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Jokas' Reporting Fake I.D.s

by Deb Fuller
Staff Writer

About ten students have been nabbed for using fake I.D.s while trying to buy alcohol at Joka's Discount Beverage in Waterville. Joka's new policy is to report names of Colby students suspected of using false identification to Mark Van Valkenburgh, director of Safety and Security.

After paying over \$900 in fines for selling alcohol to minors, and in an effort to save its liquor license, Joka's put this policy into effect at the beginning of this semester.

Joseph Karter, owner of Joka's, realizes he had a very good relationship with the Colby students and is sorry to see that start to diminish, but he feels he is being forced by the state to crack down. "The way that the state of Maine law is set up, someone gives me a fake I.D., they get a slap on the hand, my cashier gets a kick in the butt, and I lose

my head. There is a huge inadequacy in the law," he said.

Van Valkenburgh feels that he is warning the students, "I hate to see students records marred

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before they even get into the work force. I'd rather handle everything within the house—right here at the college."

When Van Valkenburgh receives a call about a suspected fake I.D., he checks the student's birthday and asks that the I.D. be surrendered, explaining to the student that possessing a false piece of identification is a misdemeanor crime. If caught by

city or state police, it could mean large fines and a jail sentence of up to a year.

Van Valkenburgh said, "I think that the students don't know how serious of a crime it is."

Freshman Bill Foster, who was caught with an I.D. said, "Mark Van Valkenburgh said nothing would happen if I gave him my I.D., and he said to spread the word."

Despite Van Valkenburgh's position as middle man, one sophomore received a phone call from a State Officer in Augusta for "possessing a falsified identification."

I report some [students found possessing fake I.D.s] to the liquor inspector only to show them that I am trying," Karter said. He thinks that if he never turns anyone in to the liquor commission, the commission will think that he is not attempting to catch anyone. The student Karter turned in will appear in court March 21 and the fine will be at least \$100.

Van Valkenburgh Ready To Discipline Officers

TO: ALL OFFICERS
FROM: MOV
DATE: 3-2-89
RE: OFFICER DEMEANOR AT COLBY SOCIAL EVENTS

I feel there has been some question by officers in relation to how he or she is to act while on duty at Colby social events, particularly large campus parties. I expect each officer to act in a professional manner that reflects favorably on all other officers and our department.

The officer will not engage in any type of activity such as playful wrestling or any other frivolity that is not related to his or her duty. You will treat everyone in a friendly manner, courteously and with respect so that you will receive respect in return. You are not a party participant. You are charged with maintaining the safety of all participants and protecting Colby property. You are to ensure that all Colby rules and regulations are adhered to. You are not there to engage in the merrymaking or to participate in any way that does not appear professional.

You are to be treated with respect. You will not allow yourself to be treated in any unprofessional manner. If this does occur then you will take names and they will be referred to the Dean of Students office. When dealing with violators you will act in a firm but friendly and courteous manner. You will treat individuals as you would like to be treated yourself.

If in the future I receive complaints concerning improper officer actions at a social event, disciplinary action will be taken.

Mark Van Valkenburgh continued to restrict Safety and Security's interaction with students with another memo this week. He also threatened disciplinary action against officers who don't toe his line of "professionalism."

One student's opinion appears in a letter to the Echo this week. See page 8.

The Administration's Off Campus Contradiction

by Catherine Breen
Staff Writer

Questioning Colby's policies concerning off campus housing, Juniors Lynn Sullivan and Laney Brown posted signs in dormitories and administrative buildings directly confronting the issue. But some of the signs didn't last long.

The signs addressed the issue of junior Jay Olson's punishment of being forced off-campus, although the girls claimed that their focus was on the fact that they had been previously told by Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger that living off-campus was a "privilege." However, according to Sullivan and Brown, the signs within administrative buildings were removed within days and only those posted in Dana and Roberts remained intact.

Brown said that soon after the signs had been posted, they received a letter from Dean Seitz-

inger explaining that Jay Olson's punishment was based on a decision made by a couple of students and deans, not solely

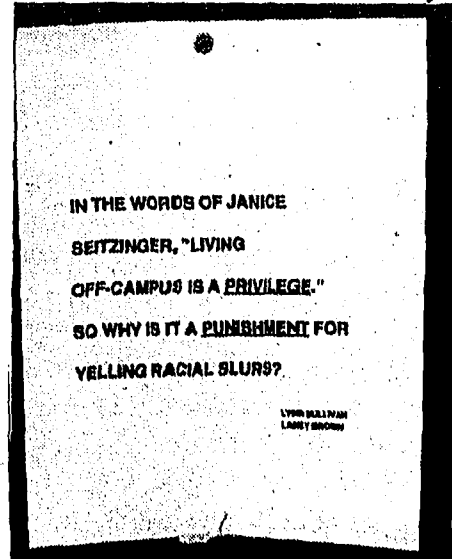


photo by Cathy Palmer
Posters like this one, questioning the administration's housing policy, didn't stay up long.

by her. However, the issue of off-campus living was never addressed in her letter of reply.

Dean Seitzinger was unavailable for comment, but Associate Dean of Students Mark

Serdjenian stated that Olson's situation was seen as a punishment because "he did not desire to live off-campus and therefore probably did not see it as a privilege."

He also mentioned the fact that Olson had not received a rebate for room and board. He did not comment on the specific case of Brown and Clark.

Sullivan's main concern now, she explained, is that the administration will not respond further.

"The administration candy-coats sensitive issues like this one. They don't want us to talk about it," she said. Brown and Sullivan also pointed out that they received positive feedback from many students, as well as promises for support. "We feel that [the reaction of the administration] was a brush-off of the problem," said Sullivan. They said that their overall goal was to make people aware of the

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Trees In Jeopardy

by Alisa Attardi
Contributor

A professional forester has made a proposal to cut down 25% of the trees behind Hillside and along the Washington Street entrance, but the Colby Environmental Council believes this would sacrifice the "qualities of beauty" that exist in the forest's natural state.

The objectives of forester Mark Miller's plan *Woodlands Inventory and Management Recommendations for Colby College*, include a long term maintenance of the woodland in order to provide "an attractive setting for the campus, and an important recreational resource for the students and staff."

The objectives were initially presented to him by the college, and the issue was discussed by Miller, as well as Alan Lewis, director of Physical Plant and students last Wednesday.

The plan places a high management priority on thinning 18 acres of primarily white pine trees known as Woodlot 8, located behind the Hillside and across Washington Street, extending back almost as far as I-95.

Removal of these diseased and defective trees will leave "a vigorous stand of beautiful trees," said Miller, "Clearing of roadside hardwoods and brush will create an attractive campus entrance—the 'Bowdoin Pine' of Colby."

In December, the Colby Environmental Council submitted a statement to Alan Lewis declaring that "the proposed cutting in Woodlot 8 is both unnecessary and ecologically harmful."

"Let it be Maine," some students said.

The Environmental Council sees the following harmful ecological effects: loss of nutrients continued on page 11

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NEWS

Stu-A \$37,000 In The Red

"We found out that Stan wants the money back." -
Mark Bergsten, Stu-A Treasurer

Lori Wright
News Editor

Student Activities is \$37,000 in debt to the school as a result of a "good portion" of the fifty clubs overspending their budgets, according to John Farkas, director of Student Activities.

Although the debt has been accumulating over a period of two years, the college informed Stu-A in the fall that all money was to be paid back. "The college never said until this point to pay back the money," said Farkas.

The repayment process has begun, as "we worked out a plan to give them \$10,000 a year" over a period of three or four years, said Mark Bergsten, Stu-A Treasurer. The money will be taken from both the Treasurer's Discretionary Fund and the Capital Fund, which is used to help buy equipment for groups with small budgets.

In order to prevent hefty debts in the future, a new rule has been implemented whereby clubs who overspend will have that money subtracted from the following year's allocation. "If you overspend you're only going to hurt next year's club," Farkas warned.

While this \$37,000 debt might

seem unjustifiably large, "club spending is the only thing money goes to. Little clubs' overspending adds up," Bergsten said.

Despite the debt, Stu-A was given an extra \$30,000 in July because of some clubs' request for more money. The approval for this plan did not depend, however, on either over-expenditures or under-expenditures, according to Administration Vice President Stanley Nicholson. Although it was "unfortunate that they overspent," increasing costs lead to a decision to provide increased funds.

Nicholson would like to see the money within three or four years, stating that because of the unusually large deficit, it "can't be repaid in a year without undercutting the justification for the [\$30,000] increase." Typically, the debt runs around "three, four, or five thousand dollars, he said.

Seeking revenue through advertising and sponsorships, is another possible solution with which clubs could avoid overspending, according to Nicholson. "There are examples when it becomes a legitimate source of revenue," he said, citing the Echo and WMHB as clubs which do this.

Graffiti Dares Administration



photos courtesy of Buildings and Grounds

In case you missed it last Friday morning, the outside wall of Miller Library read, "Administration = Witch," and "Chase 'em, you'll never catch 'em."

by Joy Marean
Staff Writer

Last Thursday some unknown person or group of persons from the Colby community defaced two areas of Miller Library with black spray paint. "Administration=Witch" and "Chase-em, you'll never catch-em," were painted on the side of

the library facing East Quad, and the side facing Averill, respectively.

Jerry Elliot, the head custodian of Miller Library found the graffiti Friday morning, indicating that the defacement had occurred sometime Thursday evening.

"No trademark or insignia was

left by the graffiti," said Linda Powell, assistant supervisor of custodial services.

Dean Serdjenian, who did not know what the message said was also unable to place blame on any person or groups of persons. "It could be anyone," said Powell, "any student who is mad at the administration."

Pay Rates Questioned

by Lori Wright
News Editor

The Financial Aid Office is reviewing the Work Study program to determine if students are dissatisfied with the current program. "One subject is a possible change in pay structure," said Lisa Bubar, Director of Financial Aid.

A questionnaire will be available to students in the Student Center next Tuesday and Wednesday. The input received from the questionnaire will be used in solving the problems of "low pay, wasted money and

paying students to study," according to Bubar.

Due to the nature of some jobs, a number of students do not actually work as much as others, leaving them spare time to study or partake in other activities unrelated to their job.

"If students feel strongly [against] paying a student to study, they can voice their opinions" through the questionnaire, said Bubar.

After Student Association President Marc Enger '89 expressed a concern about "whether the pay rates were fair," a student committee was formed in January. They de-

cided a questionnaire was appropriate in order to gain a perspective on the fairness of the Work Study program.

"We will take any suggestions on how to categorize jobs. We want hard data on which to base assumptions," Bubar said.

The members of Student Employment Committee are Mark Bergsten '90, Trip Johnson '89, Dyanne Kaufman '90, Heidi Lombard '89, Matt Noyes '92, and Tony Scaturio '89. Bubar hopes that the questionnaires will be returned before Spring Break, allowing time to arrive at a decision before the end of the year.

BGLAD Fights For Minority Rights

by Jeanne Caunt
Contributor

When the Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Community was first founded, its existence was limited to the underground. Since then, they have made a considerable amount of progress, and

now they reserve one week during the year to get their message across to the rest of the college.

Exercising their right for freedom of speech, the Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Community at Colby chose the week of March 13 to heighten the toler-

ance of the faculty and student body to make their presence increasingly known on campus. Pink armbands were distributed as they were last year to initiate a coalition of sorts among students and faculty.

Not many people are aware

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Off The Hill

Hamilton

Two years after several students were suspended for protesting the school's holdings in South Africa, 50 students are reorganizing a movement for divestment. Only one student who was involved in the protest is left to participate in the present activities.

Tuition has increased 9.6 percent, which means a cost of \$18,200 as compared to last year's \$16,600. Evidently, Bowdoin claims the steepest tuition hike at 12 percent, and Haverford College the lowest, with 8 percent.

Middlebury

The faculty vote to abolish the six fraternities will probably not go through the Board of Trustees, according to one student, since two thirds of the Board consists of men, all of whom were fraternity members. The faculty brought up this proposal as a result of an incident at the annual DU party last year, at which a female mannequin, with obscenities painted on it, hung from the ceiling. The faculty did not see this as an isolated case, and it believes sexism, racism and elitism permeate the fraternities.

Trinity

Two paintings in a student art show were stolen from the Student Center, which is a public area open 24 hours a day. An investigation to catch the culprits is presently underway.

Two male freshmen were caught throwing a metal garbage can through a visiting student's car. They were caught by another student who turned them in to security.

BGLAD For Awareness

by Terrel Hutton
Staff Writer

"I look at the society we live in and all I see around me are images of heterosexual people together. For those of us that don't fit into this norm, it is an isolating existence," said Diane Elze at Colby this week.

Elze, who is president of the Maine Lesbian Gay Political Alliance (MLGPA) an advisor of the Portland gay/lesbian youth group Outright, discussed the strain of prejudice in American society that leads to the "devaluing" of the minority experience, on Monday night.

Sharing the experience of her 18-years of involvement in political organizations, she said that "there's probably some place in all our lives where we've experienced some hurt. Out of that hurt we've moved into some kind of activism and taken some risks, important to us politically or personally, which we've grown from."

A college student at the University of

Maine at Orono in the late 70's and the only "out" lesbian on campus at the time, Elze found it "very stressful" to be a political activist.

Elze cites two experiences as central to the "priority-making" in her career. The first occurred in the fall of 1987 when the Supreme Court upheld the Georgia Sodomy Statute in its *Hartwick v. Bowers* decision in which state legislatures were allowed to decide whether homosexual sex acts were to be labeled as crimes. She and other homosexuals engaged in civil disobedience, landing themselves in a Washington D.C. jail for three days.

"I realized then," she said "that I'd risk dying for this work."

Elze's involvement in Outright, Portland's Gay/Lesbian youth organization and her numerous speaking engagements around the state have also taught her to be "fearless in certain things. There was a time when we wouldn't have

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Stu-A Elections

Vote For Me

Presidential And Vice-Presidential Candidates



Tom Sherry and Dan Spurgin



Danny Reed and Tracy Roy

During the past three years Dan and I have been leaders at this college. We've been RA's, Coot leaders, we are involved in theater, the radio station, and even the Coffeehouse. I am varsity swimmer, hold four records and am member of the Athletic and Physical Education Planning Committee. Dan was freshman class president, last fall he helped to establish the men's volleyball club and worked in admissions as the tour guide coordinator. These activities point to our continued willingness to communicate with many different student perspectives. We have searched to know the whole student body, rather than representing them by title alone. Leadership activities do not necessarily make great leaders. Dan and I have creativity, integrity, and will; We have the qualities of great leaders.

The executive officers are the liaison between students and the faculty, administrators, and trustees. In order to fulfill that role the Stu-A president and vice president must have strong interaction with the students. They must be willing and able to sit at a meal with an unfamiliar face and say, "Do you think this is a good idea?" If leaders do not interact in this way how can they represent the student body?

We have the confidence to take risks and make change. Dan is spending his spring semester at Howard University in Washington D.C. He gave up the opportunity to see and enjoy Europe, Africa, or Australia, to inundate himself as a minority in a predominantly African-American university. He wanted to know what "minority" feels like rather than what it looks like in a book and bring that perspective back to Colby. This shows confidence, determination, and know how - These are the qualities of great leaders.

There is a reason to elect us. We have goals and plans. We need to open this campus up. We need forums between students and administrators, where students can directly ask the officers of this college anything they want to know. We need more student art exhibits, possibly a rotating exhibit in the library street. We need clarification of how course credits are assigned. We need to abolish the "Four Year" requirement for graduation. There are many things this college needs - We can fulfill them.

What do you want? Do you want hot tubs in every room? Frosted Flakes at every meal? No foreign language requirement? Noice on the paths? No mud in the Spring? No more Busch kegs? Dunkin Donuts at every brunch? Free laundry services? Parking wherever you want? No more Tylenol and Sudafed for every visit to the Health Center? Hall Staff to carry firearms? Snack bar to replace the library circulation desk? No limit on missed meal credit? Frozen yogurt machines in every dining hall? Contract out on the Liquor Inspector's head? Express elevator to the Mac Lab? Heat in the winter and not in the spring? Free cable in every room?

But seriously now, we can probably get you the frozen yogurt machines, and Frosted Flakes at every meal; and we might even be able to have Milwaukee's Best kegs instead of Busch at parties. . . well maybe that's pushing it a little. We're not miracle workers ya' know!

However, we do have experience in Colby's student government. In fact, combined we have six years of experience, including active roles at both the Stu-A Executive Board and the Board of Governors. Furthermore, we both opted to remain on campus this year due to our dedication and commitment to student government.

There are certain steps you must take before assuming the offices of the Student Association president and vice-president. We have already taken those steps. Actually, Colby's government is quite analogous to our national government. One doesn't run for president of the United States before first serving as a member of the Senate, the Congress, or at the very least a governor - now there's a familiar term (certainly analogous to Colby)! Or as common sense would have it one usually starts at the bottom, not at the top.

Do you want two people in these positions because they think it will be fun and glorious? Or would you rather have two people who know the job is hard work and want to take your fresh new ideas and work with the system to make them happen?

Would you feel comfortable leaving crucial decisions of the national government to uninformed, unaware, uninvolved citizens? Would you feel comfortable leaving crucial decisions concerning Colby's student body to uninformed, unaware, uninvolved, inexperienced students? We wouldn't!

Candidates For Stu-A Social Chair

Sandy Calhoun

Do you feel limited by your options each weekend here at Colby? Do innovative ideas such as jazz concerts and parties by Johnson pond, or evenings at the outdoor shell interest you? If they do, then read on.

I am Sandy Calhoun, and I am running for Stu-A Social Chair. As Governor for third floor Dana, and a member of the Board Of Governors this past year, I have gained valuable knowledge of how our student government runs, especially the recently passed and upgraded residential life system, which is essential for the position of Social Chair. Also, along with this, I gained many organizational skills necessary for throwing all-campus events such as The Easy Access Party this past January. But these are only boring qualifications.

Have you enjoyed the fantastic concerts we've had such as INXS last year, and UB40 this year. If so, expect even more. My job as Stu-A social chair is to make Colby's social life fun and exciting, and that it will be! If elected I plan to increase the variety of social functions here, including greater use of the lounges across campus to bring back old-style college partying, increased campus-wide activities such as an all new winter carnival, snow sculpture contests, more tent parties in the spring and fall, as well as more frequent use of the concert shell. The options for improvement are unlimited, and I look forward to making things better than ever.

Scott Osborne

Since my arrival at Colby two years ago, I have looked for ways to become involved in the struc-

ture of the school. I believe that I have found the place where I can do the most for the school: the position of Stu-A social chair. This position places many demands on the person who fills it. It is a position which commands a tremendous amount of time and selflessness. The position of social chair requires a person who can listen to the opinions of others and utilize these ideas in making a collective decision. I believe that I possess these qualities and therefore have made the commitment to run for this position.

The Stu-A social chair has a number of responsibilities. The Social Chair coordinates winter and spring carnival. I believe that these events must be expanded. Possibly, I would like to see a form of "olympics" that would last for the weekend and culminate in some type of event at an all-campus party. The shell presents itself as an exceptional facility for outdoor events. Up to this point, use of the shell has been practically non-existent.

The social chair is responsible for major concerts that take place at Colby. These concerts have been successful in the past and I am looking forward to continuing the tradition of bringing great bands to Colby. The Social Chair must also run two or three Stu-A parties in the Student Center each semester. I would like to do more with these than just the "basic" Student Center party.

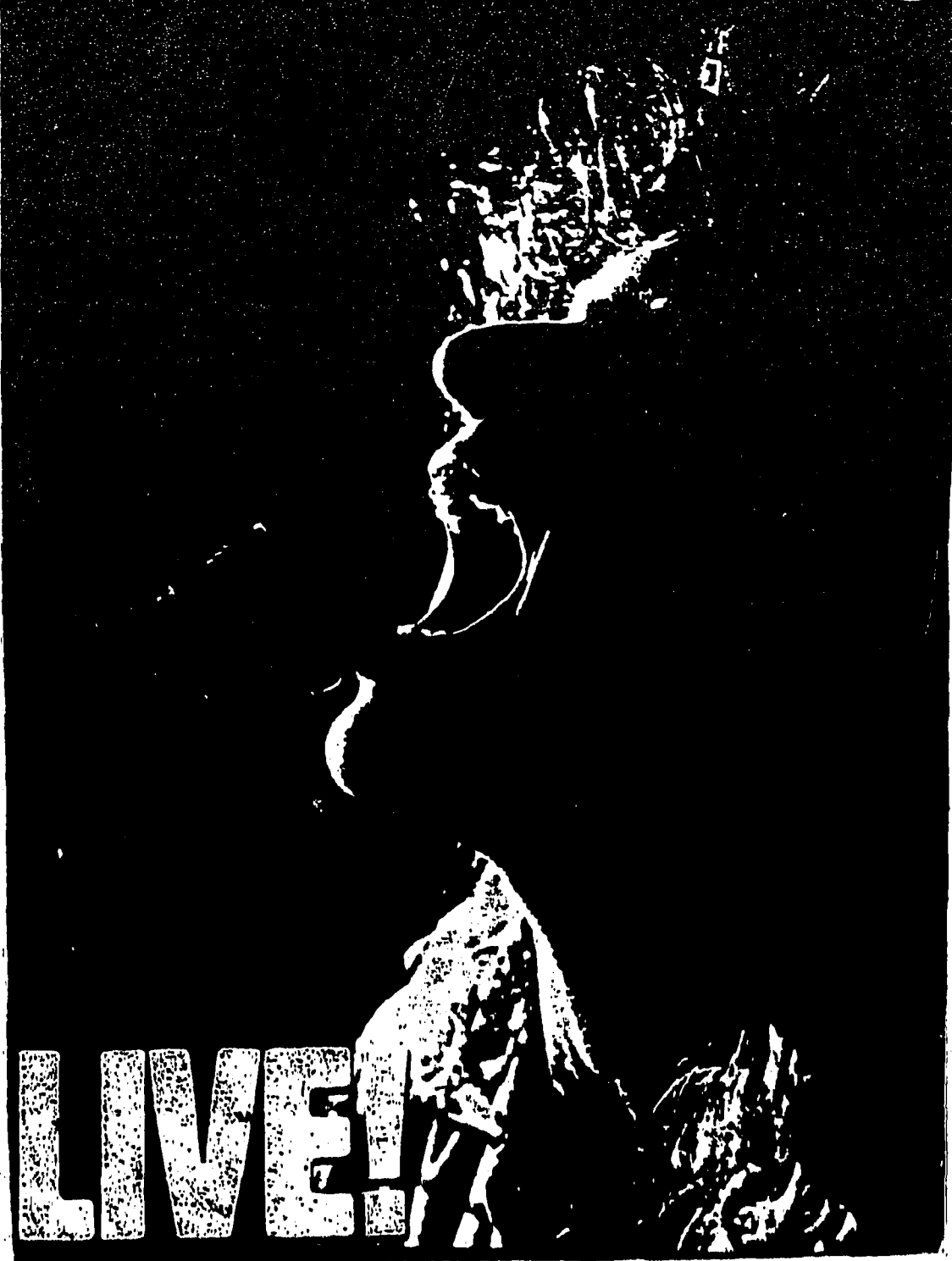
I believe that the most important thing that the social chair can do is listen to the students and put their ideas into practice. The social life at Colby should not be determined by the social chair but

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Colby Stu-A presents:

THE IRREPLACEMENTS



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WADSWORTH GYM COLBY
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available in Stu-A office

FEATURES

Bryant: From L.A. Hoopster To Colby Professor

by Jennifer Scott
Features Editor

When Cedric Bryant was a boy, he transformed his clothes closet into a study so that he could read for hours in private. During his days he played pick up games of hoops with such greats as Kareem Abdul Jabbar and Sydney Wicks, and at nights, his lanky 6'7" frame folded into his closet, he read anything he could get his hands on. The combination of hard work and hard play paid off and bought him a ticket to San Diego State University on both academic and athletic scholarships.

The L.A. youth who made the most of both his athletic and intellectual talents made his way to Colby as a professor of English after receiving his B.A. at San Diego University and then going on to get an M.A. and a Ph.D. at the University of California at San Diego.

"I toyed for a while with the idea of playing professional basketball, but playing with some of the most talented players around made me realize how great my deficits were," Bryant said. "Everybody wants to be good at something; I realized that I was never going to be a very good professional ball player but that I did have the potential to become a good English professor," remarked

Bryant.

So Bryant, who came to Colby this year after seven years of teaching at California universities, has become passionately involved in the pursuit of educational excellence and cultural awareness at Colby. "I am impressed for many reasons by the Colby students, not the least of which by what seems to be their general commitment to cultural experiences beyond their own," commented Bryant. Helping Colby students expand their horizons further is a goal of Bryant's. This means helping to alter the English curriculum to include courses in minority studies and including works by Afro-American authors in his own classes.

Bryant is doing what he can to put Colby on the road to a more culturally diverse atmosphere and he sees others at the school doing much to steer Colby in the right direction.

"I would hope that 20 years from now, Colby would have a student population comprised of 35 to 40 percent minority students. Students of color and different sexual orientation would make Colby a truly diverse institution and I think that it's headed in that direction," said Bryant. "I think that we are fortunate to have someone like President Cotter who has a very

global perspective."

California and Waterville may indeed seem to be a world apart and the cross-country trip was admittedly a giant leap for Bryant, but he had strong feelings about Colby and was unafraid to accept the challenge. He feels that Colby is one of the few schools out east which has a past colored with anti-slavery events and with a true commitment to diversity.

"I am one of those people who gets bored easily," Bryant told one of his English classes. Aside from being a voracious reader, Bryant also has a serious commitment to his students; he likes to spend time dealing with his pupils on a one-to-one basis and doesn't think this is unusual among Colby professors. "At San Diego State, I was the exception because of the long hours I spent with students and the time I devoted trying to create effective lectures. Here at Colby there are so many professors who devote as much or more time than I do to the students and that for me is a very happy situation to be in," said Bryant.

"What I like about his classes is the combination of humor and serious study. He always has a few one liners that he throws in," stated one of his students, Lori Wright '91. Another stu-

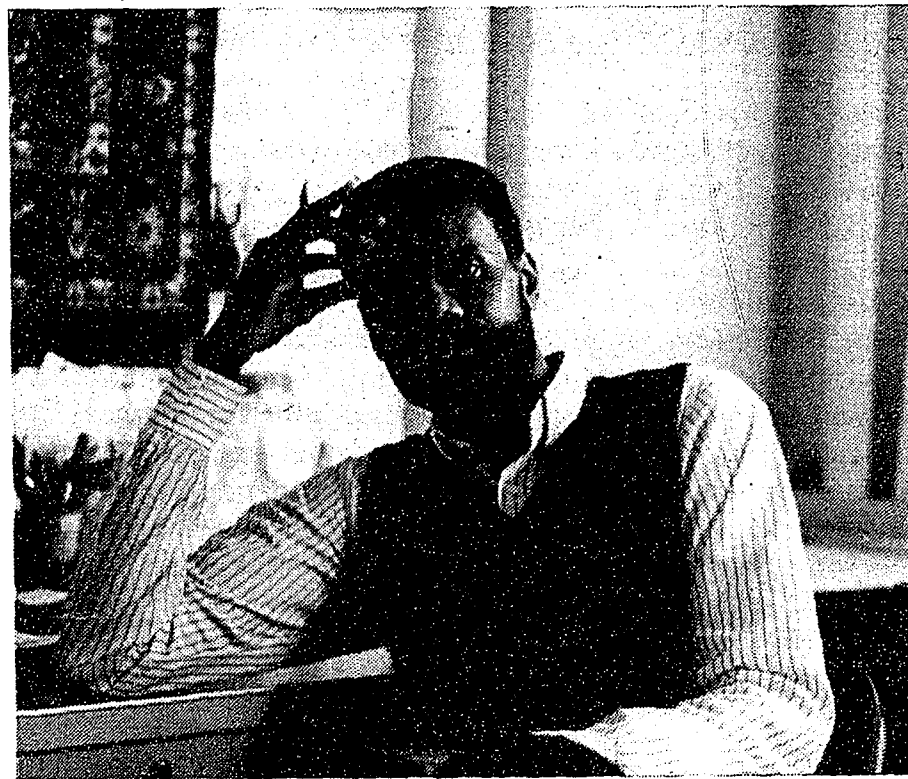


photo by Bob Lian

English Professor Cedric Bryant is a welcomed addition to Colby's Faculty.

dent, sophomore Geoffrey Zentz, added, "Everybody knows how articulate Bryant is. His classes are very directed—we rarely stray from the topic of the day."

What is Bryant's fascination with literature? As a boy, what did he gain from all those hours hunched over in a closet reading and what, as a professor, does he want students to get from reading? "I was in one of those frustrated, over-worked moods that you sometimes get

into when you're in graduate school and I was questioning why it was that I was making so many sacrifices. I thought about it for several days and this is what I came up with; literature is about the compelling images forged in the imagination out of fear, ignorance, hope and love that are essential parts of the conscious and subconscious ways human beings express themselves. To know literature, therefore, is to know human nature, intimately."

Tour Takes A New Twist

by Jennifer Scott
Features Editor
by Lawrence Rocca
Sports Editor

Come, follow us as we take you on a tour of the Colby College campus. Join us as we shed new light on some of your favorite dorms, buildings and hang-outs. Sit back and relax while we mentally cruise this lovely school of ours.

Let's start at the Heights, shall we? The Heights was the last dorm to be built and with the greatest influence from outside sources. The basic design is taken from Superman's "Fortress of Solitude." The beauty of this dorm is that wherever you look, there seem to be walls. Peep-holes and door closing apparatuses promote the prison-like atmosphere. Everyone lives across from either a wall or a bathroom so that you can truly develop your introverted nature.

Horror novelist Stephen King, who lives in nearby Bangor, may have had a hand in designing the Heights as well. Just the other day one of its residents reported seeing a kid on a big wheel racing through the hallways

screaming "Red Rum, Red Rum!"

Those students interested in entering the financial field after college will be happy to note that the community room in the Heights was built with the basic design of the floor of the trading room on Wall Street. But in this case, the stakes are much higher than simply stocks and bonds; the crush around the keg lines can be almost deadly and the stress on the floor as partners slam dance to the music is considerably higher than that in the stock market pit.

By the way, if you live in the Heights, chances are you don't know anyone else who does.

Next, we will move on to the Hillside dorms, which were designed with all sorts of animal environments in mind. Remember when you had hamsters as a kid and you put them in little habitrills to keep them really confused? The Hillside dorms were designed with this concept in mind. Half the time you feel like you're scurrying around in an art farm, and the other half you feel as though you're sniffing around for a piece of cheese in a maze.

It has recently been brought to

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What It Means To Be Irish

by Brian Murphy
Staff Writer

Tomorrow is St. Patrick's Day. A day when Irish-Americans, and those who are only Irish for the day, get together to celebrate Irish pride. We dress up in those awful green outfits, the kind of outfits we wouldn't be caught dead in any other day. We drink green beer, sing Irish songs that we only know one line to, and yell at the top of our lungs, "Kiss me, I'm Irish!" St. Patrick's Day is generally known as St. Party's Day in the United States.

Most Irish-Americans, however, never stop to think about on St. Patrick's Day, or on any other day for that matter, what it truly means to be Irish. I'm talking about the real Irish, the people of Ireland. Having spent my junior year at University College Cork in Cork City, Ireland, I've gained a great perspective on what it truly means to be Irish.

Many of the stereotypical descriptions of the Irish and Ireland do hold true. The Irish sure do love to drink. I couldn't walk 10 yards on the street where I lived without running into a

pub. The legendary friendliness of the Irish is an understatement. Hitchhiking? You're guaranteed to get a ride in Ireland. You need directions? The Irish will not only tell you, they'll take you there themselves. Need a place to stay? Well, there's an extra bed in Sean's room. Green? Yes, Ireland is not called the Emerald Isle for nothing.

While all Irish-Americans and other Americans hear of these endearing traits of the Irish, there are other traits that we don't hear about or choose not to focus on when we speak of Ireland and the Irish.

To be truly Irish also means that one of your brothers lives here in the States, another in Australia, and a sister in London. Your family is probably split apart because there are no jobs in Ireland for most Irish people. Expected college graduates not only have to find a job, as college graduates everywhere eventually have to do, but they have to find another country to live in as well.

To be truly Irish means that there's a good chance that at one time or another you'll be on the dole, the Irish equivalent of our welfare system. My next door

neighbor in Cork was laid off from his job as a bus conductor (same job as train conductors, only on a bus). Married and a father of two, my neighbor looks to the United States in the hope that someday he can move here and establish a better life for his family. You see, many true Irishmen still think that the streets in America are paved with gold.

To be truly Irish means that your housing is often cramped and bare of the luxuries we have here in the U.S.. The flat I lived in with two other Colby students in Cork, which by no means could be considered spacious, was the same size as the flat that housed my next door neighbor's family of four, which was also the same size as the flat that housed a family of five a few doors down. When my next door neighbor needed to make an phone call, she couldn't just pick up a phone in the comforts of her own home, she had to walk next door to our flat and use our phone.

To be truly Irish and live in Belfast, Northern Ireland means that you may be in the wrong place at the wrong time. Not only does it mean that you may

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Tour

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our attention that Williams, the second most isolated dorm on campus next to the Heights, has been the secret hiding place of Salman Rushdie and the 40 million missing copies of *Satanic Verses*. Previous to Rushdie, it is rumored that Jim Morrison, Jimmy Hoffa, Amelia Earhart and Joseph Mengele were hidden there while trying to stay out of the public eye.

Now we'll move over to Dana, Colby's largest and loudest dorm, which was designed with the Love Boat in mind. Venture up to the lido deck, (known as "the beach" to dedicated UV ray worshippers) where we can observe the latest in swimwear fashions while the sunbathers

strut their milky complexions. Perky Julie McCoy will greet you at the door of Dana's very own dining hall. You will be seated at the captain's table and enjoy a lovely meal of all sorts of foods from the ocean floor.

Next, we'll head over to the old frat row where, on weekend nights, you will see a reenactment of that charming pie eating scene from *Stand By Me* after the inhabitants wolf down calzones at fevered, beer-induced pitches. Also, you will notice that the parties take on a certain *Animal House* feel when beer bottles fly and when John Belushi look-alikes do their "PARTY!" war yells.

The architecturally unique Student Center is our next stop. Let's check out the Spa where getting a meal without a guaranteed student loan is like trying

to beat John Tower in a keg line. But at least you can kill a couple of hours waiting to order your bagel and water—nope, we can't afford to fork out the extra grand for cream cheese.

Another famous black hole for student cash is the bookstore, which we believe to be secretly owned by the Japanese. It would at least explain the deficit. It's interesting to note that Safety and Security is located next door; Mark Van Valkenburgh in his Spanish Inquisition style designed office is nearby in order to stop potential textbook thieves. He has ways of making people talk...or not talk.

Thanks for joining us on the newly structured tour of the Colby campus. We hope you realize that there is something new to see wherever you go on campus.

BGLAD

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that there are virtually no laws to protect gays and lesbians who have been fired from jobs or evicted from apartments due to their sexual orientation. Only recently has legislature considered amending the minority laws with clauses that pertain to gays and lesbians.

According to Paul Johnston, the advisor of BGLAD, the one idea the group wants everyone to realize is that bisexuals, gays, and lesbians are and continue to be oppressed minorities, even in this day and age.

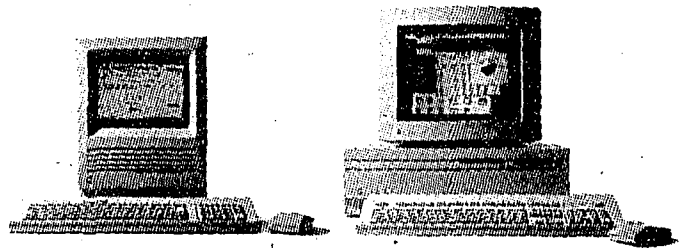
BGLAD week, he said, will show the Colby community that gays, lesbians, and bisexuals do exist on the campus, and that these people are as involved in campus life as heterosexuals are.

Helping students and faculty realize these facts will hopefully promote increased tolerance and awareness.

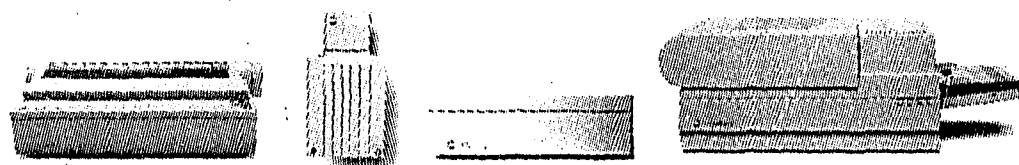
BGLAD week has many potential eye-opening events on the agenda. Tonight a video produced by Rachel Bernstein and Gretchen Schwarze entitled "Homophobia at Colby" will be shown, and later a student panel of college students from Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin and other area colleges will address questions about being bisexual, gay, or lesbian. Films such as *Kiss of the Spiderwoman*, which treat the topic of homosexuality, are being shown all week.

It is the hope of the Colby Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Community that this attitude will change so that gay and lesbian awareness is extended throughout the year, according to Johnston.

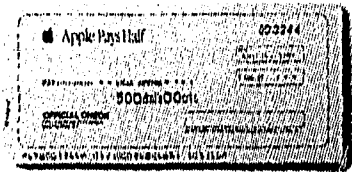
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Books

EMOTIONAL TRAFFIC

a book of poetry by Ira Sadoff (Sodine, Boston) Review by Professor Harris to be in next week's Echo.

MUSIC

ENYA: THE WATER MARK Female vocalist with a similar sound to 10,000 Maniacs. Progressive.

FISHBONE: TRUTH AND SOUL Reggae-Rock (ska). Fun, fast paced.

etc

The 18th annual Maine boat show is Maine's oldest and New England's largest boat show. More than 200 boats from windsurfers to 32 foot yachts will be at the Cumberland County Civic Center from Thursday through Sunday. Portland is not too far away, so don't miss the boats!

ART

FELIX DROESE, Monumental cut out silhouettes. Human figures, animals, and architecture. MIT Visual Arts Center, 20 Ames St. Cambridge, MA.

GOYA, The Spirit of Enlightenment. The art of truth: Corrupt clergy, evils of war, beauty of life. Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

FILM

MIDNIGHT RUN A fast-paced cool flick about half-good guys going after bad guys in the name of the law.

The Eisen Review

Things Change

by Ken Eisen
Special to the Echo

Gino, an aging shoeshine man (played by Don Ameche) agrees to take the rap for a look-alike mobster being hunted for murder in return for the fishing boat he's always wanted. He's assigned to the care of Jerry (Joe Mantegna), a mafia soldier who decides to give the old man a weekend fling in Lake Tahoe before turning him over to the police and his jail sentence. But, in Tahoe, Gino is mistaken for the regional mafia boss. His simple silences are taken for the mark of power; his homilies about shoes are thought to be brilliant advice on how to run a mafia family.

Writer/director David Mamet described *Things Change* as a "fable that's a lot gentler than my other work." His deadpan comedy is in contrast to the direct, sometimes savage dramas that won him a playwright Pulitzer Prize, including "Glen-garry Glen Rose," "Sexual Perversity in Chicago" (which became the movie *About Last Night...*), "American Buffalo" and "Speed-the-Plow."

Recently, Mamet has turned his attentions to filmmaking, writing and directing *House of Games* and writing the screenplays for *The Untouchables*, *The Verdict*, and *The Postman Always Rings*



Don Ameche(r.) and Joe Mantegna(l.) star in Columbia Pictures' "Things Change," a comedy in which a shoeshine man is mistaken for a Mafia boss.

Twice before creating *Things Change*.

But for Mamet, who specializes in dramas of America's underbelly, the transition from drama to comedy was not so overwhelming. He merely incorporated elements from his life in, of all places, rural Vermont. Featured in a particularly funny casino scene are several bloodthirsty gamblers. "They're not actors," explains Mamet. "They're guys from my poker

game in Vermont."

Things Change will show at Railroad Square Cinema March 17-24, with shows at 7 and 9:15 p.m. (as well as at 1 p.m. weekend afternoons) from March 17-20 and at 9:30 only from March 21-31. A free popcorn is yours at the concessions stand if you mention the film festival where Ameche and Mantegna were honored with Best Actor Awards for their performances in *Things Change*.

On The Hot Spot

Tanita Tikaram

by Geoff Hayden
Staff Writer
Spot
Contributor

Have you noticed that there have been a lot of new female artists emerging in the world of music lately? Edie Brickell, Toni Childs, Sam Phillips, Tracy Chapman, Enya, and now Tanita Tikaram. They have all debuted with great albums, and Tanita's is no exception. Her first album, "Ancient Heart", has just been released on Warner Brothers' Reprise label, and is definitely going to make some major waves in the coming year.

The sound and feel of this album is reminiscent of Suzanne Vega, though not at all a copy. The production is very clean; a lot of care has been taken to bring out the best in each individual song, emphasizing Tanita's voice in the mix. Most

of the songs are played with a simple set-up of drums, acoustic guitar, and bass, which when combined with her throaty, lulling voice compliment her lyrics nicely.

"Valentine Heart" incorporates a traditional string quartet producing a melancholy, mournful feeling, while the optimistic vocals hold you up. One is reminded instantly of Peter Gabriel. "Cathedral Song" is another moody and thought provoking piece in which the lyrics are uplifting, reminding one of an old Celtic folk song. Mark Knopfler-like acoustic guitar floats on top of a haunting keyboard backdrop.

"Good Tradition" will probably be the first single released from the album. It is a happy song that will have you tapping your feet and whistling to it; the mandolin and three piece horn section will see to that. It gives you that feeling you get when

the sun starts peeking out from behind those old grey clouds on a rainy day. When it's over you'll want to hear it again.

Tanita cites the Beatles, Patsy Cline, Sam Cooke, and Otis Redding as some of her early influences, and you can hear a little of each of them in her music.

For those of you who are getting into this new wave of female artists, Bowdoin is hoping to get Eddie Brickell to perform sometime in April. If you've only heard her single "What I Am", then you have not heard the best part of the album. "Air of December", "The Wheel", "Love Like We Do", and "Nothing", each poses their own sound and help make "Shooting Rubberbands At The Stars" the well-rounded album that it is.

Check back again next week to find out what we've been listening to. Remember, it'll never be B.S., 'cause we're G&S.



Colby College students (front) Kerri Hicks and John Reynolds and (rear) Mark Cosdon star in the Performing Arts production of "Home," playing at Strider Theater on Thursday and Saturday March 16 and 18 at 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, March 19 at 2:00 p.m.

Explore The Outdoors

by Suzi Schumann
Staff Writer

This past weekend, five friends and I went cross-country skiing in Farmington with the Colby Outing Club, because we needed a break from the everyday shuffle up here on the hill. The icy roads didn't stop us, although I thought the van might need ski poles itself to get us there. Upon arriving at the Troll Valley Ski Touring Center we were welcomed by well-groomed trails for all abilities and a cozy warming house. We skied through beautiful apple orchards, on trails which took us around corkscrew terrain offering us some fun and an excellent opportunity to learn a new style of skiing, called skating, as opposed to the traditional method. We owe the success of this trip (and the many others like it) to the Colby Outing Club.

Over the past four years, I have led over 50 trips into the Maine woods. The time is coming now for others to take charge and to take advantage of this great student-run organization, which is the largest club on campus.

How many of you have come to Colby because of its ideal location? It's close to the mountains and not far from the ocean. Have you tried out any new sports lately? Through my connections with people in the Outing Club I have learned to hike, kayak, and cross-country ski. If you haven't yet tried these sports, the Outing Club is the perfect outlet.

For many years, the Outing Club has been an organization which facilitates the discovery and development of the Colby student's relationship with the Maine outdoors. The Outing

Club is a place where students can share their interests and learn, as well as teach, the skills they enjoy.

The club trips are run by student leaders in what is called the "Katahdin Council." They meet every Monday night to discuss the coming attractions, trips, and equipment purchases. Depending upon what time of year it is, the COC goes off hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, camping, canoeing, kayaking, or white water rafting. It also can provide the necessities for a campus trip of your own. Examples are bags, stoves, pots and pans, and backpacks to name a few.

Put on your adventure shoes and step out with the COC. If you are enthusiastic, reliable, and adventuresome, come to Monday night's meeting, March 20, at 7:00 p.m. in Lovejoy 205.

Charity Ball A Smash



by Suzanne Regnier
Contributor

Last Saturday night, amid hundreds of twinkling lights and helium balloons in the Student Center, Colby's first ever Charity Ball raised almost \$3000 for the Maine Children's Cancer Program. Proceeds will be sent

to the MCCP tomorrow.

Organized by junior Rachel England, the gala was attended by close to 600 people decked out in their ball finery. The evening featured champagne, hors d'oeuvres, and music by Colby's own T.S. Jazz.

"It was the first formal ever thrown here other than the Commencement Ball," said

England. "I was amazed at the enthusiasm. I didn't know how receptive Colby would be to it."

"The fact that it was for a good cause made it that much more special," said Stephanie Clement '92. "Rachel England did a hell of a job, and everyone who helped her should be commended," stated Erik Potholm '91.

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rather should be determined by the students, who are the recipients of the activities.

In conclusion, I look forward to accepting the responsibilities placed on the shoulders of the social chair.

Candidates For Treasurer

Matt Dumas

The position of Student Association treasurer is responsible for the proper management and allocation of over \$180,000 for 60 clubs and organizations at Colby. The Stu-A Treasurer also chairs the Finance Committee (made up by the four Commons), which allocates three major funds totalling \$15,000 that are at the disposal of the student body. Lastly, this elected official is one of three students who sits on the Financial Priorities Committee, which prioritizes the colleges' major financial expenditures (ex. renovations, new facilities).

These duties require a person of maturity, responsibility and experience. I feel I am that person. My background at Colby has proven this. Currently, I am president of Johnson Commons, representing over 300 constituents. During first semester I was administrative assistant of Johnson Commons, serving as vice president, treasurer and secretary. Last year I was governor of Champlin Hall.

Working within this student government has given me valuable experience and has called upon a mature and responsible outlook on my part. Being commons president has allowed me to work closely with the executives and personnel of the Stu-A Office thus familiarizing me with its duties and functions. As administrative assistant last semester, I gained the know how of the budget and management of over \$8,000, experience that is a necessity for the job of Stu-A treasurer.

This background and commitment should be considered when deciding the next Stu-A Treasurer. I hope you will realize that Matt Dumas is the appropriate choice.

John Robbins

"Embezzlement? Who, me... No I'll just spend. Any questions, write me care of John Farkas.

75 Hours

Happenings this weekend
Thursday through Sunday

Thursday

Maine Boat Show, Cumberland County Civic Center,
Portland, ME 11:00 am - 9:30 p.m.

STU-A MOVIE Midnight Run Lovejoy 100, 7:00, 9:15 p.m.

Old Time Country Dance, Ballroom, University College Center,
Bangor Campus, Univ. of ME, Orono 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

"HOME" Theater Production Strider Theater, 8:00 p.m.

Friday

1989 Maine State Horticultural Show, Saco Island, Saco, ME
9:00 am - 9:00 p.m. info. 883-8189

Maine Boat Show, Cumberland County Civic Center
Portland, ME. 11:00-9:30 p.m.

Music at Midday, Chamber Singers, Bixler 12:30 p.m.

Open Mike Night at the SPA

STU-A MOVIE Midnight Run 7:00, 9:15 p.m. Lovejoy 100

"Eat Your Heart Out" Powder and Wig Production,
Cellar Theater, 8:00 p.m.

Boston Folk Guitarist Fred Small Olin.
Arts Center Concert Hall, BATES 8:00 p.m.

Saturday

Maine Boat Show, Cumberland County Civic Center,
Portland, ME 11:00- 9:30 p.m.

"Eat Your Heart Out" Powder and Wig Production,
Cellar Theater 2:00 p.m.

STU-A MOVIE Midnight Run Lovejoy 100, 7:00, 9:15 p.m.

Steve Tapper, Audie Bridges Flute/Banjo concert.
Mary Low Coffee House 7:00 p.m.

"HOME" Theater Production, Strider Theater, 8:00 p.m.

THE REPLACEMENTS IN CONCERT
Wadsworth Gym, 8:00 p.m.

Sunday

Maine Boat Show, Cumberland County Civic Center,
Portland, ME 11:00 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

"HOME" Theater Production, Strider Theater, 2:00 p.m.

The Magic of David Copperfield Radical New Illusions
Wang Center, Boston 4:00, 7:00 p.m. Tix/info. (617) 787-8000

Colby Symphony Orchestra
Schubert, Stravinski, Mozart, Lorimer Chapel, 8:00 p.m.

Ongoing

Colby Museum of Art, Women through the Artist's eyes
Ancient-Modern

Bowdoin College Museum of Art.
Picasso: Imaginary Portraits, 1969

LETTERS/OPINION

Our Endorsement

Colby Student government is a joke. From the outside, it seems that the labyrinth of committees prevents anything beneficial from moving beyond the proposal stage. Too many people operate within the system for self-aggrandizement. Too many people take part in government functions for the purpose of stockpiling their resumes. Sometimes, I wonder whether those elected understand the word "constituent."

Of course there are those in the system who are sincerely interested in student welfare. There are students who work long, hard hours only to have their achievements pass by unnoticed or have their efforts stymied by holier-than-thou individuals who claim to know what is best for everyone. This has to end. Student government should not be a contest of personalities but about remembering the purpose for which they were elected.

Yet, the simple fact is that half of all candidates running for top leadership positions ran uncontested. This proves that the student body has little interest in the only existing form of government which supposedly represents them. Perhaps this translates into little faith and confidence.

Students are quick to harp on the administration for perceived wrongdoing. Oftentimes they are right to do so, because seldom does the administration move to change the status quo unless their public image is in jeopardy. Considering this intransigence, student government must become an influential vehicle for effective, successful change that benefits the students, and not merely the Dean's Office. Like never before, the student body needs dependable and reliable Student Government leadership run by individuals who can reverse a stagnant situation.

Therefore, *The Colby Echo* endorses the candidacy of Tom Sherry and Dan Spurgin for the positions of Student Activities President and Vice President for the '89-'90 academic year.

Both these students have the ability to turn student government from a farce into a system of representation that acknowledges students' interests, and not those of the Dean's Office. Their diverse activities and interests have brought Tom and Dan into contact with students from all areas of campus life. Their experience ranges from athletics to class president, from admissions activity to acute awareness of minority issues, and proves their ability to interact. Their involvement has tested the leadership of both; it has proven that both have creativity, integrity, and will.

After all, experience helps make great leaders, but leadership qualities really make one successful. The changing of the Commons system will work to Sherry's and Spurgin's advantage. None of the candidates have had experience working with the newly formed residential presidents system. So more than ever, qualities will define the roles of Stu-A President and Vice-President, not past experience in the now obsolete student government.

Sherry and Spurgin have concrete goals: forums between students and administrators, clarification of how course credits are assigned, and re-examining graduation requirements. These are their stated objectives and they have the talent to fulfill them. They also have the skills to accurately address the Trustees, the President of the College, and any situation which might rise during the course of next year. Throughout it all, they will protect and honor the students' interests.

The Colby Echo Editorial Board

The Editorial is the official opinion of the paper. The other opinions present on this page do not necessarily represent the views of *The Colby Echo* or its staff.

The Colby Echo encourages letters from its readers, especially those within the immediate community. They should not exceed 300 words.

The paper also encourages the submission of opinions which address any issue of concern. They should not exceed 600 words. This policy includes those pieces written by individual staff members, who for extreme circumstances as determined by the Editor, disagree with the Editorial.

Both letters to the Editor and opinions must be typed, double-spaced, signed, and include a telephone number. Both must either be in campus mail, addressed to *The Echo* by 10:00 a.m. Monday morning, or in the *Echo* Office by 7:00 p.m., Monday night, unless special contact has been made with the Editor.

Both letters to the Editor and opinions will be printed as long as they are not libelous or obscene, and meet the above requirements. The Editor reserves the right to edit all submissions.

Olson Apologizes

To the Colby Community,
On February 26, 1989 I was found guilty at a Dean's hearing of harassment of a racial nature. These charges were brought against me for my actions at the Colby/Husson basketball game. I had not planned to offend anybody but now understand that people were very hurt by what I said. For all those who were offended, I apologize. I would also like to apologize to the entire Colby Community and to all who were falsely accused of the same crime. I am deeply sorry for my actions.

Sincerely,
Jay Olson '90

Van Valkenburgh Is Running The Wrong Way

The recent policy instituted by Mark Van Valkenburgh, Colby's director of Safety and Security, on March 2, 1989, states that on duty security guards are no longer allowed to take part in frivolity and socializing with Colby students at parties, but must maintain professional behavior at all times. This policy is not favored by the security guards themselves who feel that the social interaction they have with students makes their job worth it, and much easier. In light of Van Valkenburgh decision not to allow students to interview security officers without his presence, I was not able to obtain direct quotes.

I ask the Colby Community if a policy of this nature is truly necessary and, if so, what next? Safety and Security is here for protection and assistance for the students; to enforce regulations and protect Colby property. Am I to assume that these four basic tasks of security were not carried out in previous years when officers were allowed to socialize with students?

I take pride in the close knit community we have here at Colby because friendships are fostered by trust. I feel the policy instituted by Van Valkenburgh will serve not to make this community run smoother but rather create a rift between students and security. More can be accomplished through friendly relations with security than the strong arm tactics that Van Valkenburgh is implementing. This could be illustrated on any weekend night of the first semester when security was called in to break up a party. With this new policy who knows what will happen?

It is three-quarters of the way through the school year at Colby and with the implementation of

such a policy I feel Mark Van Valkenburgh has not realized the atmosphere we have here. This is not a state run, public institution like the one he worked at previously. Students at Colby do not need a police force to regulate their activities. Van Valkenburgh's new policy five years down the road will create such a police force. It will ruin Colby's atmosphere of friendship between security and students and replace it with one of hostility and distrust.

Chris Caponi '91

Football, Not Frats, Forges Friendships

We are two seniors who were members of the Colby varsity football team. We came to Colby in late August, 1985, ready to become college football players. For two and a half weeks all we did was play football, attend team meetings, and sleep. When classes started all we did was play football, go to class, study, and sleep. Seven days a week, from August to mid November, most of our time outside of class was spent with other members of the football team, whether at practice or at team meetings. By the time the season ended, everybody else on campus had formed their friendships and social groups. The members of the football team did the same. We, like most other people, formed friendships with those who whom we shared the same interests and spent most of our time. As a result, many of us are close friends who continue to spend much of our time together. It seems to us that some people in the Colby community feel that football players who are friends are only friends because of a fraternity. If anything is to be "blamed" for this "problem," it is not the fraternities. The "problem" is that when Colby students are forming friendships in the first months of their college career, the football team must become close and cohesive in order to perform to the best of their abilities on the field. For many, it is only natural that this closeness translates into friendships off the field. We, like all those pictured on the front page of the March 9 *Echo*, have since developed many diverse friendships with other people who are not associated with the football team. But the fact is that as long as football remains a fall sport with the same time consuming demands, many individuals on the team will bond together in friendship with or without fraternities.

Brad Lord '89
Scott Wentzell '89

Olson Not Racist, Just Stupid- Punishment Okay

This letter is addressed to all of those people who found the Dean's decision "too lenient." Among other things, Jay Olson was required to give up his captaincy of the football team and to move off campus without receiving a refund for the semester.

To become a captain of any team at the college level requires years of hard work, dedication and leadership. To take this away and deny Mr. Olson the fruits of his labor is a deserved, but also heavy punishment. This is probably not able to be fully continued on page 10

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Rally For Anderson

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When will Colby decide to choose its professors based on their teaching abilities rather than on the extent of their research and publishing? Professor James Anderson, a Visiting Associate Professor of Philosophy at Colby for 4 years, was not offered a position for this coming fall semester. Prof. Anderson is both well-liked and well-respected by students for not only his teaching ability, but also his personality. Information regarding his status reveals consistently positive student evaluations, but less than the desired amount of published material.

Although Prof. Anderson may not publish articles as often as would be preferred by the philosophy department, his teaching ability has not suffered as a result. His ability to keep his classes up to date with current philosophical issues is evidenced by the syllabus he created for PL 252, American Philosophy. Instead of sticking to the standard texts, Prof. Anderson included required reading from an unconventional anthology of Afro-American philosophy, as well as from a collection of feminist writings. This demonstrates Prof. Anderson's desire to create the most well-rounded and contemporary course possible, regardless of his so-called 'research deficiencies.'

The "publish or perish" problem is not unique to Colby, and Colby is not entirely to blame for its hiring criteria. However, the time has come for Colby to stand up to the pressures of academia and make a commitment to strong teaching. We realize that a professor's publishing brings prestige to his or her department and to the institution in general, but a professor's teaching ability can and does have the same effect.

Colby is an institution of higher learning. We, as students, have the right to demand of professors a high degree of skill, just as they demand from us a high degree of understanding. A professor may have a fair amount of published material, but still be unable to communicate those ideas to students. At many colleges and universities across the country, such a professor could be given tenure, in spite of poor class evaluations. It seems to us that the institution's reputation has taken precedence over the student's education.

Students have the opportunity to evaluate a professor's abilities after having taken his/her class. This evaluation is based on the professor's communication skills (willingness and ability to answer questions, clearness of ideas, etc.), organization, ability to satisfy individual needs (one-on-one), and fairness in evaluating student performance. The amount of consideration given these evaluations by those making faculty appointments is

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Race Relations On Campus: A Historical Perspective

by Rob Weisbrot
Associate Professor of History

In 1964 an interracial group of volunteers, most of them college students, risked their lives in rural Mississippi to help black residents organize and assert their citizenship rights. The volunteers withstood repeated acts of racist violence, but they proved less prepared to face their own racial prejudices, which triggered unwitting displays of condescension by white volunteers and outbursts of accumulated anger by their black co-workers. These unexpected tensions in what had been a crusade for racial harmony underscore how our nation's color barriers have conditioned even the most idealistic and educated young Americans, including the current generation of college youths.

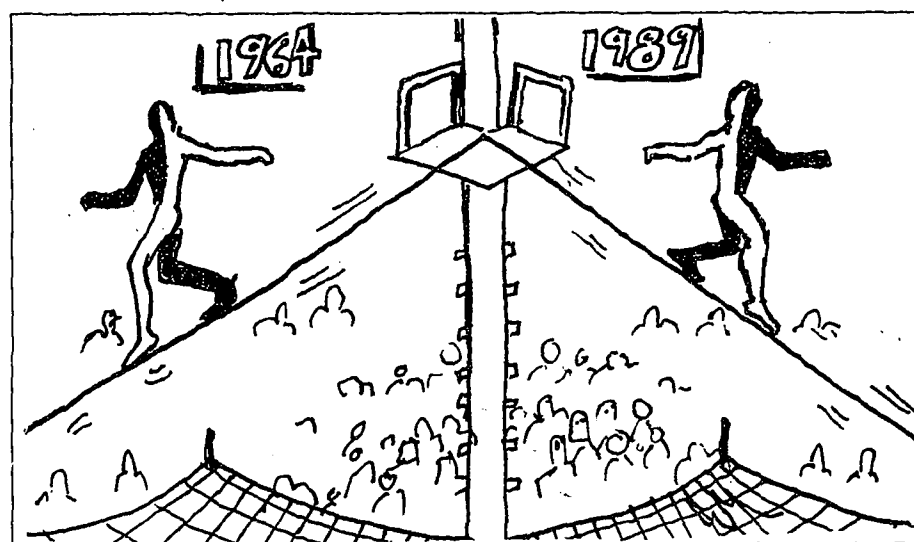
Students in the 1960s were distinguished less by any immunity to prejudice than by a commitment, which characterized a growing number of Americans, to eradicate the barriers that confined blacks and fed racial stereotypes. Still, higher education in that decade remained largely segregated, with about half of all black college students attending black schools. Black students at white colleges formed about three percent of total college enrollment, and many found their vistas for growth constricted by low faculty expectations, limited respect by white students, and minimal recognition of black history and culture in the curriculum. During the late 1960s and 1970s, while college recruitment of blacks increased (peaking at 10.3 percent of all students in 1976), the unresolved racial tensions of earlier years erupted in black protests against racism on campuses throughout the country.

Just as these previous genera-

tions of students had mirrored wider currents in race relations—the liberal integrationist ideal of the early 1960s, the polarizing trends later in the decade, and the flowering of ethnic consciousness during the 1970s—so, too, students in the 1980s have either absorbed or struggled upstream against the era's conservative social values. While President Reagan extolled business success and trimmed federal protection against discrimination and poverty, stu-

dents are racial attitudes that characterize many white college students: antipathy toward blacks generally, a reluctance to socialize across any barriers of color, class, or culture, and widespread if whispered suspicions that students of color are somehow less deserving than their white peers.

Colby College could scarcely have hoped to escape the racial agonies of other campuses. The recent barrage of racist epithets that has galvanized the Colby



dents tended to evince keener interest in pursuing steady career paths than in shaking the society. In these complacent times, the nation experienced a rise in incidents of racist harassment, and college campuses once more proved that they were not so much remote ivory towers as faithful repositories of the larger society's attitudes.

Racial incidents at colleges in recent years have ranged from acts of violence, such as the destruction by arson of the first black fraternity at the University of Mississippi last August, to the formation of groups to counter the presence of minorities, such as the White Students Union at Temple University in Philadelphia, whose 130 undergraduates have pledged to fight affirmative action programs and to promote "white pride." Underlying these affronts by a small number of white extrem-

community was not unique to this college. The paucity of blacks on campus (about one percent of all students, less than three percent of tenured faculty) has made it easier to perpetuate longstanding racial stereotypes. Among the false impressions that have surfaced in recent weeks are that blacks have lowered Colby's standards, shown excessive ethnic solidarity, and overemphasized race issues. None of these claims bears close scrutiny.

My experience in eight years of teaching at Colby College is that the same range of academic performance characterizes both black and white undergraduates. What has distinguished black students is that, by virtue of their backgrounds, they have been especially able to bring fresh perspectives to bear both in the classroom and in varied

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Don't Cut Them Down

by Catherine Giles
Contributor

Every fourth tree you pass on your next excursion through Colby's forest behind Hillside could be cut down.

Physical Plant hired a forester whose proposal to "thin out" the trees surrounding the campus violates mankind's obligation to preserve the ecosystem. Physical Plant believes the wooded area should be thinned out and manicured in order to maintain the long term health of the pine trees, open the woods to more Colby students, and

ensure an aesthetically pleasing entrance onto the campus. The effect would be similar to the Bowdoin pines.

I, along with many others, chose Colby because of its easy access to unadulterated nature. Getting lost in the forest, walking, running, skiing or just sitting in the woods behind Runnals Hill is a favorite method of relaxation and recreation. I have very little interest in journeying through a manicured, park-like collection of trunks where I could not "get lost" and escape the presence of Washington Street.

I do not agree with the proponents' belief that more people will take advantage of the woods by cleaning them up and making them "easier to walk through." Even if it does, it seems contrived to hand to students yet something else—nature on a silver platter. If students do not enjoy what is out there now, will it be more appealing with 25 percent fewer trees? We should not take the gamble of tampering with the ecosystem and changing something where many people thrive, in an attempt to make it more attractive to a group of hopefuls.

Point - Counterpoint

Who's Left, Who's Right, Who's Correct

A Convenience We Can't Afford

by Paul Argazzi
Contributor

With the decision handed down in 1973 in the now-celebrated *Roe vs. Wade* abortion case, the United States government crossed a dangerous barrier. By allowing legalized abortion in the first trimester of a woman's pregnancy, the Supreme Court set a precedent to take human life whenever it becomes convenient. Today, the convenience is taken advantage of by 1.5 million women yearly. Abortion is now no more than an effective means of birth control, that is how routine it has become.

A woman is protected by the first, fourth, ninth, 10th, and 14th Amendments to do whatever she pleases with her body. These rights end, however, when a new body, a new person, comes onto the scene. Doesn't the Constitution protect the rights of the unborn, as well as the born? Should civil rights only begin nine months after a living body is given life? Taking human life without due process has no support from our Constitution. The fetuses that are so casually sucked out of wombs and tossed into dumpsters like old fruit never have the opportunity to develop,

grow up, and become a part of the world like we have. All of this, because a woman decides it is too much of an "emotional strain" on her to bear a child, thereby refusing to accept the responsibility which she knew she risked in the first place.

Abortion is all the more puzzling when one looks at the long waiting period today to adopt a child. The great demand for potential adoptees has created a void which could easily be filled if women chose adoption instead of abortion. By women choosing adoption over abortion, it seems all interested parties would benefit. Potential adopters would have less time to wait, and the pregnant woman would not have to undergo the moral anguish of taking the life of the baby inside her. Clearly, there is a demand for the abundant supply of babies now being aborted.

With the ever-increasing possibility of the overturning of *Roe vs. Wade*, the country must look itself in the mirror and decide if it can still morally accept legalized abortion. My guess is that we can't and that the legal slaughter of our unborn will soon end. If it doesn't, we remain no more than a nation who chooses to murder members of its future generations merely for the sake of convenience.

by Jennifer Joseph
Contributor

Pro-life activists maintain that abortion is murder. Some people believe that and some do not. The decision to have an abortion is one of the most difficult choices a woman can make. Such a decision is a personal one; one that should not be made by the American government. We live in a male-dominated society, one in which women have had to fight long and hard for their rights. The federal government should not be able to prohibit a woman's right to control her own body. The democratic ideals of our country are based on freedom and equality. To deny a woman her freedom to choose whether or not to have an abortion, to take away her freedom of choice concerning her own body, is fundamentally undemocratic.

A large portion of the debate over abortion focuses on when life begins. At conception? At the end of the first trimester? At birth? Regardless of when you believe life begins, the issue is freedom of choice. Pro-Choice activists are not trying to say that you should support abortion. Neither are they saying that you should believe that life begins at conception, at the end of the first trimester or at birth.

Pro Choice, But Not Pro Abortion

We are trying to say that no one should take away a woman's right to choose. We want you to make that decision for yourself. We do not want the federal government to make it for you, and we do not want to make it for you. It is a personal decision, and everyone should respect a woman's choice.

Pro-life activists maintain that women use abortion as a method of birth control. Abortion should never be used as a method of birth control. To prevent this, what is needed is awareness. Society, as a whole, needs to make sexual education a priority. Parents need to be more open and honest with their children about birth control. Birth control should be made more readily available.

Hopefully, in the age of AIDS, we will see less sexual activity and therefore fewer abortions. Anyone who reads this and does not use proper methods of birth control should give serious consideration to the potential consequences of their actions. Abortion should never be an alternative to birth control, and I do not condone it as such.

No one really wants to have an abortion. In some cases it is necessary. No one other than a woman knows the impact either a child or an abortion can have on her life. There are times

when carrying a fetus to term can be fatal to the woman, or detrimental to her mental health (ie. rape, incest). An unwanted pregnancy has major impacts on a woman's life, and it is her prerogative to exercise control over her life. I think that adoption should always be considered prior to abortion. Abortion should be a last resort. I do not support abortion. I am pro-choice, not pro-abortion.

On April 9, 1989, thousands of people from around the country will converge on Washington D.C. They will be there to support a woman's right to an abortion, to send a message that, "a reversal of the *Roe vs. Wade* decision legalizing abortion will cost the lives of thousands of young women and girls. Our government . . . has to understand that American women will not docilely return to an era of compulsory pregnancy, or to 'back alleys' to risk their lives in order to save their futures. Should abortion become illegal there will be a wholesale disregard of the law and organized crime will move to take over the business of illegal abortions." Abortion is a personal choice and no one should make that decision for a woman. To deny a woman her freedom to choose what to do with her body is wrong.

Olson

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appreciated by Mr. Cox, Mr. Offutt, Mr. Kupinse, and Mr. Cahill who's names do not appear after the listing "Captain." They therefore cannot understand what it means to attain that position only to have to give it up. Also, to be forced to move off campus and pay rent, but be denied a refund of money for the second semester is a heavy financial penalty. Unlike Mr. Ore suggests in his article, many of us in the "majority" do not have enough money to buy our books, let alone a Saab.

All of these suggested punishments are based on rumor. The Dean's hearing at which Mr. Olson was judged was a closed hearing. Mr. Cox, Offutt, Kupinse, and Cahill do not know what the slurs actually were, but instead they conjure up in their minds what they assume them to be. There is an old trick to remember how to spell "assume." It says to "assume" makes an "ass" out of "u" and "me." Let the punishment fit the crime, but know the extent of the crime first. When you follow blindly what you hear from above, things can become potentially dangerous, just ask

anyone who was in Germany during 1933.

Finally, who elected you judge, jury, and executioner? In making assumptions like you do, you become just as bad as the problem of racism itself which is based on assumptions of inferiority. In closing, Jay Olson is guilty of one thing, stupidity. Jay is simply a human being who made a dumb mistake as we all do from time to time. I do not condone racism in any form, but I believe that Mr. Olson is paying for his mistake in a fair manner. Jay Olson is not a racist, I know this because Jay is my friend and hopefully will be for a long time to come. To suggest that he wear a "scarlet B" is to impose a punishment that comes from an era when witch hunts, burning at the stake, and yes, slavery were commonplace. This type of suggestion is born of pure ignorance.

Jim Reduto '90

Thanks From Whitmore

Thank you for your tremendous support this winter. In a season filled with the ultimate in emotion, the level of support we receive at home is not sur-

passed anywhere in the country at the Division III level. Although deeply disappointed at not being able to advance further, the quest for continued excellence will continue.

Dick Whitmore
Athletic Director

Social Life Far From Strangled

In the last issue of the *Echo*, Kevin Whalen '91 and Andy Zuccotti '91 described what they see as a Colby administration that "strangles" social life. I strongly disagree. On the contrary, the administration is very lenient as far as allowing students to have parties in comparison to other schools. The individual student at Colby has a wide range of options as far as raging goes.

As a transfer student from Syracuse University, when I arrived at Colby almost three years ago, I was pleasantly surprised that the administration treated students as responsible adults, not children. At Syracuse, as with many other schools, there was a "dry" campus. It was illegal to drink a six-pack on campus, even in the privacy of one's own room. There aren't many schools left

where students can go out and buy a keg on any Friday or Saturday and have a party. In most halls the lounges are available for students who want to throw parties even if it is on a spur of the moment. In fact, the only restriction on those who decide to have a spontaneous party is that they sign a form saying that if they break anything while drinking that they will pay for it; is this "strangling" social life?

There is not another school that I know of that allows almost weekly brewdaddy bashes in the Student Center! Paying three dollars for as much beer as one wants and music, sometimes a band, is a great bargain considering one night in a bar on other campuses can cost upwards of \$25. Admittedly, if the administration suspects someone is involved in one of the underground fraternities, they might, indeed deny access to the Student Center. I sympathize with students who are involved in underground fraternities. They want to throw parties just as much, perhaps more, than the average student. Most of my close friends were in one of the now defunct underground fraternities, and being denied access to the Student Center was always a buzz stomper. However, by choosing to belong to

such an organization, students have to accept the fact that the administration is not going to embrace them with open arms when they want to throw a party. I was not here for January this year so I do not know the reason(s) why the party in the Heights was cancelled nor am I suggesting that the students who wanted to throw the party, whoever they may be, are involved in the underground fraternity system.

Colby social life is definitely not perfect, but events such as Elvis Costello and The Replacements concerts and the Charity Ball are all social events this spring that do not seem to be the symptoms of a "strangled" social life. Without heaping too much praise on the administration, students should take full advantage of the freedoms we do enjoy at Colby, because students at many other schools only dream of (as I did at S.U.) an administration that still gives the individual student such latitude in his or her social life. Maybe the best response to the view that the administration strangles Colby social life is the old saying "you don't know how good something is until it is taken away."

Dave Fernandez '89

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Classifieds

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Personals

E. (FLASH) B. - "He cleaned the ice with his bare hands." You like Chinese what?

HEY WOMPSTER! What do you have a stick up your ass? -Sewage

Rhino- J'aime le fri-fri, J'aime les oranges. -The Noxema Man

I want him, but he does not want me... So I give up!

Hey Ted- want to darken in my circle with your #2 pencil? Love, Monica

You've been a wonderful help this week. I mean it. I really needed what you gave me.

Dave- When are you going to ASU? I'll be waiting. A.

Has the jack rabbit (better known to some as the Rat) been friendly with the "natives" this year? -Gunboat Marriner '88

Mel- I know a little somethin' But you don't know what it is?

The wanda's say "do the wild thing!" No doubt.

Ten-time Tim, Make up your mind, you only have 93 days left. -concerned friends

Juggie- Did you have a nice Monday afternoon rendezvous?

The Features Editor in a bikini? I can't wait to get back. -From the man who always failed

Ganski- were you really just talking to Mr. Reily until 3:00 a.m.?

Kristen- I can't believe that you like men in kilts! Who play bag pipes?

Brownie- Bill from Hobart called. Should I take a message? UMA

After the Hojo lost power in Japan, they moved to America to found a restaurant chain.

To Bernie's Mistress- Je me suis bien installé grâce à toi. -Ton amoureux à Caen

Cup-in-z, Meet me in the back room with your obo. -George

My-O- Why were you hiding at the courthouse- were you that afraid of being deep-served?

Tracey- live for today or is it eat today? Or wait... let's have a beer.

Em, Wow! I think it's about time 2nd floor Woodman got their phone fixed. With You!

To fellow R.A.T.P.A.C. members- No-trump Verbo-Man reigns, no matter what Mills says.

Robert, Give us a light. It's in your pants. -the lighterless

Keep your nose clean My- We're watching you. -the whole team

DJF- Happy Birthday!! I can't wait for break!! Love, Me

I thought that if I thrust this classified in with the rest it would break up the rigidity of the dominant classified format. (So, do I get a roni zonie?)

How was the package? Was the contents hard or soft?

Dave (a.k.a. The Love Machine)- Love is the only answer... the only answer. Your training partner across seas

Charlie- why do you have your coat on if you live here?

Nick, Don't worry about Tuesday night. I still love you. Dunk it for me, next time. Love, Grapes

A- what are ya waitin' for, go for it. It's a matter of sink or "SWIM!" -Burp

Kathy-D, You're swell! -A

Captain Maj- Work hard and let loose. This is your last chance. -Your neighbor from abroad

B. B. I can't stand losing you either. -Cubs

Duke- Was that really you in front of that keg? Who was that girl???

Hey Groony, how's Tris?

Cindy- Well what did you do this weekend? Bust us 'eh?

Salty- Hey stay out of those bushes and no more sky diving in the stupid center H-A

MIS- Peanut butter, Peanut butter, Peanut butter. Maybe one of these days it'll work. -Mary

Hey Bill, she spent 5 whole dollars. So be grateful!! And get busy!!

Gecko- you will always be the only one. Love, Pep.

Chris, would you give me some pointers on how to have the "correct" type of spring break? -concerned staff member

To the Malaysian Maestro- I dedicated my next cello concerto to you. -Your mentor

Becs- Are you sure his last name isn't ringworm?

To the Colby Symphony Orchestra- Who's the scapegoat this year? Sincerely, The fellow "cellos" from the land of wine and women

1/2 cup flour, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 cup chocolate, a pinch of salt, and some other goodies will make fun treats in HHI!

John "Holmes" Beaulieu- are you sure it's just your computer that you play with all these nights?

WANDA'S- Be excellent and party on dude!!! Love the Rose & the Rave

To members of the track team- Head for the mountains! -Your French Connection, Stéphane et André

Snooky- Stay away from that Chinese food, it causes problems later in the night.

Heidi- Me & you & Buddy & his friends Mr. Seeds have a date!!

Quote of the Week: "If you don't make a mess, you're not doing your job."

Comicus- In the name of France, (Frahnce), Frahnce... Hey, thanks for the letter- it's about time! This summer on the cape could be groovus. Gotta go... I'm on my wine break. -Mucous P.S. So what's this, you're going out with a short bunny from the Heights?

There is something array at the semi-pay!

Hey, it's a beautiful day... We should be drinking!!

Lori's perfect food: half the size but twice the crust (or, in other words, a calzone!)

Trees

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from the soil, disruption of wildlife, use of chemicals to control underbrush, and an increase in road noise from I-95.

Miller responded to these concerns by stating that the cutting "could decrease nutrients, but in this soil the amount of nutrients lost will be relatively insignificant."

He believes that the disruption

of wildlife would be minimal, and concedes that while there will be a need for control of the undergrowth caused by an increase in sunlight, it is possible for this maintenance to be done manually if there is a demand. Finally, Miller stated that while there "could be some slight increase in noise" it would hardly be noticeable.

The student view will be presented to the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Governors is also scheduled to address this issue at their next meeting.

BGLAD

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walked into the Maine legislature to ask for civil rights for gays and lesbians." The members of Outright have taught Elze to "ask for things" and to continually "push her boundaries."

She celebrated the initiative of Colby's Bisexual/Gay/Lesbian Organization in asking for and being granted their own office on Campus, and in distributing pink arm bands to be worn during B.G.L.A.D. week.

Other participants in the discussion, both gay and straight, emphasized the political reasons for community awareness of the homosexual experience. One woman explained that "in our

society obsessed by race and gender there is no guaranteed protection for a homosexual if he or she is fired, loses his or her housing, or is denied access to public accommodations because of his or her sexual preference." "The reality," explained Elze, "is that we face discrimination and must ask ourselves whether we will live with or change the laws."

"Without specific laws, we aren't protected. We need to be responsible for creating environments where people feel safe. This can be as simple as intervening when you hear someone say something homophobic. We must take the risk of having dialogues we're not used to having," said Elze.

Race Relations

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extracurricular forums. That infusion of intellectual vitality surely benefits all members of the Colby Community. It gives each of us a personal stake in programs to attract qualified minority students, and an added incentive to accord such students the fullest respect.

The charge that blacks at Colby too often congregate exclusively among themselves both exaggerates a symptom and minimizes the root of a significant problem. Blacks frequently mingle with whites, but partly for reasons of cultural unity and similar challenges on the campus, blacks also socialize with each other. That the sight of several blacks together so often leaves whites with a vivid, even daunting impression compared with the far more common sight of several whites together reveals much about the nation's ingrained racial attitudes.

The notion that black students (and white sympathizers) have needlessly belabored racial issues, and thus compounded

tensions on the campus, rests on the premise that the ills of racism will abate through benign neglect. In fact the course of history, including the demonstrations that secured basic civil rights for blacks during the 1960s, teaches precisely the opposite: that only through consistent pressure and self-examination will society rise above injustice.

Colby can take immediate steps to ensure a more heterogeneous and tolerant environment. First, the college can combine its genuine desire for a more diverse student body with a commitment to allot substantially greater funds in order to identify qualified minorities and attract them to the college. (The same imperatives apply to the task of attracting qualified black faculty members.) In addition, Colby can integrate black experiences and perspectives more completely into the curriculum. Apart from the need for all Americans to confront our country's racial problems, a sound liberal arts education requires exposure to diverse viewpoints. For a student body and a general culture that are both Eurocentric in background,

a fuller inclusion of black voices in our canon of critical writings and subjects should aid greatly in our common efforts to stretch the mind and the heart.

The need for Colby and other colleges to help redress the patterns of prejudice in our society is especially acute in view of the growing national amnesia about the roots of racial inequality. Former President Ronald Reagan epitomized this spirit by claiming, in a farewell interview on 60 Minutes this past January, that black leaders who warned against discrimination were chiefly motivated by personal gain. In this sluggish moral atmosphere, it is incumbent on each of us to be that much more vigilant against racist actions. That involves knowledge of the damage caused by past and present discrimination, a recognition that time alone cannot heal these wounds, and a resolve by all segments of society to reduce bigotry to an ugly relic of the nation's past. In this effort, one may hope that students — a group that in the past has imbued social movements with unsurpassed energy and idealism — will once again play a vital and constructive role.

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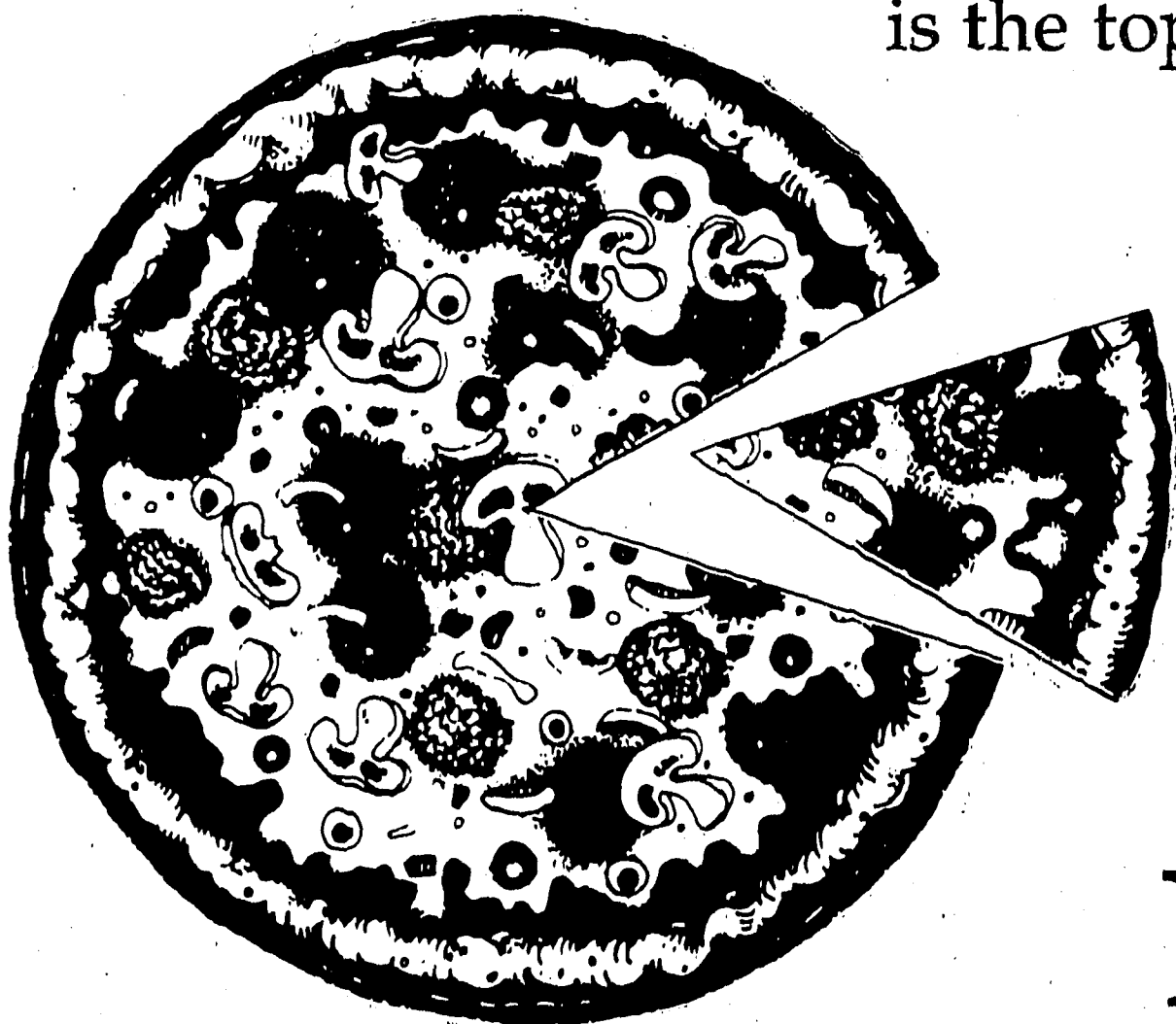
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Spring

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real positive in the 400 meter hurdles."

It's not enough that Aitken has this many women who can take a meet on any given day, but she went further to name Meg Patrick('89), Clover Burns('91), Kim Kennedy('92), Heather Belanger('92), Karin Killmer('90) and Adria Lowell('92) as people she thinks will be a large factor in the success of her program this year.

The '89 Colby women's harriers will not only have an outdoor track to use, but they will be soundly thumping their opponents on it several times this year. They are also hosting the women's Division I track championships May 4th & 5th. So when the snow melts, your failing all your classes miserably, cabin fever has you jumping from the fire escapes and your roommate has told you the same story twelve times, shake it all off and come watch a team that

is stacked to the top with aces galore and primed to go far this season.

Having covered four of the eight spring teams I would like to give a final analysis of the approaching season.

SEASONS: Most teams start at spring break as they travel out of state to compete in warmer climates. Upon returning to school, be on the lookout for athletes braving the extremities in an attempt to display their talents on the fields surrounding the fieldhouse as all the teams will be in full swing.

TEAM PREDICTIONS: **WOMEN'S LACROSSE-** Will do well, worth going to watch, even if you have never seen a game. No boundaries on the fields and the action is non-stop. Will be a force in the tourney.

MEN'S LACROSSE: May not be as consistent as the women's team but will be fast paced and a good time to watch. Also a good thing for rookie spectators to come to. Two reasons- (1) the game is like no other you've ever seen (2) chicks dig guys who attend lacrosse games, this

is based however upon a knowledge of the lingo (lax, dude, totally bitchin' scoop by that middle, that was a way cool dig) as well as owning lots of shirts that say "Always keep your stick up" from various schools around the nation. Maniacal fan support is required of all in attendance.

MEN'S BASEBALL: Loaded with talent, must turn the corner into becoming a solid club this year. A good southern road trip will get this team on the right track. Loss of Jamie Arsenault will be filled by Rodgers, White, Olson, O'Connor, Rand, Kispert. There will be no excuses if this team fails to capitalize this season.

WOMEN'S TRACK: "Good God here they come again!" will be uttered several times as this team rolls around New England. I give them a possible bid for '89 spring team to watch. Not as much fun as women's lacrosse, but a definite plus to watch quality athletes display their talents on one of the best tracks around. Take a look, who knows what'll happen.

Irish

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be unlucky, but also quite possibly that you risk your life daily. Bombings, shootings, and other terrorist activities are a constant threat to those who live in the Catholic and Protestant ghettos of Belfast and other parts of Northern Ireland. Mark, a 13-year-old Catholic boy who befriended me in Belfast, is growing up in a world where violence and death is an everyday occurrence. All children his age play cops and robbers, good guys and bad guys. But for Mark, and so many children in Belfast,

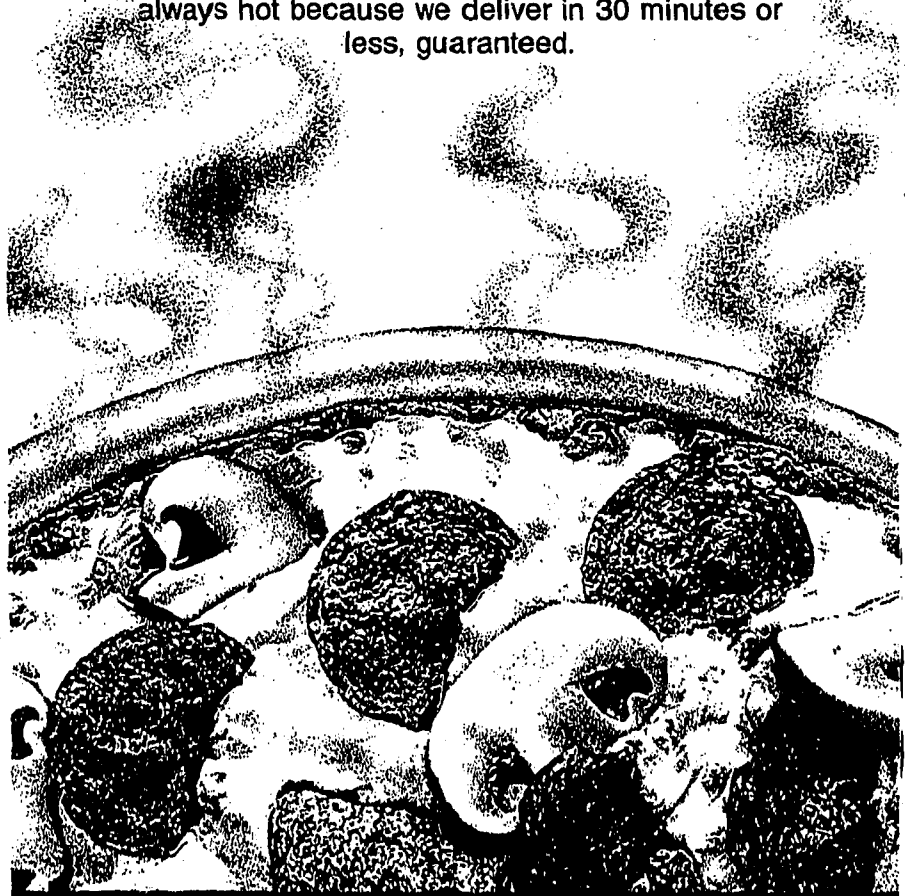
playing good guys-bad guys means the bad guys are the British soldiers, and rocks and rubber bullets replace toy guns.

I hope I haven't painted too grim a picture of what it truly means to be Irish. The Irish are a wonderful people full of warmth, humor, courage, and hope. A quick smile and a hearty greeting is an authentic Irish trademark. Ireland is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. Hopefully this St. Patrick's Day, however, Irish-Americans and everyone else at Colby will have a better insight on what it truly means to be Irish. We Irish-Americans should be proud to be Irish! Erin Go Bragh!



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Off Campus

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situations which the administration often quells.

"We put up the signs in defense of our friends," said Lynn Sullivan. Brown has been living downtown since September as she was able to get her name in the Off-Campus Lottery. But her sister, Sarah Brown, and another junior, Bebe Clark, did not have access to the lottery because they were abroad. They have both resorted to paying off-campus expenses as well as room and board to Colby.

Anderson

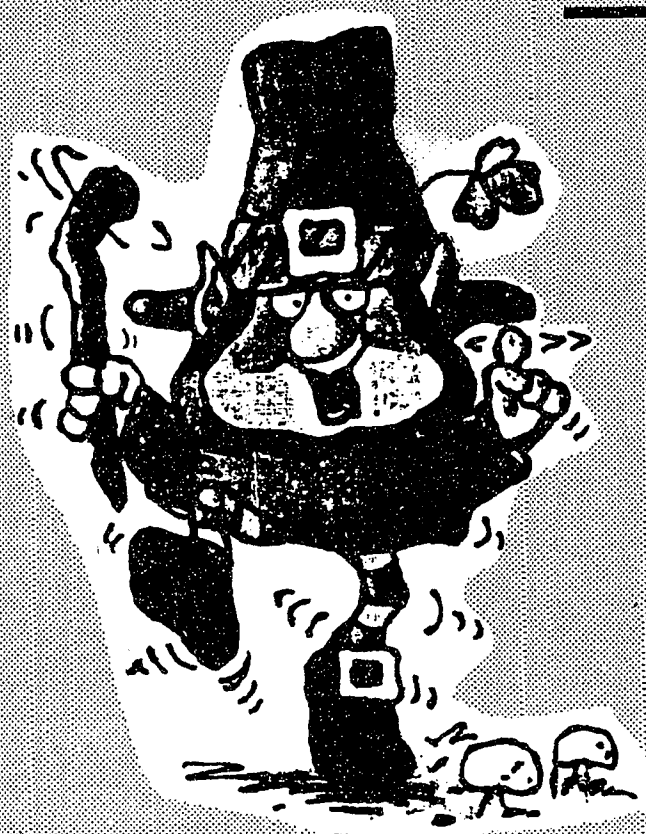
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ments is unknown. While the administration may claim that these evaluations are highly influential, in actuality, they may not be as important as we are led to believe.

In certain cases, a professor's teaching ability should overshadow the other factors that influence faculty appointments. Since professors do not take other professors' courses, they cannot accurately assess their colleagues in this area. Only students can truly evaluate these abilities. Students have the obligation to evaluate their professors seriously. At the same time, the administration must respect their input.

James Anderson's case is one where Colby students must make their opinions known so that the administration will reconsider its decision. Please voice your opinion by signing the petition which will be circulating in the dining halls on Friday, March 17, and later forwarded to the chair of the Philosophy Department. Help keep quality professors at Colby.

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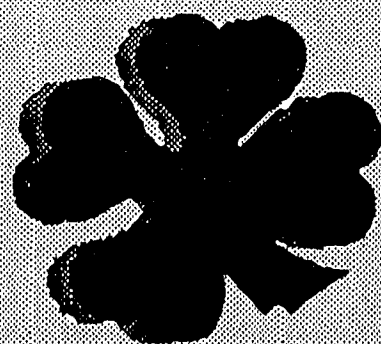
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Men's Swimming Breaks Into The Top 10

by Peter Sekulow
Contributor

Five school records fell and another was tied as the Colby College Men's Swim Team finished a strong 10th place at the New England Division III Men's Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Championships held March 3-5 at Bowdoin College. This was the first top 10 finish for the White Mules who competed in a field of 20 schools. Williams College, who once again proved to be the dominating force in New England swimming, won the meet for the second straight year.

Throughout the weekend, Colby was forced to hold off strong pressure from both Trinity and Bates, both of whom had beaten Colby in last year's New England. However, strong individual performances combined with impressive relay performances allowed Colby to hold off the late meet pressure and secure the tenth position.

The jump from last year's 13th place finish was largely attributed to accomplishments by freshmen Matt Davie and B.J. Gasperoni, and sophomore Walker Fenton. Davie set a school record in the 50 yard freestyle going 22.23, strong enough for 12th overall and also tied the 100 yard freestyle record, clocking in at 49.23. Gasperoni, winning his heat in the

Consolation Finals of the 500 yard freestyle, broke a nine year old school record with a time of 4:51.28, good enough for ninth overall.

In addition to these individual records, two Colby relay records were also set. The 200 yard medley relay team of Randy Barr, David Russell, Gasperoni and Davie broke last year's record finishing at 1:44.22, placing them 12th overall. The 400 yard medley relay, also breaking last year's record, saw Paul Beach, Russell, Gasperoni and Davie go 3:47.95, finishing 11th overall. Once again, the elusive 400 yard freestyle relay, the oldest Colby record, set in 1973, slipped through the fingers of Davie, Craig Rog, Gasperoni and Peter Sekulow by 4 seconds, but they were strong enough for 11th. Last year, the record was missed by a mere .1 seconds.

Other top 24 performances were turned in by Barr and Beach in the 100 and 200 yard backstrokes; Davie in the 100 yard freestyle; and Gasperoni and Rog in the 200 and 1650 yard freestyles. In addition, personal best times were turned in by Fred Feid, Isser Gallogly, Tripp Johnson, Blake Leibert, Paul Neidich, Dave Unruh, and Andy Wallace.

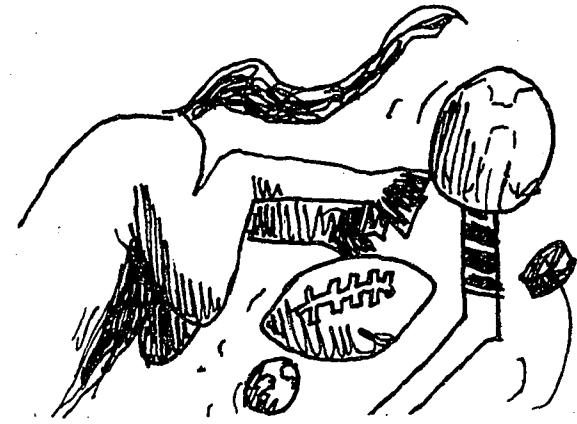
Equally impressive were the performances by the Diving Team. Walker Fenton broke his own school record in the one-meter diving, scoring an impres-

sive 340.5 points, for seventh overall. In the three meter event, Fenton scored 278 points placing him thirteenth. Doug Hall placed 20th and 16th in the one and three meter events respectively.

What made the accomplishments by the White Mule swimmers and divers even more impressive were the ways in which they were able to drop time between their time trial performance swum in the morning and early afternoon and their night time performances in the top 24 finals, where the actual team points are scored. This can be attributed to both Coach Wally Lutkus' ability to train his swimmers for not merely a one day meet, but a physically and psychologically long three day meet. The swimmer's eagerness to race and inner drive to truly compete added to their improved times.

By virtue of their 10th place finish and 7-1 dual meet record (14-3 over the last two seasons), the Colby Men's Swimming and Diving Teams earned much needed respect in intercollegiate swimming. However, much more work in all aspects of the program, not simply training, is needed if the team is to truly compete in the upper echelon of New England swimming. First year coach Wally Lutkus is optimistic and believes that the program has the potential to achieve great heights.

Mule Kicks



The regular season for winter sports ended over two weeks ago. But for a couple individuals, the competition and accolades were extended and are still coming in.

Three Colby women played in the Senior Hockey All-Star game held at Harvard, Saturday, March 11. Robin MacWalter, Jenny Webster and Megan Patrick participated in the contest that included players from Northeastern, Providence, Bowdoin, Harvard, and Middlebury among others.

The talent was split to insure a close score and maximum fun. In fact, Patrick and Webster ended up playing on the White team and MacWalter played on the Blue team.

"It was really great," said Webster, "I wish more sports would do it. When you play UNH and Bowdoin during the season, you are always trying to beat them and almost feel hate without knowing who is under the shirt."

Webster liked the fact that the All-Star format broke down the competitive barriers.

The game was sponsored by CCM and all participants received jerseys. Patrick scored a goal for the White team but MacWalter's Blue team won the contest 4-2.

Junior Lisa Bove qualified for the Nationals in Track and Field. Bove placed 10th in the 20 pound weight throw in the meet held at Bowdoin last weekend.

Matt Hancock received a couple of awards and is sure to get a few more. The junior co-captain of the men's basketball team was named ECAC-New England Division III Player of the Year as well as Maine State Division III Player of the Year.

Hancock, whose 29.6 points per game was second in the Nation behind Trenton State's Greg Grant and his 32.9 ppg, has an excellent chance at winning NESCAC Player of the Year (he was second in the balloting last year behind Amherst's Yram Groff). He is also hoping for All-American honors (last year he was on the third team).

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"Some coaches are going to be very miserable this year. I'm not going to be one of those." On offense the Lady Mules have All-New England pick from last year Jennifer Lalley ('90) who Pluck says, "is quick, agile and a very large headache for opposing players." Joining her on the scoring side is sophomore Margaret Moran who had an unbelievable ten goals Saturday and will give Colby a scoring punch second to none in New England. First year player Liz Frado ('92) "has lightning quick speed" and Pluck thinks the combo of she and Lalley will be "simply awesome".

Although there have been some losses on the other side of the ball, there is no slacking off. Senior Julie Dodge, another All-New England pick from last year will be a big leader this season, as will Laura Beetham another of Pluck's able bodied defense-men. Pluck says the team has lost people to year abroad programs, "but that the losses will not be a huge problem to fill. This team has played so well

that it has actually become an expectation that they will be in the playoffs. That's a nice feeling. This year not only do we have high skill level, but we have people who believe in themselves, great past seasons to prove how good we are and people who love the game of lacrosse. I'm really excited to watch this team play."

MEN'S BASEBALL: While most of us sun our buns in foreign lands with lousy water, the Mule baseball team will be playing a seven game series in sunny Florida, three of these games at Boardwalk and Baseball, which also serves as the Kansas City Royals spring training field.

Gene Delorenzo has gathered around him for the '89 season what he calls, "the best group of infielders I've had since I've been here, and the best outfielders in the past five years."

The team returns 7 out of last years 8 pitchers, two out of four outfielders and 6 out of 9 infielders. Delorenzo certainly has the numbers and the returnees on his side, which in baseball is sometimes crucial to getting the early season confidence up and

getting on to playing the game. On the mound the Mules are led by senior co-captain Chip Kispert who will be strong in short relief due to what Delorenzo terms,

"His unique blend of competitiveness, desire and experience. He's a smart pitcher."

Kispert will be joined by sophomores Todd O'Connor (1.35 ERA, and he only gave up 8 hits versus 50 batters) Mike McRae, Steve Marshall and Brian Garvey a.k.a. "The Shark"

MEN'S LACROSSE: If the women's lax team has a day off these boys are going to be the second most exciting team to catch here on the Hill. With a new philosophy towards attacking the game, this years team will be the L.A. Lakers of New England lacrosse. Run and gun, shoot to kill are the mottos. And shooting to kill they will be doing when they roll into San Diego, Ca. in a week led by captains Andy Ayers (blinding speed, awesome coverage), Chuck Burke (hard worker, leader), Kevin Plummer (primed for a great season, tons of ability) and Drew Simmons (automatic goal scorer,

smooth touch). Fourth year head coach Rob Pfeiffer has nothing but praise for these four seniors in saying,

"When these guys were freshmen Colby lax was nothing. These guys have brought Colby lacrosse to prominence in New England."

However, this is not just a senior team. They also sport three more classes of individuals who Pfeiffer thinks "will be able to force teams into mistakes." Last year's team which finished made it to the tournament but were lacking in speed, and hence had to wait for teams to make mistakes last year. This year there's a different attitude.

"We're a very different team this year. We have good team speed and the defense is highly mobile, led by sophomores Jay Mazzolla, Peter Ginolfi and Ayers who enable us to move the ball real well. We're coming to play this year and teams better be ready to play or they're going to find themselves enjoying a few of the sky," says Pfeiffer.

The only problem confronting this team is the goalie situation. Due to the loss of sophomore

goalkeeper Bruce Fougere the title of 'netman' is yet to be bestowed upon anyone. Pfeiffer has Chris Smith, Eric Whiteford or Warren Claytor to choose from and will continue Whiteford and Claytor at other positions.

WOMEN'S TRACK: Next on the list is a team who got about as much recognition this year as did Lithuania's fiscal report. They are Deb Aitken's 1988-89 women's track team and they quietly took this year's Division III New England Indoor Track Championships.

Led by All-Americans Jill Volweiller ('90), Karen Boomer ('90) and All-American javelin thrower Robin McWalter ('91) this team is full of talent. Other forces on this team are indoor captain Ann Burger ('89), a quality sprinter, Lisa Bove ('90), a thrower who Aitken feels will smash all sorts of records this year and Kim Gilbo ('90), who will push Bove in the hammer throw all year.

Other hot prospects for the season are freshmen Merry Corbett who Aitken calls, "The mainstay in the 800, and could be a continued on page 13

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White Makes Waves Nationally

by Dave Weissman
Staff Writer

You've read about Megan Patrick '89 and her ice exploits. You've heard the name Ellyn Paine '91 bounced around over the last several weeks. It's now time to add a new name to this past season's seemingly endless string of outstanding female athletes.

Meet swimmer Sally White, a sophomore from Wayland, Ma., and the latest addition to the list of Colby athletes to achieve All-American status this year. White garnered All-American honors in three events last week at the NCAA Division III National Championships, held at Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana on March 9-11.

Of course, White's success this season should come as no surprise to any die-hard Colby swimming fan. As a freshman, White earned the All-American label in three events and honorable mention in a fourth, led the women's swim team to a 9-1 record, and broke numerous records along the way. So, her credentials going into this season were impressive.

Complying with the NCAA rules, which prohibit swimmers from competing in more than three events throughout the

course of the meet, White competed in one for each of the three days. On Thursday, March 9, she swam the 500 yard freestyle, an event in which she was ranked number one in the country going into. Although she did not live up to this ranking, she did manage to finish fifth with a time of 5:02.2 - good enough to qualify for All-American (the top eight finishers in each event earn this distinction).

The fact that White was ranked number one going into the race proved to be more of a detriment than an advantage, as it heightens the expectations placed upon a competitor, and makes the competition that much more determined. "When a swimmer is rated number one going in, all the other swimmers are gunning for her...she becomes the one to beat," explained head swim coach Walter Lutkus.

On Friday White competed in what may be her best event, the 400 yard individual medley. She carried the number two ranking going into this event, which proved to be quite accurate in that she finished second with a time of 4:35.1. In the process White broke her own school record for the 100 yard fly.

The last day of competition brought what may be the most grueling event in the contest, the 1650 yard freestyle. Ranked

number four going in, White placed sixth in recording a time of 17:19.55, again breaking the previous college record. She might have finished better if it was not for the lane she was placed in, in that she might have been better able to pace herself in relation to her closest competition.

All in all, White enjoyed quite a successful weekend, by any standards. She returns to Mayflower Hill with three more All-America titles to her name, six broken school records, and as an added bonus she was able to see her sister, a senior at St. Lawrence University, who also qualified for the championships. Most importantly, as White put it, "I had a great time."

"My goal for Sally was to repeat as All-American, which is not easy to do," said Lutkus. "She actually did better than I expected." Lutkus went on to describe White's performance as a "better swim than the majority of kids from New England."

White was also pleased with her showing, in that she recorded the best times of her career thus far, a career far from over. As a sophomore, this superstar has both the time and ability to reach unprecedented heights. "I hope to go back the next two years," says White, which at this point would seem to be a foregone conclusion.

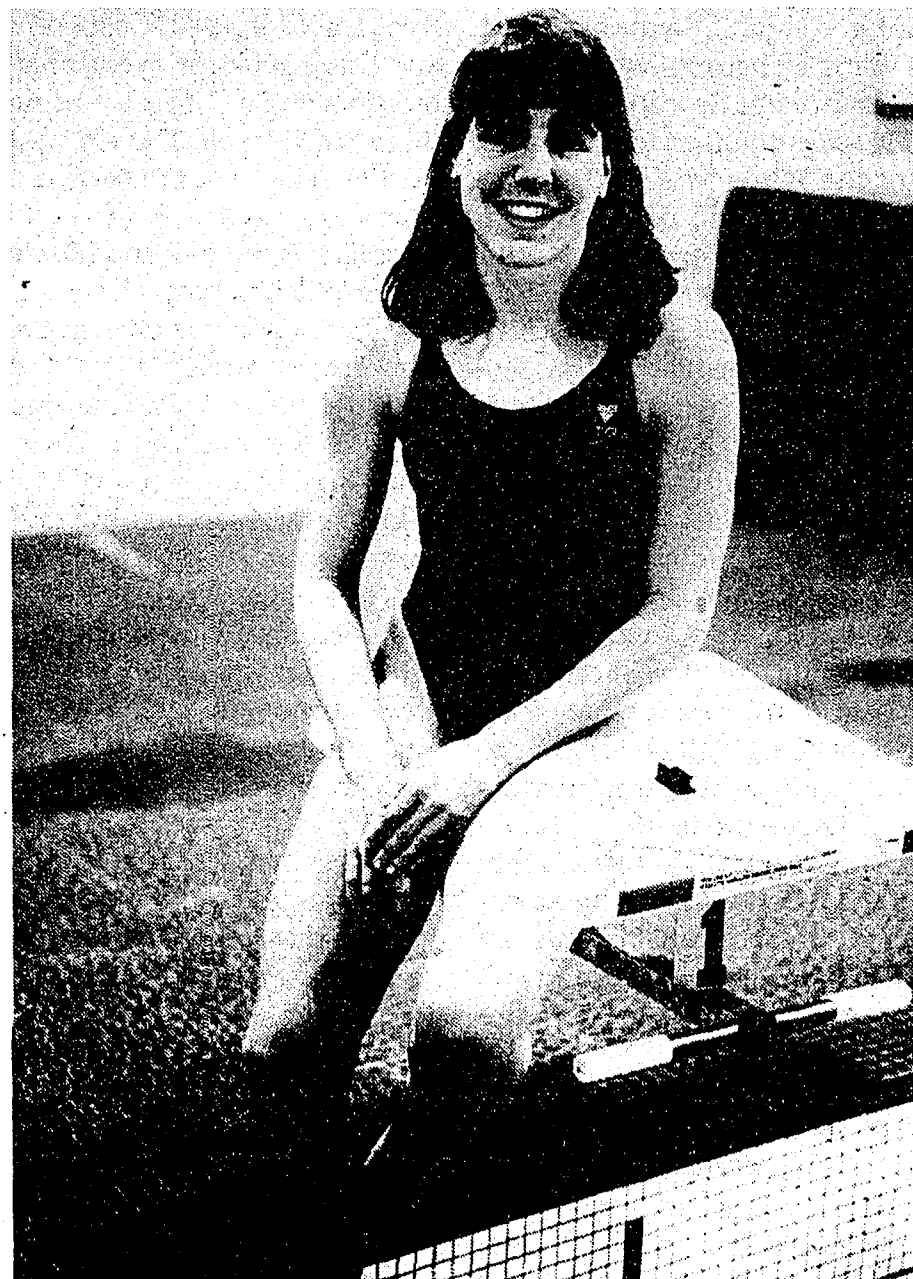


Photo by Cathy Palmer

Sophomore Sally White has great reason to smile around the swimming pool. In only two years she has distinguished herself by achieving All-American status in six events with an honorary mention in the seventh.

The Athletic Experience Examined

by Andrea Solomita
Staff Writer

A majority of the Colby coaches, selected faculty, and several student representatives comprise a new committee that will examine the impact of athletics on Colby College.

The Athletic and Physical Education Committee was organized by President William R. Cotter and Dean Robert McArthur to look beyond the scholar-athlete to the athletic concerns of the entire Colby community.

One sub committee, The Committee On The Impact of the Athletic Program on the College, met yesterday for the first time. Among the issues discussed were: How many athletes are missing classes? Would it be possible to end the academic day earlier and have all

athletes on the fields by 4:00?

With such an extensive athletic program does the college need to think about the consequences it is playing on Colby's academic mission? Do the coaches push too hard, or too much? Gene Delorenzo, Assistant Athletic Director and Varsity Coach, is concise in telling his athletes, "Attend class, it is the priority."

In the future, the committee will examine the actual impact of athletics on Colby and will address the possible problems in admissions, scheduling, freshman athletes, and an overall view of academics.

The overall Committee has several responsibilities and, in order to address these problems effectively, the Committee will be divided into four sub-groups.

Two of the groups will deal directly with internal operations of the Athletic Department and

budgetary questions. The other two groups will address issues more closely related to the Colby student - physical education, and the impact of the athletic program on the college.

The problems and advantages of physical education as a requirement, and the idea of a possible wellness and fitness program at Colby will be two important concerns. This program would be initiated to offer the entire Colby community a general awareness of their own well-being.

Director of Health Services, Carl Nelson, recognized that such a program, "...is the coming direction. With our whole society centered around fitness, we would do best to educate our students, our future parents. The more we can teach them about their well-being, the healthier they will be."

Spring Has Sprung So Where The Heck Are All The Teams?

by Billy Goodman
staff writer

With eight spring teams and a host of club sports looking forward to spring seasons the field-house has been transformed into a baseball diamond, a lacrosse field and surprise, surprise an indoor track.

This season's coaches have taken out the shears and trimmed their rosters to a manageable size as the season rapidly approaches. Always the toughest part of tryouts, its interesting to wonder who has it harder; the kids running around, or the coaches trying to gauge athletic ability in a place that looks like a huge green auction barn and has an oxygen level equivalent to taking a sauna with a garbage bag on your head. Needless to say

they've done it and now it's time for another Colby Echo action packed, bargain priced outlook - **The 1989 Spring Sports Preview.**

WOMEN'S LACROSSE: If we had to pick a pre-season team that will be frying the shorts off their opponents this could be the one to watch. This year's squad has started on a tear, whooping the Alumni 17-12 and then taking all four games of an indoor tournament they played in this past weekend at Bates. They beat Bowdoin, Wheaton, a Boston club team and Bates who had just returned from a week of practice in Bermuda (Ah, the sad life of those poor Bates kids). This year's team sports some players who have head coach Deb Pluck saying things like, continued on page 15