." He adds, "I like to drink when I don't have anything to worry about and I try to be myself whenever I do."

'Mark' is a freshman who grew up in an environment where his parents drank a lot socially. He points out, "It was woven into daily life. My parents were heavy social drinkers and I possibly see my step father as having future health problems, but I've never considered him to be dependent on alcohol."

He also had some interesting ideas why people drink. "Although I feel people drink to rid themselves of worries, they also drink because they lack self-confidence and drinking allows them to deal with people a little better."

Furthermore, one is expected to drink at parties, and I feel pretty stupid walking around a Student Center party without a cup in my hand."

'Karen,' a junior, picks up on 'Mark's' notion that he sometimes feels silly walking around without a cup in his hand. She says, "People treat cups as a security blanket at Colby. One is lost without a cup, and it must be kept constantly full."

Watching other people make fools of themselves has caused her to moderate her drinking habits. "I've watched a friend of mine make an idiot of herself. This scared me, so I seriously stopped getting hammered."

Everyone who drank felt that Colby's social life would be dormant to non-existent if it weren't for alcohol. 'Karen' feels that, "it serves a uniting purpose because it brings people together under one roof who normally would never have any contact with one another. People party together and drinking causes them to

Survey Results

1. Are you (a) male or (b) female?
52% male 48% female
2. Have you ever drunk an alcoholic beverage before? 98% Yes 2% No
3. If you currently abstain, have you all your life-25%; only part way through it-25%
4. If you abstain, do you feel left out of Colby's social scene?
37% Yes 63% No
5. Did you first try alcohol before coming to Colby? 90% Yes 10% No
6. How frequently did or do you drink?
once a year-7%; once a month-11%; twice month-17%; once a week-27%; twice a week-21%; more than twice a-week-11%
7. When you drink, did or do you do so to get drunk-4%; just a catch a buzz-32%; sometimes both-65%
8. Did or do you mix drugs with alcohol?
32% Yes 68% No
9. Did or do you drink with other people-85%; alone-1%; sometimes both-14%
10. Why do you drink? to escape from academic pressure-13%; social pressure-8%; merely recreational-79%
11. Where did or do you drink? in their rooms-21%; at campus parties-31%; local bars-14%; small private parties-34%
12. If you drank or currently drink, do you see yourself with a problem-5%; or are you completely under control-95%
13. Do you currently know anyone who has what you would consider to be a drinking problem? 84% Yes 16% No
14. Did or do you find that drinking interferes with your school work? 17% Yes 83% No
15. Is there peer pressure to drink at Colby? 63% Yes 37% No

lose their social inhibitions thus allowing them to interact."

However, 'Ken' feels differently. Even without alcohol, "People would find more things to do, more ways to interact with one another, but it's idealistic to believe that drinking could be effectively replaced by something else for every student."

"Perhaps one way to remedy this situation would be to sponsor more alcohol-free

"But as long as a student maintains a GPA above 2.0, their drinking habits are their own personal business."

events like Casino Night and organizing major bands to come play at Colby." Yet he admits that if alcohol consumption was suppressed people might turn to drugs."

In terms of how the administration should handle those who have a drinking problem, everyone felt they should not do anything. For example, 'Ken' feels that "it is up to the individual what to do but there should be something available for them if they seek help."

'Mike' feels that if someone

has a drinking problem it is up to the individual or his/her friends to help work through the crisis. He added, "It shouldn't be forced upon them by the administration because if they don't want help then they won't be receptive to it, even if it is pressed upon them."

'Stacy' feels that the administration should be helpful because alcoholism is a disease and therefore students should not be punished for it."

'Mark' feels strongly that discipline is not the answer, especially in college.

"I think students would rebel if the administration tried to tell them what to do. Adequate peer support is much more influential and constructive. The administration shouldn't do anything because it has no right to monitor students."

'Karen' feels that "the students are responsible for their own problems, but if their actions endanger the lives of others then the administration should intervene."

Dean of Students Mark Serdjenian feels that the administration has two objectives concerning alcohol use and abuse at Colby. One, that the administration

promotes the educational aspects of alcohol. Two, that they have an obligation to aid student awareness and enforcement of Maine's Liquor laws.

He adds, "The administration understands that this is a college and people are going to drink, whether they are underaged or not. We are not here to oversee students' social lives, because it is responsibility of each individual."

"We're here to offer help and assistance to anyone who feels that they might have a problem."

"Most often a student will come to my office with academic difficulty and it will become known that he has a drinking problem." But as long as a student maintains a GPA above 2.0, their drinking habits are their own personal business.

The role of the Health Center is important in determining what is available to students who may have a drinking problem. Ann Norsworthy stated, "We don't see the Health Center as any kind of disciplinary arm or type of law

enforcement. We're here to offer help and assistance to anyone who feels that they might have a problem."

The Health Center wants to be thorough in its assessment of any problem, whether drinking related or not; consequently "We often ask drinking related questions when a student comes in on the weekends with an injury. We're not doing this to in any way punish the student but we would hate to overlook a possible drinking problem," explained Norsworthy.

While Norsworthy does not think Colby's use of alcohol is any worse than other colleges of similar size, she does feel that there are many alcohol related problems concerning use and abuse. "Alcohol use is a significant factor in problems relating to personal injury, sexuality, and destructive behavior."

Another way that Colby deals with alcohol is Better Alcohol Responsibility, commonly known as BAR. Paul Johnston, the faculty advisor for BAR, states that its purpose is alcohol education. It tries to make the students more aware of the physiological and psychological affects of alcohol." He stressed that BAR is not a temperance group.

In addition to educating students on the effects of alcohol, BAR sponsors many educational activities such as Alcohol Awareness Week and has started such non-alcohol related activities as Casino Night. It is also responsible for the clause on party forms which requires that alternative beverages and food be served.

In addition, there is PAE, or Peer Alcohol Education. Primarily a liaison between the students and the administration, PAE is student run-all conversations and identities are completely confidential. Its members are also well qualified to advise hall staff on how to deal with drunk people, and those thought to have an alcohol abuse problem.

The surveys and the interviews indicated that Colby is far from having a serious alcohol problem among its students. Although an overwhelming majority of the students had tried alcohol at least once, this comes as no real surprise. However, there are those who believe they have a problem or know others who do. So it is important that they know resources are there to help them.

Vote "Yes" for Referendum #1 on May 3

Proposal:

To institute a student-run social fee system which would require each student to pay a \$20 per semester social fee to enhance social life for the campus effective September 1988.

Why should you vote 'yes' for Referendum #1?

- 1.) It will save you money
- 2.) Larger variety of parties
- 3.) No guest lists at the door
- 4.) No signing up at dining halls
- 5.) Guaranteed parties every weekend

Questions about this referendum will be answered at an all campus forum in the Heights Community Room on Monday, May 2, at 8 p.m.



Class Elections

Senior Class President



Paul M. Beach

Much has happened in three years to the class of 1989 since that fall afternoon in the Chapel. COOT had ended, President Cotter was giving his annual freshman address, and the freshman class was a long way from graduation. Since then, our class has changed a great deal. Some people have traveled to Vietnam, others to South America. And still others have stayed at Colby and become involved on campus in academics and school life. The Presidents address was unique in that it was the first and last time that the class of '89 was all together in one place.

Next year, we graduate, and graduation should not be the first time since that fall afternoon that we are all

together again. Senior year is important for two reasons. First, it will be the last time the Class of '89 is together as a whole, barring an extraordinary reunion. Secondly, since it will be our last year at Colby, it will have the most lasting impression on our four years here. The class officers must make the most of the year by scheduling activities so Seniors may get to know one another as a class instead of a face in the crowd, insuring that we leave Colby with a good impression.

In order for the Seniors to successfully achieve both of these ends, it will be necessary to have leaders who both know the people and the processes through which things are done at Colby. In my experience as the Editor-in-Chief of the Echo and Head Resident, I have met those people and learned those systems.

In addition to knowing the system, it will be necessary to have the time and energy to properly do the work. I will be willing to put in the time if you are willing to allow me to do it. As President of the class of 1989, I will make next year the best of four great years at Colby.



Mary LaPointe

Hey Seniors! Are you psyched for next year? No? Don't know everyone in your own class even though you've been on this campus for three years? Part of the problem is that we don't have enough get togethers for our own class. Not many people have been willing to make the commitment for greater class unity. That really bothers me. That's why I'm running for Senior class president. I spent a semester in the real world and I appreciate the necessity to have a good time in my final year of college. They say the friends you make in college last for a lifetime; therefore, we need to have more class oriented activities to make those lifelong friendships. There are so many people in our class that

don't know each other and I think we should do something about it. We need to have a lot of class activities (yes, that means parties!) so we can all get together and make our last year a blast! I know Senior year will be hectic for everyone and many people won't have the time to attend these functions, let alone plan them. That won't happen with me. I plan to dedicate myself to making our Senior year the best year we've had at Colby. If elected, the Senior class will be my first priority (please don't tell my parents I said that!). The Senior class needs someone willing to make the commitment for improving class unity. I want to do that by planning numerous and varied social events. (What you may ask, vote for me and you'll find out.) Your Senior year is the last year before reality takes over your life...you have to make the most of that time. I am Mary LaPointe and I am willing to make that final year of freedom the best you've ever had. So when you are faced with that ballot, and you scan down the list of names remember me, Mary LaPointe, and vote for an exciting and refreshing Senior year.



Jayne Holman

Juniors, do you know who your class officers are now? Can you name more than one thing that they've done in the past year? Hi, my name is Jayne Holman and I'm running for class president because I can't answer these questions. I'm tired of waiting for things to happen in our class and I am now ready to make things happen. Next year is our senior year and we deserve more than one unorganized dinner in the Student Center. (Did anyone get an invitation to that dinner? Did anyone know about it more than an hour before it started?) What we need is organization and enthusiasm (and how about some cocktail parties?). Don't settle for anything less. Vote for Jayne Holman for President.



Steve Byras

Hi. I'm running for senior class president. I have the

commitment and time to plan and organized events for our class. I also can motivate others to get involved. I'm approachable. Besides the typical senior class events held each year, I would like to come up with some new and creative events that would bring some sophistication and more fun to our final year at Colby. The two things I would try to achieve is class identity and class unity. You want a president that will bring fun to the class of '89. I can deliver.



Louise Tranchin

I am Louise Tranchin and I am running for Senior class President. My main reason

for running is to enhance class unity. Although there is some unity within our class, I find it disturbing that there continues to be a fragmented social system. I opted to stay on campus for the entirety of my junior year because I find that Colby has so much to offer; you just have to learn to take advantage of it. I feel as if I could offer a lot to the class because I have had experience with school governments while in high school, I am also interested in sports, and I feel as if I get along well with the faculty members I do know. I am

better qualified to represent the broad unified spectrum of the student body as I am not part of the fragmented sections of our class.

I want to do more than throw good cocktail parties next year, which I'm sure I can do. But I also want to try to organize events that might help us later in life, help make the transition between Colby and the job market seem easy, and finally I think that everyone should leave Colby with a fond memory, and if needed I would like to help some appreciate Colby and all that it has done for us.

Senior Class Vice-President



Bill Carr

I expect senior year to be our best year at Colby College. It will be with successful Senior

class social events such as Senior cocktail parties, bar-hopping in Portland, and Senior week. Our Senior class will have a chance to come together as a class for the first time since freshman year in the Chapel. Your classmates, who were strangers in the Chapel in Fall '85, are now your oldest friends at Colby. Senior year, thus, is the pinnacle of Colby life; the last year of care-free college-life, with your best friends and the final party before the harsh

transition to "real life."

Our expectations of Senior year will not be achieved if there are not strong, experienced leaders for our class. As Senior Class Vice-President, I am certain that our expectations will be achieved. I am experienced in running successful parties, and social functions as acting Social-Life Chair of Johnson Commons. I know how to deal with the planning, administrative duties, and nuances of social functions that are necessary to having a good time. I have a strong desire to achieve our expected vision of Senior year. As Vice-President, I'm positive that the class of '89 will reach its highest expectations.

Senior Class Treasurer



Megan E. Patrick

I'm running for Treasurer of the class of '89. With your support, I hope to make our senior year the best. There's so much we can do to create class unity through funding senior events. Perseverance will accomplish our goals. VOTE FOR MEGAN PATRICK - TREASURER '89

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Julie Lewis

Senior year is the most important year in college. It should also be the most

enjoyable! As a member of the class of 1989, I am looking forward to our best year yet.

My name is Julie Lewis and I am running for Senior Class Treasurer. I have had leadership experience in high school as well as at Colby and feel that I have the skills needed to be an effective class officer.

I don't always balance my checkbook but I do have the organizational skills needed to be a treasurer. More importantly, I have the enthusiasm and creativity that is necessary to work well with the rest of the council.

I'm really excited about next year and I would appreciate your vote.

Junior Class President



Mohamed Eastman

My name is Mohamed Eastman and I am running for Junior Class President. I feel that during my term as Sophomore Class Vice President I gained a lot of insight into the presidency. I have worked closely with the other class officers on all the events that took place from the post-INXS party, to the events strictly for the Sophomores such as the parents weekend cocktail party, class dinner and the cocktail party that followed.

Through hard work and unity we, as Sophomores, had the most successful blood drive in years. With all the accomplishments we have made as Sophomores I am certain that we can make a big difference on campus as Juniors. I believe that through my experience as Vice President and my working relationship with the out going President, I am ready to bring new ideas and events to the Junior Class and the Colby Community.

Sophomore Class President



Matthew Dumas

According to the student handbook, "the class officers organize various activities, such as barbecues or trips to the coast." Wow! That's it? I, Matthew Dumas, promise I

will do more than that as Sophomore Class President. I feel that with my background, I will be able to provide our class with the extra added features that come with an outgoing President. Last year I was senior class president and Student Council President. I am presently a governor of East Quad. With this experience, I have the ability to run large functions, which are so vital for this class. We are no talking study breaks here. I mean road trips to Fenway Park and L.L. Bean or a day or white water rafting. I mean class dinners and cocktail parties as well as sponsored

speakers. These "events" take planning and I know I can do it. In addition to this, I will prove to be an effective link between "us" as a class and the administration. Whatever complaints or suggestions there are that this class conveys to me will certainly be voiced to the administration. Those of you who know me understand that I am no shy and that I do like to have fun. I promise you that our class functions and representation next year will be a lot more interesting and successful if you rest these responsibilities upon me. Please vote for Matthew Dumas for Sophomore Class President.

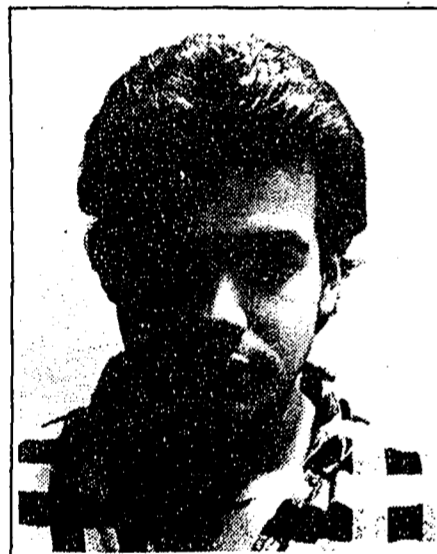


Laurie Brown

Zip, organization and know-how. Are these qualities you want your class president to have? Then read on. I, Laurie Brown, see the definite need to start our class off on the right foot. It is important for our governing body to help us with any problems or concerns and lead us in the right direction.

I was one of the few concerned members of the freshman council this past year. I organized and carried out many events this year including our February Blood Drive and all-campus parties. I understand the importance of good leadership. I realize that it is not possible for one person to take charge; it must be a team effort. The most important aspect of government is communication. I will listen to your ideas for our class. I have the time and energy necessary to make this class the best it can be.

We must work together to achieve our ultimate goal...a class to be proud of. I would appreciate your support in my effort to bring experience and enthusiasm to the class of 1991.



Shawn P. Crowley

My name is Shawn P. Crowley and I am running for President of our Sophomore class. I am seeking the office of President for many reasons. First of all, I am both familiar and comfortable with student governments due to my three years of service as Treasurer and President of my high school's Student Council which has provided me with the experience necessary to be President. Secondly, I truly enjoy

working with and for my peers on class projects and I would like to continue my efforts with my fellow students here at Colby as your class officer. In addition, I am aware of the amount of leadership required to ensure the success of student body activities and I know that I possess the leadership necessary to achieve such success. Therefore, I would like to ask you to consider voting for me, Shawn Crowley, for President of our Sophomore Class.



Amy Davis

I have experience for this job. As a member of the freshman class council this year, I worked

hard to be productive for you. But experience is not what I want to emphasize.

The job of class president is a big responsibility. If elected, I am willing to put the energy and commitment into it that will insure us a great sophomore year.

Among the ideas that I have and would try to implement would be party outings to the Belgrade Lakes and formal dances.

I would appreciate your support.



Sean Lucey

To the Class of 1991:

My name is Sean Lucey. I am a candidate for Sophomore Class President.

As a candidate for Sophomore Class President, it is my responsibility to bring an important issue to your attention. Believe it or not, many of these candidates are full of over-exaggerated experience and broken promises. In my estimation, at least half of these candidates (including myself), if not more, were involved in student government before coming to Colby. Most were involved in

youth organizations, town councils, school affiliated clubs, religious groups...the list goes on. As a result of this, they all claim to have the proper experience to do an outstanding job. Unfortunately, it takes more than just experience. It takes more than promises. It requires a complete understanding of our class.

In order to have a complete understanding of our class, one must have an open mind, dedication, new and different ideas, organization, and knowledge of you, the people that make our class as great as it is. Let's make an effort to make our class one that won't be forgotten for years to come. Let me make that effort.

I feel that it takes a special type of person, with special qualities, to be a Class Officer. I am that person. The decision is yours...make the proper one. Sean Lucey for Sophomore Class President.

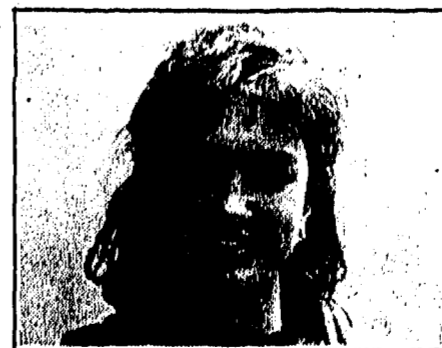
Sophomore Class Vice-President

Billy Goodman

Hello everyone out there in the class of '91, it's voting time at Colby College. And, yes, it's true, you do have class officers! My name is Billy Goodman and I am running for the office of Sophomore class Vice President. As an officer my aim will be to offer our class a voice in the activities that occur on campus that we so often never hear about, and to maybe stir up some feelings of pride and unity amongst the members of the class of '91. I will work in conjunction with my fellow officers in our attempts to provide you with the ultimate social activities, such as cocktail parties, ski trips, blood drives, and work with the community of Waterville. Your vote will make me a happy



Billy Goodman



Jen Wood

man, my work will make you happy campers.

Jen Wood

My name is Jen Wood, and I'm running for the office of Sophomore Class Vice President. I'm running for this office because Vice President is an office of responsibility and decision making. I have the experience to do well in this position as I have served as Secretary for three years in high school, through which I gained experience in Student Government. When elected I will represent each of you, striving to achieve each goal of our class. If you want our class to be one of accomplishment and unity, Jen Wood is your choice for Vice President.

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Michael Doubleday

First of all, I would like to state that I am not a politician. I am not going to make political promises that will turn the class of 1990 into the best class that ever passed through Colby.

Simply, I am an interested student concerned with the activities of our class.

For the two years I have been a Colby student I have often wondered about the life here on Mayflower Hill. I've asked the same questions that many others have asked. Why does Colby life seem so confined? Why is life here so repetitive? I always wanted someone to hand me the opportunities, instead of finding them for myself.

I finally realized that Colby has much more to offer than what was meeting my eyes. Now, heading into my Junior year, I hope to play an active role in our class's progress. As stated before, I am not going to

promise this or that. My philosophy is action. If we look for the opportunities and use our talent and imagination our



Michael Doubleday



Sue Anderson

last two years at Colby can be exciting as well as fulfilling.

I hope that this statement encourages you all to vote. If

not for me, then for someone else. Remember, this is our class and it is our responsibility to make the most of it.

Sue Andersen

Now I know this school is beautiful, well-groomed and almost everything they told us in the brochures, but every now and then wouldn't you do anything to get off campus? I'm Sue Andersen and I'm running for Sophomore Class Vice President. We've got almost everything here, but I think the class could do with a trip somewhere like Quebec City for the Winter Carnival, Montreal anytime, Fenway Park on a spring day, or the Old Port at Christmas. There are a lot of opportunities for a great time. Combine this with activities on campus - cookouts, a Christmas semi-formal, class dinners - and we'd have the chance to become a tight-knit class, one of the benefits of a small college that should be taken advantage of.

What's needed to see these plans through is dedication. I want a class we can be proud of and I'm willing to work to have

it. I've been a class officer every year since the ninth grade and was frustrated this year by the problems our class council ran into that kept us from doing a lot of the activities we planned, but now I know where the difficulties are and how to avoid them. I have the experience, ability and drive to make our Sophomore year one we'll remember for years to come.



Shelly MacConnell

I hope to be elected as Vice President because I want to make our Sophomore year one of fun-filled memories. I feel that I am well-suited for the position for three reasons; my sincerity, abilities, and experience. I truly want to be

Vice President, not for the title, but so that I can dedicate my efforts to making the Class of 1991 closer and more active in campus life. With about \$300 presently in our account and funds from next year's budget to be added, I anticipate planning all-campus parties, Sophomore-only gatherings, and weekend excursions away from the campus (to Boston or even Quebec for Winter Carnival.) Volunteer activities would certainly continue and would include another blood drive. My ability to accomplish these goals, as well as others suggested by the class, is evidenced by my hard work, dedication, and creativity in other various committees and groups. And my experience as a member of this year's Freshman Council and as President and Vice President of my high school class has made me familiar with the responsibilities that my intended position entails.

I hope that the Class of 1991 will show in full to vote for all offices on Monday, May 3rd; and I sincerely hope that you all will vote for Shelly MacConnell for Vice President.

Sophomore Class Secretary



Suzanne LaPrade

Hi!! My name is Suzanne LaPrade, and I am running for Sophomore Class Secretary. I realize that experience, dedication, and organization are common words used in politics; however, I strongly believe that I have the unique ability to fulfill my promise to be the best secretary for our class.

My unique background started in high school, where I was involved in student government and clubs. In my senior year, I was the President of the community service activities on and off campus. On campus, tours and tutoring were handled; while off

campus, programs such as preparing and serving food at a local soup kitchen and helping at a half-way house for the mentally handicapped were involved. Experience, like this, is the key to being an efficient class officer.

Efficiency is enhanced by dedication. I am determined to make the most of the potential our class has. Since arriving at Colby, I have become involved with athletics and class events such as the blood drive. With this type of involvement I will make a positive addition to the council.

The last necessary element to maximize the effectiveness of the council is organization. Without organization good ideas can not be converted into successful ones. Last year, I organized a fundraising event that profited over \$1000 which was donated to the Connecticut Food Bank.

All three characteristics I have mentioned: experience, education, and organization are essential for good leadership. I believe I possess these qualities and assure you I would be the best Sophomore Class Secretary. Thank you.



Catherine Breen

As freshman year serves as a period of adjustment for most students, sophomore year can be viewed as a time of establishing oneself and settling into college life. Thus,

sophomore class officers are accorded the taste of starting their class off to a good start by establishing a class treasury. With substantial funds raised through events such as phonathons, blood drives, car washes, and walkathons, the class will be able to enjoy numerous activities including trips, parties, and sports events. If elected, I would also aim to generate enough money to sponsor popular items like the Sugarloaf Ski Van.

I would be proud to serve the Class of '91 and would do my best to represent the wants and needs of our class. Please remember me, Cathy Breen, on election day! Thanks!!

Sophomore Class Treasurer



Jay Heimbach

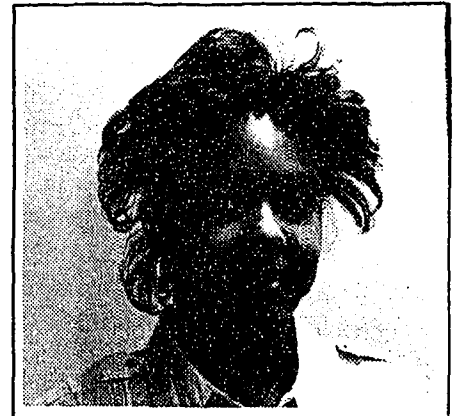
Dear Class of '91:

These election statements tend to get rather trite and boring. By now you've probably read a few and maybe they are all beginning to look alike. Well, I'm going to try to make an effort to keep this statement from being boring. If you want boring you can read Freud or Faulkner. Often all you hear about in these statements is what the candidate will do if elected. What you usually do not hear about is the candidates themselves. I like U2, R.E.M. and the Alarm, among other bands, I'm majoring in government, I'm from Massachusetts, I like theater and comedy, I watch David Letterman when I'm able to. I think I can do a good job if elected. Oh, I'm running for the position of treasurer of the class of '91 (almost forgot the reason behind the statement.) I have experience with student government here at Colby (I served on the Freshmen Council.) I'm taking Corrado's Public Policy course (for those of you in the know, this course is essential for any future leader.) Seriously, though, this position requires a lot of time and commitment. The only thing I can promise you is that I will try and do my best to do a good job. I'd like to prove this to you, and I would appreciate your vote.



Elaine W. Jorgensen

As Sophomores-to-be, most members of the class of 1991 don't have a great deal of concern about the class treasury. These funds however, will become increasingly important to us as our years at Colby rush by and we are faced with a growing number of class events to sponsor. It is for this reason that we need someone who will be thinking about finances and working to keep our class well in the black over the next three years. My experience is varied, ranging from a Government/Economics major to treasury experience with a non-profit organization last year. When I began to serve on the executive board of that organization, we were over \$30,000 in debt. At the end of the fiscal year, we showed our first profit in over 15 years. It is this kind of experience that I hope to be able to use to benefit the class. I believe that I would be a responsible and productive treasurer for the Sophomore class, spending existing funds wisely and effectively raising money for future class events. Remember--experience and responsibility can and will pay off for the class of 1991-- vote Elaine Jorgensen for Treasurer.



Chantal Miller

I want to be treasurer of the Sophomore Class because of many reasons. I wish to become more involved with the "Colby Community," particularly the Class of 1991. I feel I have many assets which will benefit the "College Community": organization, leadership, creativity, dedication, and an open mind. I have demonstrated my ability to lead and communicate with others by recently being elected Vice President of SOBHU. As the treasurer of the Class of 1991, I will be very responsible with the finances and budget, and help the other class officers in any way possible.



LETTERS / OPINION

NEW LEADERSHIP

Although the editor's box is unchanged, this week's *ECHO* is a little different from the rest. This is the first issue under next year's leadership, a practice issue sort of. We are David Russell, '89 and Chris Preston, '89. We realize that next semester is still a summer away but we wanted to say a few things about next year.

Participation. Not just at the *ECHO* but we recommend that people get involved in student government, clubs, other publications, etc. It's enjoyable, worthwhile, satisfying and an excellent learning experience. Participation also makes the time pass, it's fun and a few things to put on the resumé won't hurt.

Commitment. When you decide to take on an extra-curricular activity, be it sports, clubs, publications or the performing arts, make sure that you are ready to make a commitment, a commitment to do your best. Otherwise, don't bother.

Consistency. Be consistent. This is closely related to commitment. To do your best only once in a while is not enough. Other people will be relying on you. Do your best all the time.

Communication. When you have a problem or conflict don't keep it to yourself. Communicate, be open, let people know, don't make your friends guess at what you are doing. If you are not going to make it, call.

This is all very well and good but what am I getting at? We intend (just like everyone who has preceded us) to make next year's *ECHO* a very good paper, maybe even the best. And these are the principles we would like next year's philosophy to be based on. Participation, commitment, consistency and communication. The basics.

On a more specific note, we intend to increase our coverage of local, national and international news with the help of *The New York Times*. We are going to place an emphasis on investigative reporting and tap the intellectual resources of our faculty. We also invite faculty to submit to the *ECHO* in the form of a weekly column. Perhaps President Cotter will write for us. Layout will continue to make great strides because we will be retaining our excellent layout staff, including Magda and Diane. Most of all, we would like to hear from you. Student response has been good this year but we want more than just letters. We welcome your questions, comments, ideas, complaints etc, in any form, so that we may continue to improve *The Colby ECHO*.

David Russell '89
Editor-in-Chief elect

Colby students not "fascists"

In the April 21st issue of the *Colby Echo*, Bowdoin professor H. R. Coursen suggested that allowing the C.I.A. to recruit on campus was akin to welcoming the Nazi Party.

I find this incredibly insulting and distasteful. How dare you have the audacity to compare Colby's students to "fascists." Not only does this reflect your insensitivity to those persecuted under their brutal rule, but it also shows your utter ignorance of the true issue at stake.

First of all, the purpose of a liberal arts education is to instill in each individual the ability to make responsible

decisions for themselves. Now this has nothing to do with whether or not one is for or against the C.I.A. but whether the aim of such an education is being undermined. Refusing the C.I.A.'s right to recruit on campus suggests that the school does not trust the judgement of its own students, and therefore is acting paternalistically, not responsibly.

Slightly less important but nonetheless significant is the fact that I will be a senior next year. Like most of my fellow classmates, I want to decide for myself whether to schedule an interview with a C.I.A.

recruiter, or any other potential employer for that matter. Job searching is an arduous process, and any attempt to regulate who comes to Colby sets a dangerous precedent. For if the C.I.A. is barred, will American companies with investments in South Africa be next?

Such decisions must be made by the students. They must decide for themselves what is right, not anyone else. For if this responsibility is attacked, so is the very essence of a liberal arts education.

Chris Preston, '89
Features Editor,
Colby Echo

Fraternities were not "LCD"

Dear President Cotter:

One thing I learned during my four years at Colby was that generalizations are dangerous and a sign of ignorance. After reading your recent quotation in the *New York Times* article, "Colleges Grapple with Dark Side of Fraternities" (Wednesday, February 24), I am astonished that you, as president of Colby, can toss out a generalization as insulting, inaccurate and subjective as yours.

Firstly, I worked very hard during my years at Colby and consider a 3.20 GPA very

"It was a narrowing experience for students. They were less prepared, less serious, and there was a kind of lowest common denominator - do the minimum amount of work, take the easiest course, circulate old exams."

Mr. William R. Cotter

respectable. Not only did I achieve this GPA, I also graduated with honors in history, played two years of soccer, enjoyed a radio show and was sports editor of the *ECHO* during my senior year.

I was also part of a dedicated and special group of men who

resurrected the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at Colby. This was not a "narrowing experience." To the contrary, my involvement in this process was one of the most valuable facets of my college education.

There were organizational, leadership and motivational skills learned by hands-on experience. Regarding your "Lowest Common Denominator" equation, the fraternity grade point average was at or above the college GPA during my two years (1979-1980) as a member.

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Subtle prejudice

While reading Greg Ore's letter to the *Echo* several weeks ago I found that he was not giving many concrete examples of this discrimination he claims to feel here at Colby. So, perhaps there is no prejudice? What Mr. Ore did say, quite clearly to me, is that he *feels* prejudice against himself. Although he did not clearly define where he feels this prejudice, I felt he was describing the underlying attitudes which are directed toward minorities on this campus.

While I was growing up, I experienced prejudice because I am Jewish. Although I could describe many concrete examples of the prejudice I experienced, most disturbing were the undercurrents I felt. Not only to myself, but to all minorities. These undercurrents are of course impossible to prove, but they are felt very much by the people they are directed towards.

As I entered college, I anticipated an increase in the maturity level of the students. I thought that, especially at a

liberal arts institute, people would be open minded and fair. My first rude awakening was seeing the words, "Fucking Jews" accompanied by a swastika on a blackboard. Although I did feel angry at the sight of such blatant racism, I felt a much stronger and deeper sense of helplessness. "It is always going to be this way."

There are many other instances of racism on this campus such as students calling out, "The school is really" continued on page 16

The power of silence

The letter writing campaign about the CIA last Friday was a mixture of success and failure. On one hand, the bottle is half-full; the campaign raised awareness that there is recourse to action within the established system, and it helped 45 students air their political opinion. Several more students wrote down addresses of senators and said that they would definitely write later. I thank all of you who participated in the campaign. Yet the bottle is also half-

empty; of the students who ate in dining halls Friday at noon, only about 5% took the opportunity to use their constitutionally granted right to speak in the political arena. Some of the passers-by said they had no time, or just hurried past silently. One student said it was "a dead issue," and a few others said they were "not well enough informed" to write.

There are no dead issues—only deaf ears and muted voices. When so many students

willfully cut out their own tongues, I begin to wonder if they had really been fighting for their right to remain silent, to claim the fifth so they might not incriminate themselves with political responsibility.

Unfortunately, silence becomes tacit approval. If you will be silent, be silent knowingly; choose your silences as you would choose your words.

Steven C. Runge

Question Authority

By Christine Gilman

The other day a friend of mine showed me her dorm newsletter. She was incredibly outraged by the concluding section. It was a group of quotations, the last of which made a statement adverse to the questioning of authority.

What an affront to intellectualism! The idea of not questioning authority is not only in direct conflict with the principle behind the founding of the United States, but also with much of what we are taught as children. Who can truthfully say that one of their parents never refuted a request by asking, "If so and so told you to jump off of a bridge, would you do it?"

What would the world be like if our predecessors did not question authority?

If Galileo had not questioned the order of the Universe...

If Christopher Columbus did

not question the flatness of the earth...

If the Pilgrims had not questioned religious authority in Europe...etc., etc.,...

Those who are against questioning authority are those who stand to lose if the power

and reinforce that authority. On the other hand, if the authority in question is invalid or acting against the many, then questioning may result in or spur on necessary reform.

Let's take a look at some who did not question authority--

Jones, the Colby Administration and community who so quickly wrote off the January cross-burning, the doctors and nurses who performed the Tuskegee experiments in the 1930's, the US citizens who stood silently by and allowed

peak at some of "those who dared to question authority". The list of inhabitants is quite

impressive-- Thomas Jefferson, Thomas Paine, Lillian Hellman, Martin Luther King, jr., Karen Silkwood, Harvey Milk, Ghandi, Woodward & Bernstein, Augusto Sandino, Oscar Arias, etc., etc.

Of course, one shouldn't overlook Colby's own questioners of authority, for example Gregg Ore, and those who protested CIA recruitment, as well as those who sponsored BGLADs and the few who made the commitment of wearing the pink armbands to show solidarity.

Can we question the very idea of questioning authority? Of course, just remember a sound idea will only be reinforced by questioning.



structure is shaken or broken. If individuals firmly believe in what authority stands for, they should not be frightened of its questioning. After all, if authority is just, challenges will serve best to strengthen

There are many, among them, Lt. Col. Oliver North, the population of Germany and certain knowledgeable US officials during World War II, the kool-aid ingesting followers of the Rev. Jim

Japanese-Americans to be hoarded into internment camps after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, US slave owners and their many silent supporters, etc., etc..

In contrast, let's take a quick

East Asia on the rise

by Christopher Anstey

East Asian Studies... usually considered one of those obscure, useless departments. But wake up !!! Everyone should take at least one East Asian course before graduating. Not only is the department itself ever-growing and innovative (this semester alone there have been such presentations as a concert of traditional Japanese music, a lecture on the Peking Opera, and a performance of Chinese storytelling by an internationally known storyteller) but East Asia as a region is increasingly important on both the international and domestic American scene. Into the 1990's, when today's Colby students will be searching for careers, East Asia will have an untold impact upon the daily lives of Americans. Recent events in the region have brought a new focus of attention on it. Colby students, also, should take note of this and better educate themselves by taking courses in East Asian Studies.

Of all East Asian countries, China most undoubtedly has the most progressive future. The days of radical Maoism, with their catastrophic Great Leap Forward and Cultural Revolution seem to be over. Deng Xiaoping, the original instigator of the current progressive economic reforms, is quite aged. But his successors seem to be committed to perpetuating his innovations. Li Peng, the new Chinese premier, stated this in the recent Party convocation. A zone of economic progress has been instituted along the Southeast Chinese coast which provides incentives and lessens central control on economic projects. China now has a stock market. The one airline, state-owned CAAC, is being decentralized and split up

(similar to what happened to Bell.) More tourists than ever before are visiting the country - including a recent trip by the American evangelist Billy Graham. Large American multinationals like DuPont and IBM are enlarging operations in China and the incorporation of financial and economic jewel Hong Kong will undoubtedly contribute greatly to China's road to success. In foreign

the probable next-president of the United States, George Bush, was once ambassador to China.

Japan's future has much interest - or at least should have - for Americans. Obviously, the trade issue will have to be resolved. Japan can no longer participate in unfair trade policies - the U.S. is increasingly making this clear. And Japan is going to have to

countries like Australia, Spain and Nicaragua (the others in contention would sequentially be Washington, London and Moscow.) Recently the ruling Liberal Democratic Party stated that it did not believe the operation of aircraft carriers went against the Japanese constitution (which outlaws war.) Defense spending is certainly not decreasing, and former U.S. Secretary of State

that Colby students should be educating themselves about a country few Americans know much about.

Elsewhere in East Asia, progressive reform is evident and economic growth readily apparent. South Korea is now replacing Japan as the cheap labour, enormously productive country on the rise. On the political scene, Korea now has a democratically elected leader, with two opposition parties. Taiwan is another "NIC," or "newly industrializing country." It is a bastion of technological innovation. Recently the death of Chiang Kai-shek's son, Chiang Ching-kuo, has produced speculation as to whether the country will achieve solid democracy. Both Chiangs had ruled the country with an iron hand, maintaining their claim to be the only official government of China. Now there is a growing opposition party and there are hot debates in the National Assembly. Southeast Asia is economically on the rise with increased integration of ASEAN (Association of South East Asian Nations) to produce an ever-stronger bloc of industrializing countries. With the planned withdrawal of Vietnamese troops from Cambodia, regional friction will cool.

A region of the world in which so much progress and such a bright future is in store deserves study. The area holds approximately one-quarter of the world's population. And yet how many in North America can speak an East Asian language? Not many. With growing world interdependence and the emergence of an economically strong, politically stable East Asia, there is great prospect for exciting and rewarding careers for those people who study about the region. Now is the time for East Asian studies!



policy, previous ideological dogmatism has been replaced by pragmatism. The Sino-Soviet Split is now a thing of the past, as is China's aggressive advocacy of communist revolution in the Third World. Thatcher went to visit Deng two years ago, and China is coming more and more into its own in international politics. In fact,

take more of a role in international relations. With a Gross National Product ever catching up to that of the United States, the world in the future will see political flexes of Japan's economic might. Japan is one of the Group of Seven Western countries that meets annually (in Tokyo in 1986.) Tokyo is considered either the third or fourth most important embassy location for

and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Henry Kissinger for one is under the belief that "Japan will be a major military power by the year 2000." The largest topic of concentration in the Japanese media at present is the theme of the "internationalization of Japan." Japan finances an estimated one third of the U.S. budget deficit, and owns innumerable American enterprises. Clearly this means

ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

Not Servant of Two Masters: not just another play

by Janet Boudreau

Complete with colorful period costumes and bold, expressive masks, Carlos Goldoni's comedy, *The Servant of Two Masters*, comes to Colby on the evening of April 28, 29, and 30 at 8:00 PM in Strider Theater.

According to the play's director, Performing Arts Department professor, Ruth Brancaccio, the play is characteristic of Comedia del

Arté, developed in Italy in the 18th century. Brancaccio explained that Comedia troupes toured the Italian countryside, playing primarily to peasants with their simple, raucous and earthy stories. Virtually the same characters appeared in each tale and the story usually remained the same. There were always a pair of star-crossed lovers, an evil father, and a bumbling half-wit. The Comedia style also depended on stereotyped

characters, masks, broad physical gestures, improvised dialogue and clowning.

Colby's production, dealing with the misadventures of three romantic couples, is faithful to the Comedia del Arté style. It will feature four masked characters, singing, dancing, performing acrobatics and improvisation.

Leading Colby's Comedia troupe as Pantalone Dei Bisognosi is Art professor, Abbott Meader, who appeared in last years' production of *Accidental Death of an Anarchist*. Junior Tim Burton, having acted previously in *A Little Night Music*, Mamet pieces, two Broadway Musical *Revues*, *Mokai*, and most recently *The Physicist*, will take the lead role of Truffaldino. Dr. Lombardi will be played by senior Mark Wylie, who has appeared in *Pippin*, *Tartuffe*, and *Loot*. Sophomore Leo Flanagan, after directing *Stage Direction* and performing in *Blood Wedding*, will take the role of Brighella. Senior Megan Davis, who appeared in *Blood Wedding*, will portray Beatrice Rasponi. Florino Aretusi will be played by junior Christopher Tremain, who also appeared in *Chinaman* and *The Physicist*. Smeraldine will be played by sophomore Janet Boudreau. Sophomore Susanne Quill will take the role of Clarife Dei Bisognosi. Freshman Jeremy Grant will play the role of Silvio Lombardi. Todd Pritsky, Rafael Smith, Kristen Fryling, Ann Kenney, and Javier Gonzalez-Alonso will join the Colby Comedia troupe as waiters and porters.

Tickets, which can be reserved by calling 872-3388, will be \$3 for the general public and \$2 for students. Given the experienced cast and unique Comedia style to be seen in *The Servant of Two Masters*, it is not surprising that Brancaccio's closing comments regarding the play were: "Expect to enjoy yourself!"



Tim Burton, in a characteristic pose, as Truffaldino in *The Servant of Two Masters*

75 HOURS

A listing of events from
Thursday at 5 'til Sunday at 8

ONGOING

Daily Colby Students' Art Exhibition, Colby Museum of Art, until May Fourth.

Thursday - Saturday Performing Arts Production: "Servant of Two Masters," 8:00 p.m., Strider Theatre.

Thursday - Saturday Stu-A Movie: "Mad Max," 7:00 & 9:15, Lovejoy 100.

THURSDAY

4:30 p.m. Women's Studies Colloquia: "Performance/Discussion: Works by Women Composers" with Johnathan Hallstrom, Colby Music Dept., and Juli Swanson '88, Whitney Room, Roberts Union.

7:00 p.m. International Film Series: "Dodes' Ka-den," A.V. Room, Miller Library.

8:00 p.m. Southworth Lecture: "Frank Lloyd Wright and the Larkin Building" with Jack Quinar, Given Auditorium.

FRIDAY

3:00 p.m. Freshman Film Series: "Chip of Glass Ruby," Lovejoy 100.

3:15 p.m. Sports: Men's "B" Lacrosse vs. Bowdoin.

7:30 p.m. Performance: "Colby's Strings and Things in Spring," talent show to benefit local charities through Project Hero, Strider Theatre.

SATURDAY

2:00 p.m. Coffeehouse presents: "Agnes of God," all seats \$2.00.

Portrait of an Artist: Tim Burton

Name: Tim Burton

Age: 20 (very close to 21)

Hometown: Silver Spring, Maryland

Art: Acting

What effect has your education had on your acting? It's helped me to learn more not only about other people, but about myself as well.

Who has had the greatest influence on your work? My mother. I don't know why, but she has. Aside from her, it's got to be Bob Barker.

What do you feel is your greatest accomplishment? I'd like to say this play ("Servant of Two Masters"), but then I could still trip on stage, or forget a line.

Do you see a relationship between the theatre and society? One is always a reflection of the other; life reflects art, art reflects life.

What do you derive from being an actor? I can be anyone, do anything, and still be excused for it.

Does acting play a role in your everyday life? Oh yeah. I see my life as a movie. I just



happen to be cast as Tim Burton.

What is your favorite leisure-time activity? Watching Oprah Winfrey. I love her.

Tell us your wildest dream in terms of your acting skills. I'd like to star in Excorist III, or make more money than Sylvester Stallone.

Whose acting skills do you admire most? William Hurt, Robert Loggia, Kathline Turner. They act so well I don't know their acting.

Favorite quote: "I've been good and I've been bad, but common sense I've never had."

The Wisdom at Salada

Sagacity comes in the most unlikely of places. We shall present, for your cerebral delectation, the case of the lowly Salada tea bag. In heaps they lie, unwrapped and available to all, aside the hot water brewer in every dining hall. To the uninitiated, this means very little; to the sophisticated, Salada is a tidbit of profundity in a cup.

Allow us to elucidate: it is not the tea (though pleasant in itself) which is the source of this stimulation. Attached to every bag is a small slip of paper referred to as the "tag line,"

which has printed across the front a whit of what in effect is the cumulative product of human intellectual development. Impressive? We think so.

Consider: *If you can't write it and sign it, don't say it.* Should this laconic absolute have but been brought to Joseph Biden's attention, he may have succeeded in his quest for the Presidency of the United States.

Salada reminds us of many adages generally ignored in our day, a time marked by the moral morass of relativism.

The squares in the chessboard of ethics, so to say, have blended to a steely grey. Doublespeak is everpresent, appearance dominates substance, culture panders to the weakest link. Indeed, *Some people fall for everything and stand for nothing.*

Perhaps Ivan Boesky would have benefitted from this aphorism: *A crooked path is often the shortest way to jail.* Particularly apt at Colby:

A book shut tight is but a block of paper; and, of course, Minds, like parachutes, work only when they are open.

Architectural historian to deliver lecture at Colby

Professor Jack Quinan, architectural historian, will deliver the eighteenth annual Clara M. Southworth Lecture in Environmental Design tonight, Thursday, at 8:00 p.m. in Given Auditorium. The talk is entitled "Frank Lloyd Wright's Larkin Administration Building Re-assessed."

The Larkin Building, which Wright himself described as an "emphatic protest in architecture," is traditionally considered a major monument of American art. Its fame for its use of powerful forms and inventive materials is paralleled by its infamy for

having been demolished in 1950, only 46 years after having been built in Buffalo, N.Y.

Professor Quinan has lectured and written on a broad range of topics in American architectural history of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. He has taught at the University of Rhode Island and Cornell University, and is currently at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Professor Quinan's book "Frank Lloyd Wright's Larkin Administration Building: Myth and Fact" was recently published by MIT press.

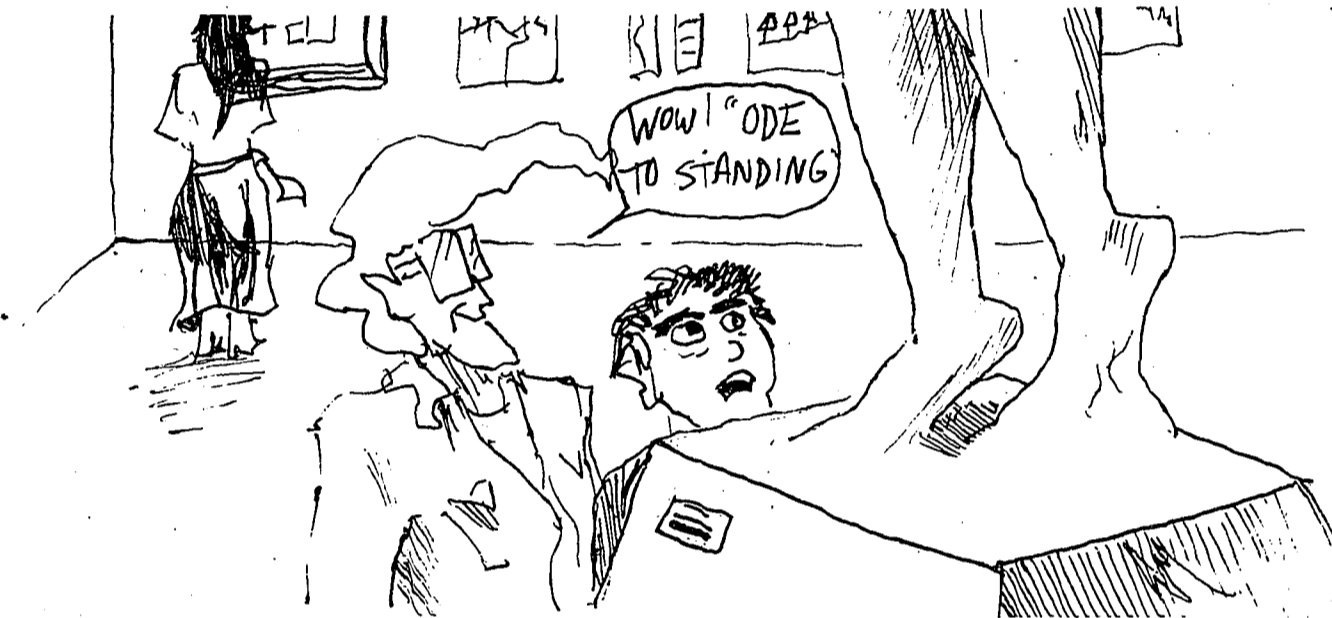
Student art on display

by Monika Chas

Go see the Art Student's Show - quick! before it ends May 7th! Among much highly imaginative work at this exhibition, there is a real sense of "tangibility" ("tangibility"?). A first over-all impression of the show is a big burst of playful, lively, comforting and intriguing work which displays a rather optimistic and happy sense of the aesthetic. It's as though many of these works exist just because the *are*; they seem to fit into life despite vague attachments to the real world.

This of course is not true for everything here. There is no way to verbally homogenize what one sees at this exhibit - we get some real design-oriented and some painterly stuff; some very organic pieces; quite a few architecturally-based objects, sculptures and paintings; and others serving more as "keyholes" to the "real" visual world. Actually, many of the works are a combination of all these traits, and they are not lacking in emotional and/or intellectual content. Picture for example a wooden human struggling out of a real tree stump, or brightly painted "Toy" objects with real

working parts. Picture intriguing "Rock Holders" with real rocks, or welded steel portrayed in an organic light. What kind of stuff is this anyway?! Stuff to fill your mind, stuff to escape to, or apply to your own experiences. There are beautiful paintings with much light and color, some rather "twilight-zonish", others more natural, shown in interesting perspectives and welded in creative brushstrokes. There are wonderful pen and ink drawings, healthy pastels, a movie, cut-outs, prints, things from the real world constructed into magical objects, and much much more!



The level of skill among the artists is, in general, quite high; the level of creativity oftentimes even higher. Although some works may strike the viewer as still quite novice, there is nevertheless a sense of artistic potential and quality. These works are, after all, products of budding artists. Imagine what kind of "chef d'oeuvres" we'll get from these artists in the future!

If there is any feeling of awkwardness in this show, it comes possibly from the extreme diversity in material and subject of its works, which are perhaps ill-positioned and confined. On the other hand, for putting up a show in 1-2

days' time, the organization is not too bad. In fact, some of the set-up is very well done - spacially and aesthetically speaking.

Here's a point on which everyone involved in setting up the show is familiar: insufficient time put into the selection process. There certainly were enough judges (who are students, by the way), yet not enough devotion to choosing precisely which works should go into the show. This may have been the result of a strong conflict: "Let's put in everything!" and "Let's put in only the cream of the crop". As one judge remarked, there was an incredible amount of work

submitted compared to the year before, where judges were begging for student art work. We don't know what happened this year, but it's fantastic! Are more artists coming out into the open? Let's hope so, because the Art Student's show is a perfect opportunity to display one's work. However, there has GOT to be a more unified way of judging what to put into the show. If we are to have a student art show, let's go all the way and make it the absolute best it can be. We are at Colby and should not tolerate "half-wayness" in such a case as this.

This year's show is fortunately a fine representation of student art work, of which Colby and its community are proud. There is certainly something for everybody's taste at the exhibit. What's missing is more profuse and higher-quality advertisement of the show. In addition, (and I'm sure many people would agree), the wording of this exhibit should be switched around a little to accommodate those students who aren't necessarily "art students" - something like STUDENT ART SHOW might be a little more appropriate! In any case, it's something definitely worth seeing.

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FORREST GOODWIN PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

The Forrest Goodwin Prize Speaking Contest was founded by Forrest Goodwin, a native of Skowhegan and a former congressman from Maine. Goodwin was a 1888 Colby graduate and was the Editor of *The Oracle*, a noted baseball pitcher for the Colby team, and a member of the Polo Team. He was a regular contributor to *The Echo*.

This is the second Public Speaking Prize Contest at Colby, the first being the Louise Coburn Speaking Prize Contest. It is open to all Colby students who will be required to give a speech of 10 minutes in length. The judges are Mayor Judy Kany of Waterville, President Cotter, and Peter Maroon, the executive director for the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. Prizes awarded will be \$150, \$100, and \$50.

The contest will be held on Wednesday, 4 May at 7:30 in the Hurd Room, Roberts Union. It is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

All last minute competitors and anyone with questions please get in touch with David Mills at 872-8755. Hope to see you there!

Corrections

The following are corrections from *The Colby Echo*, 4/21/88, Arts and Entertainment section:

Crossword -

#12 Across - "Last week's Student Center party"

#13 Across - has one too many spaces in puzzle

#3 Down - "What '7 Across' says when not allowed in the pub."

#12 Down - has one too few spaces

*Correct answers to last week's fun page will be printed in next week's *Echo*. The contest winner's name will be printed the following week.

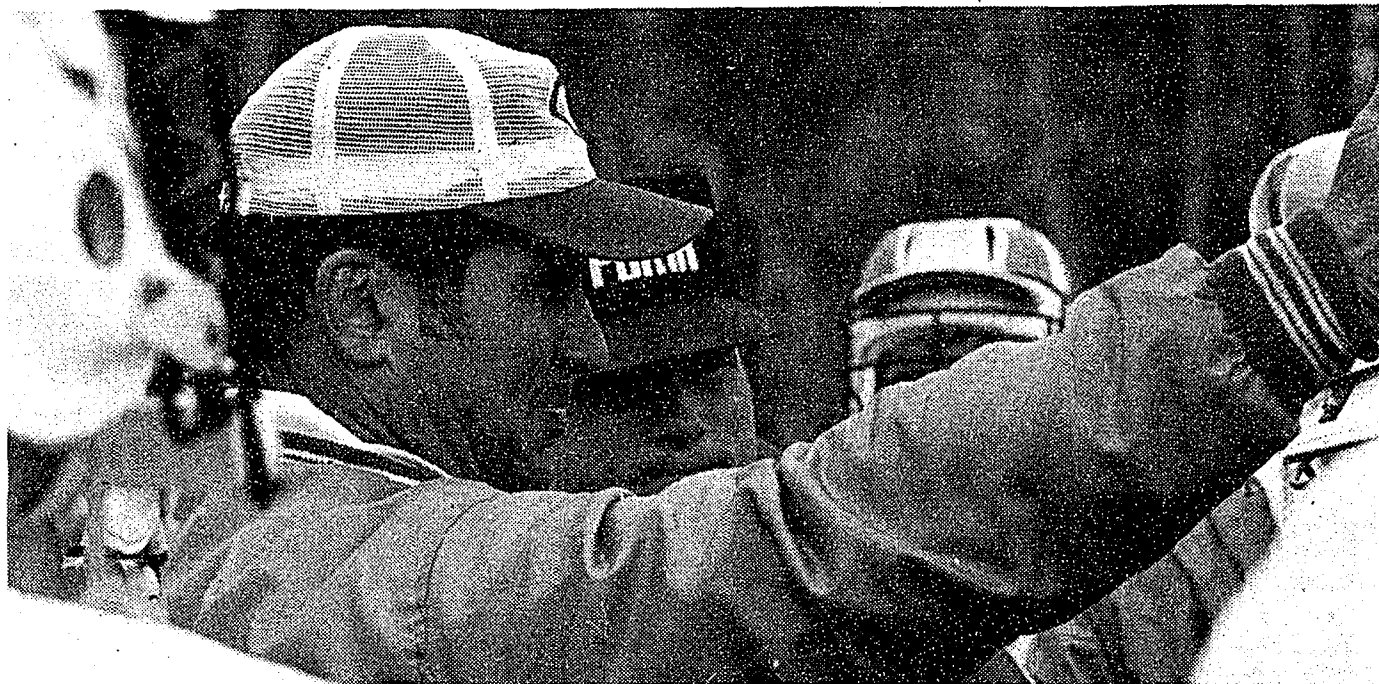
SPORTS

Lax owns Tufts; Plymouth St. slips away

by Bill Auerswald

The Colby Lacrosse team rebounded from their disappointing 5-4 loss to Plymouth State to blow-out Tufts on Saturday, 12-7. The victory improved the Mules record to 6-3 with four games remaining. Colby also improved its New England ranking, moving to the 7th spot in Division III.

Ironically, Saturday's games started much like the upset win over Bowdoin. After Drew Simons stripped the Tufts goalie of the ball at midfield, Joe Bisson took Drew's pass straight to the net for the first of his two goals on the day. The first period was controlled by Colby's offense, playing in the Tufts end for three straight minutes at one point. Colby's second score came on a fast break when Michael Grant fed Greg Cunningham crossing in front of (and over) the crease. Cunningham shot back against his momentum and found the left corner of the net. Minutes later Sam Jones capped the first period with an unassisted goal on a right-side isolation. Colby had outshot Tufts 12-8 in the period and starting goalie Bruce Fougere began his best game to date with four saves in



Coach Rob Pfeiffer directed his team to a big win over Tufts last Saturday and has set his sights on the ECAC's.

photo by David Coleman

the period.

Tufts came back with two goals to open the second period, scoring on two isolation plays. Colby then scored three straight, aided by a two-minute unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on the Tufts coach. P.J. Perroni fed Eric Russman cutting to the post, and Kevin Plummer followed with an unassisted tally. Plummer then fed Rob Erdmann for a rare man-down score. The half ended 8-3, as

Bisson and Cunningham combined for the final score of the half. Fougere had added seven more saves, and Colby's midfield had covered ground balls with a 40-20 advantage.

The second half was much like the first, as the well played, physical contest heated up further. Three successive Colby scores upped the score to 11-3, the largest lead. Perroni, Plummer and Steve Coan scored, and Fougere continued his inspired play in net. Tufts

began putting one defender on the weak side of the cage, in the crease, as Colby ball control kept the goalies head spinning. Charles Burke netted his own rebound in the 4th to finish Colby's scoring for the day. Tufts did score three quick goals as time ran out, with many of Colby's starters on the bench. The 12-7 final made the blowout look closer than it was. The defeat dropped the Jumbos from 5th to 9th in the New England rankings.

The Tufts victory followed a disappointing loss to loss to Plymouth State on Wednesday. Maine's balmy spring weather (35°) kept everyone tight and though Colby controlled the ball and the tempo of the game, they had trouble finding the net. Chris Smith held the opposition to only five goals, but they included the last three of the game, and Colby watched a 2-goal lead disappear. For Colby, Joe Bisson scored two, Rob Erdmann and Charles Burke had one each. Erdmann, Plummer and Eric Whiteford each had one assist. Colby did have the ball with two minutes left and a chance to tie, but Plummer and Erdmann were both off the mark as time expired. Colby's squad left the field knowing they played the better game, but failed to convert their superior play to a win. Coach Pfeiffer thinks that Colby could get another shot at Plymouth St. in the opening round of the ECAC tournament, if the Mules take care of business this week.

Colby will travel to Lowell on Saturday and then play New England College on Sunday, also on the road. This trip follows the CBB title game played yesterday against Bates.

Women's Softball Plugging Away

by Laurie Brown

The women's softball team moved their record to 6-5 this week with 2 wins and 2 losses.

The highpoint of the week occurred on Saturday when the women defeated Gordon in 2 straight. Jane Holman pitched 2 shutouts to

lead the team to 4-0 and 9-0 wins. The team as a whole played extremely well with 10 and 13 hits, respectively. Holman struckout 10 total.

Unfortunately, the group came down from their high on Tuesday when they lost a heartbreaker to Bates. Their opponents took the lead early in the game when an error in

the field and a homerun gave them a 2 run advantage. The women never recovered and lost 2-1. "We didn't execute well, defensively or offensively, and with only 4 hits you can't expect a lot of runs," stated coach Julie Treadwell.

Co-captain Julie Karas, who is leading the team in hitting (.459 ave.), had 2 out of

the 4 hits for the mules. "Although our pitching and defense was o.k., our hitting and mental errors on the base paths contributed to our loss," added Treadwell. After having scouted out top hitter Christa Chiarello (.440 ave.), Bates did not want to give her any good pitches. They pitched her inside and outside which resulted in a

tough day at the plate for the slugger.

The optimistic team will not let the loss bring their spirits down, they look forward to their next games. The mules will take on Tufts on Friday and play their last home game at 11:00 on Saturday against U.S.M. Come cheer the women on!

COLBY'S ORIENTEERING GODDESS

by Lawrence Rocca

The first time Colby freshman Magda Lacharite tried a solo in Orienteering, she "got totally lost." Since then, however, Magda has excelled in her sport.

Orienteering, not to be confused with tours given to freshman at the beginning of the school year, is a little known sport that originated in Scandinavia and is now popular in Europe, Japan, Canada, and recently has made a splash in the United States. The sport which is usually individual, and takes place in spring and fall, involves the use of a map and a compass to find one's way across unfamiliar terrain. Courses are of varying lengths (1.5 to 6 or more km.) and are set by

orange/white markers on distinctive land features. The object is to find the markers and return to the finish line in the least possible time. Although the sport is usually on foot, there are other types, including skiing, canoe, night-time, and bicycle.

There is also a great deal of strategy involved, such as avoiding obstacles like swamps, logging areas, large hills, uncrossable fences, cliffs, briars, and barbed wire. Competitors also must pace themselves in order to keep physical exertion from affecting decision making.

Orienteering can be a form of family recreation or a fun twist for joggers. But, it is also a highly competitive sport with championship meets held regularly throughout the

country.

Magda, who started Orienteering in 1979 when her "father got a book about it out of the library," quickly began to catch on, and after her first setback, she placed second in the U.S. Championship in 1981, and was crowned National Champion in 1982. Additionally, Magda has been ranked in the top three in the nation for four years, has been New England Champion for several years, placed second in the North American Championships in 1984, and was second in the World Cup in 1986.

Although the New England Orienteering Club is now the largest club in America and the sport has started to spread to colleges such as Brown, MIT, continued on page 14



photo by David Coleman

Until Colby gets an orienteering program, Magda Lacharite will have to explore the woods by herself.

TIMEOUT

"Every Woodsman's a Winner"



Wood chips and sweat flew last weekend during the 42nd Annual Woodsmen's Weekend.

photo by David Coleman

by Lawrence Rocca

Last weekend, on Colby's campus, hundreds of people were lighting up, making water bubble, filling the air with smoke, and cheering on others to finish as quickly as possible. They were laughing as friends performed entertaining and often dangerous acts. These people were amusing themselves in a fashion not unusual for the environment at Colby and were using mostly natural ingredients for their entertainment.

No. The events of which I speak were not part of the Spring Carnival agenda, they were part of the wonderful spectacle known as The Annual Spring Woodsmen's Weekend. This 42nd version, which Colby was asked to host for the first time since 1982, was the unofficial New England Championship and the way it was run was definitely worthy of such a title.

The meet, which was organized and run primarily by members of the Colby Woodsmen's team, saw 240 participants from 11 different schools from all over New England and Canada share their skill and enthusiasm with many diehard fans as well as curious onlookers. No one walked away empty handed. Whether it was information, excitement, or just a commemorative T-shirt, everyone who attended got something.

Bravo to the Colby Woodsmen. Captained by Jeff Glover, they finished 12th out of a field of 30, but more importantly, they responded to their opportunity to show the Colby community just how worth it it was trudging through the snow and cutting frozen logs this past winter in preparation for their World Series of Woodsmen.

From the canoeing events to the water boil, there were two days of non-stop action and competition. Every event was interesting and had its share of well qualified competitors.

Although Glover was pleased with the turnout of Colby competitors and the publicity the team received, he is cautious: "Popularity comes and goes. The meet gets people excited, but we have to concentrate on getting our young members to maintain their intensity." That may be a problem if the Woodsmen do not get more support from the administration.

Right now, they are the only co-ed sport at Colby that practices together year round. And even though they are recognized as a sport when it comes to Phys Ed. requirements, they are not given the budget that any other Woodsmen team in the country, let alone any Colby sport, gets. Their budget is a measly \$1400 which allows them to travel to only two meets before they have to dig into their own pockets and start begging others. The meet last weekend, which was a huge success and did wonders for Colby publicity, cost \$10,000. The money was raised through contributions from corporations, alumni, parents, and individuals.

Currently Colby's Woodmen's Team is in limbo having been dropped by Stu-A and not received warmly by the Athletic department. Glover feels that, "Whitmore [Colby athletic director] does not think we're legitimate," and pointed out that with coverage by *The Wall Street Journal* and a great amount of Colby alumni participation, President Cotter should realize that the Woodsmen's team is an area that could be utilized to further enhance Colby's image.

Hey Bill, for \$17,000+ a year the college has an obligation to provide more than it currently does. So cough up a few bucks; let our Woodsmen's team continue to compete the way sports teams are supposed to—with hard work, a healthy attitude, and with good feelings of fellowship. And to those of you who have the Woodsmen's spirit, go to the outing club and sign up. As Glover said, "There is no hazing, no nothing. You want to come 'play' with us, you're more than welcome." Long Live PV=nRT!

Women's Lacrosse Splits

by Scott Smith

The Colby Lax-Women split a pair of games last week, winning a 7-5 thriller over Bowdoin and losing in a hard fought effort to nationally ranked Tufts 12-4.

At Bowdoin on Tuesday, Colby was sparked by the scoring punch of Leigh Jerner (4 goals) and the solid defense work of freshman goalie Kay Cowperthwait (16 saves) to beat the Polar Bear Women for the first time in five years. Kay's goaltending spearheaded the Colby defense and 'netted' her the player of the game.

Coach Deb Pluck was pleased with the facets of the game, stating "we worked well as a team, were able to maintain possession, and make the proper defensive adjustments." She also added, "both teams played a great game, while

Colby showed a lot of maturity."

Other offensive starts were Margaret Mauran (2 goals), Jodie Brown (1 goal), and Jen Lally (2 assists). Not to be outdone, the women's second team routed Bowdoin 17-3. Heading the scoring column were Laura Longworth, Currie Hamlin, and Melissa Lawton, who combined for ten of the seventeen goals.

Here on Sunday, a battle of two top-twenty teams took place, with #16 Colby hosting #4 Tufts. The Jumbos grabbed the early lead, 4-1, their high powered offense in full gear. With four seconds left in the half, Karen Reilly burst through the defense from behind the net and fired a shot by the stunned goalie. The score stood 4-2 at the intermission.

Leigh Jerner scored her second goal of the game just

minutes into the second half, bringing the White Mule Women to within a goal. The comeback was halted though as Tufts ran off five unanswered goals. The final goal for Colby was tallied by Margaret Mauran assisted by Laney Brown.

Coach Pluck congratulated the strong play of the Jumbos but said, "the game was totally out of control with the officials, and extremely dangerous."

The women's team now has a 4-1 record, with their sites on finishing the season strong. This week looms big with games at home versus Plymouth State and on the road versus Wellesley College and New England College. According to co-captain Reilly, "this week should help determine our position for post-season play in the ECAC Tournament," which is scheduled for May 6th and 7th.

Women's Track rolling along

The women's track team traveled to Boston College on Thursday and Saturday to participate in the B. C. Relays. Their efforts resulted in two school records being broken and personal bests by almost every team member.

Both school records fell on Thursday as sophomore Lisa Bove threw the hammer 99' 6" to qualify for the finals and break the former record of 94' 8" held by senior Chris Gilman. Later that evening as the temperature dropped and the wind picked up, sophomore distance runner Jill Vollweiler ran her way to a new school record in the 10,000m run,

running 38:03.8, shattering the former record held by graduate Juliet Blake since 1982. Even more impressive was the fact that it was Jill's first 10k and she was only 18 seconds off national qualifying.

On Saturday the lady Mules returned to B. C. to more PR's. In the 400m hurdles, Clover Burns led the Colby entourage with a time of 67.8, followed by senior Tracey Morrow with 68.0 and Colleen Halleck in 69.2. All three were well under the New England Division I and ECAC qualifying times.

Tracey Morrow later ran to a 59.5 finish in the 400m, and senior Whitney Gustin ran 2

P.R.s 26.4 in the 200m, 1:00.3 in the 800m. The Colby relays also had a great day, running their fastest time of the year. The 4 x 100m relay of Colleen Halleck, Theresa Sullivan, Tracey Morrow and Whitney Gustin ran 50.9 to finish eighth overall.

The 4 x 400m relay ran 4:07 to place third overall. That team consisted of Colleen Halleck, Whitney Gustin, Tracey Morrow and Clover Burns.

Colby travels to Williams this week for the NESCAC championship. The Colby Mules will be challenging a strong Tufts contingency for top honors! Good luck!

Cycling team battles Mother Nature

by Scott Stratton

It's April, right? It's spring, right? After a screwy Maine winter you're fed up, ready to get on with on with those more regular seasons, right? A little rain is to be expected—the mud is what makes spring sports so interesting, right? So what's the deal with all the SNOW!! If it can't come when it is supposed to, then save it up for next year! Although the Men's and Women's Lax teams can utilize the opportunity to try to roll all the snow off their fields, no such luck for the Bike team—can you imagine the size of the snowball you'd have at the end of a fifty mile road race course! For the bike team, snow can simply be dangerous.

On April 16, as Colby was smothered with ten inches of wet snow, members of the cycling team half-heartedly put their bikes on top of cars and drove to Williams College for a criterium race (a criterium is

usually a .8-1.2 mile loop course, often with a hill, which is repeated twenty to forty times—fast and spectator friendly!). By the following afternoon, Sunday, however, the weather had cleared and the trip was not in vain. In the C-race Scott Winkler finished sixth.

This past Sunday, team members raced in The Hell Of The East, a thirty eight mile road race from Sugarloaf/USA to Farmington (U. Maine campus). Again Mother Nature was shoveling her worst. By the time the race began it was no longer raining, it was snowing. It changed back and forth from snow to rain during the entire race, and consequently many racers had problems with numbness/frostnip in their feet and hands (try this: put on long underwear and thermal socks, go stand in an ice cold shower for five to ten minutes, then go stand in front of an air

conditioner set on max-cool for an hour and a half to two hours while a friend sprays you in the face with a hose!). Nevertheless, the race was exciting. With about nine miles to go, team member Dave Longcope broke away from the front pack and was able to hold off all attempts to reel him in. He took first place, crossing the finish line in one hour twenty minutes. Scott Stratton finished thirteenth. Two of Colby's faculty affiliates raced as well, Professor Bruce Fowles and Keith Brugger. Brugger finished up in the front pack, while Fowles finished back a little further.

So far, Mother nature hasn't been able to stop Colby's Bike team. In fact, the victory has been greater the larger the battle has been. This coming weekend the team is going to the Championships at Cornell University-- I guess they should pray for a sleeting, hailing blizzard.

BRULEFS

The Men's Tennis team upped their record to 6-2 with a win over Salem St. and has played on par with what was expected from them. With a less than challenging schedule, the Mules have been involved in blowout matches all season with not a single match having a closer score than 7-2.

Thus far, the team has been led by Pat Hansen (7-1) and Ogden Timpson (6-2). The team traveled to Salem St. yesterday and will take on weak sister Bowdoin at home Saturday, before traveling to Middlebury for the NESCAC championships. Timpson is optimistic about the next two matches as well as the NESCAC championships: "We should do very well at Middlebury, especially Pat Hansen. He's been playing out of this world."

The Men's Baseball team was a victim of more jinxes, dropping a single game to St. Joe's and a doubleheader to Husson last weekend, with two of the losses by one run, before bouncing back and beating Bates 6-4 last Tuesday. The Mules record now stands at 6-16 but they are 3-0 in CBB play

photo by George Hallenbeck



The White Mules will need more scenes like this to turn their season around.

Andy Bess and Christina Thompson logged two fifth and one sixth place finish in the Northern Series regatta at MIT to help Colby finish 11th in a fleet of 13 overall. Bill Auerswald and Kate Brennan finished 9th twice in the seven races. The final team results were: Tufts 23, BU 50, MIT 68, Dartmouth 74, Providence College 87, Brandeis 87, Harvard 90, BC 119, Northeastern 125, UVM 127, COLBY 140, Mass. Maritime 151, Salem St. 188.

and have clinched at least a tie for the CBB title.

The Mule Nine play four straight on the road versus Tufts, Williams(2), and Bates, before returning to Coombs field May 6 to take on Trinity.

I-Play Softball has started up and with eighteen teams in the league, the competition is excellent. In the American League, the early favorites are the Mo Guys(2-0) captained by Matt Elders but missing John McCarthy (disabled list) and the Pizdas(1-0) led by Dana Beale. Beale's squad had a very impressive first outing, drubbing Chuck McCormick's Old Gold(0-1) 25-0. Other teams in the AL are Pete Reed's Slammer's(0-2) featuring the cocksure Brian Batting, Bob Murray's Jetsons(0-2), ACL(1-0) led by Scott Johnson, Jose Cuervos(1-0) captained by Matt Gillis, Prof. John Santos's Rascals(0-1), and Kevin Oates' Montezumas(1-0).

The National League has more good teams and consequently, the two playoff spots there are up for grabs. In what could be a playoff preview, Chip Nyan's defending Champion Melted Ice (0-1) dropped a 4-1 decision to Harold Rider's solid Sea Anemones (1-0). However, if either of those two teams stumbles, Glenn Powell's Dana team(2-0), Larry Rocca' Signify Nothing(1-0), or the much improved and highly touted Rigby, led by Steve Chmielewski and hot rookie shortstop Carmine Colarusso, could snatch up a playoff berth. The other teams are John Kinsley's The (too many) Beers(0-2), Freshman Football (0-1), Scott Schirmeir's The Wall(0-1), and Todd Astors Asteroids(0-1).

Athlete of the Week

Male Female

During the past week, Joe Bisson led the men's lacrosse team to two victories and a very narrow defeat. In each game, he scored two goals for a total of six. He also picked up fourteen ground balls, high for his position, and he led a ferocious Colby ride which prevented the three opponents from crossing the mid-field line effectively.

As captain, Joe is a very conscientious leader who keeps the issues of the team squarely in front of himself at all times. Joe's efforts have pushed Colby to a sixth place ECAC ranking and to the verge of a tournament berth.

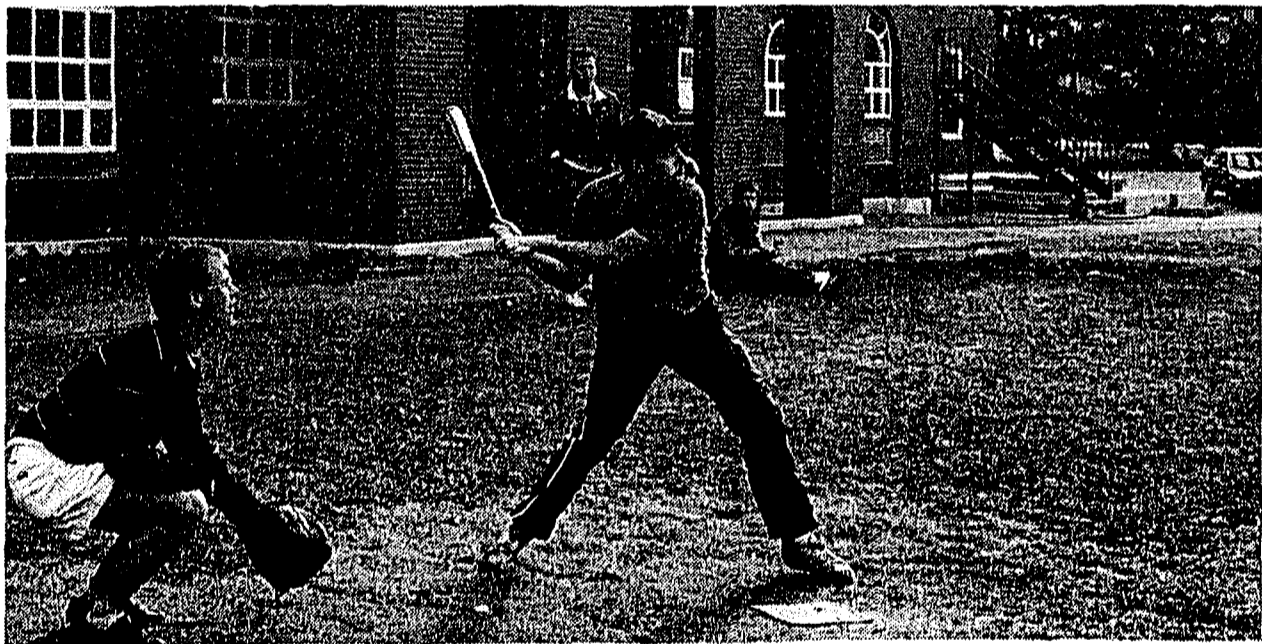
Whitney Gustin, a senior sprinter on the spring track and field team, had an outstanding meet, witnessing four personal bests. The first one occurred in the 200m. Whitney ran to a 26.4, 1.1 seconds faster than her previous best. Next Whitney ran anchor leg on the 4 x 100m relay, holding off Maine's best sprinter to place second in her heat and eighth overall and helping the team take 1.7 seconds off their previous best.

Whitney's next effort came in the 400m where she won her heat and ran 2.4 seconds faster than her previous best, 1:00.2, qualifying her for ECACs and New Englands. In her last run of the day, Whitney Gustin ran a 59.76 second leg of the 4 x 400m relay to help the team to a third place finish and their fastest time of the year.

orienteering

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Harvard, and now Bates, Magda feels that there is not enough competition to justify traveling to Boston, where the meets are held, every weekend. Twice over spring break she was able to compete, representing Colby for the first time. She placed second in both events, surpassing all other college participants. In the future, though, she feels that she may have to eventually hang up her compass unless a Colby Alumnus in the Boston area succeeds in organizing a Colby team.

For Colby to get an Orienteering program, it will be necessary to get a map made somewhere in Maine. That takes alot of time and money. The base of the map can only be made by a specific type of company from Scandanavia and all detail (small knolls, boulders, stone walls, small paths, etc.) is extremely painstaking to record. Magda will participate if Colby gets a team, but feels that she does not have enough time to organize one herself. So now she must be content with hitching a ride to Boston with the Bates team whenever she can.



Signify Nothing's pitcher Mark Reilly helped out his own cause in an 8-2 opening day win over The Wall.

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Frat Boy

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 Personally, I have since earned a Masters Degree, and am currently employed by a major real estate firm in New York City. My fraternity roommate is now a practicing dentist. The three other brothers who graduated ATO in 1980 are:

- 1) A president of a Boston based travel agency.
- 2) A graduate of Georgetown Law School.
- 3) A soon to be graduate of medical school.

Do you think that any of the five of us have taken the "LCD" either at Colby or in life. Do

you think for one moment that any of us did the minimum amount of work at Colby. Well, I will tell you something, each of us worked many long hours to attain good grades and to rebuild a fraternity we believed in. Each of us today are a tribute to the school you preside over.

Let me continue please. If a course is worthy enough to be offered at Colby, how dare you insult those involved with it to call it the "easiest course." If a course passes the standards you have set at the college, then it is everyone's right to take it. If a course is not worthy of Colby, then it should not be offered.

My last point is your statement regarding the

circulation of old exams. In the large majority of my courses at Colby, the professors encouraged the circulation of these exams. This useful practice was also encouraged at the graduate level. I don't have any idea what point you were trying to make here. All my professors changed their exams from year to year.

In completing this I am still dumbfounded by the narrowness of your statement and its complete inaccuracy.

My only hope is that other people in the Colby family read this article. You should be held accountable. I am outraged.

Jonathan Greenspan '80

Prejudice

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 sinking pretty damn low if they are letting in fucking orientals." Other comments made by students are equally shocking. "People in Africa don't know anything about politics. All they want is food so we gotta go there and tell them what to do." Not to mention the endless number of times I have heard derogatory comments about people from Maine made by students.

There are many other concrete examples that I could give you, but please don't get me wrong. Most people do not participate in such blatant forms of racism. Many, however, do participate in covert forms. This is the type of prejudice which often goes unnoticed because the people who are prejudice are usually

not as blatant about their views. It is often what they don't do which really counts. They don't smile at a particular group of people, become friends with them, include them in social activities, chose them for awards or for leadership positions. Quite simply, they have as little as possible to do with these people.

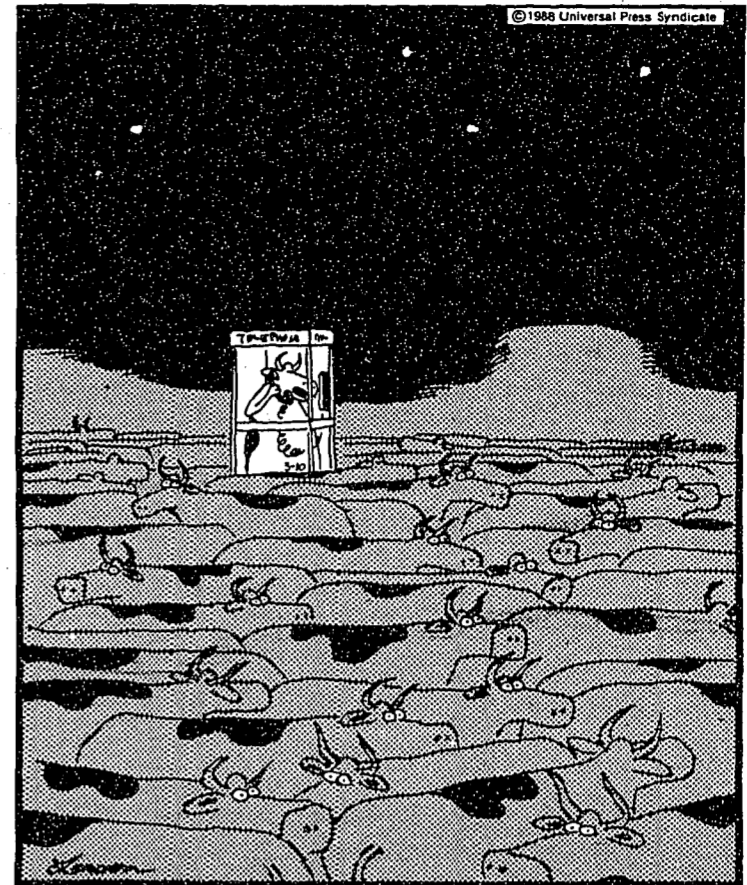
Please do not believe for a moment that others can not tell the way you feel towards them. Ask any minority student and they can tell you who avoids their eyes and who turns their heads away. Mr. Ore said, "We have to live in your world . . ." This is where much of the trouble comes from, believing the world belongs to some group and that others do not have the right to belong.

Lisa Finkelman '90



THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



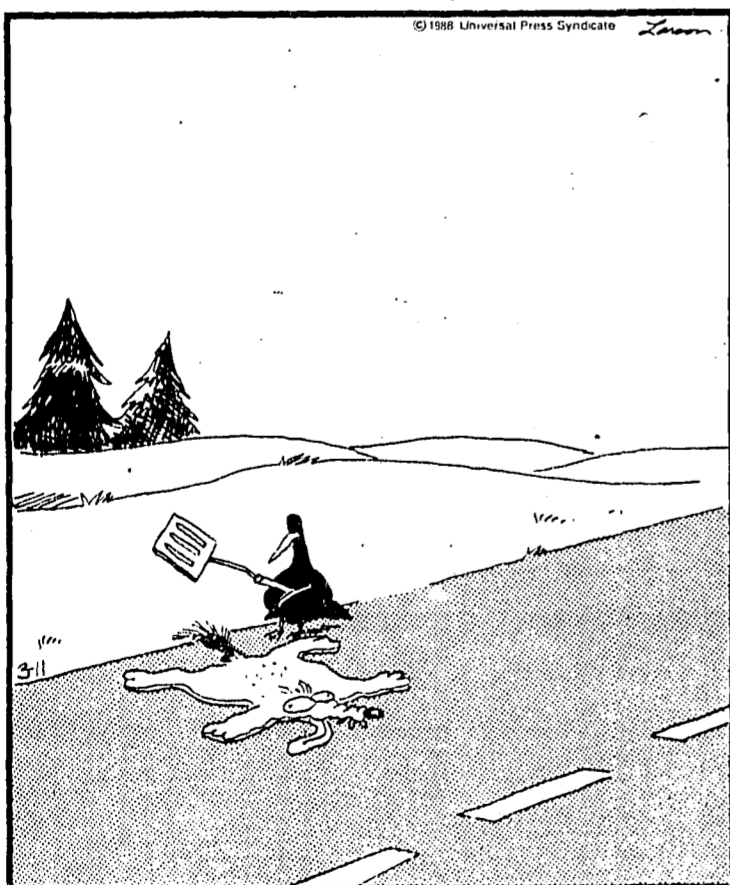
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Apathy

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 in *The Echo*, the Mooseprints--they were given ample time to get going," stated Thomson. Each set of candidates was allotted \$100 for campaign expenditures so that the amount of money they spent on their campaign neither increased nor decreased the chances for winning. Ferris commented, "At a school this size there is not going to be high class campaigning."

A debate in which voters could actually hear the candidates' points of view was scheduled, but, according to Thomson, none of the candidates was interested. While Plummer, Kispert, and Enger all felt that it was a good idea, they questioned the receptiveness of the student body. "People are forced to vote, much less attend a forum," states Enger.

Another factor which might contribute to only 50% of the campus voting is the location of the voting boxes. Plummer claims that due to athletics and classes which people have before meals, a substantial

number do not eat in their own commons. Since you can only vote in your own dining hall, this would result in fewer people participating. But Ferris and Thomson pointed out that, although they could place voting boxes in the Student Center, there is a greater turnout when they are in the dining halls.

When asked if there is a certain amount of apathy among the student body, Plummer said, "Yes. This year's Election Committee is proud of the 800 that voted when there are 1700 students--but I think this shows apathy." Kispert believes that "not enough people understand the importance of the elections. Students don't realize that Stu-A is very receptive to the student voice, and if you forfeit your voice you have none."

"Apathy is overused," states Ferris, "there are people who are uninvolved, but we have come a long way. Students are beginning to realize that they are electing people to run their lives. They have gone from having no voice to a lot of voice." Ferris and Thomson are also impressed with the

amount and quality of the people running for positions. "You can't rely on being popular," said Thomson, "people are questioning the candidates' ability to do a job." According to Enger, such jobs include affecting major decisions like the CIA issue, "If it weren't for the elected officials, the outcome would have been different. The great part of a small school is that you can have an impact. If you speak your mind you will be heard."

So, the question remains, what happened to the other half of the student body who failed to cast their ballots? Didn't you know that "every vote counts?" And for the half that did partake in the elections, did you just randomly check off a few boxes on a colorful piece of paper" (from Paul Beach's editorial, "No Political Stumping?")? Although there was no forum or debate in which to hear the candidates voice their opinions, Kispert, Plummer, Ferris, Thomson, and Enger all reject the notion that the elections were a popularity contest. It is a matter of "who has the fewest enemies," said Enger.

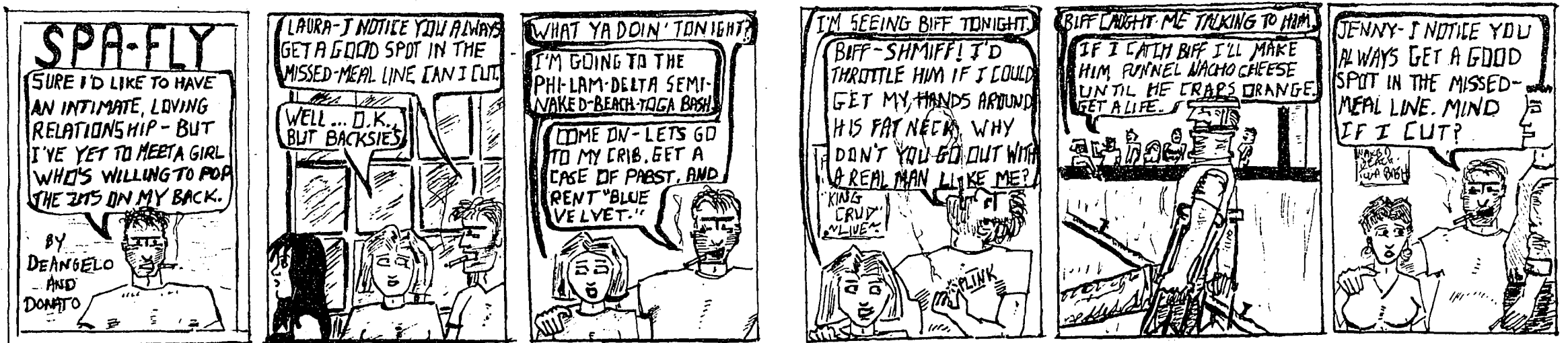
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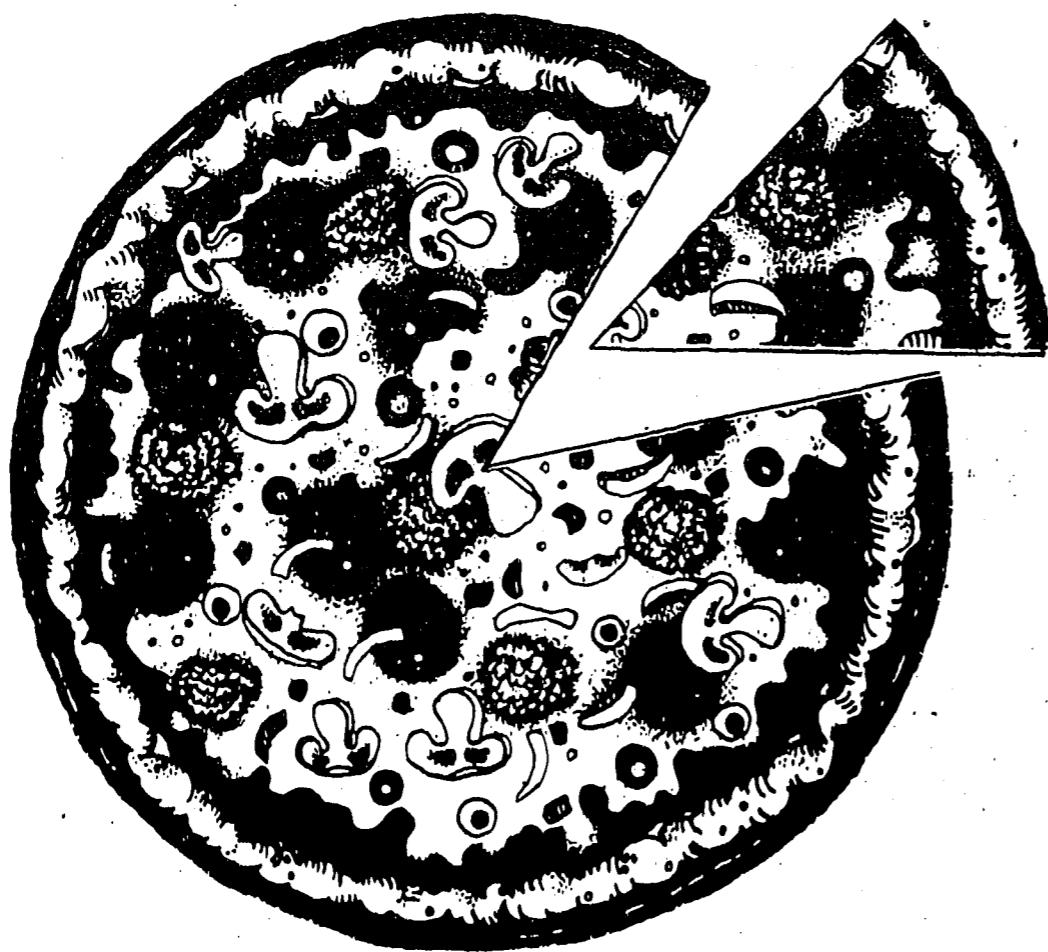
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any Charles Schulz characters
you can think of. I hope hotel
owner won't be mad.

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Sher-real
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4:00pm Tuesday
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-Mags

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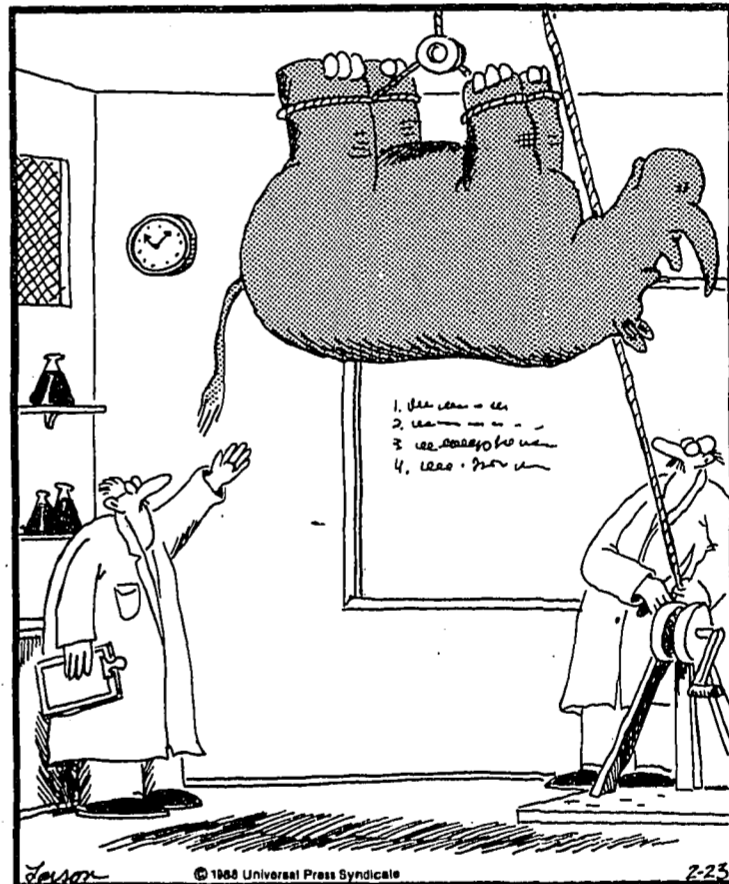
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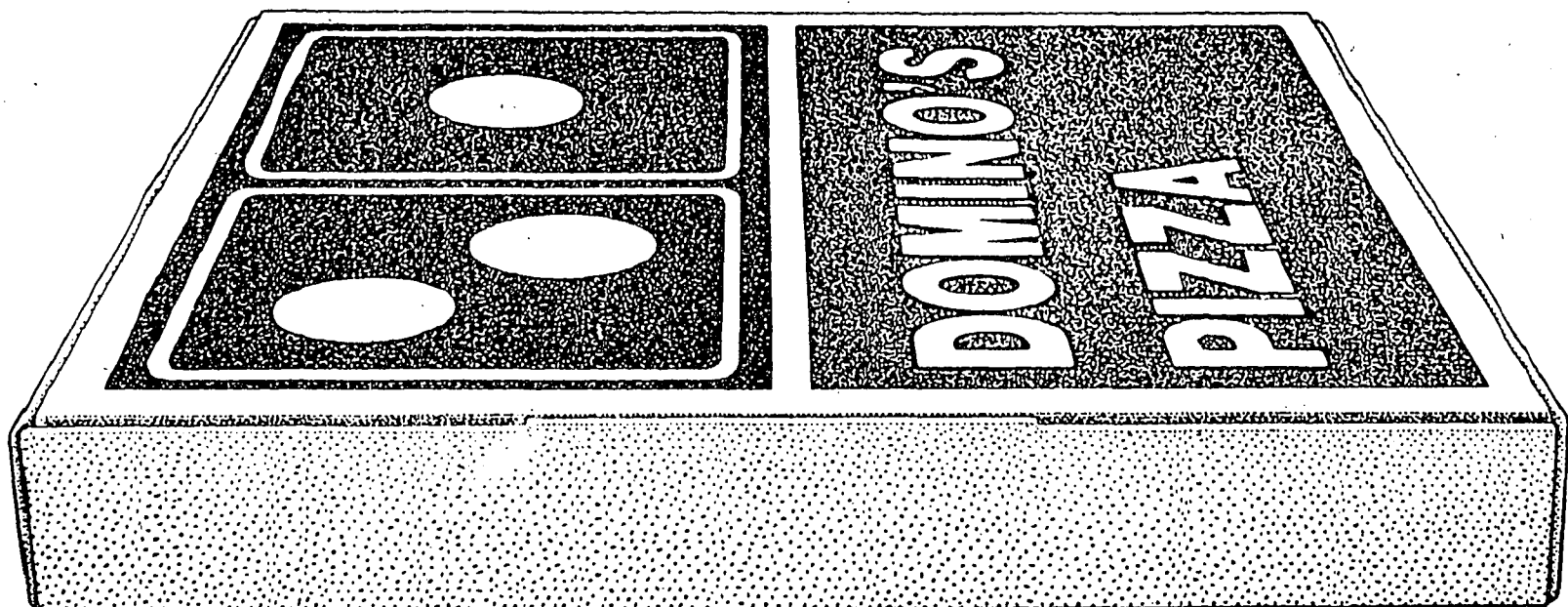
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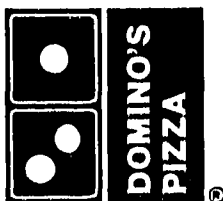
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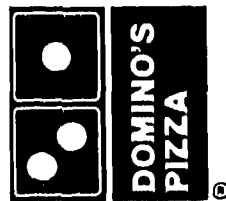


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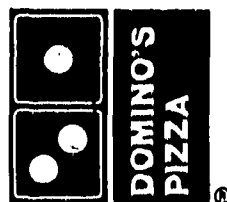


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