

## SGA Impeaches Vice Pres. Gray

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Student Government Association Vice President Jon Gray '00 was officially impeached Sunday in an article signed by three SGA presidents and two SGA executive board members, including SGA President Ben Humphreys '00.

The article cited a "violation of college rules including the misuse of SGA funds," and "failure to perform duties as described in the SGA code of ethics," as reasons for Gray's impeachment.

Gray's executive privileges have been revoked and he now must await the findings of a hearing board appointed by SGA Parliamentarian Michael O'Brien '00 which will decide whether Gray will be removed from office.

"It was with a heavy heart that I signed the article," said Humphreys. "But in our campaign, we agreed to stamp out corruption in SGA, and I stand behind that commitment even if it means going after my former running mate. I can't look past it simply because it happened in my administration."

Allegations that Gray made personal phone calls from the SGA office fueled the charge he misused SGA funds.

Gray, however, denied all charges of misuse of SGA funds insisting that "no calls have been made to anywhere near my house."

Gray did not deny possibly allowing other students to use the SGA phone line for what may have been personal phone calls.

"The person who made the phone calls will confess," Gray said.

Gray estimated the total charge of the phone calls at around \$35.

"The specific value of the phone calls will come out at the next Presidents' Council meeting. It is a significant amount," said SGA Treasurer Rob Painter '01.

The second charge that Gray failed to perform duties as described by the SGA code of ethics stemmed from charges Gray did not attend a board of trustees meeting that was held in January.

Gray confessed to not attending the meeting citing "prior obligations" and having "received short notice" as reasons for not going.

"(Dean of the College) Earl Smith excused me for not going, and Humphreys knows this," Gray said.

Gray noted that the effects of his

impeachment could be damaging to SGA's ability to govern effectively.

"I think that SGA loses a lot of legitimacy. A lot of these people (SGA presidents and executive board members) are two-faced; they make up a lot of stuff about me. They don't like me," said Gray. "They let Ben get away with murder. Other members of SGA have thrown tantrums, and I get in trouble if I breathe wrong."

Gray denied allegations he was rude to Professor and Chair of Economics David Findlay at the Feb. 2 Presidents' Council meeting.

"I called over to him 'hey Findlay.' It's not a big deal," Gray said. "I call all of my professor's by their last names. I have a lot of respect for Findlay as an economist, but a lot of his peers know more about the Multicultural Affairs Committee than he does."

"The way he acted at the faculty meeting was cowardly," Gray said in regard to Findlay's presentation of the Multicultural Affairs Committee proposal at a first semester faculty meeting.

Humphreys was unconcerned about the effect of the impeachment hearing on SGA's ability to run the school.

"Business will continue as normal. The only things that may get derailed are committee appointments and next year's elections," Humphreys said.

Indeed, committee appointments became derailed Tuesday as it was decided at Presidents' Council to postpone all committee appointments until after either Gray is exonerated or a new vice president is appointed.

The SGA Constitution gives power to the Vice President to handle all appointments. Without one in power, nobody is empowered to make committee appointments.

"I'm furious. They are trying to postpone the formation of these important committees," Gray said.

The Constitution also calls for the Vice President to chair the election committee for the upcoming SGA elections.

Humphreys would not comment on the basis for the third charge in the impeachment article claiming Gray violated the SGA Code of Ethics.

"I do not want to comment on the specifics of the allegations because I absolutely do not want the hearing board to be influenced before they have seen all the facts," Humphreys said. "Jon deserves a fair trial."

The Code of Ethics, which Gray signed

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earlier in the year, calls for "full and open communication" by SGA members. There is speculation the third charge on the article of impeachment stems from this responsibility, in light of Gray's decision not to speak to Humphreys for several weeks.

E-mail correspondence between the two leaders shows personal problems mounting during the period leading up to Gray's impeachment.

In a Jan. 26 e-mail addressed to Gray, Humphreys wrote "I expect and demand that this behavior end. It is childish and damaging to the school... you have a responsibility to meet the requirements of your office."

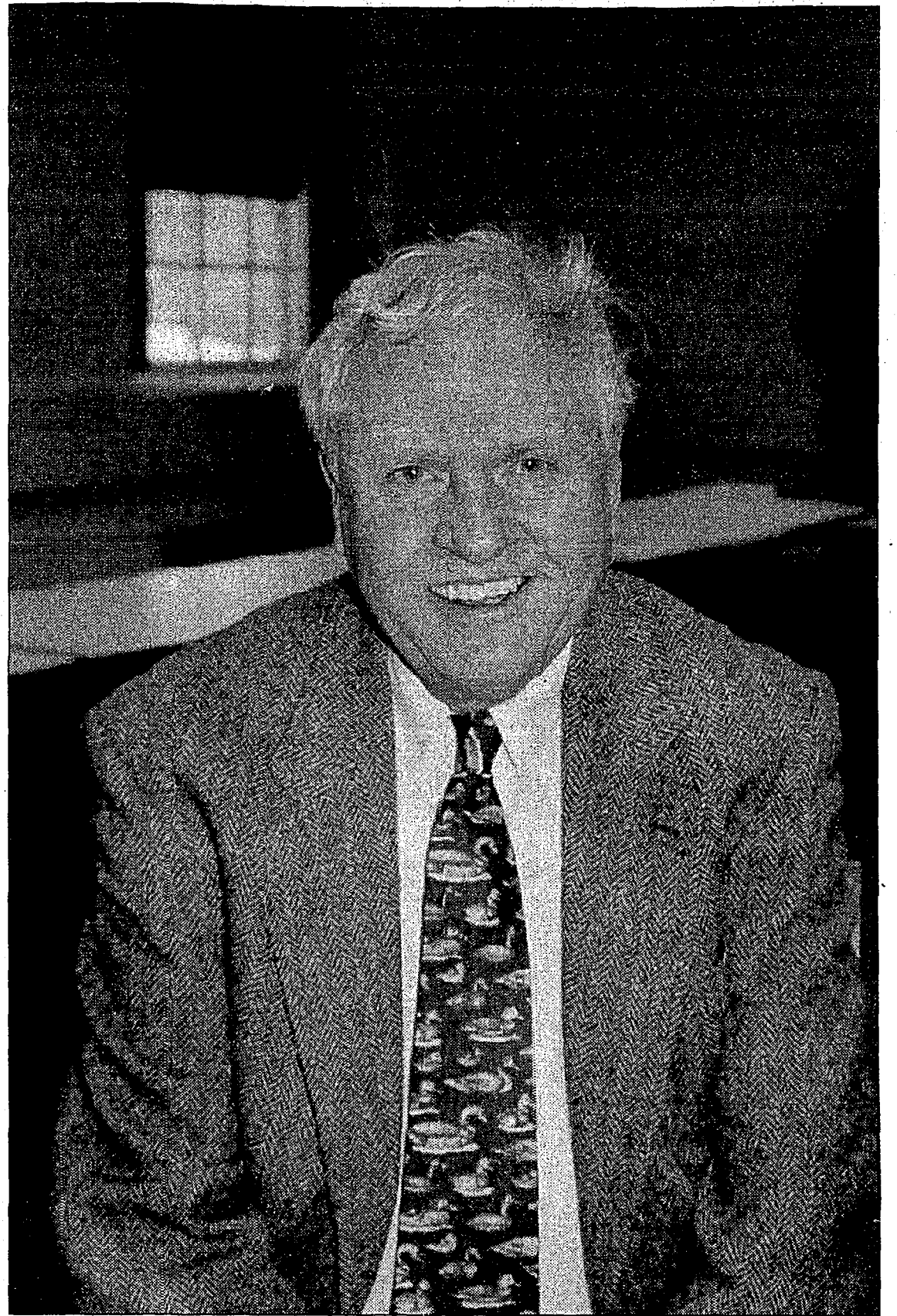
Gray's response came the same night: "as a human being I have no respect for you. I have arranged professionally for us to have contact. Another e-mail like this and I will file for a restraining order."

In an e-mail written the following day, Humphreys concedes that "our personal relationship will never again exist. However, it is important that we develop a set of rules to guide us over the next four months so that Colby does not suffer."

In a Feb. 4 e-mail, Gray addressed the pair's mutual dislike "Ben, I don't think I can trust you. I know that you say you are a guy of honor, I don't believe you... I can no longer consider myself in tandem with you. I have to cut my ties, because when it comes down to it, I don't trust you."

Humphreys recently filed a complaint to Judicial Board regarding Philbert Wilson's '01 comments about the SGA president in last week's Echo, in which he called Humphreys "racist" and "pathetic."

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Bassett brings zany behavior and inspiration into the classroom.

## Bassett says 'Goodbye,' this time for good

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Whether he's mesmerizing a class with frantically waving arms and exhortations on American authors, or on the sidelines shouting encouragement to the soccer teams, Charlie Bassett has become a legend at Colby as a professor who has shaped and given meaning to the Colby undergraduate experience.

Professor Bassett, 67, officially retired last spring but has since come back to teach as a replacement for many professors who have gone on sabbatical. The return was not unwelcome for Professor Bassett, who thrives on his interactions with students and faculty at the college.

"When I retired I thought, what am I going to do? It's going to be fall, the leaves will be changing, and I won't be in the classroom!" Bassett said.

As the Lee Family Professor of American Studies and English Professor Bassett has taught and advised for nearly 31 years at Colby since his graduation from the University of Kentucky in 1963. He held teaching positions at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Philadelphia shortly after completing graduate school, but is thankful that he made his way to Colby.

"God, I was scared [at those other universities]," Bassett said, "Here I was, this hayseed from Kansas, and I was teaching in the Ivy League. It was a wonderful experience, but that wasn't for me I didn't want to spend my time writing enough books to keep up professorships there. I wanted something more and I found it at Colby."

During his first years at Colby, Professor Bassett took over the struggling American Studies program, which then had a total of two majors, and has since turned it into a very successful department that accounts for 10 percent of current Colby majors. In addition to directing the American Studies program for almost 25 years, he is also the chair of the English department, and teaches two book seminars.

American Studies major Alicia Haines '00 said, "Bassett's dedication to his students never ceases to amaze me. With all his activ-

ities, he still has the time and energy to give to students in consistently other ways."

Acting more as a mentor than a professor, Bassett has inspired students with his passion for teaching and his devotion to his students. "That's what it's all about, being passionate about your work and inspiring those you teach. I try to have a connection with my students, a special kind of relaxed and personal relationship. If I call someone a toad, they know they're not really a toad, but they've just messed up," he said with a wry smile.

Bassett is supposed to follow through with his retirement plans next spring, but

rather than counting the minutes until then, he is relishing every last moment here at the college. "I can't think of another place I'd rather be," he said. "The students and the faculty are what make this place for me. They're all my friends. I get around 20 e-mails a week from grads asking about a piece of literature they studied in my class years before or just saying hi and keeping in touch. Do you think that happens at Yale? It has been so much fun forging bonds between me and my students, getting them to trust me, and know me, and me them."

Taking a look around his office with desks, shelves and walls cluttered with memorabilia from around the country, an office filled with love and memories, it is obvious that clearing out of there will be a difficult task. "All my plaques, all my souvenirs," Bassett said looking around with a mournful sigh.

Although he plans on leaving next year, Bassett has accrued more than enough memories for one lifetime during his tenure at Colby. "I remember one time," he began with a wistful amused look, "this giant of a student was in one of my English classes-Dave Stevens. He was 6'8" and a center on the basketball team. We were reading 'The Great Gatsby', and I pointed at him and said, 'Stevens, where was Fitzgerald from?' Fidgeting in his seat, he said he didn't know. 'If you can't answer me before commencement, I won't let you graduate!'"

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## MIDYEAR STUDENTS CAUSE HOUSING CRUNCH

By JON SILBERSTEIN-LOEB  
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When the College reopened its doors after the long weekend of Jan-Plan Break on Jan. 31, over 200 new students, who had not been at the school first semester, came through them.

Included in this number are the 66 mid-year freshmen (formerly known as Feb fresh) that spent the fall semester abroad in Dijon, London, or Salamanca at one of Colby's several international programs. Also included in the figure are a number of transfer students arriving from Georgetown, St. Anselm's, University of Pennsylvania, Rutgers, Tufts, and Ithaca College along with an exchange student from Scripps College. In addition to the new students, over 150 juniors have returned from a variety of international and domestic study programs this fall.

Sixty-six, while a large number of mid-year students, is only two more than the 64 mid-year students who came in 1998/1999. Last year, explained Parker Beverage, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, the number of students who chose to attend Colby as mid-year students rose drastically from 42 percent to 61 percent.

"We thought that last year's rise was an anomaly and that this year's yield would return to normal," Beverage said.

Much to his surprise, however, the percentage yield remained just as high at 63 percent, explaining the large number of mid-year students this

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# ECO-ACTIVIST HAUPTMAN ATTACKS ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES OUT WEST

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Ask about Mitch Hauptman '01 around campus and you'll find some unbelievable answers. Descriptions range anywhere from 'that guy who always wears suspenders' to 'the kid who got struck by lightning twice' and even encompass some fantastical stories about him digging secret underground tunnels between Foss and Dana. While none of these stories are completely true, the real adventures of Hauptman are even better than the fiction (though he does really like the new suspenders he just bought and he did get struck by lightning once when he was 14 at summer camp).

Meet Mitch Hauptman.

While he has sometimes been wrongly labeled as an "eco-terrorist" at Colby, Hauptman identifies himself more as an "eco-activist" because of his intense effort in supporting environmental protection causes and opposing corporations that present a danger to the environment.

"If you feel strongly against something you see as wrong, it's wrong not to protect it," Hauptman said. "I just don't want to leave this world without having bettered something."

Last summer, Hauptman and other fellow non-violent environmental activists in the Cove Mallard Coalition spent over 52 man hours in the wilderness of Cove Mallard, Idaho setting up road blockades and "sleeping dragons," holes in the road with tubing and poles which activists grab a hold of to create a human barrier. These actions were all in an attempt to prevent loggers from clearcutting the largest roadless tract of land in the lower 48 states.

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— Mitch Hauptman '01

"What happened in this situation is that we found out illegal logging was taking place without Environmental Impact Statements, which under law you must have before clearcutting. The area isn't designated as a wilderness so it's not protected. And we weren't getting any help from the police in Idaho with the situation."

So Hauptman and other activists involved in the coalition took matters into their own hands to protect Cove Mallard from potential devastation. Hauptman was mainly very involved with the construction of these sleeping dragons during the middle of the night under dangerous conditions. He was even hospitalized at one point after sustaining a serious injury while building one of these blockades when a nail ricocheted off the tubing he was working on and shattered his right eye. In fact there are many dangers in this form of aggressive yet non-violent activism, sometimes resulting in pressure and even physical threats from the logging companies attempting to clear the land.

"I was in the hospital by this time, but a bunch of my friends were still out there in the woods. The logging company responsible for the clearcutting hired thugs that came after them with double-barreled shot guns and baseball bats and burnt everything in camp. I lost two nail-gene bottles from it, that pissed me off," Hauptman said.

According to Hauptman after this

incident members from the coalition went to the Cove Mallard police for help, yet they received a negative response. The response, 'yeah, we'll do an investigation when we find your cold dead bodies' only serves to demonstrate the type of obstacle that many environmental groups are up against from both logging corporations and the law.

"It's a very complex issue. Logging is something that's been happening in the United States for so many years that it's now a tradition. A lot of our American folk heroes like Paul Bunyon and Johnny Appleseed are images we grow up with. I'm not saying logging can't be done, it just has to be done respectfully and in a way that things can grow back. When they clearcut on slopes the soil runs off into rivers, things can't grow on the banks and then salmon die...it's a domino effect."

Having grown up in Long Island, N.Y. and raised by environmentally pro-active parents, Hauptman has put his fidelity to the test by traveling across the country to join other activists in the fight for environmental causes.

Two years ago he joined the Buffalo Field Campaign in order to preserve diminishing herds. He explained that when it becomes very snowy, the buffalo usually leave Yellowstone Park to graze on other public land. Yet in 1997, mass slaughter of these buffalo began in the fear that the buffalo could transmit diseases to livestock. Yet the truth remains that cattle vaccinations are a far more effective and less costly means of preventing this over the current war waged on the buffalo. Hauptman and other activists from the Field Campaign continue to actively protest against the Department of Livestock's tactics and enjoy support from the surrounding community although police raid the demonstrations, and according to Hauptman have even

tortured some non-violent activists using chemicals.

But these are just a few examples of the type of projects with which Hauptman has been actively involved. During the summers and occasionally on breaks, Hauptman invests his time with other environmental activists he usually meets through Earth First. This non-profit organization consists of many different groups from internationally known organizations such as the World Trade Organization.

"There are no leaders, no hierarchy, and everything is done in communities," Hauptman explained.

Support groups such as the Seeds of Peace give food to the activists in Earth First and companies such as Patagonia fund substantial amounts of money to the organization. While Hauptman has often turned to these organizations for help in his work, he has also discovered that the police are generally unwilling to pursue or show support for environmental causes. He and other activists in turn must rely heavily on each other. The police have proven to activists that corruption is still prevalent.

Here in Maine, Hauptman finds very little time on campus to devote to environmental causes. Yet, he still feels very strongly that the student body should be more aware and environmentally conscious. The amount of waste, he says, exceeds what is environmentally acceptable. He also feels more support should be given to the Environmental Coalition. Its budget is far too small, he claims, and without adequate amounts of money, the group cannot, for example, pay for speakers to come. Yet Hauptman hopes to continue his work out west and to fight for causes he is passionate about. Many feel his strong determination to fight against environmental injustice is an inspiration to those around him and the student community.

## Off the Hill

Rutgers University  
From the Daily Targum

Two former Rutgers basketball players and a student manager have filed a lawsuit against the men's basketball head coach. The lawsuit involves a December 1997 incident where the head coach demanded that the three students strip naked and run sprints after losing a free throw contest. The conditions of the contest were that team members would have to remove an article of clothing for each free throw they missed.

Bowdoin University  
Brunswick, Maine

The Bowdoin Orient recently published a piece on interesting national news to show that life outside liberal arts colleges isn't as sober as one would think. In Simonsville, New Hampshire, for example, bored townsfolk recently tacked on additional meaning to Valentine's Day. February 14th was also known as "Spit on a Masshole" day, a holiday to be celebrated statewide.

Hotchkiss, Vermont

Two hundred and forty acres are set aside for The Green Party and the National Forest Service. The land, composed mainly of coniferous and hardwood forest with many open fields, will be used to conduct further research on "more medical uses of marijuana as proved in the field."

In Monmouth, Fla.

Three women working at a Chuck-E-Cheese pizza parlor recently attempted to sue the state of Florida for requiring them to wear neckties at work, which they argued was a non-feminine piece of clothing. Male employees at this same Chuck-E-Cheese tried to file a counter suit, saying that they should be able to work bare-chested wearing only neckties, because their uniform shirts were too constrictive. Both cases were thrown out of court.

University Park, PA  
From The Maine Campus

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals recently criticized Ecampus, an online company geared towards college students, for a lack of compassion towards animals in their television advertising campaign. PETA was particularly concerned with one televised commercial where a hungry college student frantically searching for food resorts to frying his pet goldfish. PETA addressed this issue with Ecampus (www.ecampus.com) last September arguing that the commercial showed "a lack of respect for animals." Five months later PETA still has not received a response from Ecampus on the issue, so the group has now requested free advertising space on the site to promote its cause.

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## BASSETT: Still zany

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There was thunderous clapping and hoots from the class. On commencement day, when Stevens passed me on his way down the aisle, I stopped him and asked again, "Stevens, where was Fitzgerald from?" He turned to me with a smile and shouted, "St. Paul!" I congratulated him and let him continue down the aisle.

Basset's zany behavior has not been limited to students, but has included professors and faculty as well.

"Charlie Bassett is simply an original. Once he stopped me outside Miller Library because I was wearing a dotted tie," said Raphael Scheck, Associate Professor of History Department. "He found this so outrageous that he started hitting me on my behind."

"On a gentler note, he occasionally took some interest in my teaching," Scheck continued. "I usually carry maps to class, and Bassett sometimes made me unroll my maps on the steps in front of

Miller. 'What do we have today?' he asked, and I would give him a synopsis of my upcoming class. I do not remember that he ever hit me when I was armed with a map."

During his retirement, Bassett said he would try to do some recreational reading, visit friends throughout the country, and try to get in shape.

Recently diagnosed with a mild case of diabetes, Bassett said, "I have to get on one of those infernal treadmills! I hate working out!"

Even after retirement students will still be able to spot Bassett eating at local restaurants — since he doesn't cook himself — around campus, and at occasional parties with his favorite beer, Samuel Adams.

Whatever he does or wherever he goes, he will continue to inspire people and live on in the memories of his Colby students.

But then again, who knows? "I might sneak back and teach another course," he said.

## HOUSING: Colby to accept fewer applicants to prevent housing issues

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year. "Previously, we had a hard time convincing applicants to spend their first fall semester abroad-but not recently," Beverage said.

Needless to say, this influx of students has put pressure on the campus-housing situation and has caused considerable overflow.

With only "75 students living off campus, housing well over 1800 students has become somewhat of a challenge this semester," said Associate Dean of Students Paul E. Johnston.

In order to accommodate this large number of students, common-rooms in eight residence

halls have been converted to house 30 of the newly arriving first-year students and 10 upperclassmen.

This has, unfortunately, created unforeseen problems. For example, many students who would have preferred to be placed in regular housing have been forced into chem-free housing.

"It's really hard living here when it's the last place I want to live," a mid-year student assigned to live in Mary Low said of her situation.

Discussions are currently taking place to

determine off-campus housing options for the other upperclassmen. In short, what this usually means is that the College is granting requests to most upperclassmen that wish to live off-campus.

For admissions, this means that in future fewer applicants will be accepted.

Dean Beverage believes that this large number of mid-year students is a "testimony to Colby's growing popularity," and the only way to avert further housing problems, at least next year, is to not admit as many applicants as they have in the past two.

## IMPEACHED: Humphreys pursues J-Board hearing for Wilson's comments

In the letter, Humphreys claims that "these comments meet the Colby College Student Handbook and Maine State Law definitions of hazing, harassment, racial harassment, hate speech, and slander and libel. I Benjamin J Humphreys, therefore wish to pursue Judicial Board hearings against Mr. Wilson for these comments on the aforementioned grounds."

Wilson was upset and surprised to learn of the charges that Humphreys had brought against him.

"I feel intimidated by Ben. He is trying to limit my freedom and suppress my voice as a student. I know that he is a conservative, but this recent behavior went beyond anything that I expected," Wilson said in a letter to the Echo Tuesday. "The letter is an attempt to quiet me. This is another attempt to limit multiculturalism at Colby. Ben doesn't want to see any changes. He should get a dictionary and look up the meanings of the words, libel (sic), hazing, and racial harassment."

Former Pugh Center Alliance representative Kenya Sanders '00 saw Humphreys' letter as an attempt to shift the focus away from more important issues.

"I question Ben's motives. He is trying to turn the situation around and to get people to feel sorry for him. He is not the victim of this situation," Sanders said. "Phil's statements may not have been the most appropriate, but there was no harassment or hazing in them either."

Humphreys would not comment on the letter.

Alford Complex Representative Peter Angwenyi '00 defended Humphreys from allegations of

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SGA Treasurer

racism that have surfaced in recent weeks.

"I am displeased by the antagonism that is currently going on around campus, especially towards Mr. Humphreys," said Angwenyi.

Angwenyi said Humphreys was one of the first people he met when he arrived from Kenya four years ago.

"He extended me an open invitation to his room in Taylor, afforded me the use of his brand new car when I needed to get a driving license, welcomed both me and Chris Mayaka '99 to his home in New Jersey and insisted that I use his bed while he slept on the floor," he said. "I do not think racism provide such treatment to people of a different race."

The specifics of the impeachment were not addressed at Tuesday's Presidents' Council meeting, however, presidents were made aware of what steps are involved in an impeachment process, according to Grossman President Erik Waters '00. Painter commented on how he traced the illegally made phone

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Painter, Wilson '01

On learning Ben Humphreys is pursuing J-Board hearings

calls and identified Gray as the one responsible for them.

"I audited all of the calls for last semester in my review of SGA funds," he said. "There were calls that could only have been made when Jon was in the office, and were at times of day that made it highly unlikely that they pertained to SGA business. All of the calls in question are being traced by (Director of Security) Peter Chenevert."

While neither Humphreys nor Painter would release the phone numbers or cities called from the office, sources close to the impeachment reported Tuesday that several of the phone calls were made late at night and were to residences, not businesses. Last week, Gray said he allowed the phones to be used for what he thought were authorized phone calls.

The hearing board that will review Gray's impeachment is made up of Kathleen Lazdowski '02, Peter Angwenyi '00, Mike Bergan '02, Allyson Nickse '01, and Dave Famiglietti '00.

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## Blue Lights rock Chapel in Invitational

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### REVIEW

When it comes to having a good time, the Blue Lights definitely know how to put on a great show. Those in attendance at their concert last Saturday night felt the excitement that resonated throughout the Chapel. The Blue Lights Invitational featured the MIT Logarithms, the Harvard Veritones and the University of Vermont Cat's Meow.

It all began when Mike Farrell '00 cartwheeled across the stage as the Blue Lights joined him in full force with their version of "Stayin' Alive." The standing-room-only audience immediately reacted to the singers with cheers and applause. Chris Ireland '00 and Chris Davis '00 high notes balanced the action of the other members who came down the aisles in psychedelic shirts, and this was just the beginning.

The MIT Logarithms sang a great version of "Signed, Sealed & Delivered" and followed it up with U2's "Mysterious Ways." The soloists were amazing and the bridges were well-executed. This group sang a serious piece as well as their classic "Superlogs" song, accompanied of course by body-building actions.

"Every year we love coming to Colby; the crowd is the best part," said Kuo-Chiang Lian, a member of the group.

John Coe, another "Log," said "Singing at Colby is like singing in St. Patrick's Cathedral."

The Harvard Veritones were the next act and the choreography that accompanied their songs was reminiscent of Madonna's video for "Vogue." This group, like the Blue Lights, knew how to keep the crowd entertained. The soloists were excellent and their e-mail puns and jokes about college life were well-received.

One of the highlights was their version of "Walking in Memphis," featuring Zach Smith's clear, powerful voice on the solos.

This was followed with an interlude by Blue Light Monty Hobson singing with the piano. His improvisational "I Don't Know Me" had everyone laughing at his quick wit and humor.

The Cat's Meow, dressed in brightly colored shirts, appeared next. Although their start was slow, they showed their strength through songs like "St. Theresa" by Joan Osborn and Natalie Merchant's "Kind & Generous." The peak of their performance was "Midnight Train to Georgia."

All the a cappella groups sounded wonderful, and the Blue Lights only added intensity to the show with Farrell's crazy version of "King of Spain." They also demonstrated their versatility in singing different types of music with a love song.

Things only got better when the "special guest" appeared to the surprise and delight of all in attendance. The guest was none other than Ramon Maragad, who has tamed the stomachs of many Colby students in the dining halls with his tasty omelets. He belted out the "Age of Aquarius" with the Blue Lights providing back-up. Ramon even engaged in a dancing breakdown, complete with sunglasses and awesome attire. Before they had even finished singing, the whole audience gave a standing ovation.

The excitement kept coming. The Blue Lights alumni, such as Tielman Van Fleck and Kenan Cooper took the stage with the current members in order to sing "Kiss Him Good-bye."



Scenes from Saturday's Blue Lights Invitational at Lorimer Chapel. The Colby Blue Lights (top), UVM's the Cat's Meow, the MIT Logarithms and the Harvard Veritones (left to right).

The Blue Lights finally topped the night off with "Shoobox" by the Barenaked Ladies. Even with the happy hollering of the crowd and enthusiastic clapping, the group kept their poise and finished with style.

It was great to see such wonderful Colby spirit in action and refreshing.

to hear the Blue Lights highlight other campus events. As a junior studying abroad last semester, I was anxious to determine the caliber of shows. Saturday night's performance convinced me that there are more than a few "happy" talented students on campus willing to sponsor events.

Everyone benefits from such performances. Ramon summed up the event when he said, "The Colby community is a great community to bring out the best in people."

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## DANCERS, SIRENS AND 'ETTES HONOR WOMEN IN ARTS

By RANDY STEWART  
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Last night's collaborative performance "Eve...Be Tempted" was billed as a celebration of female artists at Colby. From the Colbyettes and Sirens presenting two new a cappella numbers, to a Colby Dancer performing an Asian dance routine, to Ilana Hobson '00 playing the bagpipes, to the work of female artists adorning the Cotter Union and the entrance of the Pugh Center, an example of almost every art form was on display. What was not readily apparent was the foundation that had to be laid in order for "Eve...Be Tempted" to be brought to the public.

Lisa Cardillo '00, the head of Colby Dancers, says that the group "is trying to get dance out there in the Colby community, and this performance is the first step." The Dancers came up with the idea of doing a joint show with the a cappella groups at Colby as a way of publicizing their own group. Instead of trying for all five a cappella groups, the Colby Dancers set their sights on the Colbyettes and the Sirens. Their

suggestion to the two groups was well-received and the performance ultimately evolved into a celebration of women and the arts.

This evolution began when the idea of including artwork (paintings, photographs, drawings, prints, etc.) by female students in the show was suggested and approved. The groups began to realize that more than just a performance was about to take place and another aspect of the show's potential was realized.

In addition to a performance, it would be a showcase for artists who usually would not have had their work shown to the general Colby public unless there was a student art show.

Also, the decision was made to allow dance routines that have not been performed for the public and will not be included at the Dancers' spring performance into the show. One such routine was "In Akhoun Kee" by Zahra Khilji '02, an international student from Pakistan, who choreographed the routine herself. Another was a collaborative performance by the Dancers and the Sirens. To tie all of the different aspects of the show together, it was given the whimsical yet

meaningfully female-centered title of "Eve...Be Tempted."

"It [was] pretty cool," Cardillo says of the show. "There [were] a lot of collaborative efforts between the groups," adding that "we're hoping this sort of performance will catch on and be done again in the future."

The Dancers already have another collaborative effort lined up for Mar. 9, this time around with Colby Improv. After that show, the group will focus their energy on their solo spring performance, to be held Apr. 20-22 at the Waterville Opera House.

"One of our goals for this show and for the one with Colby Improv is to get people interested enough in dance that they will go off campus to see us in April," Cardillo says.

Hopefully, the success of "Eve...Be Tempted" will begin a tradition of multi-group performances at Colby, as opposed to the one-group offerings that have become standard on campus.

A+E Editor Ryan Davis also contributed to this report.

## This Week's EVENTS

**Thursday, February 17**  
SGA Film: "Double Jeopardy."  
Honored by Entertainment Weekly as the worst film of 1999. 8 p.m. Lovejoy 100

**Friday, February 18**  
SGA Film: "Double Jeopardy."  
7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Lovejoy 100

**Saturday, February 19**  
Chorale concert at 8 p.m. in Lorimer Chapel. See the preview on this page  
SGA Film: "Double Jeopardy."  
7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Lovejoy 100

**Sunday, February 20**  
"Soldiers, Sons and Fat Men" at Strider Theater, 8 p.m. See the preview on the next page.

**Monday, February 21**  
Feeling cheerful? Morrissey at the State Theater in Portland will fix that.

**Wednesday, February 23**  
CIRCLE meeting. Tarot night! Bring your decks as well as any questions you may have about Tarot/divination. 7pm in the Maison Common Ground Room. Please contact jmul-tar with any questions.

\* Mozart's opera "The Magic Flute" at the Merrill Auditorium in Portland.  
\* An Evening with Dr. Cornell West. 7:30 p.m. Bowdoin College. The renowned Harvard professor will discuss the value of diversity.

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## Chorale show to mix French music and love songs

By AMY ACKERMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Colby College Chorale will be presenting their concert "Musique Pour Choeur, Musique Du Coeur" (Music for Chorus, Music of the Heart) on Saturday under the direction of Arnold Bernhard, Professor of Music Paul Machlin.

The nearly 70-member chorale will present a concert that they will be performing later next month on a tour to New York City and West Hartford Connecticut.

The first half will consist of music composed by French composers. This includes both secular and sacred works by such composers as Bizet and Faure.

"The most unusual and challenging piece is the 'Ronde' by Maurice Ravel," says Machlin. "It's a tongue twister in French and one of a set of three pieces by Ravel, each telling a story based on a fairy tale."

The second half of the program consists of love songs in belated

honor of St. Valentine's Day. The tunes range from settings of the Song of Songs to the "frivolity of a Beatles' tune to the bitter-sweet memories of a New Foundland folksong to the saucy irreverence of a jazz song," Machlin says.

"It's a challenging program," said the 26-year veteran director, "but a nicely balanced one. The chorus has risen to the challenge. We have some wonderful soloists and three outstanding accompanists."

"It's hard to compare, but I think that this concert's repertoire is more challenging than previous years. However, it's still a lot of fun and I think our hard work will pay off," says Chorale executive board member Tramaire Weekes '01.

"The rehearsals are rigorous and Paul is very precise, but we still manage to have a good time. By far my favorite pieces are 'Ubi Caritas' and 'Cantique de Jean Racine,'" says Jenni Somers '03.

The concert is free and open to the public. It begins at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Chapel.



# Strider show presents twice the Shakespeare in half the time

By RYAN DAVIS  
A+E EDITOR

"Henry IV, Part I" and "Henry V" are two of Shakespeare's best known historical plays but staging the entire storyline that runs through them would take a great deal more patience than any theater company or audience can be expected to possess. The solution? Compress the story into only the most important scenes and monologues, reduce the cast to three people and rename it "Soldiers, Sons, and Fat Men." This innovative performance will debut in Strider Theater Sunday night at 8 p.m. and will be presented free of charge.

"Soldiers" is the result of Michael Eller '00's independent project for his major in performing arts. Along with Jason Ri '00 and Performing Arts Professor Richard Sewell, Eller has constructed a performance that synthesizes the two plays into the story of the coming of age of Prince Hal (Eller).

The play was originally intended to focus on the relationship between Hal, a young, idealistic prince uninterested in ascending to the throne, and his friend Falstaff (Sewell), a fat, drunken knight who represents for Hal's father Henry IV everything that is wrong with his son. Later, when Ri came aboard to fill in the all the additional roles, the number of scenes was increased to represent the entire story arc of the two plays in miniature.

Essentially, "Henry IV" is the story of a rebellion against the king led by the Percy family, who helped him ascend to the throne only to be rewarded with the trivial duty of guarding northern England. Hal and Falstaff are recruited to fight the rebels and when Hal kills the rebel leader Henry Percy, nicknamed Hotspur, (Ri) in battle, he is redeemed in his

"The idea is to do it as it would have been done in Shakespeare's day in the Globe Theater."

Michael Eller '00

father's eyes. Eller describes the story of "Soldiers" as "the complete transformation" of Hal from an irresponsible layabout into King Henry V.

"I'm excited [about the play] because I love classical theater and I love Shakespeare," Eller says. "It's what I'd like to do when I get out of college." He adds that he has studied both "Henry" plays a great deal but has never gotten a chance to perform them, so he jumped at the chance to put together "Soldiers" when Sewell suggested it last fall.

The piece will be produced on a minimal scale, with no fancy lighting, sound effect or period costumes. "The idea is to do it as it would have been done in Shakespeare's day in the Globe Theater," Eller explains.

"Soldiers" will not feature any props either, with the exception of broadswords used in the final fight scene between Hal and Hotspur.

When playing MacDuff in last fall's production of "Macbeth" Eller learned the art of stage fighting from a professional fight coordinator and was eager to put what he learned to use in "Soldiers."

Of course, since this is Shakespeare, the language takes center stage. Both plays "have some fantastic speeches and quotes that have become ingrained in our culture," Eller says, "most people probably couldn't tell you where

they came from exactly, but they know what they are." An example of this phenomenon being the line "discretion is the better part of valor."

However, since only snippets of the plays are used, a mechanism needed to be devised to keep the audience abreast of what was going on in the portions that were deleted. The play tackles this problem by staging most scenes with only two people and having the third person stand off to the side and helpfully comment on the action, while remaining in character.

The task of adding new lines to a Shakespearean work is a daunting one, but Sewell was up to the challenge and wrote nearly all of the new dialogue.

"Dick has said that 'There are very few things I'm good at in life, but I'm damn good at imitating Shakespeare,'" Eller says, "And I can vouch for him on that. If I pick up something he has written in Elizabethan English, I can't tell whether or not he wrote it unless I look at a script." (For the curious, however, Sewell does not write his lines in iambic pentameter.)

Eller suggests that an important theme to watch for in the production is the different ways in which the various characters voice their opinions about honor.

Falstaff, at one extreme, feels that honor is worthless and all that matters is saving his own skin, while the king, at the other extreme, believes honor is everything.

"Hopefully," says Eller "we've done a good enough job stringing together scenes and monologues with the new narrative that the audience will enjoy it."

"Thieves, robberies, sword-fights...it should be fun," he says, "entertaining at least."

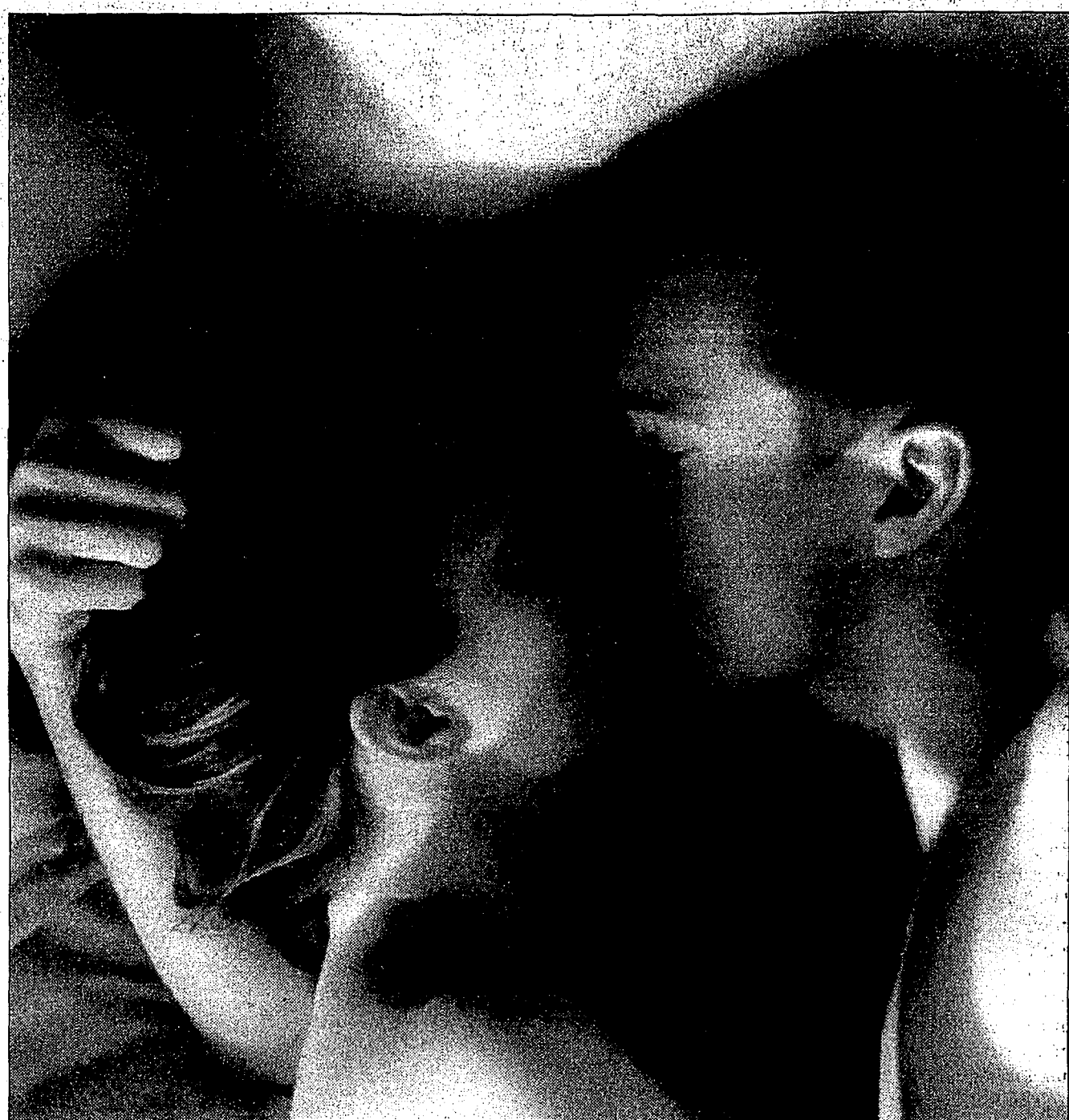


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Julianne Moore and Ralph Fiennes share an intimate moment before the affair ends in "The End of the Affair."

## Affair may end, but movie goes on forever

By RYAN DAVIS  
A+E EDITOR

I saw "The End of the Affair" the day before Valentine's Day, and I have to say it made me happy to be unattached. If being in love were always as dismal and boring as it is in this movie, no one would ever make the effort.

Maurice Bendrix (Ralph Fiennes) is a moderately successful novelist in World War II London. While interviewing government official Henry Miles (Stephen Rea) as research for one of his books, he meets Miles' unhappy wife, Sarah (Julianne Moore). She is a fan of Bendrix's work, so he takes her to a movie based on one of his novels. Then, having known each other for about two hours, they jump into bed.

Afterwards, they fall madly in love, or so we are told, since neither of them look very happy together. They meet on the sly for several years until a bomb strikes Maurice's apartment. Sarah thinks he is dead - and cries - but he turns out to be alive, so she dumps him, and the affair ends.

For the rest of the film, the two characters proclaim their undying love for each other, while never getting back together. None of this makes any more sense on screen than on paper.

The movie never explains what the attraction is between the lovers, except that Sarah has never loved her husband and Maurice has apparently never seen another woman in his life. I could not possibly care less about either of these people. All they seem to do is whine, cry, act jealous and talk in carefully constructed pseudo-poetry - "To be is to be perceived," Maurice says post-coitus.

The movie obviously wants to make some sort of grand statement about the nature of love, but that is impossible when the audience never believes the characters

### "THE END OF THE AFFAIR"

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY NEIL JORDAN

STARRING RALPH FIENNES AND JULIANNE MOORE

RATED R

RUNNING TIME: 109 MIN

REVIEW  
GRADE: D+

are actually in love. Maurice and Sarah don't seem enjoy each other's company (even when they are having sex) and certainly don't laugh or have any interesting conversations. The only words that seem to pass from their lips are declarations of love. Ironically, the more they talk about how in love they are, the less in love they seem. Writer-director Neil Jordan ("Interview with the Vampire") apparently forgot the basic dictum of high-school creative writing courses: "Show, don't tell."

The overall film exudes a crushing mournfulness. Maurice and Sarah are continually moping about, but they look downright cheerful compared to Henry and even, for some reason, Parkis, the private eye (Ian Hart) Henry hires to spy on the lovers.

Parkis' clumsiness does provide the film's only instances of comic relief, but they are far too rare and the Hart's thick Cockney accent is frequently indecipher-

able. To make matters worse, the film's practically nonstop music, practically drips with melancholy, beating the "this is a tragic love story" message over the audience's head like a sledgehammer.

However, surprisingly enough, there are a few things about "The End of the Affair" that are actually tolerable. It looks beautiful throughout, from the attractive stars to the shots of a rainy, war-torn London.

Both Fiennes and Moore act their hearts out, enunciating and emoting for all they are worth, yet they still can't do much with Jordan's meandering, chronologically-scrambled screenplay.

Eventually, the film resorts to showing the same scenes from different points of view (in case you forgot how uninteresting they were the first time around) and turns abruptly and unconvincingly into an attempt at a tearjerker.

In the finale, strange religious symbolism overwhelms the proceedings and the film limps to a close.

The original novel by Graham Greene is said to hinge largely on the characters' Catholicism, but the director "toned down" the religious aspects so as not to offend the non-Catholics in the audience.

Apparently, his idea of toning down is to shunt all the religion into the last five minutes of the film where it is utterly confounding and out of place and seems to come out of nowhere.

Maurice's first line of narration describes the film that follows as a "diary of hate." When he finally reveals who it is that he hates, I was too happy for the film to be over to worry about how hokey this revelation was.

The tagline for this movie is "The end was just the beginning." After seeing the movie, I wonder: what it was the beginning of. It certainly wasn't the beginning of an entertaining movie.

## THE FOX VS. THE MOOSE

Katahdin and Oak Pond Brewery go head-to-head

By MATT APUZZO & MEGHANN FOYE  
EDITORIAL STAFF

Who would win in a fight, a fox or a moose? Meghann claims a fox is faster than moose and can "dart all around and drive it crazy and bite its neck."

While most people who have any clue what they're talking about would say a moose, Meghann brings up an interesting point: "It's like, who would win in a race, a rabbit or a hare?"

Somewhere in Meghann's brain this all makes sense.

The point of all this is, we're going to review White Fox Ale by Oak Pond Brewery and Kathadin Red Ale, which has a moose on the label. But remember: if you're under 21 and you drink beer, you will be lured into a world of drugs and debauchery. Alcohol is a gateway drug until you turn 21.

### OPB White Fox Ale

This brew falls somewhere between the Nut Brown Ale and the Dooryard, both by Skowhegan's finest brewery. The Dooryard is just plain unpleasant, while the Nut Brown Ale is my personal brew of choice. The White Fox is initially bitter, but doesn't have the aftertaste you might expect from a brew with such spicy hops. It has a full flavor, much like an India Pale Ale, but won't leave you cringing if you're an anti-IPA person.

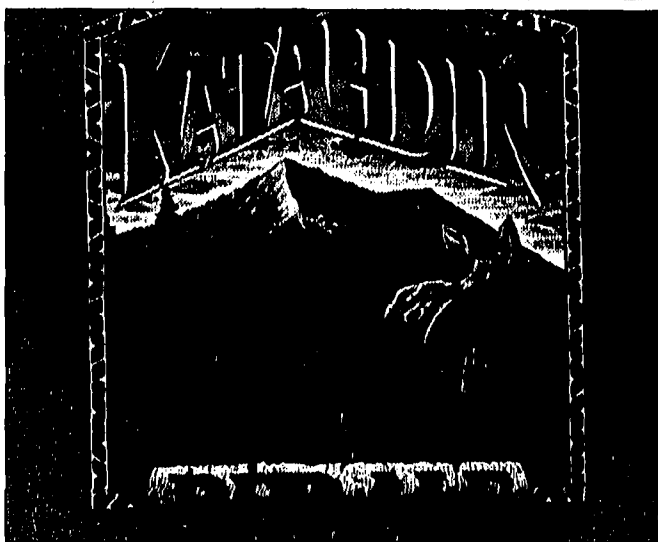
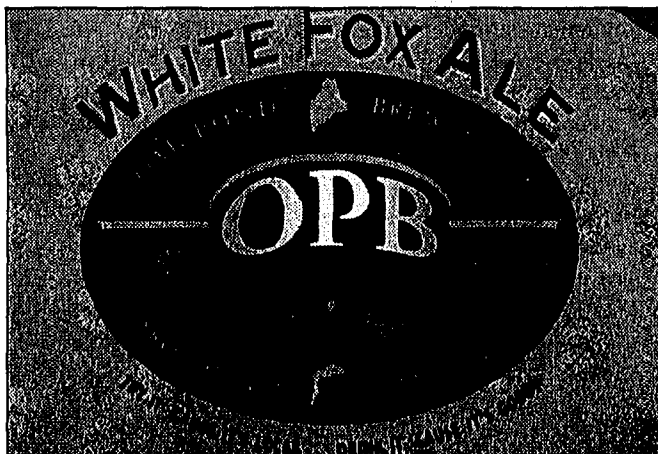
"It's definitely smoother than an IPA but it's a little too heavy for my tastes," said Meghann. "But it's mellow."

I still think you should go with the Nut Brown Ale above all else. But seeing as we're not reviewing that one today, I'll let you grab a sixer and travel the world of OPB for yourself. Also, hit the brewery for a fun day trip.

### Kathadin Red Ale.

Kathadin makes some good beers, but the Red Ale just isn't one of them. Casco Bay Brewing Company has a good reputation as one of the finest microbreweries in Maine.

"I don't like it at all," said Meghann. Well, there goes that reputation.



But I have to agree with my colleague on this one. The beer has a bitter flavor - maybe it's the small barrel batches the label claims to brew its beer in. It's true after four or five, this one tastes like the nectar of the Gods, but the end result isn't worth the time it takes to get used to. You can have a much better beer experience staying local with breweries like Stone Coast or Oak Pond Brewery than can with Kathadin.

So, I guess we answered that question. Meghann was right all along... the fox wins.

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## Editorial

### Students deserve access to impeachment materials

For the first time in anyone's memory, Colby's student leadership is about to undertake impeachment hearings. Even Dean of the College Earl Smith says he can't remember when anything like this has happened, so we certainly can't fault anyone in SGA for not knowing the best and smoothest way to handle the situation.

So far, things have gone pretty much as expected - those at the top are keeping quiet, and those coming to the aid of the Vice President are throwing counter-accusations around. Recently, in fact, the accusations have turned even more personal than they had been, and SGA President Ben Humphreys is looking at Judicial Board action.

Nobody expects this process to proceed in a friendly manner, but most of the rumors and unfounded accusations can be wiped out quickly if the SGA leadership is committed to providing open access to the impeachment materials.

Last spring, Humphreys and then running mate Jon Gray decried the SGA leadership for handling so many issues in closed-door sessions. The 1999 election, for instance, was riddled with controversy because the election commission refused to make public key election records, including candidate spending.

Now, we have a situation in which the SGA hearing board can perform its duties, pass a judgement and close the book on the entire episode. Or, once the evidence has been viewed, SGA officials could release the phone records and testimonies of the key players in the impeachment proceedings.

That is the way an impeachment process would be held at any level of government, whether at the school board level or in the White House.

If Jon Gray didn't make any phone calls and didn't allow anyone else to make them, the hearing board will undoubtedly acquit him on all charges. But, unless SGA makes it clear why they made that decision, people will undoubtedly create rumors and speculations. Similarly, if Gray is found guilty and no evidence is presented to the students, many people will believe he was removed from office because of racial or personal issues.

So, if the Student Government Association wants to make the best of this situation, it should make as much evidence public as possible. If we see what is happening in the process, we will be much more likely to accept the outcome.

## Letters

### Football team, charity thankful for support

The football team would like to take this opportunity to thank the Colby community for the generosity it showed by donating over \$600 to the Home for Little Wanderers.

The Home for Little Wanderers is a Waterville based charity that specifically aids children.

During the last week of classes of first semester, members of the team collected donations at the dining halls during lunch and dinner. With the money, Colby sweatshirts were purchased at cost and then donated to the organization.

The gift was as timely as it was generous because the sweatshirts arrived in time for the holiday season and the onset of winter.

Once again, a warm thanks and sincere appreciation from the football team and the Home for Little Wanderers.

Drew Johnson '01  
Mark D'Ambrosio '01

### Buying books online makes sense

I was surprised to read in last week's Echo that Colby Bookstore manager Bruce Barnard felt that the "inconvenience of online buying weighs against price competitiveness."

As a student who has ordered books online for the past couple years, I have found the process to be easy and less expensive than shopping at the bookstore. Of course, I do have to remember to order my books a few days in advance of classes, but such is hardly an inconvenience.

I can't begin to describe how nice it is to shop for books from the comfort of my room (no lines!) and have them delivered en masse to Eustis. I eagerly await the day when selling books back online is as fun and simple, so that I can get a more reasonable price for my textbooks.

Morgan Milner '00

## Impeachment? Am I missing something?



### Ward's Words

Geoff Ward

My fellow Colbyians, the state of our union is the most childish it has ever been.

We are in the midst of the impeachment hearing of Vice President Jon Gray. While this is never a pleasant process to be involved in, the current situation here at Colby is especially infantile. When the President and Vice President, who ran as a ticket, aren't on speaking terms, allegations of racism and "something very ugly at Colby" surface, and a split in Presidents' Council results, we are facing a problem much larger than a missed meeting and improper phone calls.

The charges don't extend beyond that. Gray is accused of making improper phone calls from the SGA office during November and December and not participating in a January trustee meeting. Now I understand that we all lead pretty sheltered lives here at Colby, and there isn't much in the way of scandal or excitement, but couldn't the presidents who drafted the articles for impeachment have come up with something better than that? SGA Treasurer Rob Painter expanded on the charges, pointing out that, "he (Jon) was downright rude to the faculty guest on Presidents' Council," and that he, "has not comported himself in a reasonable manner." While these are obviously serious offenses, they don't seem like substantial enough charges to warrant impeachment. Being sent to his room for bad manners I can see, but not impeachment.

However, I must say that this is my first impeachment here at Colby, and maybe the precedent in such cases is to nit-pick. Another possibility is that President Ben Humphreys and the Presidents' Council aren't telling us the entire story and Gray has done more to deserve impeachment than these offenses show. Despite these possibilities, I feel that all signs point to this impeachment being about personal issues.

Gray has been a volatile Vice President and has at times leveled odd, unsubstantiated attacks at the school. At a Feb. 2 Presidents' Council meeting, Gray stated, "There is a poison at Colby, and I

am going to find it." While any substance behind this charge has yet to surface, Gray must have seriously offended someone. Apparently his statement led to a private SGA presidents' meeting to discuss the presidential split.

But if all that Gray did was make questionable phone calls and miss a meeting, then some people in SGA need to grow up and spend their time worrying about actual issues. If Gray did more than that, we need to be told.

The claims of racial prejudice towards Gray also seem a bit unreasonable. Granted the impeachment may be unwarranted and based on a personal conflict, that does mean that anyone is a racist.

If Humphreys and Gray disagreed on the formation of a Multicultural Affairs Committee, it should not have snowballed into what is happening today.

Humphreys is being called a racist in this paper, and Gray is facing impeachment. Hasn't this gone far enough?

Humphreys and Gray should be professional enough to put aside their differences and focus on the job they were elected to do. When I read that "Gray and Humphreys have not been on speaking terms for some time," I thought it was a joke. Here we have to intelligent, capable leaders of the student body and they're acting more immature than my eight-year-old brother. Even he has been taught to talk out his differences with classmates.

The same goes for the members of Presidents' Council. They were elected to be the student governing body, not to take sides in a childish dispute and waste time in an impeachment trial.

If Gray did something wrong other than what we have already seen, then let us know about it. If he didn't then drop the impeachment.

Maybe the SGA members have been watching too much TV and after Clinton's impeachment they feel it is OK to impeach on thinly veiled personal grounds. Let's be above the politics we see in Washington, or else people will become disillusioned with government at every level and in any form. I know I will be if this impeachment continues on these grounds.

Geoff Ward is the Opinions Editor for Colby Echo.

## Impeachment necessary if charges true



### According to Puzzo

Matt Apuzzo

It wasn't too long ago that the Humphreys - Gray campaign was telling us how wrong it is that elected officials get special privileges. Student Government Association leaders, they said, should not be working for the benefits, but for the students.

In fact, the current President and Vice President went so far as to list the perks they wanted nothing to do with. Let us take a stroll down memory lane for a moment and remember what they said in the April 1, 1999 edition of the Echo:

"Currently the SGA executive committee receives stipends totaling \$15,000 each year and the privilege to make long-distance phone and Spa charges against the SGA account. We propose the elimination of these stipends and privileges."

Phone calls, eh? I'm not picking this from the depths of their campaign promises - this issue was the foundation of their campaign. We voted Ben and Jon into office believing they would, at the very least, spend SGA money on SGA-related things. So why do I keep hearing that this is a minor issue? Nit-picking on the part of the executive committee?

Let me go on the record right now and say that if Jon Gray made or allowed others to make personal long-distance phone calls from the SGA office, he should be out of office immediately.

Oh yeah, I feel like I should mention one thing right now. Jon Gray is black.

Breathe. Ok, we're back. Now that I've pointed out the obvious, we can move on, because this issue is not about race - as much as some people on this campus would love to make it be.

The issue is simple; our tuition dollars go to pay for every phone call made from that office, and they promised us they wouldn't spend our money on things they shouldn't be spending our money on. I don't know whether or not he did. In fact, I hope he didn't, because I

believed last spring that Ben and Jon were the answer to the SGA bureaucracy and nonsense. If Jon made those calls, or knowingly let someone else make those calls, then it doesn't matter to me what anyone tells me in their campaign this spring - you can't change the system.

But the question is, will you all scream "bigot" and "racist" across the campus if Gray is found to have made those calls? If so, who are you screaming at?

Ben Humphreys? Ben isn't the one who found out about the phone calls. He's just the one who is taking it seriously. Imagine what the backlash would be if we found out he knew SGA members were making long distance calls and then didn't do anything about it. Besides, how do you call someone a racist when he implements racial sensitivity training for his colleagues?

Of course, Ben did move to reconsider (veto) the Multicultural Affairs Committee proposal, but then again, he wasn't the only one who didn't think it was a good idea. And anyone who listened understood he vetoed the bill because he didn't think race was the only factor in being multicultural.

So who is the racist here? Rob Painter? Is he a racist because he dug up this information on Jon? Hardly. Rob was doing a routine audit of the finances. Maybe if an SGA Treasurer had done this in years past, we would have reconsidered SGA privileges a while ago.

Two down. Find the racist.

Am I the racist? Many of you already have your e-mail up and running to send me hate mail because of this column.

But I'm trying to keep this issue from becoming about color. I just want a fair trial. It doesn't matter what color the Vice President is to me. I just think he should make his long-distance phone calls on his dime, not ours.

But remember, if the hearing board comes back and says those calls were made on his watch, that is the only issue there is to discuss. At that point, discussion should be over anyway.

If he made the calls, he should be impeached. If he made the calls and he's not impeached, I'm writing AdServ for a voucher for plenty of long distance-phone calls from my room.

Matt Apuzzo is the Editor in Chief of the Echo.

## Students on the Street



"Stay out of Treworky basement"  
-Sean O'Grady '03

"Don't let the pig near the senior girls... he might get porked!"  
Steph Zegras '00 and Kelly Fanning '00



"Who's Bro Adams?"  
Lisa Mark '01 and Robin MacColl '01





# Colby as a diverse, albeit racist institution



## Devils Quoting Scripture

Jeffrey Calareso

Should SGA Vice President Jon Gray be impeached? Is SGA President Ben Humphreys a racist? Is the impeachment process pending against Gray simply Humphreys' Nixon-esque method of diverting attention away from his own slightly shady actions as Mr. Prez?

More importantly, why do students on this campus not care?

Colby College is currently drifting evermore astray, blindly disembodied from its stated mission and goals. On page five of your local course catalogue, we are told that at Colby, "It is hoped that students will become critical and imaginative thinkers who are: welcoming of diversity and compassionate toward others; capable of distinguishing fact from opinion; intellectually curious and aesthetically aware; ...[and, lastly,] happy with themselves."

And in the next paragraph: "Colby stands for diversity, without which we become parochial; for respect for various lifestyles and beliefs, without which we become mean-spirited; and for the protection of every individual against discrimination."

This stance against becoming parochial (which means narrow or provincial) seems terrific. I want to like this. Yet there is something amiss.

Christianity is an ideology. Capitalism is an ideology. Diversity is not. To stand for diversity is not to stand for anything in particular but a desirable facet of life. We have become parochial, yet it is that term 'diversity' that we have narrowed our thoughts around, to little benefit.

It seems to me that the commitment to diversity is the closest thing to an actual mission statement this school has. And this mission, in my experience, has been failing miserably. Many students know there is racism on this campus. Many students have experienced, participated in, or witnessed this racism. Yet I would venture to say that most students, at the end of the day, don't care in the least, unless they themselves are the target.

One need look no further than the current SGA melee. Race has become a topic of contention in the efforts to oust Jon Gray. Ben Humphreys has been called a racist on numerous fronts, some of which I find it hard to disregard. Yet the fact that our elected SGA President is seeking the removal of one of his most able critics from office with what may be racial motivations has not resulted in an uproar. Why not?

The moment this impeachment process takes on racial undertones, the stated ideology of this campus needs to prevail. This is what our entire system of academia here is founded

upon. Yet what has happened? The administration sits back while the SGA play with race. Students have grown disinterested because, as with everything SGA handles, it's grown stale and dull.

The SGA has no real power, this we all know, or should know. If there is a case of racial discrimination within the hierarchy of the SGA, it is not a matter they are capable of handling. The SGA was founded in order to provide students with the illusion of representation, under the guise of power. When this truth is exposed, all issues the school leaves to the SGA to resolve are thereby minimized. And this will continue so long as we, as a student body, keep viewing the SGA as the mediator between us and the administration.

The administration's publicly acknowledged mission statement is not diversity. It is money. I can't condemn Colby's ruthless pursuit of money, because this is the basis of the economic system in America. However, diversity is currently the prop goal existing on paper because "Colby stands for endowment" doesn't sound good.

So the impeachment process will exist, rumors of racism will exist, and passing, disinterested comments will flutter and die. If this college actually stood for all those wonderful ideals, we would be witnessing it. Instead, we are left in ignorant argument amongst ourselves. And when we happen to be white and affluent, we can choose to watch television instead, because it's not our lives we're talking about. What will we remember about Colby when we graduate? Its commitment to diversity? Will the repeated attempts of the school to solicit money from us remind us of Colby's efforts to combat racism?

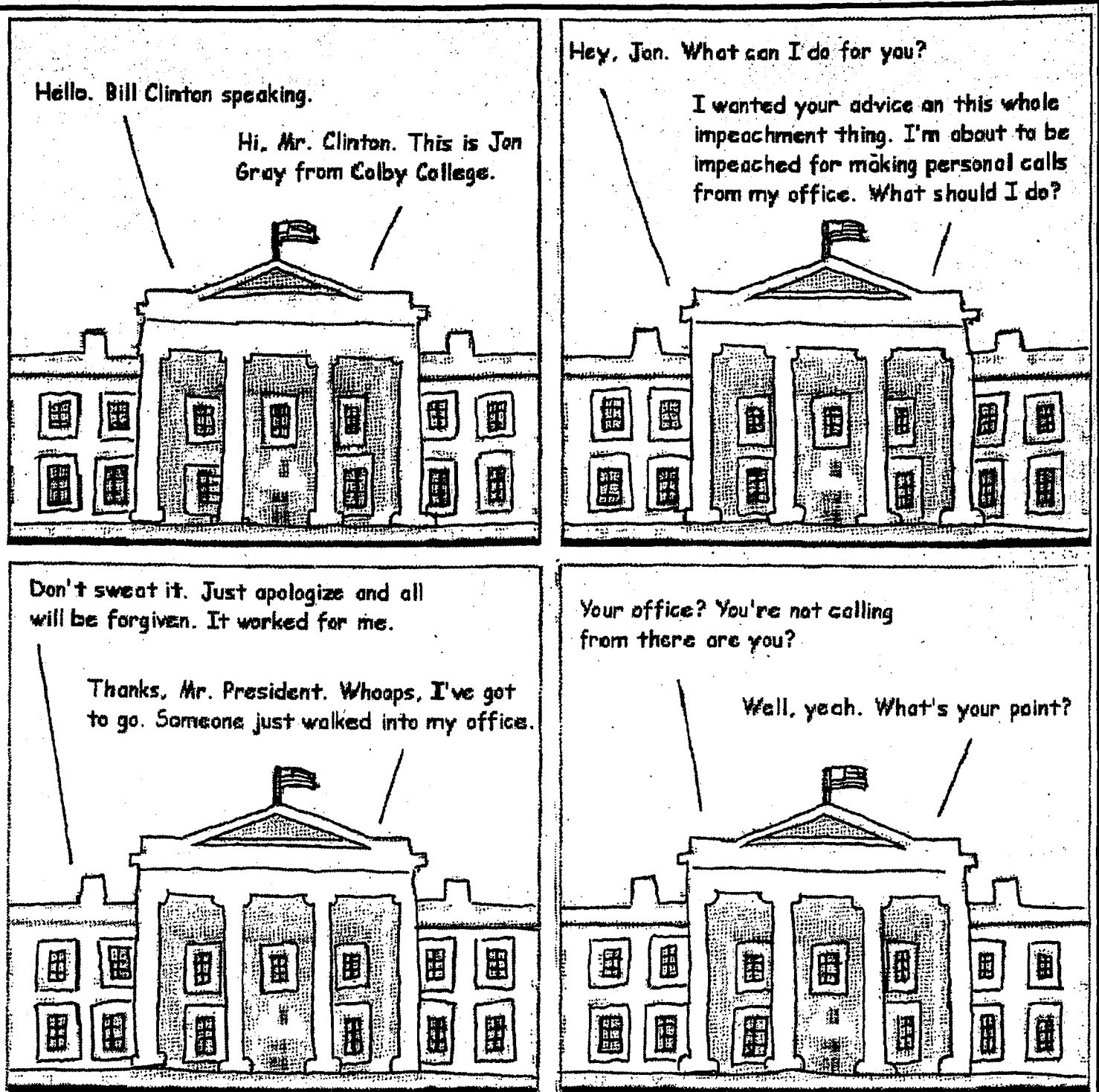
I've been to SOAR (Students Organized Against Racism) meetings before, and found that white students by and large on this campus aren't against racism, or if they are, they have little interest in being organized against racism. Most of the people at these meetings have been discriminated against, that's why they're there. If this campus' mission statement was actively pursued in concordance with its stated goals, SOAR meetings would be in the Page Commons room instead of buried in a tiny room upstairs.

So perhaps this little skirmish between Ben Humphreys and Jon Gray isn't so surprising (and it certainly wasn't for anyone who knows them). They are mere products of Colby College here and now, and if that's the case, can we continue to call this higher learning? Higher than what?

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BY D.K.

# BUZZED



# Deforestation hurts us all



## Thinking Green

Jacoby Ballard

Seventy acres of trees are destroyed every minute. This is a 38-million acre loss of trees per year, and if this continues, we could destroy all of the rainforests within our lifetime. Okay, those are impressive figures, but why do trees really matter?

Trees convert atmospheric carbon to plant matter and oxygen. Sunlight is used as the energy force. The trees literally 'breathe' in carbon dioxide and exhale oxygen. Without trees, our own atmosphere would be harmful to us, and because rainforest trees are so much larger and have greater surface areas, the rainforests of the world provided much of the oxygen that you are using as you read this page.

Trees are part of our water system as well. They draw up water from the soil and release it as water vapor into the air through their leaves. The leaves of one tree can add up to 40 acres of surface area. Without trees to release

water into the air, few water droplets would exist in the atmosphere to be gathered as clouds and to then fall again as rain. The result is desertification. We can see an example of this in northern and eastern Africa, leading to massive famines as the rains stop, crops fail, and the topsoil is blown away.

Another water problem caused by deforestation is the loss of drinkable ground water. Drinkable water falls as rain from the sky and is absorbed by the earth. At deeper levels in the soil, high concentrations of minerals, especially salts, have accumulated. Trees reach their roots down into the soil and draw water from just above the mineral deposits and pump it into the atmosphere, and use the minerals to harden their wood. When the forests are cut, the more saline water creeps to the surface, infiltrating into the higher levels of soil. When the salty water has reached a few feet below the surface, the trees' immune system is damaged and they become vulnerable to diseases and infections. When the salty water is this high, crops cannot grow; the salty water that would have been absorbed by trees renders the land toxic to vegetation when the trees are gone.

The loss of trees means not only the

loss of current topsoil because of salination and desertification, but also the loss of future soils. The deep roots of trees break up the lower levels of rock and shallow roots, which break up surface rock. In these rocks are minerals that the trees draw to help make the plant matter. When leaves are shed, they help recycle nutrients into the soil. Since we need good soil to grow crops, we should be concerned about the loss of over 300 tons of top soil that occurs every minute as desertification and salination take their toll.

Most of the rainforest destruction is done by impoverished people to provide pasture area for cattle to be raised to export to the United States as beef. Forests that have taken centuries to grow are often logged and the wood is sold, often the land is burned and converted to pasture land for the cattle. The American diet has provided an economic boom for farmers and ranchers, and is the driving force behind the rainforest destruction. The United States imports 200 million pounds of beef annually from El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Honduras, and Panama, while the average citizen in those countries eats less beef per year than an American house. These countries are in Latin America, a place that

holds 58 percent of the world's rainforests.

The timber industry is creating decade-long gaps in the water cycle. They plant seedlings on their cut land, but they are too small and can't substantially contribute to the water cycle. Taking full-grown trees from a forest and replacing them with saplings will not provide the atmospheric moisture for areas that need rainfall.

The timber industry also plants the same species through a reforested area. When an entire forest is made of the same species of tree, and they're all the same age, they fall susceptible to harmful beetles and diseases. By the time the forest is regenerated, having only one species, the forest is more like a tree farm than an ecosystem, as the loggers have discarded the diversity of plants and trees that the rest of the forest life depends on.

The loss of trees hurts the earth as well as ourselves. Trees play integral roles in the water and soil cycles, and provide for diversity on Earth. We can't just plant again. The protection of forests is essential to our future and the health of the planet that we depend on.

Jacoby Ballard is the environmental columnist for the Echo.

# There are poisons at Colby, and I've found them

By ZACK KAHN  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

So there I was, sitting on Bondi Beach in Sydney, Australia, soaking up the sun, surf, and beautiful women. Wow, I thought, it will be pretty strange to be back at Colby in a few months... BANG POW ZAP, flash-forward a few months... I step out of my dorm into the below-zero-wind-chill fresh morning air, slip on the ice, regain my balance, act cool by alighting a bit more on my way towards somewhere far away from my off-frat-row dorm. Who am I? No, I'm not a Feb-fresh. That's right - the returning Junior.

Yup little freshman you may have noticed us, hugging in the dining hall, bumping into you in Foss as we attempt to get some food, or even in your own dorm. We are the unfamiliar faces, the "oh yeah I remember her, she still goes here," people. From all over the world we have flocked once again to Mayflower Hill for another semester of "the way life should be."

"Great," you say, he's been somewhere cool, far away, it was warmer there, blah blah blah, whatever. (For some reason Australians seem to think we say "whatever" all the time. Whatever to that) Well now we are back and I think we have a tremendous amount to offer Colby. Now, as usual, Colby is in dire straights. Yup, the sky is falling in case you hadn't noticed. You see, at Colby it is easy not to notice that everything is falling apart around your ears but if you read the Echo or talk to your Dorm President after a meeting you will know that, yes, Colby is indeed crumbling. This immortal fortress of sin can no longer maintain its own weight and will soon collapse. Anyhow, the point of all this is that we returning Juniors have all the answers.

**PARTY ON WEEKNIGHTS. MAYBE YOU HAVE ALREADY FIGURED THIS ONE OUT FOR YOURSELVES BUT WE JUNIORS HAVE FOUND OVER THE YEARS THIS HELPS ENORMOUSLY IN MAXIMIZING YOUR COLLEGE POTENTIAL.**

(Biz Mark-E Musical Interlude: Oh baby you, you got what I need, you say he's just a friend, you say he's just a friend...)

We not only have all the answers, but in a catastrophic, potentially disastrous error we have been overlooked and ignored because we weren't here first semester. Nobody asks us what to do and we are all too busy trying to find where the plates are in Foss to care. Well, luckily I have had the initiative and decided to write this article and tell you all what to do.

So here it is, the first ever Returning Junior List of What to Do to Fix Colby Based on Two Years of Vast Colby Experience and That All Important Semester Abroad:

## 1. BRING BACK DISK DRIVES.

For expletive expletive expletives sake. I don't really want to explain, I think it is pretty obvious. The

two diskdrives on campus never work and guess what, nobody likes Zip drives and nobody has a Zip drive so what good does it do?

## 2. IMPEACHMENT SHMIMPEACHMENT

No cigar, no impeachment. I hate to tell you boys but a disagreement is not grounds for impeachment.

Unless there is some new, groundbreaking information that demonstrates something other than a disagreement, the Vice President has done nothing worth being impeached. He was fairly elected and has not, it seems to me, broken the trust or injured the best interests of the students. So what's the big deal?

## 3. SPEED UP THE INTERNET

Ok, so maybe the Internet is already pretty fast for people with decent computers but we ancient juniors have ancient computers and well, they are sssssllllllllllloooooowwww. (Opinion articles are also for complaining.)

## 4. PARTY ON WEEKNIGHTS

Maybe you have already figured this one out for yourselves but we juniors have found over the years this helps enormously in maximizing your college potential. You can't leave everything to the last minute on a Saturday night.

## 5. BUILD UNDERGROUND TUNNELS.

Yup that's right, underground tunnels. Maybe with people movers like in O'Hare Airport. We should be able to go from Foss, down some stairs and into a tunnel all the way to the Fieldhouse.

**6. MASSAGE PARLOR IN THE STUDENT CENTER.** Brilliant, I say, brilliant.

## 7. PUB DELIVERY.

Old school and a great idea. A keg of Shipyard Prelude delivered right to your dorm, oops I mean apartment of course.

## 8. BETTER ICE CREAM IN THE DANA.

After Dinner Mint, Caramel Caribou, Coffee, etc. No more fruity flavors, I mean c'mon.

## 9. BRING BACK SPORTSCENTER IN DANA.

That's right, we used to have Sportscenter for breakfast. Talk about bonding, I don't think I have ever felt closer to my fellow Colby student than sitting at opposite ends of a table, eating hard-boiled eggs and watching yours and my favorite show.

## 10. BETTER OPINION ARTICLES

We Juniors know that opinion articles are supposed to amuse, entertain and inform. They are important tools with which we communicate with each other and so far this year Colby seems to have been lacking. In fact after re-reading this article I think I have proved my point. So please, write some interesting opinion articles. You don't have to criticize the football team, as a friend of mine did freshman year, but, well, someone with some comic talent and an informed (or not) opinion should write. Now if I can only find an expletive disk drive I could print this thing out.





# DEVASTATOR OF THE WEEK

## Josephine Chapman '01

The women's hockey co-captain had two impressive performances in Colby's games against Bowdoin. Chapman stopped 71 shots in both games. Although the Mules dropped the first game with the Polar Bears, 3-1, the goalkeeper won the rematch for Colby, turning away 38 attempts. Chapman made Colby's lone score count, blanking Bowdoin 1-0 in her fourth shutout of the year.

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## ALL MULE PACK

### Frederick Perowne '01

The junior forward spurred the Men's hockey offense in the Mules' weekend sweep. On Friday, against nationally ranked Amherst, Perowne had a part in four of the team's five goals, scoring once and setting up three. On Saturday, he added a goal in the Mules' 4-2 win over Trinity.

### Women's indoor track team

The entire team gets honors this week because so many contributed in its victory at the State Meet. Out of 19 events, the Mules earned eight first-place finishes and 10 second place finishes. At the end of the day, the Mules had tallied 211 points.

# Chapman stonewalls Polar Bears as Mules split series

After 3-1 loss in Brunswick, Mules rebound with 1-0 win.

BY BECKY SCHECHTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

After falling to Bowdoin 3-1 on Feb. 8, the women's hockey team evened its record against the Maine state rivals on Friday, 1-0. Both games showcased the goal-tending skills of co-captain Josephine Chapman '01. The Polar Bears dominated both games, but Chapman, who turned away 71 shots over the two contests, kept the games close.

The White Mules traveled to Brunswick to play the first game

"To psyche our team up before the game, Kathleen Carney painted herself blue, teased her hair and wore a prom dress around Waterville. It really worked."

Carrie Swiderski '02

of a men's/women's doubleheader. Bowdoin recorded the first score off a rebound midway through the first period.

Although the Polar Bears out-shot Colby 12-4 in the second, the White Mules were able to tie it up.

Lauren Gremelspacher '03 snagged the puck off a Bowdoin turnover in the neutral zone. The rookie then passed to Michelle Mancuso '02 who lit the lamp 10

minutes into the second. Bowdoin netted the winning shot just under four minutes into the final period. Polar Bear rookie Shelly Chessie aired the puck over Chapman's right shoulder on a breakaway to put Bowdoin ahead for good.

The Polar Bears collected another goal on an empty-netter with 41 seconds left to make the final score 3-1. Colby challenged the Bowdoin netminder 12 times, while Chapman stopped the Polar Bears' 33 shots.

Chapman's outstanding play would be a significant factor in the rematch at Colby.

Bowdoin controlled most of the game on Friday, but Chapman stymied the

Polar Bears with her fourth shutout of the year. Despite out-shooting the White Mules by 24, the Polar Bears were thwarted by the impenetrable Chapman. Colby's Amy Bonneford '01, assisted by Carrie Swiderski '02 and Gremelspacher, was the only

player able connect, as she beat the Bowdoin keeper late in the second period.

Although unable to capitalize on their three power plays, the White Mules held off Bowdoin in their six opportunities. Chapman recorded 38 saves in the winning effort.

Another factor should be taken into account for the Mules' victory.

Said Swiderski, "To psyche our team up before the game, Kathleen Carney painted herself blue, teased her hair and wore a prom dress around Waterville. It really worked."

Interesting pre-game strategy, indeed.

Colby stands at 9-7-1 after the two-game series, while the Polar Bears are at 10-6-2. The White Mules face more conference competition on Feb. 19 and 20, as they travel to Connecticut to face Wesleyan and Trinity.

## HOOPS: Mules drop two consecutive after victory

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shooting in the first, the White Mules had a hard time finding the basket in the second, sinking just 30 percent of their attempts.

Instead of displaying their usual dominance early in the second half, the White Mules were overpowered as the Panthers went on a 17-10 run in the teams' first five minutes back on the court.

Following a three-point play by teammate

Chad Malone, Middlebury's Craig Breen put away the Panthers' next 13 points. With Middlebury ahead by four with 9:30 to go, Colby fought back. A three-pointer from Zeb Davis '01 began an 11-2 run that put the White Mules up by three.

That rally was the last offensive effort mustered by the men, as Colby went without a fieldgoal for the final 4:49 and the Panthers came away with the seven point victory. Clark was the only scorer in double-digits for the White Mules with 20 points.

Head coach Dick Whitmore believes the White Mules' performances were aberrations in an other-

wise exemplary season.

"This past weekend was a disappointment, as the team has played exceptionally well throughout the season," he said.

"There was a lot going on, and with all of the distractions out of the way, I am confident that we will play well on the road this weekend," Whitmore said.

Colby hopes for better results in its three next conference games at Trinity, Amherst and a rematch at Bowdoin on Feb. 18, 19 and 22.

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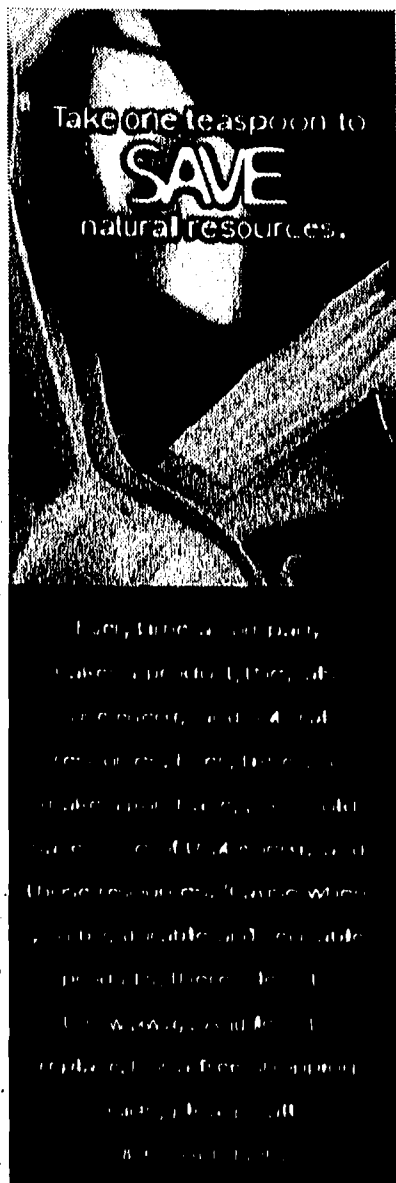
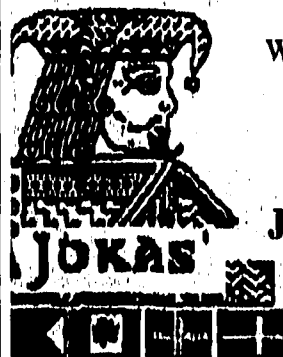
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## Down the Gutter

By The Numbers

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Goals scored by the men's hockey team this weekend

71

Shots stopped by women's hockey goalie Josephine Chapman '01 in two games against Bowdoin.

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Minutes it takes to walk from AMS to the Fieldhouse in September

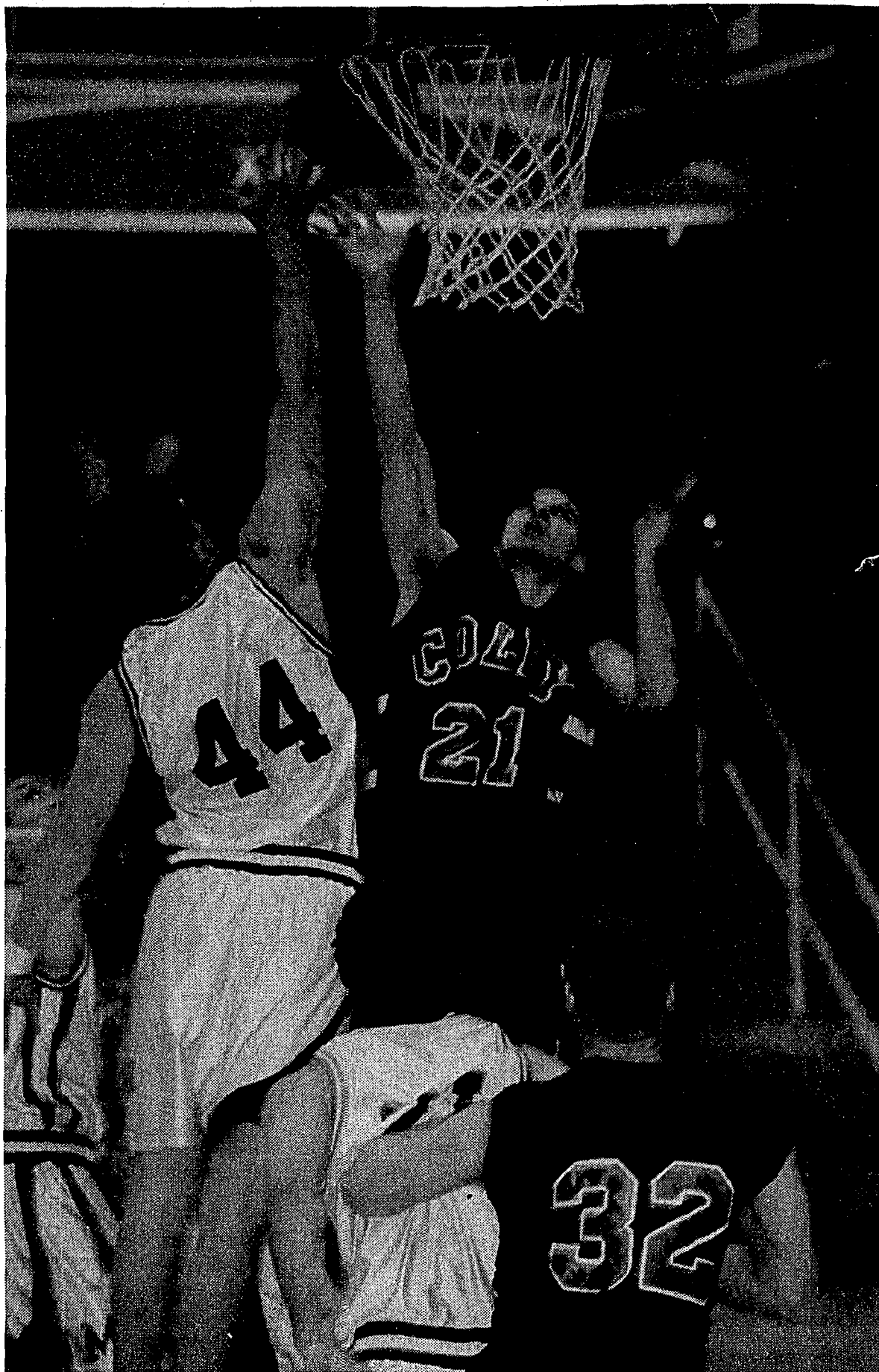
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Minutes it takes to walk from AMS to the Fieldhouse in February

You Heard It

"Touch my grips."

As seen on a step machine at the Field House.



Co-captain Ken Allen '00 goes up for a layup this weekend. The White Mules dropped two out of three games. After a big win over Bowdoin on Tuesday, the Mules fell to NESCAC rivals Williams and Middlebury.

## After beating Bowdoin, Colby falls twice

BY BECKY SCHECHTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team dropped two home games after recording a decisive victory over Bowdoin on February 8. The White Mules (14-5) were unable to repeat the offensive performance they displayed against the Polar Bears, faltering against NESCAC rivals Williams (15-3) and Middlebury (9-11) on Friday and Saturday.

A strong team offensive effort yielded a 69-52 win for Colby over the Polar Bears. Bowdoin was leading by eight only 10 minutes into the game, but the Mules fought back to build a three-point lead, their largest lead of the game so far. Colby held the 30-28 advantage when the buzzer signaled the end of the half. The White Mules came out of the locker room on a scoring mission. Set off by six from co-captain Brian Hansen '00, Colby took a 44-32 lead with 14:04 remaining after recording 14 of the first 18 second-half points. The Polar Bears would not back down, however, as they staged a rally of their own. A 20-9 rally, including 10 points from Hugh Coleman, brought Bowdoin within one at 53-52 with 5:12 to go.

That would be the Polar Bears' final stand though as the White Mules held their in-state rivals scoreless for the final five minutes. Colby tallied 16 of its own at the end of the game, including sinking eight for ten from the free-throw line. Led by 16 from co-captain Ken Allen '00, four White Mule starters scored in double-figures. Hansen, Patrick Gallagher '00, and Jacob Civiello '01 added 12 points each in the winning effort.

In Friday's game it was Williams' turn to partake of the offensive wealth, as the Ephs recorded three double-doubles in their win over White Mules, 59-48. Both teams experienced scoring trouble early on in the match, as the first basket

Colby	69
Bowdoin	52
Colby	48
Williams	59
Colby	57
Middlebury	64



of the game came from Williams at the 16:32 mark in the first.

**"This past weekend was a disappointment, as the team has played exceptionally well throughout the season."**

*Dick Whitmore*  
Men's Basketball Coach

The Ephs' Emmanuel Benjamin scored 13 of Williams' first 15 points, largely on offensive put-backs. The Ephs were ahead by five, 23-18, as the teams headed to the locker room.

Colby came back strong in the second, pulling to within one at 29-28 on a jumper by Allen with 12:55 to go, but Benjamin ignited a 7-0 Williams run. The Ephs' lead would grow to as many as 14 late in the contest as the White Mules struggled to maintain

momentum.

Colby was hampered by a game field goal percentage of less than 30 percent. Allen led the White Mules with 16 points, while Samuel Clark '01 put up 14 for Colby.

The game on Saturday against the Panthers was a tale of two halves. Colby started out the game on an offensive tear, sinking the first 11 baskets of the game, seven of which came from Clark inside. The White Mules expanded their lead over Middlebury to as many as 12 with 8:40 left in the first, but the Panthers refused to back down, working their way back to within four at the half. Colby left the floor leading 34-30.

As opposed to their 50 percent field goal

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## Hockey rebounds with big wins over Amherst, Trinity

BY BEN STICKNEY  
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

After dropping two games last weekend, head coach James Tortorella said the men's hockey team was in need of a turnaround.

"We needed to get back on track," he said. "These wins were important for our mental psyche."

That's easy to understand. Before last Friday, the White Mules had lost three straight, including a defeat to in-state rival Bowdoin.

Colby moved into third place in the New England Small College Athletic Conference after a pair of important wins over the weekend. The victories bring the White Mules' record to 13-8-1 overall and 12-3-0 in conference play.

Colby took on an Amherst team ranked ninth in the nation and second in the league Friday. After falling behind in the first period, 1-0, the Mules stormed back, winning decisively, 5-1.

The Lord Jeffs went ahead early, lighting the lamp 10 minutes into the first, but Colby came right back. Paul Nahigian '02 got the scoring started when he put one in four minutes into the second period. Steven Cunningham '01 and Perowne assisted on the goal. Co-captain Michael Wood '00 gave Colby the lead on a goal assisted by Perowne and Cunningham.

Wood and Perowne combined on the next goal 11 seconds into the third period, this one scored by Perowne. The junior forward tallied one goal and three assists on the afternoon. Co-captain Scott Richardson '00 put the game away with two more goals of his own. Jesse Kucentic '02 stopped 25 of 26

Colby	5
Amherst	1
Colby	4
Trinity	2



shots in the win.

Colby continued to rack up points Saturday against Trinity. Once again the Mules found themselves down early as the Bantams found the net two minutes into the game. Colby first got themselves on the board in the second period. Receiving the puck from Richardson off a turnover, Perowne slapped a shot past the Trinity netminder. Michael Dalton '01 then put the Mules up by one, scoring unassisted.

The Bantams then tied the score at two to close out the scoring in the second period. Colby came back on the ice strong, taking the lead four minutes into the third. Bob Caron '01 scored off an assist by Ray Lang '00. The Mules netted their final goal at 6:22 in the third as Cunningham, assisted by Sean O'Grady '03 and Richardson, scored on a power play. With effective penalty killing, the Mules were able to hold off Bantams' threats late in the game to make the 4-2 lead final.

Richardson and Perowne are now tied for fourth in the NESCAC among scorers with 24 points.

The Mules will try to extend their two-game winning streak in games against UMass-Boston and Babson February 18 and 19.

## Women's track wins State meet

BY BEN STICKNEY  
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

In the State Meet held on Friday at Bowdoin College, the Colby women's track team bested their opponents to capture the Maine State Championships.

The team garnered 211 points on the afternoon. Bowdoin came in second with 188 points. University of Southern Maine followed with 97 and Bates finished with 66.

The Mules were especially excited to beat Bowdoin.

"We lost to Bowdoin last weekend, so it was our goal to beat them," said co-captain Karen Hoach '00. "We lost by 12 points last week. We're really psyched."

A number of Mules stood out with impressive performances at the meet. First year Allyson Hill '03 came in first place in the 200-meter run with a time of 27.30 seconds.

Tri-captain Jeannine Bergquist '00 had a winning time of 2:23.36 in the 800 run. With a first place finish of 17:35.37 Sarah Toland '00 qualified for the NCAA Championships in the 5,000 run.

In the 4x200 relay, Colby runners Hill, Bergquist, Ann Birnebaum '00 and tri-captain Kathryn LaRochelle '00 won first with a time of 1:48.77.

Faith Anderson '00 earned first place in the

**"We didn't know we had won yet. The last couple relays were really intense with everyone cheering and running around the track."**

*Karen Hoach '00*  
Co-captain, women's track

high jump with a jump of 5'4" while first year Shannon Corliss '03 recorded 16'3" in the long jump to win her event. The excitement increased as the meet went on.

"We didn't know we had won yet," said Hoch. "The last couple relays were really intense with everyone cheering and running around the track."

LaRochelle said of the meet, "This is the first time we really came together as a team. We have a small team this year and to win at the State meet against bigger teams is a major feat."

This weekend Colby set its sights on the Division III Championships held at Bowdoin Feb. 19.

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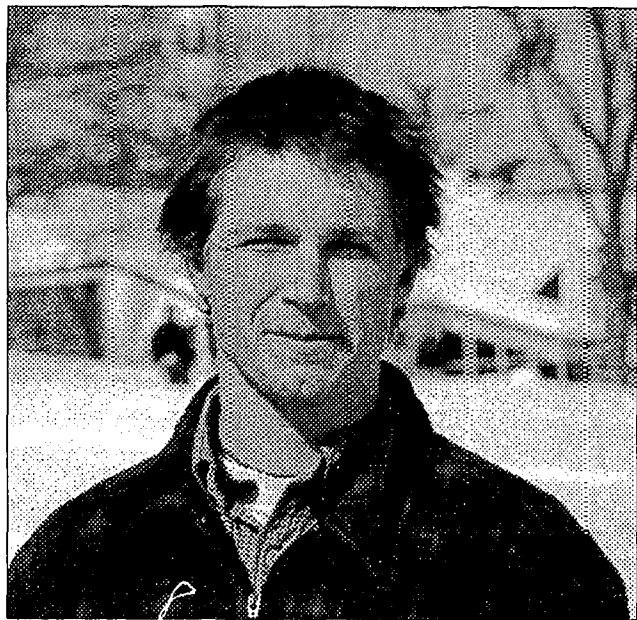
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After two impressive games in the goal for the White Mule hockey team, Josephine Chapman '01 earned Devastator of the Week.

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## DEVASTATOR OF THE WEEK

### David Riss '01

Junior captain Riss of the men's alpine skiing team performed superbly at the Winter Carnival at Williams College last weekend, finishing eighth in the Giant Slalom. The White Mules have not had a skier finish in the top ten in eight years. Also notable, Riss finished 13th in the slalom. This weekend at the Eastern College Championships, held at the Middlebury Snowbowl, Riss will try to earn a trip to the NCAA Championships in Park City, UT.

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## ALL MULE PACK

### Scott Richardson '00

Senior captain Richardson was a scoring machine in the Colby men's hockey team weekend sweep. He put together a total of five goals, including two game-winning goals, and two assists in the pair of White Mule wins. Against UMass-Boston he scored twice and had one assist, and in the Babson match he lit the lamp three times and recorded one assist.

### Jessica Knight '02 and Melinda Williams '03

These two underclassmen had three of Colby's 18 top ten finishes in the New England Division III Women's Swimming and Diving Championships held at Bowdoin. Williams took fourth in the 500-yard freestyle and third in the 1650 yard freestyle, while Knight won the 100-yard individual medley for the Mules. These strong performances helped Colby take fourth place in the meet.

### Sarah Walsh '03

The rookie continued to hold her own inside and produce for the women's basketball team in their two big wins this weekend. Walsh recorded 12 points and grabbed 17 boards in the Mules' thriller over Trinity and contributed nine points and seven rebounds in the victory over Amherst. Tuesday night against Bowdoin the first-year recorded her eighth double-double of the season, tallying 11 points and 11 rebounds.

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Jennifer Freese '00 then tied the game at 52 a minute later, nailing the free throw of a three-point play. Diving for a loose ball on the next Colby possession, Freese collided with Trinity's Megan Shutte and left the game with a large, bleeding cut in her forehead.

The Mules continued their solid defense for the remainder of regulation. Colby had two great opportunities to win the game, but first-year Bianca Belcher '03 missed two free throws with 58 seconds left, and Walsh's 18-footer at the buzzer just did not fall.

Although they were not able to put the game away in regulation, the Colby rookies certainly got it done in overtime. All but two of Colby's 12 overtime points came from first-years. Christine O'Donnell '03 got the Mules off on the right foot, giving Colby their first lead with a free throw, and then Belcher put the Mules up by three with a driving jumper. Carl Parisella '03 pushed the lead to six, completing a three-point play with 3:54 left. Trinity was able to come back to within one, but Belcher atoned for her earlier misses from the line, sinking four free throws in the game's final 25 seconds, allowing Colby to hold on for the 66-61 win. O'Brien was pleased with the Mules' efforts.

"We did a good job of team defense against Trinity," she said. "We got a lot of production from the subs and had a lot of balance."

Cole-Karagory led the Mules with 13 points,

while Walsh contributed 12

points and 17 rebounds. Freese added 10 points. The Mules were able to overcome the Lord Jeffs and Naomi Sullivan, the NESCAC's leading scorer, with a team effort. Sullivan may have led all scorers with 30 points and grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds, but Colby decided to spread the wealth. The Mules bench produced 24 points and every player recorded at least one rebound in the 72-68 victory.

After being delayed an hour due to a tardy official, the game started out with the two squads trading baskets. At first Amherst looked as if it would control the boards, but five minutes into the contest Colby was grabbing rebounds at both ends of the court. The Mules would end up out-rebounding the Lord Jeffs 53 to 34.

Sullivan made her presence known early, scoring Amherst's first six points of the game and half of their first 24. The Lord Jeffs were ahead 27-26 with just over five minutes remaining in the half. Colby then closed out the half on a tear, with six different players contributing in a 14-5 run that put the Mules ahead 40-32 at the break.

Amherst attempted to reassert itself at the start of the second, but eight points from Parisella over first seven minutes helped the Mules hold on to a five point edge. The Lord Jeffs managed to tie the game up at 56 with 11:05 left in regulation, but with good, tough defense and rebounding, the Mules were able to pull away and took a 62-57 lead at the seven minute mark. The game's pace quickened as the clock ticked away. Colby's lead had shrunk to two

when Freese, a headband covering a large bandage, was fouled with 10 seconds to go. Freese rimmed the second shot, but Walsh grabbed the rebound. Belcher, for the second game in a row, and Cole-Karagory sealed the 72-68 win with strong free throw shooting in the last seconds.

Cole-Karagory once again paced the Mules, this time with 16 points. Parisella added 12, while Walsh recorded nine points and seven rebounds. Freese was thrilled with the two tight victories.

"These were huge wins for us," she said. The two wins help Colby in the team's hunt for its first ever trip to the NAAs.

"Right now destiny is in our own hands," said O'Brien before Tuesday's game. "We have to win against Bates and Bowdoin and take care of business."

The Mules took care of the Polar Bears Tuesday night, avenging an overtime loss earlier in the season, 64-50, behind Cole-Karagory's game-high 15 points. The senior captain moved into second place on Colby's all-time scoring list with 1381 career points.

O'Brien is proud of the Mules' current second place ranking behind Bates in the NESCAC, especially considering who Colby played this season.

"We play such an incredibly tough schedule. Our conference is one of the best in the country and all of the non-conference teams we play are ranked," said O'Brien. "It pays off because we have learned from tough losses and are better prepared."

Colby, 16-7 overall and 6-2 in the NESCAC, will attempt to gain revenge for an overtime loss to Bates in the team's final regular season game at Bates February 26.

# Sportshorts

The women's hockey team went 2-0 on its road trip to Connecticut Friday and Saturday, icing NESCAC rivals Wesleyan and Trinity. Netminder Josephine Chapman '01 blocked 36 Cardinal attempts as Colby blanked Wesleyan 5-0 Friday night. Led by underclassmen Kelley Jessopp '02 and Madeleine Mineau '03, the Mules beat the Bantams 7-2. Jessopp and Mineau each had a pair of goals in the decisive victory. Chapman made 19 saves in the net for Colby. The Mules are 11-7-1 after the winning weekend.

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Colby had an impressive performance at the New England Division III Women's Swimming and Diving Championships at Bowdoin. Tallying 673 points, the White Mules finished fourth out of 31 teams. Williams took the meet, followed by Amherst and Middlebury. The Mules had 18 top ten finishes in the competition. Colby finished third in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Underclassmen led the Mules in top finishes. Melinda Williams '03 took fourth in the 500-yard freestyle and third in the 1650-yard freestyle, while Jessica Knight '02 won the 100-yard individual medley.

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The Colby ski team has raced solidly and consistently this season. The alpine and nordic ski teams came into Friday and Saturday's Williams Carnival at Jimminy Peak in Hancock, MA having completed two consecutive strong performances in Vermont and New Hampshire. The White Mules placed eighth overall in the University of Vermont, Dartmouth and Williams Carnivals.

Colby tallied 340 points in the Williams Carnival February 18 and 19. The alpine men's team finished sixth, led by an eighth place finish from captain David Riss '01 in the giant slalom. Riss's performance is the White Mules' first top-ten performance in eight years. Riss placed 13th in the slalom, followed by Noah Siebeck-Smith '03 in 19th.

The alpine women placed seventh, as co-captain Amanda Rutherford '00 led the White Mules placing 29th in the giant slalom and 22nd in the slalom. Riss, Siebeck-Smith, Rutherford and Elizabeth Festa '01 will try to earn themselves a trip to the NCAA Championships in Park City, UT at the Middlebury Snowbowl Eastern College Championships February 25 and 26.

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## SPLIT: Lord Jeffs too much for White Mules

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halftime. The Mules pulled within 13 on a three by Allen a few minutes into the second, but Amherst then went on a 13-2 run to put the game away.

Colby was beaten badly in nearly every facet of the game. The Mules' most glaring weakness in the game was on the glass, as Amherst's starting front line of Hugh Quattlobaum, Jackson Collins, and Chris Smith out-rebounded Colby's starting front line 27-12 and out-rebounded the Mules 50-35 overall. Colby also suffered from a rare poor shooting night, sinking only 34 percent for the game compared with 47 percent for the Lord Jeffs. Allen, who led Colby with 23 points, shot a solid 9 of 17, but the rest of the team shot only 13 of 44 and no other Mule was in double figures.

Colby's performance at the foul line was even worse, as the Mules shot a miserable 8 of 19 in the second half and 9 of 20 for the game.

Amherst was led by junior guard Erik Kelly, who scored 15 of his 23 points in the first half and made 5 of 7 three pointers. Smith also had a huge game, scoring 16 and pulling down a game high 17 rebounds. No other Mule besides Allen made any significant contributions, as Colby's other starters managed only 12 combined points.

The Mules turned things around Tuesday at Brunswick, taking the CBB Championship by overcoming the Polar Bears, 66-53. Allen led the Colby victory, tallying 27 points on an 8 of 11 effort.

Colby plays its last game February 26 at home against Bates. Colby's record on the season now stands at 16-6.

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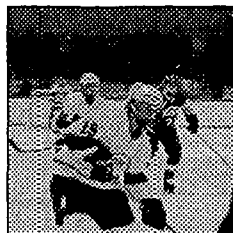
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## Down the Gutter

By The Numbers

430

Career assists by Jennifer Freese '00, Colby's all-time assists leader.

1381

Career points by Erin Cole-Karagory '00, Colby's second all-time scoring leader.

18

Top ten finishes by women's swimming and diving at the New Englands.

You Heard It

"The Mule just doesn't care about women. Maybe it's because he's sterile." In reference to the lack of Mule appearances at women's sporting events.

# SHE GIVETH & TAKETH AWAY

With records in assists and steals, Jenn Freese '00 is giving the Mules a shot at NCAA's

By BECKY SCHECHTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

The game against nationally-ranked Trinity is tied with less than two minutes left. Suddenly the ball is loose and there is a fight for possession.

The rules go out the window as the players scramble for the basketball. When the whistle finally blows to stop the madness, two players are still on the ground.

Co-captain Jennifer Freese '00 is holding her head in her hands. The trainer rushes out and Freese takes her hand away from her forehead. Blood is on her head and face and is streaming down her elbow. As she leaves for the bench, someone wipes still more blood from off the floor.

"Is Jenn gonna be all right?" asks a boy in the crowd.

"They'll put a Band-Aid on her," says the boy's father. "She's okay. She's tough."

The man was right, Freese is tough. She was back the next day, directing her team to another big win, this time over Amherst. Freese wore a headband over a large Band-Aid, which covered a lump the size of a walnut on her forehead. The toughness is an extension of her competitive nature.

"I'm a very competitive person," Freese said. "I enjoy going up against big teams."

Head coach Tricia O'Brien said confirmed what White Mules basketball fans already knew: Freese is a gutsy and confident player.

"She's a hard-nosed, tough kid who doesn't back down," she said. "She's got guts and a great attitude. She isn't afraid to take the last shot or take the foul. She won't shy away from the challenge."

In addition to toughness and competitiveness, Freese has all the qualities that make for a great point guard. She is noticeably level-headed and cool under pressure, especially during those last two minutes when the pace of the game can get very fast. Freese never seems to get flustered, an ability that O'Brien attributes to the four-year starter's considerable experience.

Freese began playing basketball in the fifth grade, her interest in the game stemming from her Aunt Julie. Freese visited her aunt, who coached high school basketball, on the weekends.

"I would hang out with the team," said Freese. "[The game is] in our family."

Freese's aunt is her role model in many respects, as she played in high school and went on to have a successful career at the University of Maine-Orono and set many records there.

"I looked up to her when I was younger and I still do," Freese said.

Freese played basketball all four years at Orono High School and was also a member of the soccer and softball teams. Freese gave up the other two sports when she came to Colby and decided to focus on basketball. Her love for basketball stems not only from the competition, but also from the camaradery she feels from being on a team.

"It seems like every team I've been on, my teammates end up being my best friends."

A four-year starter, Freese has played guard and point guard specifically over her entire career. Despite the fact that the importance of the position is not often recognized, Freese enjoys playing point guard.

"There's not a lot of glory cause you don't score a lot of points, but you set up all the people who do," she said. "I like it. You get to be the floor general."

Freese has set up a lot of scores over her career at Colby. In January, she became the White Mules' all-time assists leader, reaching the 355 mark to break the record. Although she knows she was close, Freese had no idea she had broken the record.



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Even while sporting the bruise she received going for a loose ball in Colby's overtime win against Trinity, Jenn Freese will attempt to lead her team to their first ever NCAA's.

"I was sitting on the bench and I saw that my whole family was there, and I was like, why is my whole family here?" she said.

"I passed to Erin Cole-Karagory who scored, and I thought she had set some kind of record," Freese said. "But then everyone was coming towards me."

"We announced it and it was such a surprise," said O'Brien. "It was real."

As of Tuesday's game Freese has tallied 430 career assists. Proving she is as versatile on defense as on offense, Freese is also Colby's all-time steals leader with 172 career steals as of Tuesday.

Freese is an integral member of the team

because of the nature of her position, but her teammates look to her for more than play-calling.

"The freshmen are benefiting and learning from her leadership on the floor and her experience, especially Bianca Belcher '03 (Colby's back-up point guard)," said O'Brien. "She's showing her the ropes."

O'Brien continued to emphasize Freese's value to the White Mules.

"She gets overlooked, but she's critical to our team," said O'Brien. "When we lost her [at the end of the Trinity game] it was scary. She keeps everything under control. We're going to miss her more than we realize."

## Mules roll over Trinity, Amherst, Bowdoin

By BECKY SCHECHTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

After consecutive disheartening losses to conference rivals Middlebury and Williams, the women's basketball team looked to rebound against Trinity and Amherst Friday and Saturday. The White Mules battled to take two nailbiters, beating both the Bantams and Lord Jeffs. Head coach Tricia O'Brien was excited that Colby refused to let last weekend's tough losses get them down.

"Being able to bounce back after last weekend showed a lot of life," she said. In the first half, the Bantams lived up to their national ranking as they built a solid lead over the Mules with steady and consistent play. Behind 14 points from Bridget Dullea, Trinity took a 30-24 lead to the locker room. Colby returned to the floor re-energized after the break and opened the half with a 9-3 run, including five from co-captain Erin Cole-Karagory '00, to tie the game at 33. Trinity got nine more points from Dullea that helped put the Bantams ahead by 11 at 51-42, their largest lead of the game.

After a time out at the 13-minute mark, Colby responded to the Trinity threat by turning up the defensive pressure. Unfazed by a breakdown that allowed the Bantams to go coast-to-coast on Colby with nine minutes left, the Mules kept Trinity from scoring a field goal over the last 8:19 of regulation. Rockie Sarah Walsh '03 brought the women within one point with 3:41 to go. Co-captain

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## Squash heads to nationals with men ranked 11th

By BEN STICKNEY  
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

Colby men's squash dominated its opponents, Bates and Univ. of California-Berkeley in the White Mules' final week before team nationals. The White Mules handily beat the Bobcats, 8-1 on Feb. 16. They then blanked visiting Cal-Berkeley, 9-0, Sunday.

"With most of our players winning, things were interesting," said head coach Frederic Brunel.

The Nationals begin this weekend at Yale. Colby, with its 13-5 record, is ranked 11th in the country.

The women's squash team held its own in the Howe Cup at Yale this weekend. On Friday, the White Mules played third-ranked Amherst team and came away with an impressive 6-3 win. Matches on Saturday and Sunday did not turn out so well, as the team fell to Williams and Middlebury.

Friday's win, though, was no small feat.

"We were moved into the C Division early this year because of some tough losses," said Katherine Draxnik '02, the White Mules' third-ranked player. "Eventually we were moved back to the B Division but not without some grumbling from some coaches on the ranking committee."

"Our win against Amherst really showed that we deserved to be in the B Division. We were really excited."

Draxnik, along with Whitney Dayton '01 and Fraser Ross '02, will compete in the individual Nationals next week.

## Mules split NESCAC weekend

By BEN SEXTON  
SPORTS WRITER

Following its first back-to-back losses of the season, the Colby men's basketball team broke its short losing streak by beating a strong Trinity squad on Saturday by a score of 86-74. The White Mules could not keep up the strong play, however, as the very next day Colby was demolished by a very hot Amherst team, 80-59. Since the team's victory against Bowdoin, the Mules have dropped three of their last four games.

Colby started out very strong against the Bantams by opening up an 11-0 lead a few minutes into the game, but Trinity would not fold easily and fought back to within four at the half. The Bantams tied the game up five minutes into the second half at 42 apiece, but would never get any closer. Colby extended the lead to as many as seventeen points by

riding its hot shooting, shooting 55 percent from the field on the game.

Trinity would get back to within six at 76-70 with 1:33 remaining, but Colby made some clutch free throws down the stretch, including an astounding combined 24-26 from captains Ken Allen '00, Samuel Clark '01, and Brian Hansen '00. The Mules won the game at the free throw line, making 27 of 35 free throws overall compared to only eight of 11 for the Bantams.

Colby's big three of Allen, Clark, and senior Patrick Gallagher '00 carried the scoring for Colby. Allen was the leading scorer in the game, scoring 22 and grabbing seven rebounds. Clark pitched in with 20 points and Gallagher scored 19 points and snagged seven boards. The Bantams were led by junior Michael LaBella, who scored 20, and junior point guard Scott Wallace, who scored 10 points and had eight assists. The win boosted

Colby's record to 15-5 on the season and dropped Trinity's record to 13-6.

The next day, however, was an entirely different story for the Mules. Maybe it was the road trip, maybe it was the fact that the team was playing for the second day in a row, or maybe it was because Amherst was psyched up for senior day at LaFrak gymnasium. Whatever it was, Colby weathered its worst defeat of the season on Sunday, falling 80-59 and becoming Amherst's fifth straight victim.

Colby really never stood a chance in this contest, as the Lord Jeffs jumped out to a quick 9-2 lead and never looked back. The game was still relatively close with seven minutes into the game at 34-25, but Amherst would hold Colby scoreless for the rest of the half, going on a 10-0 run and leading 44-25 at

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