



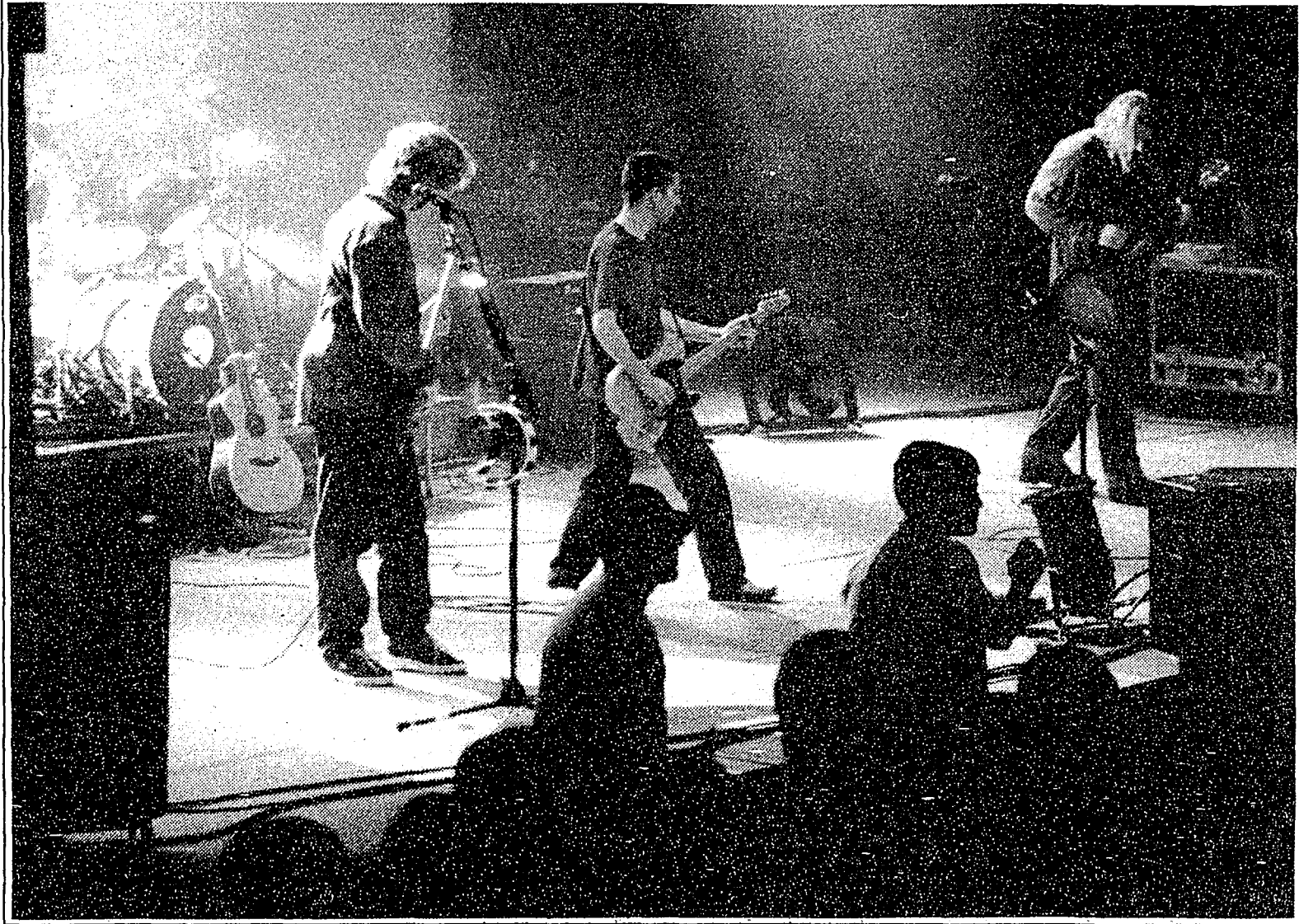
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Echo photo by Yuhgo Yamaguchi
Toad the Wet Sprocket filled the Wadsworth Gymnasium with mellow sounds during last Saturday's concert.

Toad concert a general success Stu-A registers minimal financial loss

BY E. M. DUGGAN
Features Editor

The overall success of last Saturday's Toad the Wet Sprocket concert can be jointly attributed to both the Student Association (Stu-A) and the Commons Council, said Bryan Raffetto '95, Stu-A president. Both Raffetto and Marc Rubin '95, Stu-A Treasurer, said the concert, whose funding was split 50/50 between the two sponsors, pulled a minimal loss. This is what the non-profit Stu-A expected.

"We hope to slowly spend all the money in our budget," said

Rubin, explaining that what may be deemed a "loss" is actually not bad. Excess Stu-A funds go back into the general fund at the end of the year. The only benefit of making a profit on a concert is that extra money can be used for bands that are more expensive, and an increase in price when Colby has a bidding war with other schools to get the bands.

There were mixed feelings on the performance of the band, however. The mellower pace of the concert was not conducive to slam dancing or body surfing, which was discouraged by the band.

The drummer, Randy Guss, opened up to the audience by con-

fessing that his sister was conceived in a Colby dorm room and asked if people were still having sex here.

While actress/model/singer Milla stayed on stage for quite a while, Toad fans were disappointed at the mere hour-and-a-half the band spent on stage and some said they got the feeling the band was not thrilled to be at Colby.

"I thought it was too short," said Nizar Al-Bassam '96. "They seemed a tad bit distracted. I liked the Samples better because they were psyched about being here and they interacted with the community."

Toad played mostly from their
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Mundy receives Dreyfuss grant

BY KEVIN LEAHY
Staff Writer

Miselis Professor of Chemistry Brad Mundy is one of this year's recipients of a Dreyfuss Foundation grant. This award allows for someone who holds a post-doctorate in chemistry to work with Mundy and aid in teaching.

The aim of this program is to enhance the teaching of the sciences at small undergraduate institutions. Many in this field are drawn to larger universities to work in research positions and do not get the opportunity to experience teaching at a smaller college.

Mundy said this award would greatly enhance Colby's organic

chemistry program through the addition of a high-level presence in the department. He said that he was "flattered and pleased" to be a recipient of this grant. Julie Millard, Clare Boothe Luce assistant professor of biochemistry, nominated Mundy.

Millard, who chose to teach at Colby because of her participation in the Dreyfuss foundation's program, said she suggested Mundy to the foundation because he is "exemplary in his field and is an outstanding teacher and researcher." She said the college would soon begin a nation-wide search for a post-doctorate to fill this position. The person who is chosen will take part in teaching and researching at Colby for the next two years. □

Library committee conflict resolved

BY CAROLINE M. GUY
Staff Writer

The controversy surrounding the existence of the Library Committee was resolved recently with the identification and subsequent correction of its source: a simple lack of communication between faculty members and students.

According to Professor of English and Library Committee member Douglas Archibald, the controversy began last spring when the Committee on Committees concluded that the Library Committee should be either eliminated all together or, in the words of Professor of Music and Library Committee member Paul Machlin, "absorbed by a supercommittee."

The Library Committee is a college committee, which, as Dean of

Faculty Robert MacArthur explains, is a committee composed of faculty, administrators and students. Two other types of committees exist at Colby: faculty committees and "other" which are committees which, as Archibald explains, deal with very specific issues, for example "medical school preparation."

Last spring a number of faculty members met, expressing concern about the elimination of the Library Committee. According to Archibald, as a result an amendment was made which restored the Library Committee. He and other committee members felt that "the library is and should be at the center of the educational program." Once the amendment was ratified, the Library Committee, recognized as a college committee, was restored.
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Students want more computer access, S.O.P. discovers

BY ALISON BORNSTEIN
Asst. News Editor

"Based on your feelings about computers at Colby, would you like to see: another maclab, dorm networking or computer clusters in residence halls" asked the Nov. 16 Student Opinion Poll (S.O.P.).

As students were allowed to answer more than one of the choices, out of the 783 votes, 64 percent answered "dorm networking," 30 percent answered "computer clusters" and 29 percent answered "another maclab."

While several students commented that "the present system is more than adequate," the majority

of voters disagreed.

According to several students, e-mail accessibility is the main problem.

"We are one of the last colleges of this caliber to not have e-mail access from our rooms. This is totally reprehensible — but repairable," said one response.

According to other students, they would like to see "e-mail only maclabs [because they feel that] too many students use maclab computers solely for e-mail," thus there are not enough extra computers for students to do work on.

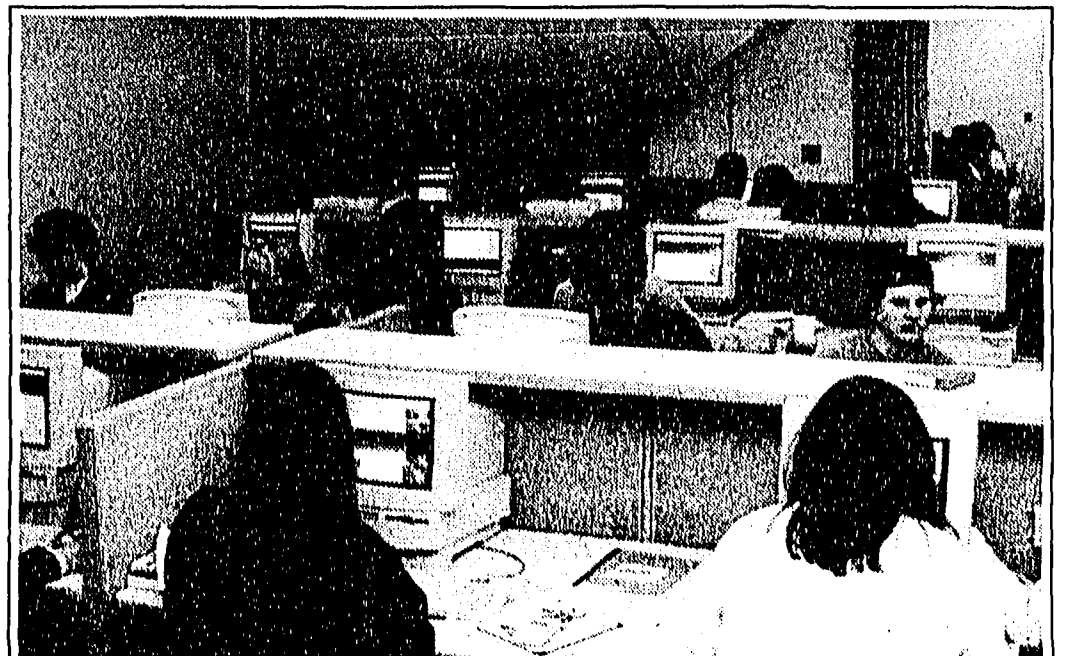
Other students feel that "there are not enough computers — [and that it should be] a requirement for

all first-years to have a computer as Drew University does."

Expense is another concern. According to several voters, "computers are pricey, and we should lower tuition or have free computers." Another voter suggested that Colby should have "mandatory computer ownership, covered by Financial Aid."

"We need more computers. We give all the professors computers, but as a student, getting access is extremely difficult," said one student.

According to Operations Manager of the Colby Bookstore Bill Pottle, about two-thirds of Colby
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Echo photo by Jennifer Merrick
Students have been packed into the Lovejoy maclab, above, for the past week.

News briefs

Early decision applicants up

Almost twice as many students as last year applied for early decision entrance into Colby's Class of 1999, according to the Office of Admissions. There were 277 applicants in the first round of early decision (ED) candidates, as compared to last year's record of 167.

Although the increase in ED applicants might be in part due to Colby's status as the "Happiest College in the Nation," Dean of Admissions Parker Beverage gives more credit to student tour guides and lobby hosts and the positive image they give to Colby.

"Our students are there as resources," said Beverage, who noted that an additional 200 prospective students have visited the campus this year for tours and interviews.

"We also have been blessed with good weather," said Beverage. (E.H.)

Tenure decisions to be made

The 12 professors up for tenure this fall will know the decision on Saturday, according to the Office of the Dean of Faculty. If all of the professors have been notified by Monday, the results will be released publicly.

The tenure candidates are: Assistant Professor of Economics Debra Barbezat, Associate Professor of Philosophy Cheshire Calhoun, Associate Professor of Music Eva Linfield, Assistant Professor of German and Russian Ursula Reidel, Assistant Professor of History James Webb, and Assistant Professors of English Laurie Osborne and David Suchoff.

Associate Professor of Women's Studies and American Studies Robin Roberts also is up for tenure. She is currently teaching at Louisiana State University and will return to Colby if she is granted tenure.

Candidates in the sciences include James Fleming, assistant professor and director of science and technology studies, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science Dexter Whittinghill, Whitney King, assistant professor of chemistry and Assistant Professor of Biology Herbert Wilson. (E.H.)

College guide surveys Colby

Representatives from the Princeton Review, a popular college guide, were on campus Monday to encourage students to fill out the College Student Survey.

Representatives situated themselves outside the dining halls and passed out the two-page questionnaire.

The survey included questions about students' personal background, and questions about the college's academics, administration, the student body and student life.

There were also questions about political commitment and financial situation, as well as the availability of courses and the professors as well as the amount of drug and alcohol abuse.

One of the questions was "Overall, how happy are you?" Based on this question, Colby students were rated the happiest in the nation, as taken from last year's survey.

The results will be used to help the Princeton Review write its summary of Colby in its college guide book. (A.B.)

Students talk their way to the top

Speaking about her experiences as a female ice hockey player, Laura Iorio '95 won first place in the Louise Coburn Prize Speaking Contest.

Second place went to Dan Peltz '97, who spoke of his experience as an epileptic child. Jonathan Kaye '97 received third place, talking about coaching a blind swimmer this summer.

Iorio won a prize of \$200, while Peltz and Kaye won \$150 and \$100, respectively.

The judges were Maine State Representative Ruth Joseph, Libby Lubin and attorney John Sagaser.

The other contestants included David November '95, Robin Ottoway '95, Kimberly Parker '97 and Jesse Shapiro '95. (J.C.)

College changes scenery in the Spa

BY ALISON BORNSTEIN
Asst. News Editor

The Colby community can expect to see a change of scenery on the wall between the Spa and the Student Center early this spring.

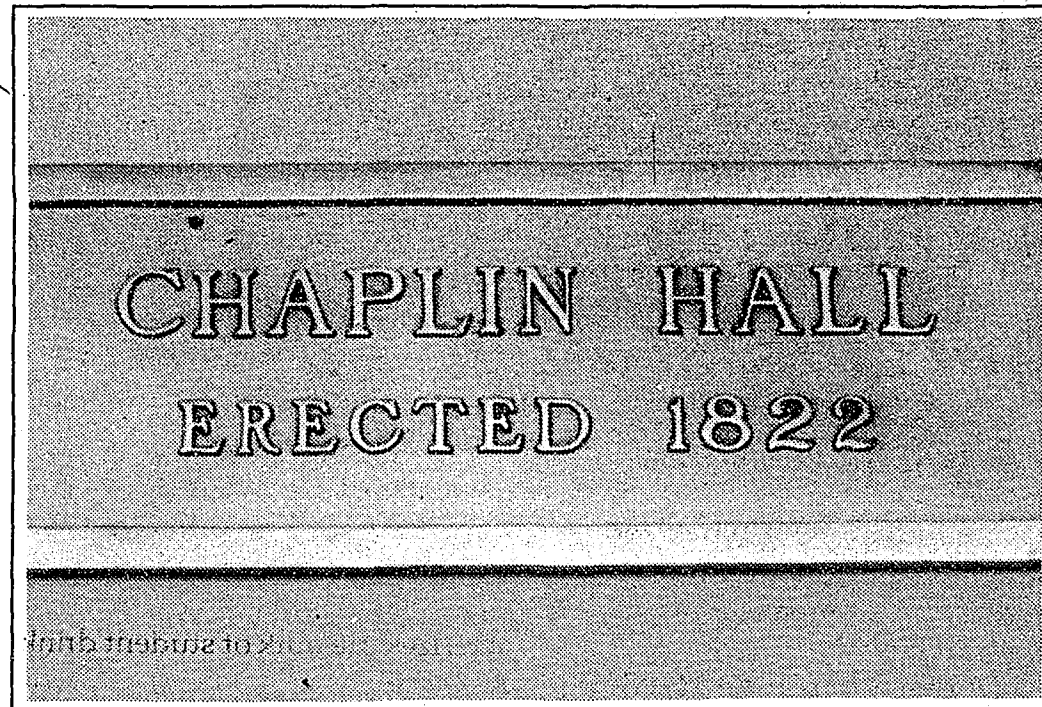
The pictures which used to hang there are going to be replaced with plaques from the old campus as well as photographs of the old buildings.

While walking by this display, a shiny plaque may catch your attention. According to Dean of the College Earl Smith, this plaque was stolen by a Colby student during Colby's transition from the its old campus to its current location in the 1940's. About five years ago, the plaque and a letter were sent back to Colby in a crate.

"This student must have had a guilty conscious," said Smith. "When the plaque was returned it was apparent that this student had sent it to the foundry and had it rebronzed."

According to Director of Student Activities Ben Jorgensen, the plaques have been floating around in the Physical Plant Department for years.

This year, the Permanent Task



Echo photo by Jennifer Atwood

The Chaplin Hall sign from the old campus has been recently restored and is on display in the Spa.

Force on College History and Tradition, a group of Colby alumni, decided to put up the plaques in unison with Smith, Jorgensen, Assistant Director of Communications Anestes Fotiades and Secretary of Alumni and Board Development Sid Farr.

According to Smith, they were thinking about putting the plaques up in the current buildings, but they turned this idea down because some

of the buildings on the new campus have different names, and they were also worried about the security of the plaques in dorm lounges.

"We want students to have the opportunity to see some of Colby's tradition," said Jorgensen.

"The plaques as well as the photographs represent some of Colby's history and heritage," said Smith. "I think that students will be happy to have the chance to see them." □

Sharing experiences from abroad

BY JODI BEZNOSKA
Staff Writer

International students and students who have studied abroad have the opportunity to talk about their experiences in foreign countries through the Speaker's Bureau, according to Associate Dean of Students Judy Carl-Hendrick.

"The Speaker's Bureau was created as a way of allowing both international students and juniors to share their experiences abroad," said Carl-Hendrick. "So many students go abroad, and no one ever hears of the experiences."

The Speaker's Bureau, in its first semester, is dedicated to reaching out to the community and sharing the unique experiences of trips abroad. All students who have traveled abroad received a form asking if they would be interested in speaking about their travels. Four students, including Michelle Safer '95, Laura Shmishkiss '95, Adam Rubin '95 and Dhupal Aturaliye '95, have become actively involved in helping Carl-Hendrick get the program off the ground.

This year, 35-38 seniors responded to the form and have been involved in discussions in dorms as

well as in outreach to groups in Waterville. The bureau has even ventured out of town, sending students to speak at other high schools in Maine.

Carl-Hendrick hopes that the Bureau will be active in the second semester. She said she feels it is an excellent way for students to talk about experiences which otherwise would be brushed aside.

"People don't think about speaking of their experiences, so they stuff them away," she said. "I'm hoping that the Speakers Bureau will give students a chance to share cultures and experiences." □

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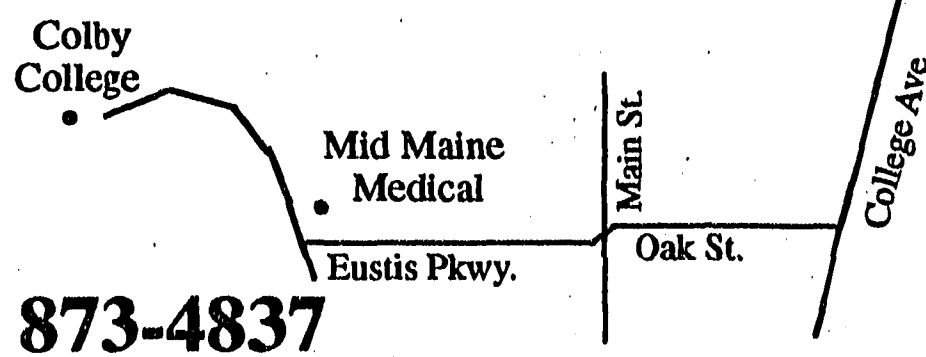
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Focus on Colby

by Hannah Beech

Looking at Colby through another set of eyes Foreign students discuss the academic and social life at Colby

Four years is a long time to be away from home.

But for many of Colby's foreign students, going home for Thanksgiving is as unrealistic as a heat wave in January.

During their stay on Mayflower Hill, international students gain a unique perspective on Colby life, from their first impressions of the campus to their thoughts on the college's dorm rooms and classrooms.

First Impressions

"Everyone looked alike," said Dhumal Aturaliye '95 from Sri Lanka, of his first impressions of Colby, "especially the parents — more so than the students."

"I thought everybody dressed the same," agreed Nozomi Kishimoto '96 from Japan. "I felt like I was a total minority because I didn't dress like everybody else."

Others were impressed with the beauty of the campus nestled in the Maine woods.

"I thought the campus was one of the most beautiful I had ever seen," said Kaushik Sen '98 from India. "It was quiet and peaceful."

"I was first very impressed by the architecture," said Nicholas Auffret from Caen, France.

Drinking

Coming from nations where the drinking age is often lower than that of the U.S., many international students think Colby students behave irresponsibly toward alcohol and the college helps to promote this behavior.

"We've been pampered here," said Aturaliye. "In Sri Lanka if you do something stupid while you're drunk, the school will suspend you."

"People aren't responsible about drinking," said Kishimoto. "I remember one morning I woke up and found boot in front of my door ... no one was willing to be responsible for it. I didn't know whether it was my job to clean it up or not."

"In India, people drank a lot," said Sen '98 from, "but they drank responsibly, and they wouldn't drink to get drunk."

The focus of drinking at Colby differs from other countries, according to international students. While social drinking from a pub scene to sitting back and sipping sherry characterizes the bulk of student drinking overseas, Colby students often tend to drink solely to become intoxicated, according to several international students. Drinking becomes an end in itself, not a means for enjoying student interaction.

"At home, I would cook for my friends, and we'd get some wine," said Auffret. "We might get trashed along the way, but we focused on other things besides alcohol."

"On the whole, there is less social drinking here," said Aturaliye. "People often drink to get drunk, and they they boast of it."

"I don't see the point of drinking to get drunk," said Kishimoto. "There's peer pressure to drink — especially a lot of athletes who are really into hard core drinking and partying."

American students are much more accepting of drunken peers than students overseas.

"In Bulgaria, being drunk is shameful," said Hacho Bohossian '96 from Bulgaria. "If you are drunk, you go into your room and hide or sleep."

"At Colby, we excuse people from being immature because they're drunk," said Kishimoto. "We don't put any responsibility on them."

Academics

Most international students praised the high level of academics and intense interaction between students and faculty. While in many countries students are not encouraged to question their professors, international students find the open and frank relationships between professors and students refreshing.

"I don't remember asking questions to professors when I was in Japan," Kishimoto said. "In school, there was always a right or wrong answer."

"In Bulgaria you cannot disagree with the professor," said Bohossian. "If you disagree, your grade goes down."

Professors in Japan are much more of an authority figure than in the U.S., said Kishimoto. Teachers could practice corporal punishment, cut students' hair for violating rules against perming hair and confiscate any materials deemed unacceptable in the classroom.

"We were taught how to obey, how to dress, how to be part of the group," said Kishimoto. "I learned about social manners, not education, from my teachers."

International students said they liked the emphasis on discussion during class.

"In Japan, it was never discussion," said Kishimoto. "It was memorization. My imagination's a lot bigger now that I'm at Colby."

"I can say what I want to at Colby, and people respect my opinion," said Bohossian.

"Things are laid back, and you can make the pace of the discussion go how you want," said Sen.

The discussion-leader role that Colby professors cultivate leads to a greater trust between students and faculty. Students tend to respect professors and will not cheat even if the professor leaves the room during an exam, said Bohossian.

"In Bulgaria, professors never left the classroom because they thought students would cheat," said Bohossian. "They would spend time spying on students to make sure they wouldn't cheat, because we often would try to bring in cheat sheets."

Nor are professors in Bulgaria as willing to devote out-of-class time to their students. While Colby professors regularly hold office hours and encourage students to drop in, their Bulgarian counterparts are not as involved because they are not paid as much, according to Bohossian.

"You can walk in and chat with your professors," said Sen. "You can even call them by their first names and become friends with them, which is rarer back home."

"Professors and students aren't exactly on the same level," said Auffret, "but while they're grading us, we're also grading them like we did this week [with class evaluations]."

But American students sometimes can abuse their relationships with professors.

"Students sometimes make smart alec remarks to professors," Sen said. "They take their professors for granted. There can be a lack of discipline."

"I think people here tend to complain too much," said Kishimoto. "They're taking advantage of being free to say anything, and they sometimes say really immature things."

"In many classes in Sri Lanka," said Aturaliye, "there is just one final, no midterms, no graded problem sets. It really puts the emphasis on self-motivation."

Some international students said Colby students do not make the most of the academic and faculty resources here.

"If students were more serious about getting on with their educa-



photo courtesy of Judy Carl-Hendrik
Takashi Watanabe '95 and Nozomi Kishimoto '96 at the International Extravaganza last year.

tion instead of somehow getting freedom from their parents or something," said Wang Lee '95, "I think they'll gain more from their Colby experience."

"In American, college is supposed to be the best four years of your life," said Aturaliye. "The attitude here is that if that entails drinking, then so be it."

Making Friends

Many international students said they felt that although Americans were open to begin with, becoming friends often took more effort than the initial level of friendliness might indicate.

"People say 'hi, let's do dinner' all the time," said Kishimoto, "but they don't call. It often never goes beyond just saying 'hi.'"

"People were always being very friendly," Bohossian said. "But it turned out that it wasn't necessarily because they liked me. It was just the way that Americans are."

"It was hard getting used to people saying 'hi, what's up' and walk right past you," said Sen. "In India, if you say 'hi, what's up,' you will stop and talk for a few minutes."

This puts the impetus of making friends on the international students, said Kishimoto.

"I think you have to go out of your way to make friends and call yourself," Kishimoto said. "I feel welcome here, but I've put effort into meeting people and calling them up."

But Sen said he found simply dropping in and talking with people difficult.

"In India people become friends by dropping into one another's rooms for a chat," said Sen. "But here, people bond through teams or activities."

"I try to be very active," said

Auffret. "I think I spent more time on activities this semester than I did on my studies, but I wanted to meet people."

Kishimoto praised dorm bonding activities like "Secret Santa" for facilitating friendship.

Aturaliye, however, maintained that many international students put too much pressure on themselves to make friends. "I think it's hard to make friends anywhere," he said. "You come from somewhere with close friends that you've grown up with, and you expect to make friends in one or two years. That's expecting too much of yourself."

"In Bulgaria, you have a close group of 20-25 students who have gone to school together for many years," said Bohossian. "You do everything together, and whether you want to or not you become friends. It's strange to leave them." □

Foreign students at Colby

Bermuda	1
Bulgaria	2
Canada	12
China	3
France	4
Germany	3
Ghana/Botswana	1
Greece	1
India	2
Ireland	1
Japan	8
Russia	2
Saudi Arabia	1
Singapore	1
Spain	2
Sri Lanka	1
Trinidad and Tobago	1
United Kingdom	1
Venezuela	1



photo courtesy of Judy Carl-Hendrik
Kaushik Sen '98, Zhang Jianping, and Ying Lin '98 on an international students trip to Quebec.

Off the Hill

BY E. M. DUGGAN
Features Editor

University of Kentucky Lexington, KY

Five hundred students rallied in protest over a proposed \$40 semester increase in tuition at the University of Kentucky, according to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. Students showed their disapproval of the tuition hike by flooding the administration building as well as walking out of classes and blocking traffic.

Student Government Association President Ray Bailey II telephoned the Governor of Kentucky from the administration building during the protest to ask the governor for a meeting to discuss the issue.

"The State Council on Higher Education approved the tuition increase days later, raising the cost to \$1,130 a semester for Kentucky residents," according to the *Chronicle*.

Brown University Providence, RI

A Brown University student's death while studying abroad in Moscow was declared murder, according to the *Smith Sophian*. Anthony Riccio from Glastonbury, CT was found dangling outside his dormitory window with a rope around his neck nine days after his arrival at the Russian Humanitarian University in Moscow.

While no suspects have been identified, one theory is that Riccio "unknowingly came across criminal activity within the building." The exchange was through the American Collegiate Consortium, who offered to fly any students home who did not want to stay after the murder. The university dorm rooms are rented out to anyone who can pay the rent, and criminals who assume the role of students can easily gain access to them.

Bates College Lewiston, ME

Bates students voiced heavy criticism of the selection process of the Representative Assembly (RA) Committee on Committees, according to the *Bates Student*.

Protesting students said they feel the selection process used to select students to serve on the college's Educational Policy Committee was unprofessional and biased. The EPC has "the broad responsibility of review of the educational policy of the college and of initiation of proposals to the faculty for changes in policy," according to the Bates Student Handbook.

Two black applicants, in a letter to RA president Duncan White '95, said their interviews were shorter, consisted of fewer questions than the interviews of white applicants, and that disruptive side conversations by committee members were taking place during the proceedings. The RA executive board refuted the criticisms, and said their proceedings were fair and unbiased. Representatives said the proceedings were unprofessional in the relaxed manner which they were conducted, but were still equal for everyone.

University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA

The *Massachusetts Daily Collegian* filed an official complaint with the supervisor of the Secretary of State's Office over limited access to police records, according to the *Collegian*. Editor-in-Chief Darienne J. Hosley said the limited access prevents timely reporting. Hosley also said by not having accurate information, it prevents the paper from warning students about trends in crime. *Collegian* staff members felt that many incidents are not reported on the police log, and they said they have a difficult time gaining access to the logs.

In support of AIDS awareness: From candlelight vigils to AIDS ribbons

BY JONATHAN CANNON
News Editor

The recent Spotlight Lecture featuring writer and AIDS activist Larry Kramer was the highlight of AIDS awareness week. Other events included a presentation of Kramer's play *The Normal Heart*, a table in the Student Center and a candlelight vigil.

"It's important the world sees a gay man out there fighting," Kramer said. "It's important for gay kids to know a role model."

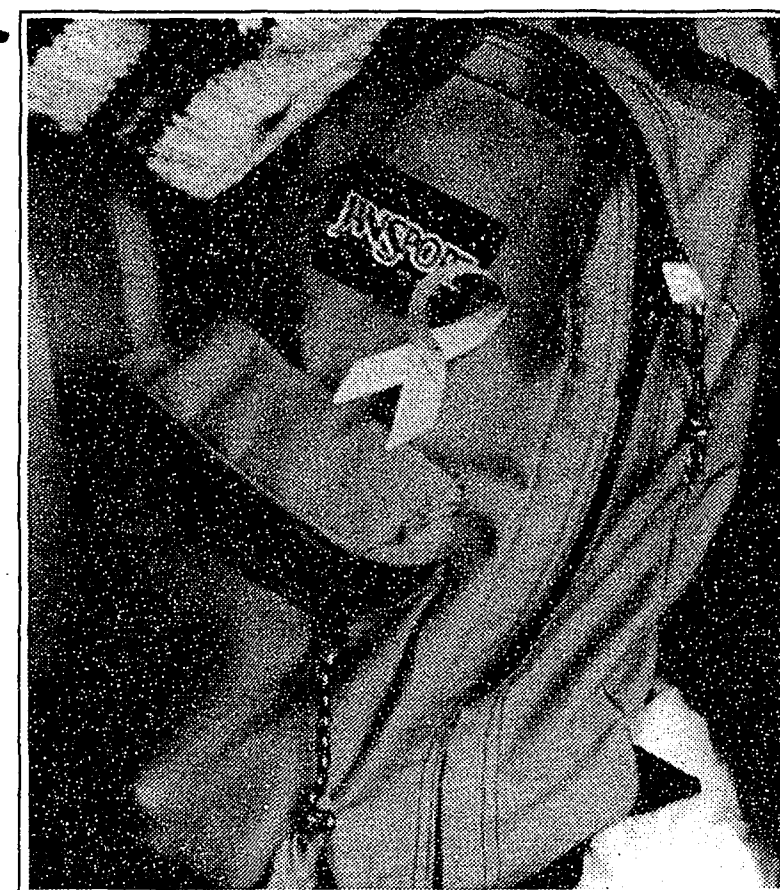
Kramer's speech coincided with World AIDS Day, Dec. 1.

Jonathan Bardzik '96J invited Kramer to come to Mayflower Hill to view Colby's production of *The Normal Heart*, directed by Bardzik.

Kramer is an accomplished AIDS activist, having helped start the Gay Men's Health Crisis and the notorious, often militant group ACT-UP. Kramer spoke of his battle with the FDA and other government agencies.

Although his fight has been frustrating at times, his group has had some success, namely in streamlining the FDA. After ACT-UP had investigated the administration and exposed their disorganization, the time required to approve a drug dropped from 12 years to one.

However, he still maintains that too little is being done on the federal level to find a cure for HIV/AIDS. On World AIDS Day, Dayspring, a local grassroots



Echo photo by Gretchen Rice

AIDS awareness ribbons were seen on backpacks all over campus last week.

organization, set up an information table in the student center, handing out literature and red ribbons to promote awareness. □

Did you ever wonder...?

BY E. M. DUGGAN
Features Editor

Why do first-years have preference over seniors during Jan Plan when seniors may need the Jan Plan course to graduate?

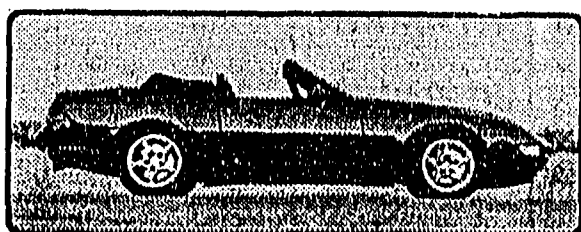
Last week, many students received little white slips from the registrar informing them that they did not get into a Jan Plan course. The fact that they did not find this out until after it was too late

to get an off-campus internship was not the main concern — many of the students were seniors who needed to be on campus to fulfill a requirement for graduation. When they asked the professors, primarily in science departments, to let them in, they were denied, and told that first-years had priority.

According to Bob McArthur, dean of faculty, first-years get priority because they are required to stay on campus during January. He also

said they do not want to give priority to irresponsible seniors over responsible freshmen. "If it came down to it," said McArthur, "we wouldn't shut out freshmen." During second semester there are many options for seniors who have science requirements to fulfill, and something can be worked out to see that all seniors graduate, said McArthur. "No one has ever not graduated because of a science requirement." □

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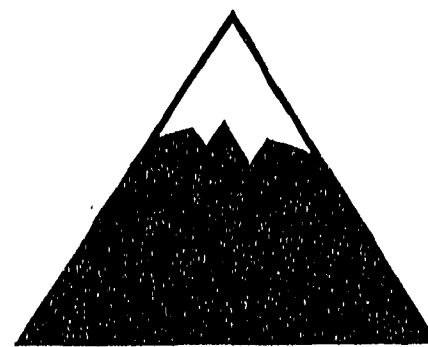
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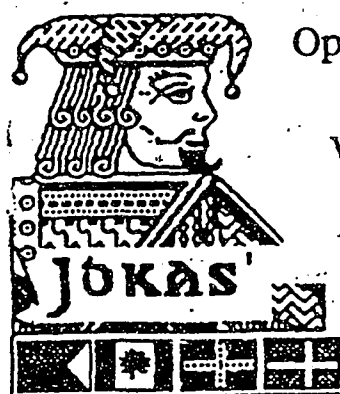
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mittee, was put on the list of committees for this school year.

Once the fall semester rolled around again, the Library Committee was ready to begin meeting. MacArthur sent a memo to Professor of Mathematics Fernando Gouvea, head of the committee. Unfortunately, Gouvea was on sabbatical; therefore he did not receive the memo, and according to Archibald "nothing happened" at that point. The committee members decided to meet if it was necessary and left it at that.

This fall Presidents' Council deliberated on the issue of the Library Committee. Some members of the faculty and administration, including MacArthur, expressed some uncertainty about this decision to restore the committee. Therefore, when the proposal to keep the Library Committee went to Presi-

dents' Council, the Council deemed that the amendment was to be eliminated and the Library Committee dissolved. Thus, according to Professor of American Studies and English Charlie Bassett, a "constitutional crisis" resulted from this lack of communication.

"For a moment it seemed there was going to be a conflict between the faculty and students," said Archibald. As MacArthur explained, a dilemma was created since in order to establish a college committee, the approval of both faculty (at the faculty meeting) and students (Presidents' Council) is necessary.

In order to resolve the conflict, a meeting was held between the Library Committee, Student Association (Stu-A) Vice President Josh Woodfork '97, Dean of Students Janice Kassman, MacArthur and mem-

bers of the Committee on Committees. The status of the Library Committee was discussed with no decision coming to light at the time. At a later meeting, the Library Committee decided that they wanted to remain a college committee.

According to Bassett, this was a good choice. "I think it's a good idea," said Bassett, "if nothing more than to give students a voice."

The recommendation to keep the Library Committee a college committee again came before Presidents' Council and subsequently was accepted. The committee now meets monthly.

"The problem was resolved," said MacArthur. He also added that he had nothing but praise for the actions of Presidents' Council. "The first vote was well intentioned," MacArthur claimed. "Presidents' Council acted quite responsibly." □

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students own computers, but they still use the maclab computers simply because two-thirds of Colby students do not own printers and modems for e-mail.

Other suggestions included having printers in the dorms, having a class offered for credit that teaches students how to use the information highway, how to get into the Internet and other available options, having a computer lab near Mary Low Commons, having at least one computer for every

hall linked up to the library and having a maclab open for 24 hours a day.

"The main question is that when all the Lovejoy computers were upgraded, where did the old computers go, and why weren't the computers in the Street upgraded as well?" said President of the Students Association (Stu-A) Bryan Raffetto '95.

According to Raffetto, it is a major investment for Colby to form dorm networking.

"Networking will also limit students because even with the hook-ups, students have to pay \$250," said Raffetto.

"Colby has to realize that they are behind when it comes to computers," said Raffetto. "If you look at schools like Dartmouth, all of the dorms are networked."

One anonymous student summed it up by saying that we "do not want to have to buy an expensive hookup for the dorm — we just want to plug in and go." □

STU-A WEEKLY REPORT

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You jammed with them at Reggae Fest! ...

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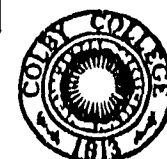
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Have an idea for an **S.O.P.** that you would like to see asked?

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Arts and Entertainment

Whistle while you shop: Recommended holiday tunes

BY JASON REIFLER AND STEVE SANCHEZ
Staff Writers

To assist the holiday shopper, we decided to compile a list of bands whom we consider to be the best during the last 15 years. The criteria for inclusion into the Reifler-Sanchez Musical Hall of Fame were the following: longevity, timelessness, originality, rockability, chillability and general awesomeness. We warn you that this controversial listing was so on the cutting edge, that you may be tempted to disagree. DON'T. You simply don't know anything about music and youth culture.

1. The Smiths — Johnny Marr is the second greatest guitarist of all time after Jimi Hendrix. Refraining from soloing, Marr implemented catchy chord progressions using whacked-out tunings. Marr's playing served as the perfect backdrop to Morrissey's voice and lyrics. They are tunemeisters. Best Album: Louder Than Bombs. Best Song: Bigmouth Strikes Again.

2. Duran Duran — Who didn't like Duran Duran while enduring middle school? Not only was the music great then, it's still great. They are the kings of catchy. Best Album: Rio. Best Song: Hungry Like the Wolf.

3. R.E.M. — The band that "broke" alternative. Best Album: Fables of the Reconstruction. Best Song: Voice of Harold.

4. New Order — Easily one of the most influential alternative bands. They were the first band to perfectly fuse synthesizer with punk and dance. Peter Hook's impressive bass lines were ripped off by many a band. Bernard Sumner's voice is perhaps the most soothing,

mellifluous voice in existence. Best Album: Low-life. Best Song: Bizarre Love Triangle.

5. Depeche Mode — They made technopop hip. One of the few bands capable of selling out the 90,000 capacity Rose Bowl in a matter of minutes. Martin Gore's lyrics and music throughout the years display a transformation from bouncy to political to intensely introspective. Best Album: Black Celebration. Best Song: Everything Counts.

6. Nirvana — Kurt Cobain's suicide hurt Nirvana in the criterion of longevity. Nirvana is synonymous with catharsis. The final word on teenage angst. Best Album: Nevermind. Best Song: On a Plain.

7. The Cure — As Kurt Cobain is to angst, Robert Smith is to depression. Lots of songs and lots of sadness. Best Album: Disintegration. Best Song: A Forest.

8. Jane's Addiction — They made it ok for alternative bands to rock and rock hard. Perry Farrell is the Thomas Jefferson of the alternative nation. Best Album: Nothing's Shocking. Best Song: Three Days.

9. Smashing Pumpkins — The most important band around right now. Has so much to offer. James Iha is prolific guitarist, Jimmy Chamberlain shows equal mastery with percussion. The Pumpkins assault the senses. They can do no wrong. Best Album: Siamese Dream. Best Song: Bury Me.

10. Jesus and Mary Chain — "Makes you wanna feel, Makes you wanna cry, Makes you wanna blow the stars from the sky." Abrasive guitar, abrasive vocals, and drugs. What could be more rock n' roll than that? Best Album: Darklands. Best Song: Head On. □

Improvising in the Street



Rich Taylor '98 (left) and Jesse Palmer '97J rehearse for the Colby Improv.

BY ERIKA TROSETH
A & E Editor

The street of Miller Library recently hosted another performance by the Colby Improv. Jenn Kelley '95 and Sam White '95 organize and lead the troupe. Cast member Hannah Swenson '95 praises her leaders as "masterminds of military maneuvers."

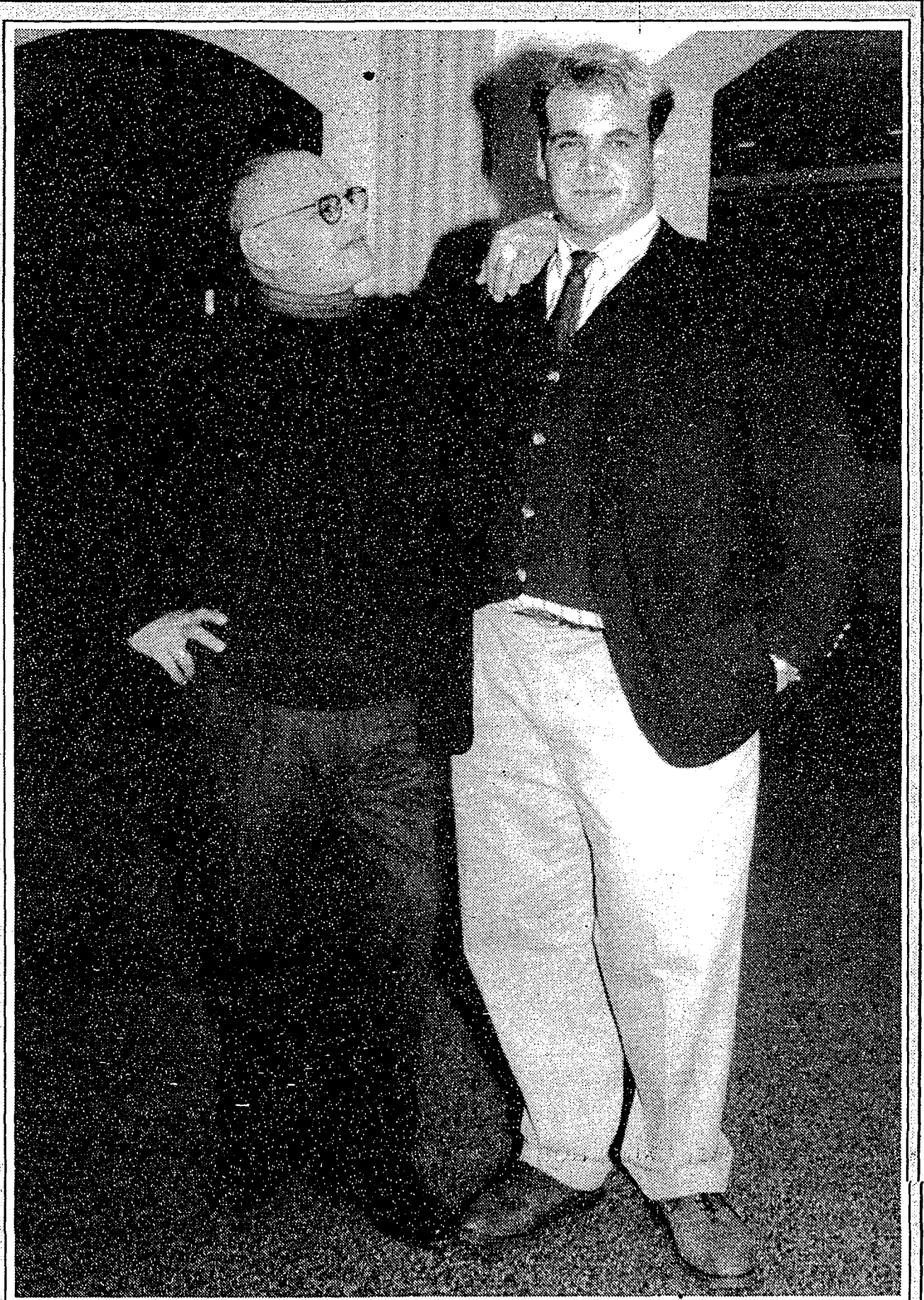
Kelley believes improv is an important part of campus. "I don't think enough funny things happen at Colby, especially free funny things." White feels improv "provides an outlet for the socially inept."

Amy K.L. Borrell '95 invests a great deal in improv. "Improv. is the single most tremendous force of good on campus and in the universe at large. It makes my life brighter, clearer and much more shiny."

Swenson said "improv. gives me an opportunity to be as silly as I want," and that it is "better than therapy."

Die-hard audience member Michael Cobb '95 takes a more philosophical approach. For him, "improv. is really an aesthetic."

Improv's final production for the semester is Dec. 8 in Strider Theater in Runnals Union at 8 p.m. Audience members are requested to bring unique noise-making toys. □



Echo photo by Michael Corr

Larry Kramer, author of "The Normal Heart" stands with Colby student play director Jon Bardzik '96J.

"The Normal Heart" elicits political and emotional response

BY ERIKA TROSETH
A & E Editor

The cast and crew of "The Normal Heart" had the rare honor of the author's presence in the audience. Larry Kramer felt this production was "so different from any other and it really worked."

The autobiographical play chronicles Ned Weeks' (Andrew Zuffoletti '97) experiences with activism during the beginning of the AIDS epidemic in New York in the 1980's, as well as the growth, love and lessons that stem from his relationship with his lover Felix Turner, played by John Wood '98. Kramer noted that "Felix and Ned came off as more intimate than in any professional production."

The development of the other characters received careful attention, granting them secure identities as they interacted throughout the play. Bruce Niles, a Vice-President at CitiBank, played by Charles Costanzo '98, loses three lovers to AIDS during the course of the play. He expresses his difficulties at work as well. "He [Bruce's

boss] is telling fag jokes and I keep laughing at them." Near the end of the play Felix asks, "who ever thought you'd die from making love?"

Zuffoletti spoke of the working atmosphere of the production. He said the cast and crew "managed to stay together," despite a lot of pressure, and that everyone involved was "exceptionally dedicated."

"The Normal Heart" is currently being produced as a motion picture by Barbara Streisand. She will play the role of Dr. Emma Brookner, played by Kylie Jessica Taphorn '96 in the Colby production.

Kramer spoke in conjunction with the Spotlight Lecture Series about health issues including AIDS, breast cancer, and the governmental obstacles to producing effective research and solutions. Kramer illustrated his point that "we are all such good little boys and girls," by relating a story of a Brazilian reporter who criticized a peaceful demonstration of 3,000 people organized in part by Kramer. She remarked, "in my country, when they raise the bus fare, we burn the buses." □

Beer nuts make way for cranberries this season

BY MIKE BOMBARDIERI
AND DREW MATUS
Staff Writers

This week we reviewed three winter beers: Samuel Adams Cranberry Lambic, Samuel Smith's Winter Ale and Pete's Wicked Winter Brew. Both the Sam Adams and the Pete's Wicked are flavored beers, the Samuel Adams with, obviously, cranberries and Pete's Wicked with nutmeg and raspberry. All three are available at Joka's.

Samuel Adams Cranberry Lambic
(★★★1/2 out of 5 ★'s)

Boston Beer Company
Boston, MA

Samuel Adam's Cranberry Lambic is a festive wheat beer flavored by cranberries. It is worth trying simply for the novelty of being a flavored wheat beer. It is especially good with dessert.

Samuel Adams Cranberry Lambic, contrary to its name, is not a lambic. Lambics are, by definition, "spontaneously fermented inside of the bottle." The Samuel Adams "lambic" is not; it is fermented in the brewery.

For a good lambic, look toward Belgium, not Boston. Good lambics include Boon (not the cheap wine)

The Hops Stop

from Belgium. It comes in 11 ounce bottles and costs about \$5 or \$6 a bottle. Good lambics are hard to find in Waterville — you may want to try it over Christmas vacation.

Pete's Wicked Winter Brew
(★★★ out of 5 ★'s)
Pete's Brewing Company
St. Paul, MN

Pete's Wicked Winter Lager is, as was mentioned, flavored by nut-

meg and raspberry. This combination gives it a unique flavor which provides a very sweet raspberry finish. Like the honey lager we reviewed previously, it is too sweet to drink more than one in a sitting. In fact, we split a 22-ounce bottle between three of us and it was too sweet to finish.

I liked this beer a lot more than Mike, who thought the blending of tastes was done ineptly and felt the effect was disturbing. Another good dessert beer. Because of its unique flavoring, it might be interesting to try as a substitute for rum in eggnog.

Samuel Smith's Winter Ale

(★★★★ out of 5 ★'s)
Samuel Smith's Brewing
England

People who have not yet tried this brew are missing an exceptional ale. The only problem concerning this ale is why it is called a "Winter Ale." This truly pleasing brew has no gimmick or specialty, as do the other two beers reviewed, which designate it as a beer especially suited to the winter exclusively.

Samuel Smith's Winter Ale has a fine color, a moderate head, and a smooth, robust flavor. My only suggestion regarding its consumption is not chill it quite so much as is American tradition. □

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25th Annual Service of
Carols and Lights
Lorimer Chapel
Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Art Exhibition Opening:
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Colby Art Museum
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Poetry Slam at Books & Coffee
BookMarc's Cafe
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Dec. 8 at 7 p.m.

Bowdoin College

Maine Gay Men's Chorus
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall 725-
3375
Dec. 8 at 8 p.m.

Europa, Europa
Smith Auditorium
Dec. 8 at 7 p.m.

Being Heard: The Courage, Strength
and AIDS of Winnie MacDonald
Photography by Jim Daniels
Kresge Foyer
Exhibition runs through Dec. 30

Bates College

Jazz quartet, starring saxophon-
ist Wilfredo Velez
Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m.
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Latin band Sol y Canto
Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.
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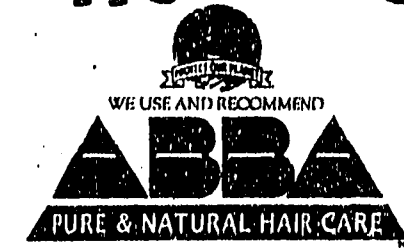
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EDITORIALS

In search of computers

It's 10:20 a.m., and you stroll over to the Lovejoy maclab to print up your term paper before your 10:30 class. After opening the door to the lab, you notice that all the computers are being used and five or six people are waiting to use one.

The maclabs here at Colby are becoming the place to be this semester. Finding a computer, at just about any time of day, is becoming increasingly difficult, especially at this time of year. Something should be done.

Several new computers were added to the Lovejoy lab over the summer. The old computers were given to faculty members. While the newer computers come complete with a CD-ROM drive, the number of keyboards remains the same as a year ago.

Many students do not own their own computers, and thus rely on the maclabs to write papers. Moreover, many students who do own computers do not own printers or have access to e-mail from their rooms. This adds to the demand for maclab computers.

The new Powerbook printing stations are a step in the right direction, allowing students with Powerbooks to bypass the computers in the maclab and just hook up directly to the printers in the Lovejoy maclab. Computers that would have normally been used by these students are now free.

West and East Quads, which were hardwired over the summer to allow residents to do e-mail from their rooms without a modem, have been experiencing problems. For this reason, and the high cost of wiring the entire campus, other measures should be taken.

The college should look into getting printers for dorms on campus. By putting printers in residence hall lounges, many students could simply print what they needed in the dorm, which would help to free up computers in the labs.

Another alternative would be to get more computers. The demand is there, and the construction of Olin Science Center, which will add 18 more computers, is a long way away.

Evaluating Stu-A

As the end of the first semester draws to a close, Student Association (Stu-A) leaders don't have to console themselves with the fact that this semester was only a learning experience, and next semester will be better. All of the leaders, especially Stu-A President Bryan Raffetto '95 and Vice-President Josh Woodfork '97 have shown strong leadership and have responded well to student needs.

Stu-A should be congratulated on the success of two recent concerts: the Samples and Toad the Wet Sprocket. Although student government cannot be judged solely on the popularity of the bands they get to play at Colby, Stu-A should be praised for the work they did in order to make it possible. Stu-A's budget suffered a minimal financial loss with both concerts. Considering that a large loss is expected, registering a small loss is almost as good as making money.

The success of the Student Opinion Polls (S.O.P.) should also be congratulated. What started out as a campaign idea was carried through to its full potential and has been an effective way of gauging student opinion.

Raffetto and Woodfork have proven to be cooperative and willing to work with all student groups, and have also been open to individual student concerns. Hopefully, they will be able to keep up this enthusiasm and energy throughout the rest of the year.

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Letters

Portuguese taught at many colleges

In his letter to the *Colby Echo*, [Dean of Students Robert] McArthur states that among the college catalogues he "spent a few minutes looking at," he discovered that "Bowdoin, Hamilton, Mt. Holyoke and Carlton all offer Latin American Studies majors or minors without any courses at all in Portuguese." My review of the four catalogues indicated that Bowdoin, Hamilton and Carlton offer no Portuguese, but that the Mt. Holyoke catalogue reads as follows: "All students have in common a command of Spanish and Portuguese ... at least one advanced course in Spanish American or Brazilian literature taught in the language ... an elementary knowledge of the other language (Spanish or Portuguese) is recommended ... Courses in Portuguese and the literature of Brazil are available at Smith College and the University of Massachusetts through Five College registration."

Mr. McArthur also omits the fact that in the past both the Bowdoin

and Bates independent study programs in Portuguese have been examined and certified by me.

Mr. McArthur goes on to state that a "faculty committee" may well uncover other examples of colleges that rationalize his language bias. For his edification, my own review of the *Modern Language Association Dictionary* reveals that of the institutions offering Latin American and Area Studies Programs, 80 percent include both Portuguese and Spanish, a brief sample of which includes the following: Adelphi, Baylor, Columbia, Cornell, Duke, Johns Hopkins, McGill, Princeton, Tulane, Vanderbilt, Yale and some 34 additional institutions. The institutions that do not incorporate Portuguese into their programs are probably *Hispanic*, not Latin American Studies Programs. Thus, my contention that Colby College may well be the only academic institution that deliberately denies the incorporation of Portuguese into a Latin American Studies program when a quali-

fied professor is already on its faculty.

Mr. McArthur's excuse for dropping Portuguese from the catalogue is that it has not been offered since 1985-86, and that inclusion of Portuguese in the catalogue would be false advertising. Recently, a Portuguese-American student, who had studied Portuguese at Colby in 1992, came to me requesting another course in Portuguese for next semester, only to discover that Portuguese has vanished from the curriculum. Since one of the reasons she selected Colby was precisely because of the Portuguese offering in the catalogue, and since Mr. McArthur has dropped Portuguese from the catalogue, she can no longer take courses in the language attracted her to Colby. Talk about false advertising ...?

By the way, Portuguese is not spelled "Portugese."

Priscilla A. Doel
Professor of Spanish and Portuguese

Considering all ideas

An opinions article in last week's *Echo* in effect asked people to stop being liberal and to keep an open mind about being conservative. The young man who wrote the article quoted a bumper-sticker slogan: "A mind is like a parachute, it only works when it's open." The writer said to keep an open mind about things. I agree that we should. All our lives we should continue to investigate how our actions affect other people, other animals and the world as a whole. Is it best to say "first-year student?" Should we say "manhole"

or "Womyn?" These may or may not be minor points, but please let us try to keep our minds open and continue to consider the ramifications of all that we do.

Let's try to recognize that what we say, what we eat, what we wear, what we drive — every way that we act — does factor in. The world in our personal small scales determines the world in the large scale. Pacifism, compassion, sensitivity ... Our goal must be to try to make the world a better place. This duty lasts our whole lifetime. Last week's ar-

ticle troubled me. To adopt the young man's analogy, my parachute (my mind) is open, enabling me to float safely toward the ground; suddenly he comes along asking me to consider folding up my parachute and stuffing it back in its sack while still 10,000 feet high hurtling toward the ground. Keep an open mind about closing my mind: sure.

John Illig
Tennis and Squash Coach

Language clubs needed at Colby

As one of the three students who voted for Portuguese [in a recent Student Opinion Poll], I recognize few people might profit from the reinstatement of the department. However, I believe that Colby is only doing itself a disfavor by writing it off so quickly. Brazil, the eighth largest economy in the world and home to the nuts that make of our favorite Rain Forest Crunch, has been the focus of my studies since I enrolled in the Jan Plan 1992 to study its economy. By keeping Portuguese in the course book, Colby will be one of the few liberal arts schools in the nation that offers it. More importantly, students will know that

the option exists as more students enroll in the Latin American Studies Program and interest for Portuguese grows.

This summer, I went to Brazil in order to study Portuguese with Georgetown University. Although Portuguese is necessary to my future studies and job plans that I continue practicing, I did not contact Priscilla Doel because I did not have the time or the money to pursue private language training, assuming I was the only Portuguese speaker on campus, especially if I could not even receive credit. Since then, I have realized that at least four other students and three pro-

fessors speak Portuguese, and at least three more students are interested in studying it. I regret not knowing this earlier in the semester.

More language clubs or other networks should be created on campus so that students and professors alike can establish communications and language solidarity. Thus, we would know there are others with whom we can practice and teach our Portuguese, Twee, American Sign Language, Danish, and Balinese among others.

Heather W. Beusse, 95J

Opinions

Interaction with children benefits everyone at Colby

BY MEADOW DIBBLE
Staff Writer

I have frequently made the observation, walking around campus with my 19-month-old friend, that the very presence of a child here at Colby is a small miracle in the eyes of many students.

The busiest students — those

who never seem to have a moment to spare — will change their course just to come smile starry-eyed at him. Some of the more stilted ones will surprise me by dropping their bags for an improvised game of tag and break out in silly faces trying to get my friend to crack a smile.

Students with whom I have never even exchanged a "hello" will

strike up conversation with me, centered around my 19 month-old friend, of course. They all walk away smiling from the rare pleasure of meeting a child on their routine path.

There is something wonderfully refreshing about spending time with children, especially when the better part of one's day is spent in the see *CHILDREN* on page 10

Opinions

Mr. Colby needs to include all Colby sports

BY HANNAH BEECH
Managing Editor

"For those of you who think I don't appreciate girl's sports," Henry Bonsall, a.k.a. Mr. Colby, started out, "let me tell you that I saw a girl's ice hockey game the other day."

For those of you expecting Bonsall to dispel chauvinist images with well-deserved praise of the women's ice hockey team, which recently surprised many with its win over a strong Harvard team, think again.

"Well, I saw the game," Bonsall continued to the lunching crowd. "And it was hilarious. Hilarious. Just hilarious."

David Letterman is hilarious. Colby improv. is hilarious. The women's ice hockey team?

Bonsall repeated similar comments about the hilarious nature of women's ice hockey at the football banquet. For a crowd excited about its successful season, some nevertheless seemed discomfited by Bonsall's characterization of the women pucksters.

Recently at another spirit-raising session in Roberts dining hall, Bonsall congratulated the football team for "being the most successful team this year." Indeed, football won an unprecedented amount of games this year with the best season since 1972. The class of 1995 ended its football career on a high note.

But the most successful team? What about the women's cross country team that went to the nationals? What about the women's tennis team that finished third in New England? What about the men's

soccer team, which was the first seed in the ECAC tournament?

Does Bonsall have a selective sports memory?

Mr. Colby is a nice guy. He's cheery, spirited and cares deeply about the college. Compared to those of us who will head off to jobs at consulting firms and law firms without a glance backward at Colby, Bonsall epitomizes school pride. His wealth of Colby history makes him a source of interesting college tidbits.

As traditions go, he's much more palatable and harmless than the blue light or beer die.

And his dedication to football and the other traditional male sports is understandable. Bonsall graduated from Colby in 1931. Women's (or girls, as he puts them) sports were not valued as much then as they are now.

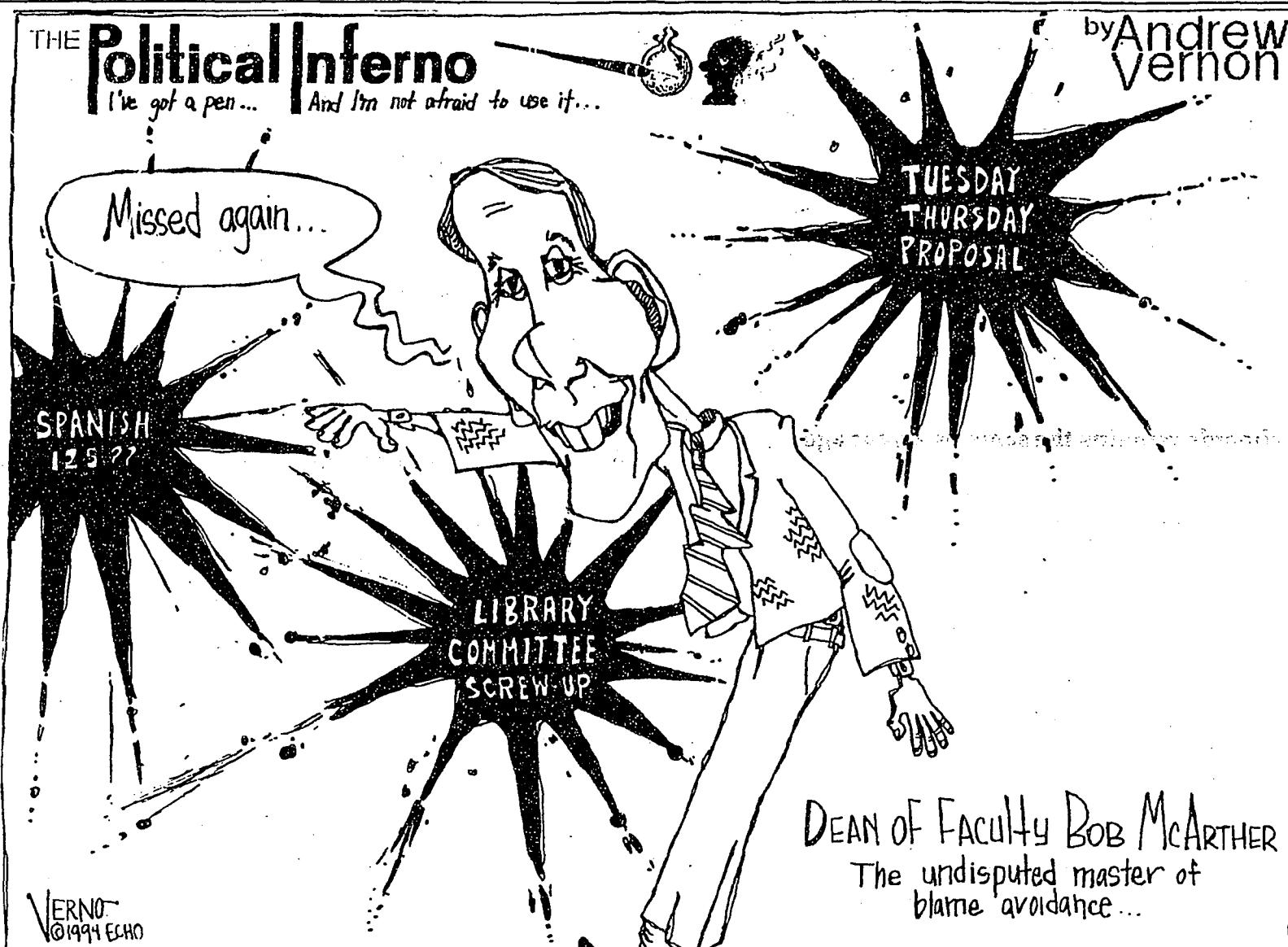
He is not a woman-hater, but merely from a different generation.

But as someone who has dubbed himself Mr. Colby — a name that would presumably mean someone who represents the joys and trials of all sports teams — Bonsall needs to widen his sports spectrum. He has taken on the role as informal representative of Colby sports, and our athletic fields and gym hold more excitement than football and basketball.

Bonsall is one of the few people who can quiet down a bustling lunch crowd in Dana. People are respectful of him as he shouts, "give me a 'C,' give me a ..."

How nice it would be if he used his power to celebrate all the sports teams at Colby, not just a select few. □

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Community service a fair price to pay for our mistakes

BY FRED WEBSTER AND
BRENDAN CAVANAUGH
Staff Writers

Vomit, puke, boot, involuntary personal protein spill.

For those of you who are reading this over your Thursday lunch we suggest that you read another article, but if you can take it read on. The aforementioned terms are common to the Colby vocabulary, and frequently common to the bathroom and hall floors after 1 a.m. on a given weekend night. But does common necessarily connote acceptable?

We have been told throughout our entire lives that we should be ourselves: break the mold; be an individual. At Colby we have seen an increase in people feeling comfortable about speaking their conservative thoughts, when previously such thoughts were perceived as unacceptable.

This country, although it has a

long way to go, is making the common practice of discrimination (based on any number of reasons) unacceptable. However, in the case of drinking etiquette, we seem to be content in the status quo; namely, that drinking to get wasted and then puking your brains out is cool.

Whenever someone "leaves a mess" unclaimed in the dorm on a weekend, the hall staff on duty calls security, and they in turn call on the weekend clean-up duty person to come and deal with the mess.

This can happen at any time of the day or night, meaning that some unfortunate physical plant employee is awakened to deal with the result of someone having too much of a good time. To compensate, the dorm is fined if the culprit cannot be found.

If the mess is a result of a party then the host is responsible for the clean-up, else he be fined. If the dorm or the host knows who did it, and turns the person in, the individual gets fined and gets five hours

worth of Colby cleaning duty.

Yet, Colby is appalled. It seems that it is our *right* to have a good time and make the most of our \$26,000 investment by doing whatever we want. Fines are excessive and the five hours of service is slavery to a person who couldn't manage to get to the bathroom, evidently.

But does the alternative solve anything? No. It should also be pointed out that EVERYBODY is responsible for the same fees, either through financial aid or full tuition, so we have a responsibility to ourselves to keep the campus, for a lack of a better phrase, "boot free."

Fines alone *do nothing* to prevent the disgusting mess. The fines come out of mommy and daddy's pockets for most of the students; only those whose parents consciously check the semester bill would debit their child for the expense, and that rarely happens. The dean of students therefore responded with another penalty that would seem much see *VOMIT* on page 10

Students on the Street

What is the best way to relieve stress during exams?



Lara Utman '95
"Finding a new person to relate to."

George Hamilton '95
"Naked bungee jumping from the library tower."



Kim Parker '97
"Selling cups at a party."



Denise Mailloux '97
"Cry."



Eric Schwartz '96
"Probably just to cancel exams altogether."

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Where is Colby's youth culture?

BY JASON REIFLER
Staff Writer

Colby is devoid of youth culture.

Well, to be more specific, any youth culture that we can really call our own. The culture that we do have, or what we accept, is that which is marketed to us. We do not reach our own identities; rather, they are sold to us.

We voluntarily succumb to the images and roles that the mass media gives us. We quite literally buy into the image, whether the credit card charge is for Doc Martens and flannel or the newest Nike cross trainers and a sweat suit. We are members of a given youth "subculture" based on our uniform, not any collectively felt response to our experience.

Is MTV anything but a more subtle Home Shopping Club?

We don't think for ourselves and we don't create for ourselves. And we can do better. The solution? Danger.

Youth culture and danger go hand in hand, and Colby has no danger. What's the best way to inject a new sense of danger into our dangerless rural existence? Rock n'roll.

Rock music has always been dangerous. Although we laugh at the thought now, even Elvis was once seen as dangerous. The Beatles were considered dangerous. Parents were terrified of the corrupting influences of Elvis'

pelvis and the shaggy haircuts of the Beatles. Yes, my friends, danger.

In order for Colby to develop its own youth culture we need to develop a rock scene that can convey a sense of danger for ourselves.

Rock music has several attractive features as means to the end of creating our collective youth culture: 1) Really loud rock bands would easily fit into Colby's pre-existing form of social interaction — the keg party.

2) We can get academic credit for taking guitar lessons.

3) We only have to be minimally creative. Many "scenes" are famous for the similarity of the bands, but everything is O.K. as long as that sameness is different from other scenes' sameness. We can revel in the diversity of our sameness. And because it is rock, and therefore dangerous, it will give us youth culture and be really profound and meaningful.

So let's all go buy guitars and amps and start practicing. We've got to start somewhere.

And if we're really successful at developing this new rock scene we can all get recording contracts and become rich rockstars. Colby/Waterville should aim to be the "next Seattle."

So in the words of one of my favorite rock bands, Pavement, "Put your credit card in the air/ Now swing it like you just don't care." □

Coordination and development department needed at Colby

BY HEATHER W. BEUSSE
Contributing Writer

Last week I had my exit interview, that final meeting where all seniors get to vent their grievances with a representative of Colby's faculty. Like a few others of the Class of 95J, I argued that Colby loses track of many students and does not provide adequately and equitably for many students' needs and interests. Is it not frustrating that Colby waits until the end of students' college career to get its evaluation?

Colby College, while being a not-for-profit entity, is run like a corporation. Yet rather than the new trend of vertically integrated management in the 90's, the school remains committed to its top-down management style. This leaves a lot of room for neglect considering the huge array of departments and needs on campus. As many corporations have project development and planning teams that evaluate, market and oversee new products, Colby needs to create a new office for campus development where students and faculty could raise important issues and have this input researched and evaluated by paid professionals.

When I matriculated in the

spring of 1990, I planned on playing the bassoon in the school orchestra, but as it turned out neither of the two Colby bassoons were near the quality of the four at my public high school — even after a two week repair at a music store in Boston. My music career ended shortly thereafter. Many other special events and clubs have been the subject of poor resources and insufficient support. Many students do not know that their recommendations are welcomed or where to make such requests known.

Study abroad, leaves of absences, and transfers are other areas where Colby needs to increase communication with its students and improve administrative coordination. When students decide to leave Colby, they are rarely contacted to determine the motives for this decision. Better communications need to be established between the administration and student needs. The two opinion polls we received this summer, on off-campus housing and the multicultural house/center, were solid proof of how the administration can profit from student input. I, for one, had never before felt that my opinion was so respected and welcomed by

the administration than after it had sought out my opinion in the middle of the summer.

A coordination and development department is critical as Colby continues to grow, and it would bring new communication to the campus. Too often campus discussions become immediately polarized and few alternatives arise. Such a department could help mediate two recent campus issues by recommending a) alternative alcohol policies or b) ways to promote non-curriculum language study on campus by evaluating student opinion, researching the issues and providing creative alternatives.

In the mean time, a few of my graduating friends had interesting recommendations for improvement that included everything from cooperative housing to more study carrels. Now, Colby can continue to seek the advice of graduating seniors who will be long gone before any changes are made, or they can start listening to their students and faculty on a regular basis. I encourage all students to support and take advantage of the proposed "Spotlight"-like forum next semester that will solicit campus input and discussion on a weekly basis. □

TOP TEN

BY J. DAVID KAYE AND A. WILLIAM VERNON
Staff Writers

Top Ten Recommended Student Opinion Polls for the Future

- 10) Who do you like more, Woody or Raffo?
- 9) Do you smoke pot? (If you answered yes, when was the last time you showered?)
- 8) Would you prefer a Multicultural House? Center? House/Center? House/Center/Mac Lab? House/Center/Mac Lab/Casino/Arcade/Parking Garage?
- 7) Would you be interested in working under Woody or Raffo? If so, please describe positions in which you have experience.
- 6) Do you prefer to volunteer with young children or small animals?
- 5) How much wood would a Woodfork fork if a Woodfork could fork wood?
- 4) What was the worst thing you had to do while pledging?
- 3) How would you describe yourself: WASP? AALAHNA? AHAANA? WANALOTTA? DONNAWANNACOMMA? AHOP? NARD?
- 2) What is your fantasy? (Crayons available at desk.)
- 1) Who's yer daddy?

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more effective: clean-up duty for 5 hours. This makes the penalty for being lazy and inconsiderate to your (or somebody else's) dorm much more personal than a far-removed fine that rarely, if ever, affects the student.

There is no excuse for leaving a mess in the bathroom or the hall. The people who are paid to maintain the dorm are not here to clean up after us. At home if

you vomited on the floor because you drank too much you would clean it up in about two seconds for fear that if mom found out, you'd be dead. Well, there is no "mom" here, kids. So let's pick up after ourselves, and then we can let the Physical Plant employees enjoy their weekend and we can keep on enjoying ours — and you won't have to wash any windows either. □

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classroom or in the computer lab.

A child does not grade you on your performance. A child does not think less of you for failing your French exam. A child does not expect you to ponder, reflect, consider, synthesize and analyze information in order to form a unique position on an issue. All you have to do to connect with a child and to get his approval is to relax and have some fun.

As we all know, Colby is not intended to be a microcosm of the real world. It is a carefully constructed and controlled environment, designed to create an appropriate atmosphere for learning.

Colby students interested in spending time with children may take part in the volunteer programs that bring them out into the Waterville community, such as reading to children in the schools. This is indeed a wonderful way to become more involved in matters off the Hill which, it would seem, have no place at an institute of higher education.

In the past few years, the Colby community has experienced a mini baby boom among its faculty and staff members. In many cases both parents work at Colby. There is no shortage of daycare facilities in the Waterville area, and this is where most children of faculty and staff spend their time while their parents are at work.

However, many employees have expressed an interest in forming a daycare center on campus, preferable to almost all because of the countless benefits of having one's children close by.

The proposal for forming a daycare center on campus available to both the faculty and staff has been on and off the table regularly in recent years, and with more employees having more children, there is a resurgence of interest in the prospect. A committee exists whose job it is to consider the feasibility of creating such a service, but no decisions have been reached due to questions of liability and conflicting needs of

the working parents.

The creation of a daycare center at Colby is not, by definition, a student issue. However, I would like to add one student's perspective who has observed the effect children can have on a stressed-out senior or a disconcerted sophomore, and the joy shared in a short and simple exchange.

In working to build a stronger Colby community — and even a more effective learning environment — creating daycare facilities using an existing space on campus, in which a certified director could supervise interested students, would be a very positive step. Instituting such a center could only be beneficial to the children, the students and the parents alike. □

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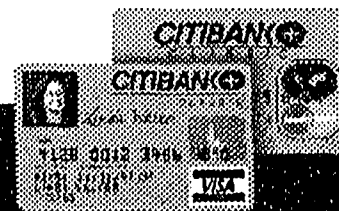
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A brief brush with winter



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Physical Plant employee Robert Magee shovels snow outside of Keyes following last week's snowfall.

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Heather Richardson '98, one of the goal scorers, had three assists to go with her tally. Richardson was only getting started. Against RIT, the left wing netted four goals and added an assist to finish with nine points in two games.

The game against Bowdoin served as the season opener for Richardson, who had been nursing a dislocated shoulder for the first part of the season. The team's sole representative from Canada, Richardson plays on a line with Sittler and Cary Charlebois '97.

Halldorson said she was pleased with the balance the team showed against Cornell. Gordon, Gelman

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10". The Mules currently have women playing center that played guard in high school, according to Staples.

Colby attempted to take advantage of its quickness by administering a full-court press against the bulky players from Husson. "Our press seemed to bother them quite a bit," said Staples.

The team traveled to take on Tufts University on Saturday and came away with similar results. The Jumbos were in fact jumbo when compared to the Mules, and Colby suffered a 77-54 loss.

Colby fell behind early in the game, as they committed several fouls in the early going. In the second half, however, the Mules pulled it together and outscored the Jumbos.

"We seemed to be more at ease [in the second half]," said Staples.

and Mortenson make up the other top line for Colby, and there is no designated number one unit, according to Halldorson.

Colby's net-minder Marie Polichronopoulos '97 continued to play well over the weekend, according to Halldorson.

"Even though she didn't see as many shots as in Minnesota, both teams had people who could score," said Halldorson. "She had to come up big a few times."

Heather McVicar '97, one of only four defensemen who see ice regularly for Colby, played all three games despite a sore back. If McVicar had been unable to skate,

Howard and Kenoyer put solid performances once again, ending up with 19 and 10 points, respectively. Maggie Drummond '98, who is playing the post for Colby, contributed with nine points.

Captain Kathy Christy '95 "did a nice job" coming off the bench for the Mules, according to Staples. She hit a three pointer and added three steals.

Colby managed to get off 65 shots throughout the contest, and they came up with 11 steals as a result of the full court press that was applied. However, Tufts had an distinct advantage on the boards and secured 21 offensive rebounds on the evening.

"They could shoot and rebound until they put it in," said Staples.

Colby took on the University of Southern Maine last night at home. □

Halldorson said she would have moved Gordon back to defense. Gordon played the back line for the Mules most of last year and was moved up later in the season to add offensive firepower.

The Mules will not see action again until the beginning of January. The only home game the Mules have played this year was against Bowdoin, and its travels included a journey to Minnesota. All of the away games and preparation for upcoming finals has put a "drain on the players," according to Halldorson.

The team will kick off a six game homestand on Jan. 7 when they face off against Providence. □



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two most recent albums *Fear* and *Dulcinea*, playing the two Top 40 songs 'All I Want' and 'Walk On The Ocean.'

"I heard a lot of people say it was too short and not worth the money," said K. C. McClelland '98. "There was no ambiance to the concert."

"It was completely opposite from the Samples," said Katie Page '98. "People were more psyched at the Samples. But overall I enjoyed it. Toad played really well."

One reason why Toad was a financial success was the refund Colby received after the band broke its contract with the college and played a concert in Portland the night before. Because Portland is

south of Colby, the concert was more accessible for some people, therefore taking fans away from Colby. According to Raffetto, Stu-A was at the mercy of the manager who decided to go ahead and schedule the Portland event.

Although all the receipts from ticket sales are not in yet, Rubin said that off-campus sales were better than on-campus sales. Total ticket sales were 1280, compared with 1600 for the Samples. However, due to the higher Toad ticket prices, the two concerts grossed approximately the same amount.

"For the quality and size of the show, it was a reasonable and worthwhile expenditure," said Rubin. □

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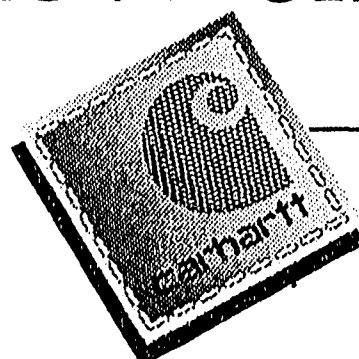
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Several Colby swimmers qualify for New Englands

BY EMILY GREENSTEIN
Staff Writer

Prospects for the Colby swim team are looking extremely optimistic. The Mules came back from a University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth invitational meet last Saturday, and though it was a non-scoring meet, the results were promising.

According to Head Coach Sheila Cain, the meets scheduled before Winter Break are mostly to prepare the swimmers for their main competition season in January.

"The U-Mass invitational was a great meet. Because it was a non-scoring meet, it gave us an opportunity to see different people in different events," said Cain. "Also, because there was no entry limit, we could enter as many people in as many events as we wanted."

There were 17 events in total, and Colby gave its fair share of competition. The opposition included

strong teams such as U-Mass, M.I.T., Amherst College and Bentley College.

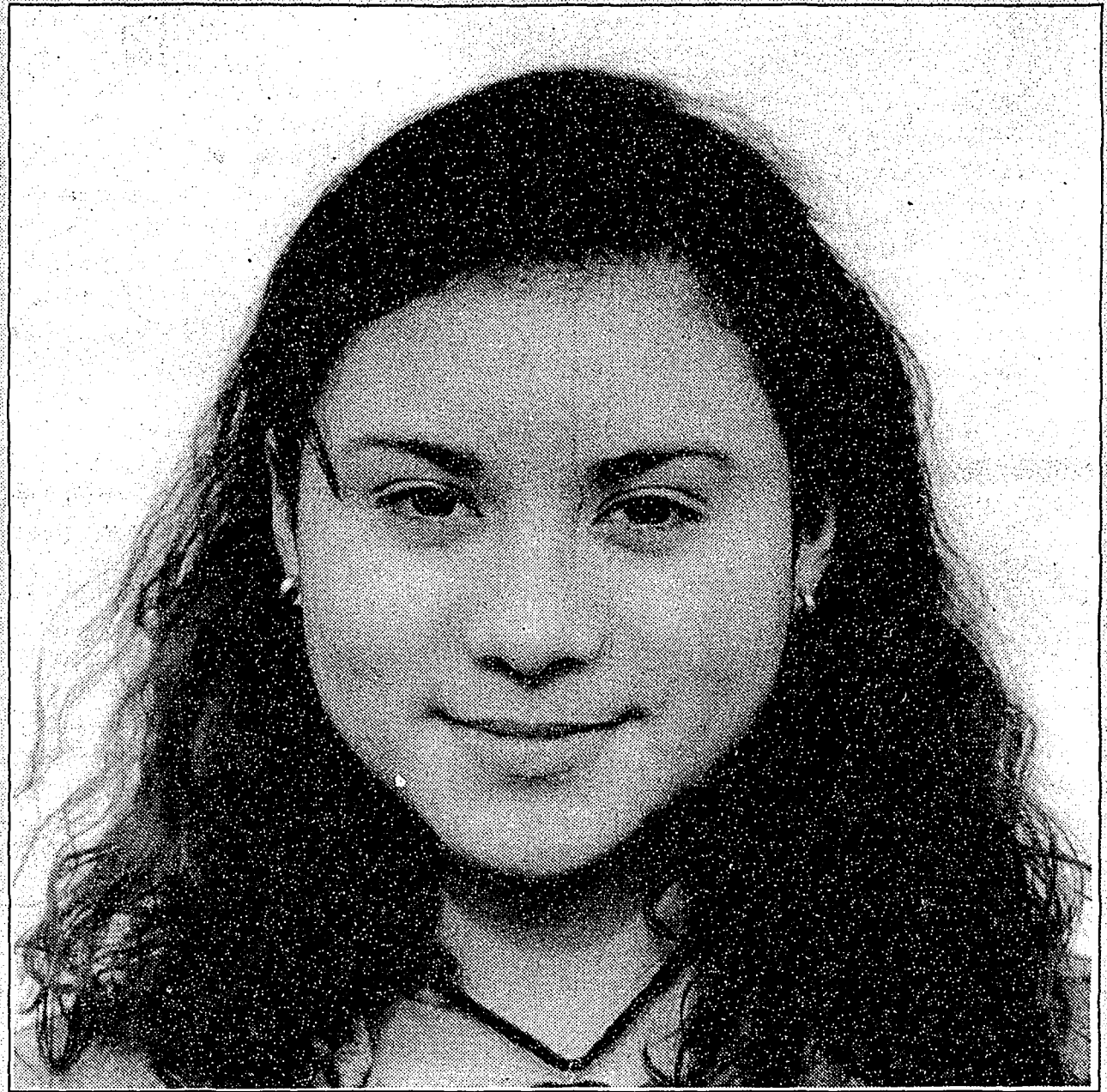
At this meet alone, Colby had six swimmers qualify for the Division III New England competition that will take place in late February. First-years Geoff Herrick, Becky Golden and Kirk Shouer did an outstanding job to make the cuts so early in the season, according to Cain. In addition, Morgan Filler '97 performed exceptionally well in the 200 fly, a relatively new event for Colby.

This last week of classes is going to be a time of serious training for the Colby swimmers, while only captains will practice during finals, according to Cain.

"What happens between now and February is pretty much all leading up to New Englands," said Cain. "I think our most hard core training will be our trip to Florida on Dec. 27. We'll be swimming in a 50 meter outdoor pool, and the absence of academic stress will be a good chance for the swimmers to train hard." □

**"The UMass invitational was a great meet."
-Head Coach Sheila Cain**

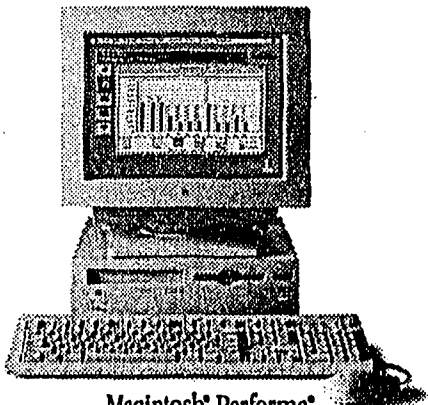
Devastator of the Week



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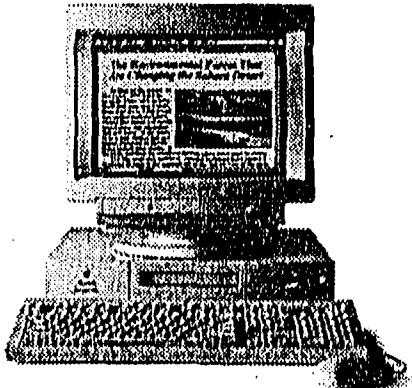
Women's squash No. 2 player Sonia Totten '98 continued to dominate her competition at the Wesleyan Round Robin this past weekend. Totten went 4-0 against opponents from Wesleyan, Wellesley, Johns Hopkins and Connecticut College in helping the Mules go undefeated for the weekend. Totten, who hails from Tokyo, Japan, also plays varsity tennis for Colby.

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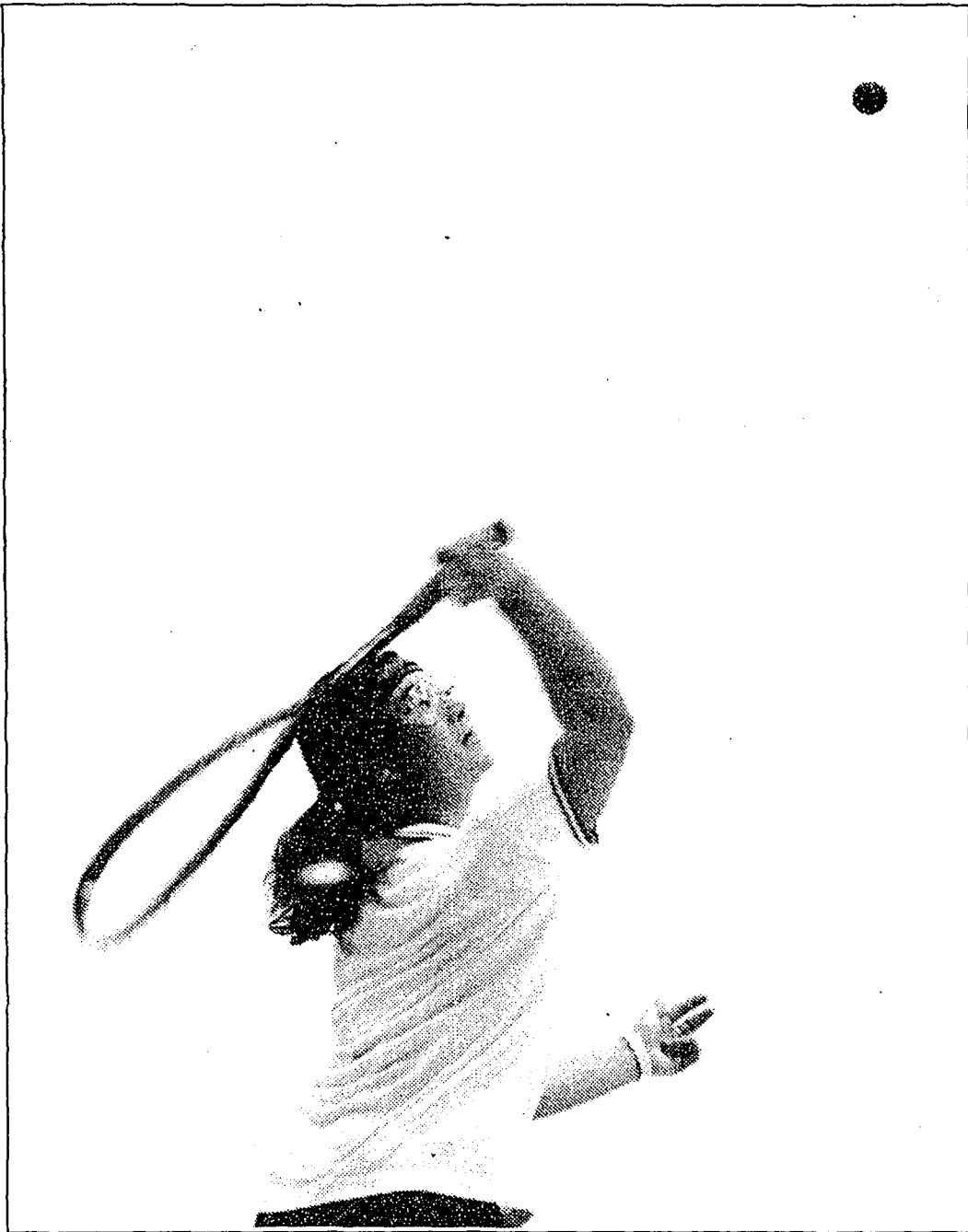


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Sonia Totten '98 serves it up in her match against Bowdoin.

Women's squash rolls

BY KATE CHARBONNIER
Sports Editor

First-year Sonia Totten '98 continued her undefeated streak last weekend when the women's squash team traveled to Connecticut for the Wesleyan Round Robin. Eleven teams competed in the event that spanned the weekend.

The Mules won all four of their matches at the event. They defeated Wesleyan University 7-2, Wellesley College 8-1, John Hopkins University 9-0 and Connecticut College 7-2.

Totten, from Tokyo, Japan, went 4-0 at the tournament in her num-

ber 2 position, and is 5-0 overall for the season.

Coach John Illig said Totten is "an extremely powerful player."

Sarah Molly '97 was also 4-0, as was Meaghan Dwyer '96, Nina Leventhal '96 and Jill Maccaferri '96.

Colby's four solid victories were an improvement over last season when the Mules lost to Connecticut, Wesleyan and Wellesley. Connecticut College was ranked tenth in the nation in women's squash last season.

The Mules played the Bates Bobcats yesterday and will take on Tufts University on Dec. 8. The men's team will play Tufts on the same day after their recent weekend off. □

Offsides

Stranded on I-95

BY KATE CHARBONNIER
Sports Editor

You get a lot of stuff when you participate in athletics on Mayflower Hill. Warmup equipment, t-shirts and sweatshirts are just a few examples of the heaps and mounds of clothing and other articles that are thrown at you by the school. But despite the fact that each of us are paying close to \$25,000 a year to attend this fine institution, clothing seems to be the only thing that the athletic department can afford to give its athletes.

It is clear how little athletes do actually get when you look at how much our teams have to give back to Colby, in not only monetary terms. For example, the women's hockey team makes a lot of extended road trips almost every weekend. When it traveled to upstate New York last weekend to face off against Rochester Institute of Technology, the Mules were again given their luxury bus

for the long journey. You may think that the women had all the comforts of home, but this is not true. A 14-hour ride in any vehicle, whether it has plush seats or fake leather, presents a challenge to athletes to perform at their academic best. Papers cannot be written from a bus, nor is there an atmosphere that is conducive to study. You would think that it would be in the athletic department's best interest to help its athletes maintain their academic standings. If athlete grades go down as a whole, the admissions office might discover a newfound interest in oboe players.

Some players receive injuries and must sit in agony for the duration of the trip. One has to wonder why the athletic department could not pay for the team to fly.

Snow is the prevalent weather condition when most of Colby's spring teams begin to prep for their season. With fields that are impossible to play on and the frosty air nipping at their bare arms and legs,

the lacrosse teams head south during spring break. Last year both the men's and women's teams flew to Virginia for a week of competition that served to make them better, and stronger representatives of Colby's athletic department. But Colby didn't pay for much of the journey. In fact, each teammate had to become walking salespeople for the months before the trip. They sold hats, t-shirts and sweatshirts, not two or three, but over \$200 worth each. If the athlete could not sell all of the merchandise, they had to tack the difference on to the hefty payments that each player's family was already making. This all in addition to Colby tuition.

The athletic department does have a tight budget. But we certainly pay top dollar to attend this school. Our money should be used to finance the programs that first attracted us to Colby, whether they be athletic, academic or artistic. That is what they promised us when we wrote our first tuition check. □

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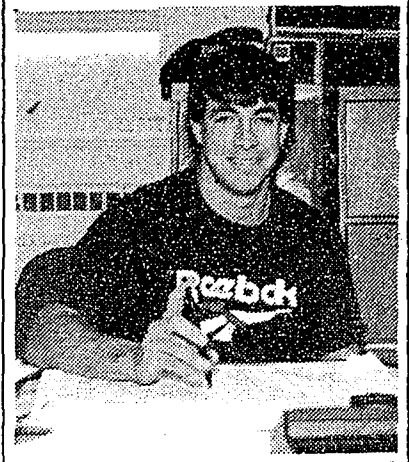
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Coach brings life to skiing

BY RYAN MAYHUGH
Asst. Sports Editor

A running back and an alpine skier have a lot in common. They both cruise through a course, with an end in mind, avoiding obstacles in their path. The only difference is the gates that the skier weaves through don't try to knock them backwards.

Keeping these similarities in mind, Head Coach Mark Godomsky should have some helpful hints for



Echo photo by Jennifer Merrick
Alpine Head Coach Mark Godomsky.

the men's and women's alpine ski teams. Godomsky was the running backs' coach on this year's Colby football team and he will take control of the ski teams for the first time, although he has been involved in the program in past years.

Colby used to hire a staff member from the Carabassett Valley Academy, a ski school located next to Sugarloaf, to coach the team. Godomsky was associated with the team in this way from 1991-3, until the school hired a full time coach.

"It was a big step for the school in support of the ski program," said Godomsky. Paul Lawson coached the team last year, and Godomsky was hired to take control this season.

Both the women's and men's teams have been training since early in the semester, according to Godomsky. Captains practices began on Sept. 12, and the teams met five or six times a week. Workouts included weight training, long distance running and a circuit in the Fieldhouse.

Official workouts began on Nov. 1 and the teams have been meeting at 6 a.m. three days week since that

time. According to Godomsky, the participation rate for the preseason workouts has been outstanding.

The unseasonably warm weather has prevented the team to ski as much as they have been able to in the past. Normally, members would have made the trip to Sugarloaf 15-16 times already, but due to the weather, only eight trips have been possible, according to Godomsky.

A camp will be held for the team from the 18-22 of Dec. and the another from Dec. 29 until Jan 3. For the first part of January, team members will compete in open races before the carnival season starts. From these performances, Godomsky said he will choose the carnival teams. The carnival teams for both men and women consist of five skiers.

"A lot will come out of the post-Christmas camp," said Godomsky. Time trials will be held on the last day of camp, according to Godomsky.

The men's team returns two solid competitors in Bill Bradley '95 and captain Ross Piper '95. Bradley has been a member of the carnival team for the past three years, and Piper has "done an excellent job as captain," according to Godomsky.

Dave MacLeay '97 and Dylan Rothwell '97 are also back for the Mules. First-years Jason Myler, Kevin O'Brien, Carl Jenkins and Ken Raiche will attempt to earn a spot on the squad as well.

The women will field a very young team, as no upperclassmen return for Colby. Lindsay Cochran '97 is the women's captain, and she has been doing a good job, according to Godomsky. Cochran is joined by sophomore classmates Amanda Sprang, Jenna Klein and Kristen Wilson.

There are some "potential contributors" among the crop of first-years as well, according to Godomsky. They include Jackie Bates, Debbie Shea and Rebecca Allen.

"I am very excited for the upcoming season," said Godomsky. The team has consistently finished eighth in the East, and Godomsky said the team would like to improve its ranking this year. □

Young skiers return for Nordic squad

BY KARA MARCHANT
Staff Writer

The most important way for the Nordic ski teams to start out the season is with snow, according to Nordic Ski Team Coach Jefferson Goethals.

The men's and women's teams have begun their season with hard training and an intensity that is refreshing for the program, according to the second-year coach.

"I've been happy with what I've seen so far," said Goethals. "We've been training both harder and more effectively."

The women's team returns a solid core of three sophomores, led by captain Jen Mason. Along with Heather Bend and Tay Evans, the sophomores are "very young in terms of experience but much improved" according to their coach. First-year skier Jen Lane should also contribute to the program, as Goethals called her "one of our best skiers".

Cross-country runner Rima Lathrup '96 is a beginning skier on the team, but due to the fact that she is a very strong athlete, she is expected to improve quickly and contribute a lot down the line, according to Goethals.

The men's team is young as well, having graduated four seniors

last May. Captain Darrell Sofield '95 should be the top men's scorer, and Adam Norman '96 will contribute as well. Two first-years, Josh Walton and Jim Fiebelkorn, are expected to become integral parts of the program. In addition, Dan Madru '97 will begin this season after suffering a broken leg last year.

Though both teams are young, Goethals said he is very pleased with the way the teams have been working.

"Overall, the team is not going to produce as many points as in the past," said Goethals. "We're in a building period. There's not as much talent as there was last year, but the team has come together more. I think this allows us to get more out of the talent that we have than in the past."

The team's first race is not until the second week in January, when it will face Bates College and Bowdoin College for the state of Maine Nordic Cup. While the team competes at the Division I level, it is important to note that they are not a Division I program, as they cannot give out athletic scholarships. Though the team is young, there has been much improvement, and the team is looking forward to an eventful season. □

HELPING HANDS

BY LINCOLN FARR

Thanks to the hard work of hall staff and a number of other students, the Thanksgiving food drive was very successful. The Colby Volunteer Center was able to donate a significant amount of food and approximately \$60 to both the Evening Sandwich Program and the Soup Kitchen.

With the help of the Student Activities Office, the CVC is sponsoring a holiday Giving Tree. Those who wish donate a gift can pick an ornament with a gift request for hats, mittens and toys. All wrapped or unwrapped gifts are collected in the Student Activities Office. The gifts must be in by Dec. 14. The ornaments are used as a tag to mark the individual gifts.

This is the second annual Giving Tree at Colby. Last year the tree was successful despite being organized on short notice.

"Last year the number of gifts exceeded my expectations," said Maryanne Beele, director of the Giving Tree, "and many of the gifts were beautifully wrapped and prepared."

In addition to Colby's Giving Tree, there are a number of other trees in the Waterville area. The Giving Tree works closely with a number of charity agencies, including Families In Transition, Child Protective, and Big Brother and Big Sister. They also work with local guidance councilors. Beele receives gift requests from the agencies and then makes specific ornaments to satisfy the requests. She weeds out those requests which are deemed inappropriate, such as war toys.

"The Giving Tree is not just serving families in the Waterville area but in all of central Maine," said Beele.

Beele's organization is not in any way connected with the salvation army. The Giving Tree is also in no way religiously or non religiously affiliated. Children receive the gifts strictly on the basis of need.

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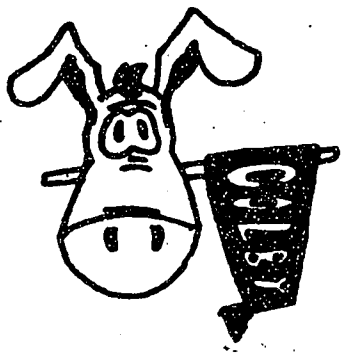
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Colby skiers get ready to hit the snow this winter. See page 15.

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Tufts narrowly defeats men's hoops

BY KARA MARCHANT
Staff Writer

Despite a 14 point advantage at halftime, the men's basketball team was unable to fend off a tough Tufts University squad on Dec. 2. The Jumbos, the first NESCAC competition that Colby has seen so far this year, outplayed the Mules in the second half to pull out a 79-69 triumph.

The White Mules came out firing to start the game. In the first seven minutes, they outscored Tufts 29-13. Center Dave Stephens '96 played a solid first half and helped to open up the lead for the Mules. With the score 45-31 at intermission, the team seemed to be on its way to a solid victory.

However, according to captain T.J. Maines '95 the team was not ready mentally for the second half. "We didn't play good team defense in the second half," said Maines. "Mentally, we weren't as tough as we should've been. We

haven't been all year."

"We were ahead, but we lost our legs a little bit in the second half," said Head Coach Dick Whitmore. "Tufts did a great job coming back on us."

The Mules were outscored 48-24 in the second half, despite a good total game effort by captain Matt Gaudet '95 who had 25 points on the day. The team certainly had its moments in the game, according to Whitmore. "We had some positive minutes in the game ... we've just got to extend them."

The team's record now stands at 1-2 on the road and the team members are looking forward to its home opener against the University of Southern Maine on Wednesday. Whitmore is also looking forward to the game.

"Our home opener on Wednesday should give us a big boost," said Whitmore.

Maines is optimistic as well. "Hopefully we'll turn it around on Wednesday," said Maines. □



Echo photo by Yuhgo Yamaguchi

Meaghan Sittler '98 makes her way around the prone Polar Bear defense.

Women's hockey continues to dominate over weekend

BY RYAN MAYHUGH
Asst. Sports Editor

The women's hockey team boarded its bus in Rochester, New York, a happy bunch this past Sunday, after disposing of Cornell University and Rochester Institute of Technology over the weekend.

A few days earlier, the team defeated Bowdoin College 5-1, bringing its record to 6-2 overall and 4-1 in league play.

Colby amassed the 5-1 lead against the overmatched Polar Bears in two periods, and the Mules sent an abundance of rubber at the Bowdoin goalie over the course of the contest. They finished with a 50-12 advantage in shots on goal.

Ann Mortenson '98 and Meaghan Sittler '98 each had two goals for the Mules, while Sarah Gelman '96 added a goal and an assist. Barb Gordon '97 had two assists.

"We pretty much dominated the

game," said Head Coach Laura Halldorson.

Three days after its victory against Bowdoin, the Mules faced off against Cornell University in Ithaca. Colby ended up in the better half of the 5-2 final score, and they went on to beat RIT 6-2 the next day.

"I thought we played very well and carried the play in both games," said Halldorson.

Five different players scored goals for Colby against Cornell. see **HOCKEY** on page 12



Echo photo by Jennifer Atwood

Lynn Kenoyer '97 attempts to gain control of the ball.

Women's basketball looks for growth — literally

BY RYAN MAYHUGH
Asst. Sports Editor

If you were to look at the Colby women's basketball team, you would notice one trait that seems to be lacking among the members: height.

Husson College, and its taller players, proved to be too much for the Mules on Nov. 30. Colby gave its opponents a challenge, coming to within three points in the second half, but ended up losing in

the end 90-67.

"[The first half] was the best that we've played all year," said Head Coach Beth Staples. "We kind of fell apart in the second half."

Colby's sophomore guards, Amber Howard and Lynn Kenoyer, both had strong contests for the Mules. Howard had 27 points and Kenoyer added 10.

Husson had "quite a size advantage" over Colby, according to Staples. Two of their players were six feet, while another two were 5' see **HOOPS** on page 12

Heartbreaker Hockey falls to Bowdoin in final minutes

BY GALEN CARR
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, the men's hockey team ventured south on Interstate 95 to try to do what they have not done in 28 years: return north on I-95 from Brunswick with a victory over a highly-touted Bowdoin squad.

Unfortunately, Colby lost to Bowdoin 3-2.

Entering the game with a record of 2-2, the Mules have not exactly come bursting out of the starting gates this season, but as co-captain Brian Pompeo '95 assured, "we're trying to reach a certain level of play. Once we get it we'll fight to keep it for the rest of the season and into the playoffs."

As for last week's much-anticipated face-off, Colby was more than ready to bring an end to a drought that had existed (and still does) well before any player on the team was

even born.

"This was the first time in probably three years that we felt like we were going to win," said co-captain Dan Larkin '95. "If we play like we can, we can beat anybody in the league."

Putting confidence aside, the Mules literally ended up on the short end of this one as a result of a short-handed Polar Bear goal with a minute to play.

A Mule power play with 2:01 left in a 2-2 game raised some eyebrows and had Bowdoin fans holding their breath, praying for divine intervention. It seemed as if their prayers were answered. After a few strange bounces of the puck, the little black disk found its way into the Mules' net with less than a minute to play, all but extinguishing any hopes to break the seemingly endless string of futility.

"The goal was basically a fluke," said assistant captain Stuart Wales '96.

As the raucous Bowdoin fans rejoiced, the Mules continued its power play, removing goalkeeper Andy Kruppa '97 to up its advantage to two men. However, one minute proved to be too little time for Colby to stage a comeback, thus the Mules, along with their rowdy travel crowd, somberly retreated to the locker room, awaiting the Polar Bears' journey to Waterville on Jan. 24.

A first period goal by Nick Lamia '97 and third-period gametying goal from Dan Lavergne '97 were the only offensive highlights for the Mules.

With a record that now stands at 2-3, Colby will look to rebound against the University of Southern Maine on Thursday at Alford Arena. With more than 13 league games remaining on its schedule, Mule pucksters are still relaxed and optimistic about the team's present standing and postseason opportunities, according to Pompeo. □