

## Colby students arrested at protest in Georgia



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Members of the Colby group at the School of the Americas protest in Columbus, Ga.

By RYAN DAVIS  
NEWS EDITOR

"I definitely did not go down there planning to get arrested. It was not on my agenda," said Emily Posner '03 about her experience protesting human rights violations in Georgia. "But now that it's over, I certainly wouldn't take back any second of it."

On Nov. 18, a group of Colby students and Waterville community members drove 27 hours to Columbus,

Ga. to join 10,000 people in protesting the School of the Americas, a military training institution at Fort Benning.

The group included Posner, Francie McGowan '04, Jessica Kellett '03, Maia Campoamor '03, Meredith Edmunds '03, Andy Hoyt '02, Ryan Swank '03, Meghan Foley '02, Elizabeth Turnbull '04, Tennessee Watson '03, community members Keith Zaltsberg and Anne Hallee and Watson's friend Josh Dolan from Vermont. Eight members of the group, Posner, Kellett, Watson, Swank, Hoyt, Hallee, Zaltsberg, and Dolan,

were arrested and detained for eight hours by military police officers.

The School of the Americas, located three miles inside Fort Benning, says that it exists to promote human rights and peace in Latin America. Yet numerous graduates of the school have returned to their home countries to commit crimes ranging from drug trafficking to rape and massacre. Officials from the school claim that this is a coincidence, but many human-rights watchdog groups believe the School should be shut down.

A large protest is held each year a short distance from the base. This year was the tenth anniversary of the initial protest, which drew only 11 people, all of whom were arrested. This year, 10,000 people attended, down slightly from 15,000 last year due to foul weather. Seventeen hundred people were arrested this year for protesting on the base itself.

Posner believes that the large number of arrests was an important part of the protest. "It showed that people are so angry and so frustrated (about the human rights violations connected to the School) that they are willing to be arrested and risk jail time. I think that's an important message to send to the people who run the School."

"For the first time in my life, every action I took truly felt right," said Kellett.

A major part of the protest is called "crossing the line." The "line" is painted on the sidewalk and separates public property in Columbus from government property inside Fort Benning. Crossing the line to protest on the base is a crime, and is considered an act of civil disobedience by the protesters.

Those crossing the line engage in a "funeral march," carrying crosses bearing the name of a person who was the victim of a School of the Americas graduate. All the names are called out, and the person carrying the cross with that person's name calls back "present" in Spanish.

Some members of the Colby group spontaneously planted their crosses in the ground and hugged each other. "Before we knew it, we had 50 people hugging us," said McGowan. "It was a

really great experience."

This year, 3400 people chose to cross the line, including 12 of the 13 members of the Waterville group. Foley, president of the Colby chapter of Amnesty International, chose to remain behind with walkie-talkies, cell phones and the phone numbers of people's parents in case "something went down," as she put it.

As it turned out, something did go down. The 12 members of the Colby group managed to cross the line without incident and were about five feet from returning to public property when Hallee decided to take a picture of the group. Signs on the property inform people that photographs are forbidden, although the students claim that they hadn't seen anyone at all arrested for having a camera.

Fort Benning military police came up to Hallee and told her to come with them. When she refused, they handcuffed her.

"It was totally arbitrary," said McGowan. "Basically, (the military police) were in a bad mood and they were picking people at random."

Seven other members of the group were told to leave, but they instead chose to sit down in protest.

"We were almost off the base and all of a sudden we look back and see our friend being handcuffed and we were like 'what's going on?'" said Swank. When the military police told them to leave, "a few of us sat down and then the rest of us sat down with them." Swank and the others were

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## Students seek to ban Screw Your Roommate

By RYAN DAVIS  
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In the wake of a reported sexual assault after this year's Screw Your Roommate dance, several students have organized a petition asking the Student Government Association to ban the event. Women's Group co-leader Amy Reznitsky '02, one of the organizers of the petition, said that 200 students had signed even before an aggressive effort was made to publicize the cause.

According to Reznitsky, those seeking to ban the dance "see the connection with sexual assault that goes on during that weekend." This year, a female student was sexually assaulted by her Screw Your Roommate date, although she declined to press charges. No other sexual assaults have been reported during previous Screw Your Roommate weekends, but Reznitsky said that she "personally know(s) of numerous cases of sexual assault that have occurred during that weekend but were never reported."

According to Director of Security Pete Chenevert, "I heard rumors going around that there were a lot more sexual assaults that weekend. Students kept asking me what I was doing about them, but no one reported (the incidents)." Unless crimes of this nature are reported, Security cannot take any action. Chenevert declined to comment on the petition to ban Screw Your Roommate.

Dean of Students Janice Kassman said "I do not recall cases of assault being reported to my office after similar weekends in past years. But then again, remember that students often choose to talk about these matters in confidence with counselors or medical personnel at the Health Center and those staff members are compelled to maintain confidentiality."

Those organizing the petition claim that Screw Your Roommate "creates an environment that condones this type of behavior," Reznitsky said.

However, she quickly qualified her remarks. "I'm not saying that there is a direct correlation (between the dance and incidents of sexual assault). It would be absurd to say that. But I also don't think that this correlation can go unmentioned."

Screw Your Roommate opponents also take issue with the event's name. "The name even sounds violent," said Reznitsky. "It gives a message that encourages violence against women and men."

Kassman has also heard that some

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## Sexual assault reported on campus, charges filed

By RYAN DAVIS  
NEWS EDITOR

On Dec. 1, the Dean of Students office received a report of a sexual assault that had occurred on campus. The incident took place during the past month in a residence hall and involved two students. The Security Department and the Waterville Police are currently investigating the matter. It is the second sexual assault reported at Colby this semester, following an incident after the Screw Your Roommate dance on Sept. 23.

According to Director of Security Pete Chenevert, legal action will be pursued in this case.

"The young woman has decided to press charges both on-campus and off-campus at this point," Chenevert said. "So the police will be investigating and they'll interview everyone involved."

"In Maine, there is no such thing as rape or date rape," Chenevert explained. So in pursuing criminal

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Pete Chenevert  
Director of Security

charges, the alleged attacker faces prosecution for gross sexual assault.

According to Chenevert, the goal of pressing on-campus charges is to have the alleged attacker "removed from campus or disciplined."

"Anyone who is a victim on-campus of sexual assault or that type of crime can have their case heard administratively," he added. When a student chooses to pursue that option, a hearing with the deans is scheduled to determine the facts of the case. In a case of sexual assault like this one, "she'll have to testify and he'll have to testify," Chenevert said.

Asked what the result of such a hearing might be, Associate Dean of Student for Academics Mark Serdjian said, "Every case is different. I'd never be able to predict what the outcome will be. But students have been suspended for sexual assault in the past."

According to Chenevert, the fact that charges have been filed at this point is no indication that they will be followed through on. "People can change their minds and who knows what can happen. But charges have been filed and it's moving forward," he said.

This incident was not a random attack. "Students don't have to worry that we have a stranger out there and that students could be random victims," Chenevert said. "It's one of those cases where there was a relationship between the individuals." He declined to discuss the exact nature of the relationship on the record.

That this is the second sexual assault reported on campus this semester "is an important thing,"

Serdjien said. "But it's a good thing if cases are being reported."

Serdjien declined to discuss what action had been taken in the other sexual assault case this semester. The victim in that case decided not to pursue off-campus legal action against her alleged attacker,

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Mark Serdjien  
Assoc. Dean of Students

although a fact-finding hearing with the deans was scheduled. According to Chenevert, there was a delay in the hearing, although he didn't know anything else about that case.

"Oftentimes, we'll do the investigating and then it becomes a confidential thing," he said.

Also during the weekend of the Screw Your Roommate dance, a case was reported involving the "date-rape" drug rohypnol being placed in a female student's drink at a party. She was not assaulted. According to Chenevert, there has been no progress in that case since it happened.

"We haven't got any leads in that case and I don't think we ever will," he said. "There were so many people going in and out of that apartment that I don't think we'll ever find out who did that, to be honest with you."

Looking at everything that has happened this semester, Chenevert said, "Let's face it: sexual assault is wrong. Period. And it shouldn't happen," Chenevert said. "But it does happen. I think it's one of the most underreported crimes on college campuses. All I can offer is safety tips. Watch out for each other: if you go on a blind date, go with friends. Think of yourself and protect yourself and watch out for each other."

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## SGA questions cigarette prohibition

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Before Thanksgiving break the Presidents' Council issued a motion to the Senior Staff requesting they reevaluate their decision to discontinue the sale of tobacco products in the Joseph Family Spa, effective Nov. 13.

Presidents' Council argued that because the decision affects a sizable portion of the student body, faculty, and staff, the decision should not have been made unilaterally but instead be reconsidered by a group more representative of the Colby community, particularly the student body.

The Senior Staff was also asked to submit a written report to Presidents' Council for public use detailing the reasons why they chose to discontinue the sale of tobacco products in the Spa. If the Senior Staff chose to decline the Council's request to have the issue posed before the student body, the Council asked for an explanation. Presidents' Council asked the Senior Staff to explain the apparent contradiction in the College's

financial holdings in tobacco companies and the current rhetoric on tobacco sales on campus.

The Senior Staff considered the motion prior to Thanksgiving break and submitted their response late last week.

The Senior Staff refused to allow the issue be reconsidered. Dean of Students Janice Kassman wrote, "the Senior Staff has discussed this matter on more than one occasion this semester, always with the same conclusion. It is clear from the recent motion that students seek a better understanding of this decision."

In the ensuing response, Kassman and other members of the Senior Staff, including President William D. "Bro" Adams,

explained that, in response to complaints about the sale of cigarettes in the Spa, the Staff decided it was "inappropriate for those sales to continue" because "selling a product that is known to be harmful is inconsistent with our mission to provide a safe and healthy environment for students and employees."

"The ingredients in cigarettes are addictive and unhealthy and the College can no longer in good

conscience supply these products," Kassman wrote. Though other substances such as alcohol, candy and fatty foods may have unhealthy effects, none is "as universally addictive without some countervailing value, as are cigarettes," according to the Staff's response.

For these reasons, the administration felt it could not justify involvement in the sale of cigarettes. Before making the executive decision, the Senior Staff brought the matter before the College Affairs Committee. The Committee did not endorse the administration's view. Though an endorsement was not forthcoming it was not required for the Senior Staff to take action.

The Senior Staff claim to have been aware that a portion of Colby's endowment was invested in tobacco related securities, however, the College administration, while it has direct control over the campus, does not "control the day-to-day operation of the investment managers who are hired by the trustees to invest the endowment," noted Kassman, and "only a very small portion of our investment portfolio resides in companies that have some connection with tobacco."

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Colby College President

The Senior Staff reassured Presidents' Council that their intent was not to prohibit smoking on campus and while the College does make meaningful efforts to help smokers quit, smoking is still permitted in student rooms, when occupants agree, and in halls that are not substance free.

President Adams explained, "When we got the motion from Presidents' Council we talked four or five times and responded in a very respectful way. We continue to feel that this is the right thing...we aren't willing to change our minds. I think it was a respectful response."

When asked whether he viewed the decision to prohibit the sale of cigarettes to be contradictory to the School's interest in tobacco companies, Adams said, "I don't object to the observance that the school has those kind of investments and it is a valid, reasonable argument. I feel though that these issues are slightly different. In one case there is a direct, instrumental use of tobacco products and in the other there is

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## WMHB holiday food drive a success again

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The air in the basement of Roberts Union was filled with the holiday spirit Saturday, Dec. 2, as Colby students and Waterville community members did their part to help out the less fortunate by contributing to WMHB's eighth annual holiday food drive.

The Colby-based radio station sponsored the canned food drive to benefit the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter in Waterville. As an incentive for people to make donations, the radio station offered a wide selection of CDs, posters, records, tapes, videos, t-shirts, and other prizes. For every five cans of food brought in, donors could select the prize of their choice.

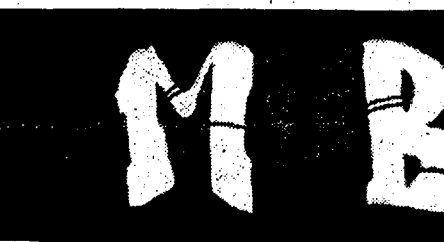
Those working at the drive thought it looked to be a very successful one. "This is only my second year doing this," said Pat Turlo, a member of the station's community advisory board who DJs under the name Cap'n Barney. "But right now it's looking to be a turnout at least as good as last year's."

"It'll probably be better than last

year," said Jeff Calareso '01, the station's general manager. "In the first two hours we've had over 50 people bring food. We'll probably have 250 or so come in by the end of the day."

The homeless shelter, as always, was grateful for the donations the food drive brought in and for the tireless efforts of the volunteers who organized and worked at it.

Lee L'Hereux '03, WMHB's assistant general manager, had high hopes for this year's food drive. "Last year we collected more food than the Mid-Maine Homeless



WMHB logo

Shelter had ever received before from a food drive," he said. "This year we hope we can do even better."

"The food drive was a great success," Calareso said afterward. "I'd estimate we had about 250 people - more people, more food than last year. I don't know exact numbers on food, but I'd estimate several thousand items were donated. We gave out probably more than 500 CDs and

records, 50 t-shirts, and countless other items from posters to frisbees to doughnuts and pizza."

"WMHB's food drive helps us out a lot," said Susan Goss, director of the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter. She added that the shelter uses the donations brought in by the food drive in two ways.

"First of all, we serve two meals a day to the people who come to the shelter, breakfast and dinner, so some of the donations we get go toward preparing those meals," she said.

The donations are also used as part of the shelter's Prevention Program, which is designed to assist families who are not homeless but are still in need of the shelter's assistance. "We distribute bags of groceries to less fortunate families two or three times a week," Goss said.

"Due to the success of this drive, and also because the shelter has told us that generally people may think of them around the holidays, but forget they exist for the rest of the year, we plan on beginning a second food drive in April, thereby making it a biannual event," said Calareso.

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## Student attends global warming conference in the Netherlands

By KATE ZIMMERMAN  
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Jacoby Ballard '02, president of the Colby Environmental Coalition, has recently returned from the United Nations conference on global warming, which was held in the Hague, Netherlands. Ballard spent ten days at the conference discussing her views on global warming and the Earth. There were 220 students affiliated with Greenpeace present at the conference.

"This was the sixth conference of its kind to discuss global warming and the reduction of emissions in the atmosphere. It was the first time that students were ever allowed into the negotiations," said Ballard.

Ballard originally applied to be a part of the student group after she found out about the conference from her advisor. She flew to the Netherlands a week before Thanksgiving break and stayed in a hostel with the 220 other students over the ten day period.

"I was really nervous at first, but after a little while I got used to it," said Ballard.

The conference was held to continue discussing the issues that surround the worldwide effort to lower emission levels in the atmosphere. Developed countries will have to lower their emission levels, while third-world developing countries will have to devise cleaner forms of energy.

"One question that arose was whether efficient burning coal and nuclear energy should be considered clean energy. The United States was for this type of energy, while Greenpeace, most third-world countries, and the European environmen-

tal groups were against it," said Ballard.

The second issue that was discussed throughout the conference was whether the emission levels from burning trees are low enough.

"Trees absorb carbon, which helps the atmosphere, but I feel that this should not count in the criteria



Jacoby Ballard '02

for lowering emission levels. The United States was just using this as a way to get out of their problems with their emission levels," said Ballard.

The United States has 25 percent of all global emission levels. In order for a treaty to pass, all of the countries must agree to the terms in it. The United States stopped the passing of the treaty because of the tree issue. There will be another conference in Germany in May.

The students were brought to the conference to add a different type of energy and life to the atmosphere.

"Most great movements have been started by students. Greenpeace felt that we had something great to add to this confer-

ence," said Ballard.

The students were there to support the countries that are working hard to improve the environment. "There was seven of us that wrapped ourselves in American flags, put trash bags over our heads, and sat outside of the United States' office. The other countries were laughing at them," said Ballard.

There was a totally different atmosphere with the students present at the conference. "Having young people brought energy and laughter to the stuffy atmosphere of the conference," said Ballard. "We gave flowers to the countries that were doing well. We gave a crown to the British minister. We went to information sessions about different parts of the treaty and we made our presence known."

The students spent ten days singing songs and rallying about the environment that they feel so passionate about. "Being with 220 kids who are passionate, creative, intelligent and supportive was amazing. The experience was incredible. There was an amazing sense of support for each other as we were building the environmental and human rights movements."

The students spoke one-on-one with delegates. Ballard said, "It was frustrating at times with how treaties operate. It makes you question your faith in government. Seeing all the kids, though, I know we can do anything we choose. Now we all have a network of kids throughout the country that are all passionate about the environment and want to work together to improve the environment."

## Echoes from the Past

Students shocked by movies on Sunday

Wednesday, November 30, 1935

There was some ugly talk going around to the effect that one of the motion-picture palaces here in Waterville was thinking of giving shows on Sunday. Shocked (and thoroughly disgusted with the whole thing) we investigated and found that the shows planned were not movies, but miracle and morality plays.

After much deliberation, any thought of presenting miracle plays was discarded as being to (sic) exciting for Sunday, and after still more deliberation the thought of presenting morality plays was banished as being too revolutionary and not so hot for the freshmen.

Amherst fraternity initiates Negro; has national charter revoked

Wednesday, December 8, 1948

The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity of Amherst announced that their national charter was suspended Tuesday night because of their admission of a Negro student.

This fact was specially telegraphed to the Echo by the society's president in these words: "Charter suspended indefinitely by the national for 'unfraternal action' on our part."

Center of the controversy is Thomas W. Gibbs, 19 of Evanston, Illinois, a Negro sophomore who has made an excellent record as a student and athlete at Amherst.

One member of the fraternity declared, "We want him with us because he is a great guy. We aren't interested in his race or his color or anything else, just in what he is for himself."

As a result of the controversy, the Trustees of Amherst College have ordered that all discriminatory language in the charters of fraternities at Amherst must be deleted by

February 1950.

College establishes official Colby time

Thursday, January 12, 1949

The College Administration has designated as the official timepiece of the college the clock behind the telephone switchboard in Miller Library.

Neither class, bus, nor other college schedules will be controlled by the tower clock, which cannot be made to keep accurate time. The time of all college functions will be in accordance with the clock at the switchboard. Students should check their watches by that clock.

Echo reporters to be selected

Thursday, January 15, 1941

The selection of freshman reporters and mailing clerks for the Echo staff will be settled shortly before the beginning of the second semester. Originally, these selections were to be made during the past week, but the number of influenza cases postponed an Echo staff meeting.

According to the Echo Constitution, the selections will be determined as explained in the excerpts given below:

"Section 8. The staff of reporters shall be appointed as follows . . . At the end of the first semester there shall be a meeting of the junior and senior members of the editorial board, the women's editor, and faculty editorial adviser (without vote). They shall draw up a list of twelve under the following conditions: 1) Due consideration shall be given to representation of the various fraternities. 2) The list shall include those who have signified their desire to try out for the position insofar as this is possible."

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### What's going on at the Colby Art Museum

Japanese art on exhibit at Colby Museum

"The Quest for Enlightenment and Enlightenment in Tokugawa Japan's Urban Centers," an exhibit of Japanese religious and secular art, will be on view at the Colby College Museum of Art Dec. 8 through Feb. 4. The exhibit was organized by four students in Colby's East Asian Studies seminar "Culture in Tokugawa Japan." An opening on Friday, Dec. 8, will include a symposium of student research at 2:30 p.m. followed by a reception at 3:30 p.m.

The exhibit focuses on Japanese artistic expressions of both worldly pleasures and spiritual yearnings during the 17th through 19th centuries. The examples of religious and secular art selected show the diversity and vitality of Japanese urban culture during the Tokugawa period. Included in the exhibit are woodblock prints, Buddhist sculptures, illustrated books, netsuke, swords and ceramic vessels. Student essays and research will be presented in a catalog to supplement the show.

Studio art faculty exhibits work at Colby Museum

Members of Colby College's studio art faculty will show works in a variety of media for the annual Fall Faculty Art Exhibit at the Colby College Museum of Art in Waterville. The exhibit will be on view from Friday, Nov. 17, through Friday, Dec. 22.

Faculty members Bevin Engman, Mark Iwinski, Garry Mitchell, Dee Peppe, Scott Reed and Gail Spaen are the exhibiting artists. Photographer Peppe will exhibit 16" x 20" silver gelatin prints from her portfolio "Foreign and Familiar." Her images from Europe, Central America and the United States are primarily urban street photography that focus on people and their surroundings.

Reed will show two acrylic paintings about the investigation into the mystery of consciousness. Engman will show five paintings from her continuing still-life series of books. Spaen will show several small paintings and mixed media notations titled "Domestic Time: Counting and Sewing." Iwinski will show sculptures and prints that address concerns about the modern technological world and our relationship to nature. Mitchell will show paintings.

Father Paul Plante exhibits paintings at Museum

An exhibition featuring the paintings of Father Paul Plante will be on display at the Colby College Museum of Art from Sunday, Jan. 14, through Sunday, Feb. 25. Plante's work depicts images from the natural world in painstaking detail and intense color.

A native of Sanford, Maine, Plante is currently Pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Winslow, Maine. He obtained a bachelor of fine arts at the Portland School of Art in 1984 and earned degrees in philosophy and theology from the University of Montreal and St. Paul's University, Ottawa.

Plante's small-scale oil pastels represent natural objects and scenes from nature. His paintings of birds recreate the experience of glancing up and seeing a bird take flight. Plante has created two lengthy series of works, one devoted the exploration of the plum and the other depicting all of the birds native to the state of Maine.

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# Lions, mules, Colby's myths and legends unveiled, oh my!



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The Lion of Lucerne adorns the basement of Miller Library, commemorating Colby Civil War veterans.

By JENNIFER CARLSON  
STAFF WRITER

Ever wonder what that big stone lion is doing on the ground floor of Miller Library? Or why our school mascot is the White Mule? Ever heard of the grim reasoning behind the Jitney? There are many myths and weird stories that surround the Colby campus, but to many students the real deal often remains unknown. Get ready, as some truths you've been searching for are about to be revealed.

We've all wondered about a certain academic myth regarding a boosted transcript. One of the most common myths at Colby and at many colleges, is the legend that if your roommate dies, you automatically receive a GPA of 4.0 for the semester. Dean of the College Earl Smith reported that this rumor is completely untrue, at least at Colby anyway, and has no idea of how such an idea came about. In other words, forget the movie "Dead Man on Campus" - it won't work here.

**BEFORE THE JITNEY WAS AVAILABLE, IT WAS COMMON PRACTICE FOR COLBY STUDENTS TO HITCHHIKE...THIS PRACTICE TURNED DEADLY... WHEN A COLBY FRESHMAN WAS FOUND MURDERED.**

If you haven't yet heard the myth behind the Blue Light in Miller Library, you've been living in a cave. The light was originally installed in 1946 because at the time the library was the tallest building in Maine. Standing at 191 feet, the College feared Miller's tower could cause aircraft accidents. The light would warn pilots of small planes and was made blue in honor of Colby's colors, blue and white. As for the more

well-known myth of the Blue Light, namely that it will go out when the first virgin graduates from Colby, Dean Smith reported that the legend is at least 40 years old.

You may have noticed that above the Blue Light on Miller's tower is a large weathervane with a model of a ship on top. That ship is a bronze replica of the sloop Hero, the ship that carried Colby's first president, Jeremiah Chaplin, and his family to Maine from Boston in 1818. However, the Hero never even docked in Waterville. Only by the 1850s had a canal been built around the rapids at the Augusta dam, enabling small ships to continue farther up the Kennebec River. Thus Chaplin and the Hero could travel only as far as Augusta, after which a longboat was used to transport Chaplin and his family to Colby's hometown.

When construction plans for Miller Library were developed, it was decided that a replica of the Hero should grace the highest tower in the state. However, no one knew what the sloop looked like, so

Raymond Spinney '21 performed extensive research and found a complete description of the ship, upon which the six-foot long model is based.

A question many students have asked is, "Why are we the White Mules?" Colby's athletes have oddly been known as such for some time and the story behind the mascot is just as unusual. By 1923, Bowdoin had established the polar bear as its mascot, the University of Maine had the black bear, yet Colby had nothing. That year the Echo published an editorial by student Joseph Coburn Smith, who noted that the school's football team was notorious for upsetting game predictions. Thus he suggested that instead of appearing as a "dark horse," Colby ought to be symbolized by a "white mule." After reading the article, some resourceful students found a white mule at a nearby farm and brought it to the Colby-Bates game on Armistice Day, 1923. Apparently, the mule proved lucky for the team, as Colby won 9-6. The White Mule has championed Colby athletics ever since.

Another weird aspect of Colby's history lies near the tennis courts and Hill House woods. There lies the "anti-gravity stone," the result of a gift from Roger Babson, founder of Babson College. In 1960, Babson made a generous gift to Colby of \$12,500 in shares of the American Agricultural Chemical Company, now known as Dupont. Babson doted two conditions attached to the endowment. One condition was that the stock could not be sold until 1995, 35 years from when it was given to the college. By that time, the shares were worth \$2.7 million, and in accordance with Babson's wishes, that money has been used to upgrade Colby's science facilities and equipment since 1995.

The other condition was that Colby had to "erect a monument devoted to anti-gravity study," according to Smith. Hence, the anti-gravity stone. Babson's son had died in a plane crash and his grandson by drowning, and thus Babson dedicated much time and money to scientific research to prove that gravity is a myth. Colby students evidently did

not meet the stone with the same seriousness as did Babson, and repeatedly tipped the stone over. It is now cemented to a granite base.

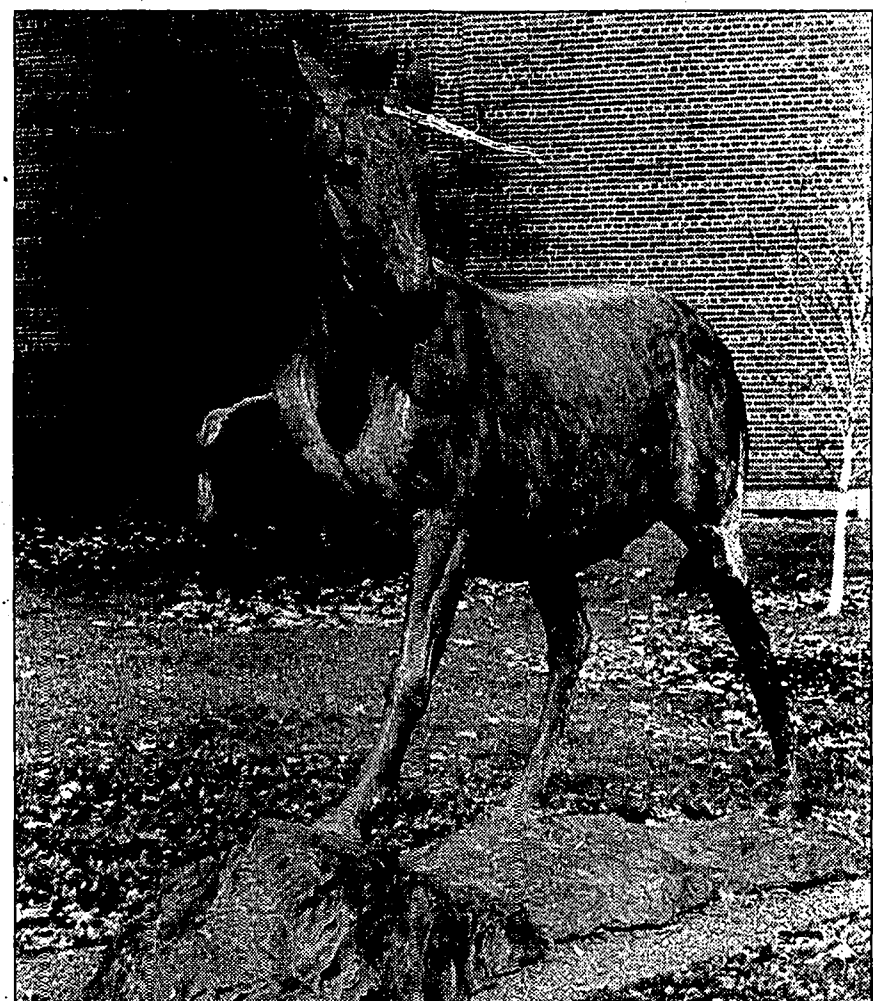
Perhaps the most startling aspect of Colby's mythical history is the creation of the Jitney, a van that brings students to various locations in downtown Waterville. Before the Jitney was available, it was common practice for Colby students to hitchhike on Mayflower Hill Drive to get rides into town. However, this practice turned deadly in November of 1971, when a Colby freshman was found murdered. The 18-year-old girl had apparently been hitchhiking during the night of Nov. 2, and her body was soon located near the pump house adjacent to the rugby field.

"That's when we decided to put a Jitney on the road," said Smith. "Now you don't ever see kids hitchhiking." As for the murder, no per-

son was ever convicted of the crime.

So what is that giant sculpture of a lion doing on Miller's ground floor? It's called the Lion of Lucerne, and is a replica of a famous original sculpture by Thorwaldson, who created it to memorialize soldiers who died in 1792 while defending Louis XVI of France. This replica is dedicated to the 21 Colby men who lost their lives during the Civil War and was used to decorate the old campus Memorial Hall. When the campus was moved to Mayflower Hill, the statue came with it. It took 11 days to relocate the Lion of Lucerne, which is no wonder since it weighs four tons.

For more Colby myths and truths, refer to "The History of Colby College" by Ernest Cummings Marriner. A huge thanks to Dean Smith, without his help we wouldn't all know these interesting bits of Colby's past.



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The White Mule, generating school spirit since 1923

## Off the Hill

### Bomb threat at Bates

On Friday Nov. 10, Pettengill Hall, the building that houses nearly all of Bates social sciences classes, was evacuated when the Physical Plant received a bomb threat via telephone. Following the threat, Bates Security and the Lewiston Police Department scoured the building looking for explosives. No explosives were found, but Pettengill Hall remained closed for the duration of the day. Currently, the Lewiston Police Department Detective Bureau is further investigating the matter. Bates student Frank Tate '01 "thanked god" for the bomb threat while Bates student Ben Dufresne '01 used his time off from class to "take bong hits."

### Swarthmore College cuts football team and other athletes

The Swarthmore Board of Managers decided Saturday to reduce from 24 to 21 the number of intercollegiate teams fielded by the College. Swarthmore will continue to play 21 intercollegiate sports and will no longer offer wrestling, football, or women's badminton at the intercollegiate level. The Board's action endorsed the recommenda-

tions of a committee appointed one year ago to examine Swarthmore athletics in the increasingly competitive NCAA Division III environment. "We believe that re-allocation of resources to a smaller number of sports will enable the College to achieve a level of excellence in athletics that we haven't enjoyed for many years, while Swarthmore maintains its academic distinction and leadership position in American education," President Alfred H. Bloom said.

### Talk about dry

Adapted from Join Together Online 11/27/00

Siena College in Loudonville, N.Y., implemented a fine-and-tell policy to address underage drinking in September. Since then, according to an Associated Press report on Nov. 20, 77 students have been fined for their first drinking offense. According to the School's policy, the first offense carries a \$150 fine, a registered letter home to the student's parents, and mandatory participation in a class about addiction and dependence. The second offense calls for a \$250 fine, another letter home and removal from school dorms, while the third offense brings a two-semester suspension from college, without a refund.

## Colby graduate makes history on the high seas

By BROOKE FITZSIMMONS  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Linda Greenlaw '83, has been making history for nearly 20 years as the first woman to ever captain a commercial swordfishing boat. Now she's making her mark once again with her first book, "The Hungry Ocean," which made its appearance on the New York Times best-seller list in 1999. Her book is a personal account of a month-long swordfishing trip that she embarked on, taking her over 1,000 miles out to sea.

Greenlaw became famous for her role in Sebastian Junger's book "The Perfect Storm," and the subsequent film based on the story in which Greenlaw's character was portrayed by Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio. Greenlaw's last swordfishing boat was the Hannah Boden out of Gloucester, MA, the sister vessel to the Andrea Gale, the infamous boat that disappeared in the landmark "perfect storm" of 1991. Greenlaw's boat was also caught in the gale of 1991 but unharmed, though the loss of her close friend and fellow captain of the Andrea Gale was tragic. It was Greenlaw who wrote and read the eulogy speech in Gloucester, MA, for the fishermen who were killed in the storm.

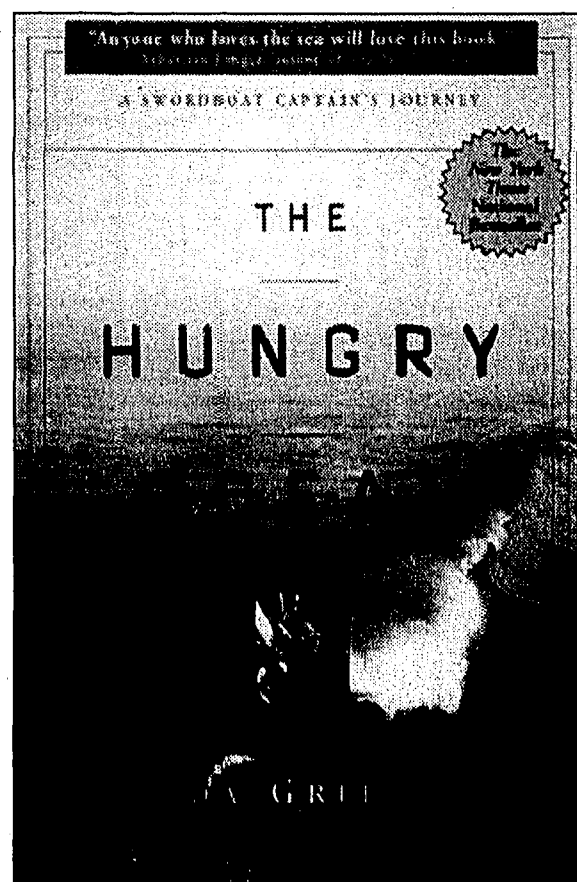
After the success of Junger's "The Perfect Storm," publishing houses began contacting Greenlaw to write her own story of life and work at sea. Initially, Greenlaw turned down these proposals, saying that she could make more in one season of swordfishing than by writing about it. But the insistent publishing companies would not take no for an answer, and the end result was an \$150,000 advance in exchange for her agreement

to write the book.

Where many instant celebrities use ghost writers to publish their stories, the former double major in English and government has produced 265 pages of beautifully detailed writing, all her own. In "The Hungry Ocean," Greenlaw captures vivid moments in both fishing and life. The book tells intricate stories of gigantic waves so large that Greenlaw's boat would disappear from radar. It further chronicles the lives of drug-addicted deckhands, the time she was forced to stow the body of a deceased crew member in the ice covered fish hold, and the scare of a near collision with another boat in the middle of the night. It also relates an instance when Greenlaw lost her temper, feeling that she did not have the crew's complete attention, and smashed a television screen with an axe. The book is a collection of true stories from life at sea complimented by the foibles and beauty found in the human experience.

Greenlaw is a self-proclaimed tomboy and has found ways to navigate her own course through the male-dominated industry of commercial fishing. An athletic 5' 3", Greenlaw said in an interview with the Christian Science Monitor that being a female captain has actually "been an asset" because "no self-respecting fisherman wants to be outdone by a woman, even if it kills him."

It was the summer after her freshman year at Colby when Greenlaw first fell in love with swordfishing, signing on as a cook / deckhand on a swordfishing boat out of Maine. After that experience she abandoned previous thoughts of becoming a lawyer and by her mid-twenties,



Greenlaw became the captain of her own boat.

Whether or not she will return to swordfishing remains uncertain at this point, after her busy tour promoting "The Hungry Ocean," giving lectures, and acting as a consultant for the filming of "The Perfect Storm." Currently, Greenlaw is considering writing another book of fishermen's stories.

## What's in a Colby name?

This week, as a public service, we help you sort out the distinct differences between some of Colby's curiously similar-sounding names.

**Chaplin (EAST Quad)** is named for James Tift Chaplin, the seventh President of the College. Chaplin graduated from Brown in 1834, and served as Colby President from 1857-1873. He received an honorary degree upon retiring from the presidency and served as a trustee until 1881. One imagines it was initially some kind of bad joke to put this dorm right next to...

**Chaplin (WEST Quad)** is named for Jeremiah Chaplin, the FIRST President of Colby (take that Champlint!). Reverend Chaplin was a Baptist minister, and during his presidency our alma mater dear was called Waterville College, which most agree lacked pizzazz. It is unclear why the dorm named after a minister isn't the chem-free one, but enough students and

WHOP delivery guys get the two mixed up that it's probably a moot point.

**Piper (Frat Row)** is named for Wilson C. Piper, who graduated from Colby in 1939 and served as a trustee for 25 years. He was active in the Delta Epsilon fraternity, which named its frat house after him when the house was built in 1951.

**Pepper (West Quad)** was named for George Dana Boardman Pepper, the ninth President of Colby. He graduated from Amherst in 1857 and served as president for just seven years, from 1882-1889. That's probably why the dorm only houses 30 people.

Finally, the name of **The Heights**, built in 1981 and until the opening of AMS in 1997 the most luxurious dorm on campus, "references the location of the building," according to Colby's files. Now you know.

Compiled by Ryan Davis

## PETITION: dance under attack

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find the name problematic. "I do know there are students, faculty and staff who find the terminology of the dance offensive on the grounds of civility and tone," she said.

In addition to its association with sexual assault, some gay and lesbian students at Colby have taken issue with Screw Your Roommate because it places pressure on students to go to the dance with someone of the opposite gender. Some freshmen have also expressed concerns about being paired up with someone they don't know so soon in their college careers, as the dance usually occurs in late September.

Despite the fact that the dance is usually one of the better-attended events on the Colby social calendar, Reznitsky said "there's a huge misconception about Screw Your Roommate. Most students don't support it."

Those circulating the petition hope to add to the 200 names currently on

the list by setting up a table in the student center this week and doing more to get the word out about the proposed ban. After enough signatures are collected, the petition will be presented to SGA, which will decide what course of action to take. "Most of SGA is in support of us," Reznitsky claimed.

SGA President Justin Ehrenwerth '01 is favor of banning the dance. "If there's something like the name of a dance that offends people, I see no reason to keep it," he said. "The one thing we can do right away is to get rid of that name."

Looking at the broader picture, Ehrenwerth said, "there is a desire not to have a dance like that, maybe ever, but certainly not in the first few weeks of school." He cited concerns about sexual assault as well as about alcohol abuse during the weekend.

Ehrenwerth strongly disagreed with the view that if Screw Your Roommate makes you uncomfortable, you should simply refrain from attending. "I don't buy that argument

at all. I don't think that's a reason to maintain something. Maybe it's because I'm a philosophy major, but I think that if something is wrong and you can fix it, there is much more to it than just saying 'don't go.'"

Given the substantial number of signatures already collected, Reznitsky is confident that this fall's Screw Your Roommate will end up being the last one ever. "Of all the people we've asked, almost everyone has signed," she said. "We've received a lot of positive support. Student have an opportunity here to prevent sexual assault and heterosexism."

The idea of trying to ban Screw Your Roommate came from several places, including Women's Group and the students who organized the vigil against sexual assault that took place shortly after this year's attack.

Reznitsky urged all students to sign the petition. "Even if you aren't personally offended by the dance, some people are and we have to acknowledge their concerns," she said.

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# Show off your talent at Foss open mic night

The "town-gown" relationship is good. The fact that Colby rests on top of Mayflower Hill does not mean that it looks down on the town around it. Instead, many residents seem to respect Colby students because they bring business and congeniality to Waterville.

Next semester, check out open mic night every Thursday evening in Foss and show off your talent. As Landry put it, "Come on down folks, we've got a lot of good things going on here."


All those detained by military police had mug shots taken and were given "ban and bar letters" forbidding

Watson realized that "in most other countries in the world the actions that I took that day on Ft. Benning would get

In spite of what happened this year, and the fact that eight members of the group now face jail time if they attend the protest again, Foley said that the group will "definitely" be returning for next year's protest.

"I was just so proud of humanity. My life has been changed now because of it" said Posner.

Looking back at everything that happened, "it was an intense emotional experience for all of us," Foley said. "I think its great to see something like this on a small college campus. I'm glad people are dismantling the stereotype of apathetic Colby students."



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## Editorials

## Apartment reaction to dorm damage needs reconsideration

In reaction to the increased incidence of dorm damage, the majority of which were reportedly committed by underclassmen, the Alford Apartment residents are deciding whether or not to limit underclassmen entry into the Apartments on the weekends. Residents would be able to physically let in underclassmen, but the theory is that the roving party hunters will be stopped. The Echo understands the Alford Council's reasoning: faced with mounting dorm damage fines due to the actions of non-residents, the seniors had no other option. Unfortunately, this policy of restricting card access will not work. Friendly Colbyites are always willing to hold the door for a fellow student. But the larger issue is whether this decision is a sign of things to come.

Dorm damage has become a regular weekend occurrence and the students, literally, are paying the price. The cost of dorm damage seems to rise every year. Will Alford's reaction cause a chain-reaction? Will every dorm further restrict access to non-residents after a certain hour as some colleges do? Is this the only answer? Closing the dorms to non-residents would not only be inconvenient, but would eventually lead to dorm isolation.

No one likes to pay fines for someone else's destructive actions. Punishing an entire dorm for one resident's (or non-resident's) misconduct is unfair, but the only way to ensure the damage will be covered. The student who destroys the property should be fined. Students should make a more whole-hearted effort to expose dorm damage perpetrators. Moreover, guilty students should take responsibility for their actions by either cleaning up after themselves, or by paying for the damage themselves. If we can't take these few basic steps, the consequences may be more grave still.

## Ban dance? Explore other options.

A petition drive is currently underway to ban the Screw Your Roommate Dance. Those seeking to ban the dance have asserted that there is a relationship between the dance and sexual assaults on campus. Although there was a report of sexual assault following this year's dance, there have been no previous reports of sexual assault in connection with the Screw Your Roommate Dance in spite of claims by many that numerous unreported sexual assaults occur on the weekend the dance is held.

We applaud the efforts of Amy Reznitsky and others to make Colby students more aware of sexual assaults on campus. However, we caution that before the dance or any other event at Colby is banned because of a perceived connection with sexual assaults, that the time be taken to gather all the facts and see if there truly is a connection between assaults and this particular dance. If, as some assert, the problem lies with the title of the dance, "Screw Your Roommate," and it is proven that this title does in fact encourage violence against men and women, then the title should be changed, and the dance should be given a new name and be allowed to continue.

If the spirit of the dance is the cause for the connection with sexual assaults then proper action should be taken to stop the dance from taking place. However, if a connection cannot be found that is not based on rumor, then we do not feel a single reported incident, while deplorable, is enough to establish a connection between this dance and assault, and should not result in the banning of this event.

## Student speaks on tobacco ban

I am writing concerning the decision made by the senior staff to ban the sale of tobacco products at the college. I am sure that you all have heard several complaints and several reasons why the decision was not a good one. These vary from the increased occurrences of driving while under the influence of alcohol to the administration's desire to change the behavior of students or tell them what is or isn't in their best interest. While these may or may not be true, the decision was made because Bro and his staff felt that the sale of tobacco products for profit by the college is an implicit endorsement of an unsafe and unhealthy activity and contradicts fundamental principles of the college.

As was reported in last week's Echo, the college not only implicitly endorsed tobacco products, but explicitly supported, and continues to support, tobacco companies, namely Phillip Morris, to the tune of \$2.5 million. Furthermore, the college has profited fantastically from this investment as Phillip Morris' stock (MO) is up 72.83% year to date (source: www.morningstar.com). This misalignment in college rhetoric and practice must come to an end.

How can the situation be remedied? The college must either reinstate the sale of tobacco products at the Spa, or must take the long and difficult action of divesting its explicit investment in tobacco companies. The reinstatement of tobacco sales is the best solution. If we as a community demand an end to investments

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in tobacco companies, where do we stop? Nearly every publicly traded company engages in some level of sketchy, unethical, or immoral practices, such is the nature of capitalism. We can demand however, that the college invest at least part of the endowment in socially responsible mutual funds which stay away from companies with poor environmental records, weapons manufacturers, tobacco companies, and seek companies with a commitment to community development programs and affirmative action hiring programs. But this is another issue.

The decision to ban the sale of tobacco products was a poor one, which was made hastily and without student input. I implore Bro and his deans to reinstate the sale of tobacco products effective immediately. This, and only this, action is the correct one to truly align the rhetoric and practice of the college and provide students with that which they desire and deserve: choice.

Bro tells us that the President sets

the tone for the college. As students, alumni, and trustees, we must tell Bro that if the decision making process that went into the ban of tobacco products on campus is indicative of the way he intends to run the college, he will meet resistance. So please join me in emailing Bro (wadams@colby.edu) to express your feelings on the issue. It is our responsibility.

JJ Abodeely '01

## Thank you, runner

I want to take a minute and thank the young man who took the time to wear a reflective running vest last night (Thursday). It was around 5:30 and on the loop, I met this runner. He did everything right. He was running against traffic and wearing a reflective vest. I could see him! I saw him well before I ever got close enough to worry about whether or not I was going to hit him. I cannot say thank you enough. I hope that more of the runners, whoever you are, will remember this and take the time to put a vest on. It does make a difference.

Staci Warren  
Administrative Secretary  
Summer Wedding Scheduling

## Skalloween remembered

I recently received a copy of the Echo's article from Nov. 2, 2000, "Skalloween tradition becomes a ghost of the past." As one of the

founders of the first "Skalloween" in 1992, I was certainly proud to see that our idea had evidently become a "tradition" for some time at Colby. Nevertheless, I was more proud of the leadership shown by the current Mary Low Commons Council to break with that tradition and to chart new ground.

I served as Mary Low Commons President from 1992-93, and that Council's greatest strength was its desire and ability to shake up old traditions. Before Skalloween there was "Foss Halloween." I remember the student body being nervous when word leaked that we were going to try something new, but the risk was worth it. We encountered even more resistance the following year, when we decided to turn "Foss Arts" into an extravaganza on the Dana Lawn. I don't know if that is still how Foss Arts is run, but I can say the campus loved it at the time. I certainly don't mean to imply that all of our ideas were big hits. (I'd rather forget about our poorly-attended "Bingo Nights" and our dud "Valentine's Day Condom Party." Although I still don't know why the latter event bombed?) Still, college is the time for student leaders to try, and for the student body to embrace, persistent experimentation. I wish the current Mary Low Commons Council the best of luck in continuing to try new things. Selfishly, however, to those members of the student body who may have been disappointed by the absence of Skalloween this year, on behalf of the Mary Low Commons Council from 1992-93, I thank you!

Bill Charron '93

## Opinions

## Ward's Christmas wish list: world peace and more

## The Jesus business



Devils quoting scripture  
Jeffrey Calareso

Have you ever had a Christian approach you and try to sell you some Jesus?

By this I mean a Christian offering you salvation in return for your abidance of the Christian religion.

Christianity interests me because it is a herd religion. There is an implicit goal of conversion among the varying sects and a good deal of emphasis is placed on "spreading the word" of the Christian God.

It might be said that Christianity is a model for a market economy.

In a market economy, products and services are at first created and offered to fill a need. In order for the economy to self-perpetuate, it is crucial that economic stagnation is avoided. Yet since the consumer's demand is not fundamentally proportional to needed growth of output, the market necessarily creates a need for the products and services it has to offer.

A good example of this is found in television commercials. Some commercials exist to inform the public of something they can buy that sincerely fills a need. Most, though, go to great lengths to create desire within the populace and therefore create an unnatural need.

Look at the sneaker industry. Not even Olympians necessarily need

sneakers. None of us do. However, the sneaker industry has convinced the general population that their product is essential to life. Do sneakers make life easier sometimes? Yes, certainly. However, we could live a less expensive, simpler life without them. But it is good business to have and sell the product. But eventually even the arduous task of shoeing the populace is saturated. Shoe manufacturers then combine fabricated brand loyalty with alternate products like shirts and hats. Therefore, Nike.

Christianity works in much the same way. Some people convert to Christianity because they feel lost and are in search of spiritual guidance. Christian communities offer this. But at some point a saturation point is reached and the influx is no longer so substantial. This is not necessarily a finite point in time but rather an extended progression from one state to another.

That second state is one in which these institutions have been established under the initial pretense of constant expansion. When that expansion slows, the effect can be disillusionment. When a gunman kills two people in a school on Monday; another kills three on Tuesday; a third kills five on Wednesday; and a fourth kills five on Thursday, the Thursday killer is less newsworthy, less shocking. Five people may still be dead but it's no longer an upward progression.

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Ward's Words  
Geoff Ward

It's the holiday season once again, and Christmas is right around the corner. Since this is the last issue of the Echo we will be printing this year, I thought I'd share with you my Christmas wish list.

Dear Santa:

Here is what I'd like for Christmas. Although this is quite an extensive list, I feel that other than the incident involving the dwarf, a flaming bowling ball, and a pool filled with jello, I think I've been pretty good this year. Also, you may notice that some of the items listed below are not specifically for me, I thought this would be appropriate in this season of giving, and I hope it is not a problem.

- Chicken fingers in Dana every Sunday for dinner. No more "flank steak" whatever that is. At least the chicken fingers resemble chicken in appearance and taste.
- A Supreme Court ruling stating that George Bush is "too stupid to faithfully serve as our President."
- A Guns 'n Roses reunion tour in honor of my roommate.
- A time machine to take my roommate back to the 80s so he can forever be where he belongs, with the big hair bands.

- A moratorium on any jokes involving the words: recount, Florida, hanging or pregnant chads, or election. However jokes about Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris should still be allowed, especially those that refer to her as Cruella Deville. Caricatures of her depicting her liberal use of makeup are also appreciated.

- For President Adams to stop being referred to as "Bro." I just think the president of Colby should be left with a little dignity. He must really regret ever telling anyone he has a nickname.

- A Booster's Club for our football team so they don't have to buy for themselves t-shirts, rings, etc.

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for winning the NESCAC title. Or maybe just a school that would honor them in any way for the season they had.

- Anyone who uses the logic that, "Nader no more cost Gore the election than Bush and Gore cost

Nader the election," should be forced to move to Houston, Texas, right next to one of the big industrial plants that have made it the smoggiest city in the country.

- SWF who enjoys poetry and long walks...oops, that's for something else.

- Performances at Colby by another washed up rap band or a band that no one has heard of. (Did you notice the sarcasm there?)

- World peace.

- A repeal of the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution, thereby enabling Clinton to be president for life and ensuring that this country will not again make the mistake of even possibly electing someone president who is as unqualified as George W. Bush.

- Renovating the entire Bob's parking so that it is only for faculty parking. There is way too much parking for students already on campus. Security should also double their efforts in terms of handing out parking tickets. They just don't give out as many as they should.

- For the town of Waterville to pave some of the roads leading to and from Colby or at least fix them up a little so that my car doesn't actually disappear into some of the potholes. Plowing every once in awhile this winter would also be appreciated.

- A bidet in every bathroom on campus.

- For curling to become a varsity sport at Colby so I work on my curling skills and therefore fulfill my childhood dream of competing in curling at the Winter Olympics.
- An AMS quad for second

## THERE IS WAY TOO MUCH PARKING FOR STUDENTS ALREADY ON CAMPUS. SECURITY SHOULD ALSO DOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS IN TERMS OF HANDING OUT PARKING TICKETS. THEY JUST DON'T GIVE OUT AS MANY AS THEY SHOULD.

semester.

- For Republican Electors to have a crisis of conscious and vote for Gore instead of Bush because they would have felt guilty for electing Bush, and didn't want to be held responsible for what he might do to this country. I know the Electoral College votes on Dec. 18 so it wouldn't technically be a Christmas present, but how serious is this list anyway?

- A few more decent restaurants in Waterville so you don't have to go to Augusta or wait in line for hours just to eat somewhere other than the Classic Café. A new movie theatre in Waterville would also be nice, one that doesn't have the longest screening rooms in world history, and where none of the screens have huge gashes in them.
- An end to world hunger.

Geoff Ward is the Echo Opinions Editor.

## Students on the Street

"Bong hits!"

Greg Cosgrove '03

"Polish Eric Lantzman's head."

Kira Vassar '03

Becky Downing '01

"Transformers marathon- while listening to Duran Duran."

Michael Jose '01

Ben Tuff '03

"Ride Bro's pig."

Danielle Fornes '01





## DEVILS: Jesus and sneakers

Continued from page 6

Inherent in Christian doctrine is perpetual conversion. Over time Christians need to devote more time seeking converts than receiving converts. Here they differ from many of the world's other most popular religions in that conversion has played a major role in their history.

The process, as with Nike, is to create an unnatural desire. Christians sell their religion in a variety of ways. Televangelists have received notoriety by offering salvation in exchange for monetary donations. More subtle attempts include exhibiting a church as a bastion of happiness.

Many churches use "public service announcements" to promote their ideology. On a superficial level these announcements tell stories of ordinary individuals who discovered in the church that for what they did not even know they were looking. Yet who can say that the individual wouldn't have been made as happy with Judaism? Or even a new pair of sneakers?

Christianity is a business and therefore needs a steady stream of money in order to maintain daily operations. This is not an easy reality for Christians themselves to face, that they are, in effect, consumers. They aren't buying a tangible product but instead the much more idealistic notion of eternal happiness.

The end result is identical to that of the shoe industry. Money is exchanged and the seller soon operates primarily in order to insure that

the money continues to arrive. Meanwhile, the buyer is x dollars the poorer and now has a product of questionable value.

Yet Nike deliberately manufactures shoes that will break down within a finite period of time. All businesses must do this in order to survive.

In the pavement industry, the technology exists to build roads that will last decades longer than current, pothole-plagued roads, but utilizing this technology would hamper the construction industry.

Likewise, Christianity manipulates the Bible in order to maintain an economic prosperity which is central to its survival. Jesus Christ offers instructions for leading a particular life while chastising the corruption of institutionalized religion. Since their institutionalized religion has exploited his teachings from Paul to the present in order to preserve the established Christian church.

This has led to myriad faction within Christianity from Martin Luther to the Westboro Baptist Church (see: [www.godhatesfags.com](http://www.godhatesfags.com)). In our market economy, industries have learned to pacify this corruption of nature by outwitting anti-consumer activism. Christians, recognizing the conflict on the horizon, likewise outvoice opposition by accentuating misery and loneliness, evil and degradation, and attacking individualism as a threat to society.

Jeff Calareso is a weekly columnist for the Echo.

## Beating dead horses is fun



**The Vast Wasteland**  
Ryan Davis

By now, I'm sure most people are officially disgusted with the election mess in Florida. But I'm not. In fact, the longer it goes on, the more I enjoy it. I love that it's so weird and convoluted that no one would believe it if they saw it on a TV show. And yet, there it is, 24 hours a day on CNN, MSNBC and Fox News.

I consider myself a fairly politically informed and involved person. But I'm also a profoundly cynical person. Once a political story gets to this stage of muddled confusion (paging Monica, Elian, O.J., and friends), I become less interested in any political impact it will have on the country and more interested in the level of entertainment it can provide me with. By the time a resolution is reached, I usually start caring again, but in the meantime, I'm just enjoying the ride.

For the record, I voted for Al Gore. I don't think all that highly of him. In fact, I think he would make a mediocre president at best. But, his name is not George W. Bush, which outweighs all his disadvantages as a candidate for me. I think Bush would be an absolutely atrocious president, but I can see an upside to his winning the election. Think of how funny late-night talk shows will be for the next four years! One of David Letterman's writers said recently that a Bush presidency would make his job remarkably easy. "How easy? Dan Quayle easy, my friend." I can't wait.

At any rate, this story has gotten so screwed up that I think any sort of logical ending to it would be supremely anti-climactic. Just to keep up the high entertainment energy level the story has had so far, something really weird needs to happen now. I'm really hoping for some faithless electors to shake things up Dec. 18.

But even better than that, I read in Newsweek that if the election somehow eventually ends up in hands of the U.S. Congress and both houses deadlock as to whether to accept Florida's electoral votes, neither Bush nor Gore becomes president. That's right, Speaker of the House Dennis

Hastert would be forced to take over the reigns of power.

Now that's something I'd like to see. I like any news story that causes reporters to say, "Today was one of the most bizarre days in the history of the United States." I don't know much about Dennis Hastert, and I probably disagree with most of his politics, but as Letterman said on Nov. 8: "Right now, George W. Bush is not our president. Al W. Gore is not our president. Is there any way we can keep it that way?"

All this is not to say that I don't care about the outcome of the election. I do. I sincerely want Al Gore to become president (or rather, Dubya not to become president), but in the interim, I want all the partisans on both sides to get as worked up as possible.

I'm fascinated by the spectacle of the (mostly pro-Bush) protesters on the streets of West Palm Beach and Washington. Do these people have nothing better to do than stand outside a courthouse holding a mock Gore / Lieberman campaign poster that says "Sore / Loserman"? Or to yell at old people through a bullhorn "You're too stupid to vote"? That's kind of sad. On second thought, that's really sad. I'd love to see what they would do if some court ruling overturns the election and makes Gore president. But I'd be glad I was watching them on TV, in case they decide to exercise their Second Amendment rights a little too freely.

As a left-leaning independent who doesn't identify with either Democrats or Republicans and voted for maverick Sen. John McCain in the primary, my favorite part of this whole thing has been how it has revealed the absolute hypocrisy of the zealots in both parties.

No matter what any Republican or Democrat you've seen on TV throughout this ordeal has said, I am entirely certain that they would be saying the precise opposite if the shoe was on the other foot. "Gore is a fool for asking for another recount in a close election." "Bush has committed a coup d'etat by beginning transition work." "If people couldn't figure out the butterfly ballot, they are stupid and their vote shouldn't count." "Those military ballots should have been rejected." Each a statement of pure hypocrisy. It's beautiful.

No one wants to admit to their bias

either. I'll admit I'm being hypocritical and closed-minded in my anti-Bush views. But everyone on TV seems to say that they would be saying the same

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thing if their guy were in not in position to win or lose. Please.

Finally, this mess has thrown into clear focus an issue I have been concerned about for quite some time: the Electoral College. I hate it. You probably won't believe me, but I felt that way even before it looked like the College might screw over Gore. I told people before the election that if Gore lost the popular vote and won the electoral vote (as seemed plausible at the time), I would be pleased that he was going to be president but I would still lead the charge to abolish the Electoral College. That the tables turned on me has only slightly strengthened my resolve.

I think the Electoral College is a foolish system. Why does anyone support a way of electing a president that can allow someone a 350,000-vote majority of the population did NOT

vote for to become commander in chief? While I fully understand how the system works, I don't understand its logic at all.

People have told me that it "gives smaller states more power" and that "without it, candidates would only campaign in big cities." Bunk. No politician could ever be seen conspicuously ignoring a large segment of the population. People would not stand for it. And as for smaller states losing some kind of power, I'm far less concerned with that than I am with putting the man most voters prefer in the White House. And I'm from Maine, proud home of four piddling electoral votes. As far as I can see, the only effect eliminating the Electoral College would have on elections would be that the words "swing state" would be eliminated from our national vocabulary.

The only "fair and accurate" (the buzzwords on the moment) way of electing a president is to let the person who most voters prefer win. Anything else is simply ludicrous. But we first need to amend the Constitution. I respect that the College is the law in this election, and that it may mean victory for Captain Cowboy Hat and the Heart Attack Kid.

Well, that's what I think about what "The Daily Show" prophetically called "Indecision 2000." I only hope the whole thing hasn't been wrapped up by the time you read this. But whatever happens, vote McCain in 2004!

Ryan Davis is the news editor for the Echo. He would like to give a shout-out to his homegirl Meghann Foye in Paris, who gets upset when he doesn't write "The Vast Wasteland."

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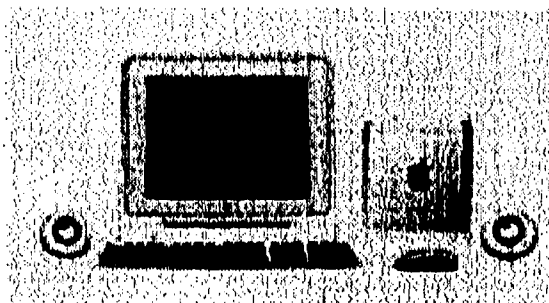
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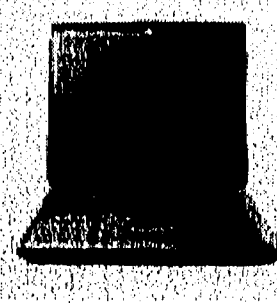


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## Dispatch rocks Colby, sits down to talk with Echo



Brad Corrigan, Pete Heimbold, and Chad Urmston are Dispatch. The trio performed in the Page Commons Room last Saturday.

By SARAH BELANGER  
STAFF WRITER

Before their concert in the Page Commons room the on Dec. 1, the Echo took some time out to ask members of Dispatch-Brad Corrigan, Pete Heimbold and Chad Urmston questions about the trappings of fame, music, and their recent name change.

Echo- So why did you guys have to change your name?

(Dispatch was formerly known as One Fell Swoop.)

Brad- Chad didn't like the name.

Chad- I thought it was too fruity.

Brad- Pretty much whatever he says goes.

Echo- Really?

Brad- There was another band that had the same name that was suing us but it had more to do with Chad disliking it.

Chad- Truth be known, I first came up with One Fell Swoop and Brad actually first came up with Dispatch.

Echo- In the beginning?

Brad- And the truth be known, there once was a band in St. Louis, with the very same name and tried to sue us, until one day we started to play and turned around and the banner said "Dispatch."

Echo- Now why didn't you go with "The Band Formerly Known as One Fell Swoop"?

Brad- FKA? FKAOSF? Just doesn't roll off

the tongue very easy. We wanted to reinvent ourselves.

Echo- What's in each of your personal CD players right now?

Brad- I have an 8 track and I'm listening to The Carpenters.

Chad- Jimi Hendrix, live at the Fillmore.

Brad- Is that true? Is that a real answer?

Chad- Yeah.

Brad- I'd have to answer very honestly, a female singer, Annunni and she's from Malaysia and she sounds like Annie Lennox.

Echo- What do you miss the most when you're "on the road"?

Brad- My pillow...

Chad- Long walks on the beach...

Brad- My teddy bear...

Chad- Puppies...

Brad- Puppies, rainbows...

Chad- Whistles, ribbons...

Brad- The postman, saying hello to people at the coffee shop, playing chess with the drugies at the park...

Echo- What did you guys do for your respective Thanksgivings?

Chad- My Thanksgiving wasn't really respectful at all, there was like, no respect. A lot of swearing...

Brad- Was there any coercion involved?

Chad- Yeah, a lot. A lot of dirty coercion.

Brad- The Urmstons are known for dirty

coercion. I had more of a traditional turkey day, although there was no turkey, it was really more like the hind-end of a cow I guess, a rump roast if you will. But it was on Wednesday because I have such a commitment to this band that I was traveling on that fine turkey day.

Echo- So do you guys want to be rock stars forever, or what?

Brad- I don't ever want to be one.

Echo- Are you gonna be like the Rolling Stones?

Pete- Yup.

Brad- Oh my God...

Pete- They will put us out on wheelchairs.

Brad- I just wanna smoke cigarettes and I think eventually you get big enough and you can and smoke 'em all the time, like wake up, smoke one in bed, go to sleep, smoke one in bed, get those little awkward burns in your sheets and stuff. Then get really wrinkly and, oh man...

Chad- This morning Brad turns over cause we were sleeping in this twin bed...

Echo- Both of you?

Chad- Yeah.

Brad- Trying to save money.

Chad- He rolls over and he has a pack of American Spirits and he's like, "Breakfast?"

Pete- And Chad goes, he takes this bottle of Jack and he puts it down and he goes "I'm

still workin' on dessert."

Brad- Yeah dude, that was a sick answer.

Chad- Remember that?

Brad- Oh man.

Brad- Is any of this helping? I mean, I feel like I'm being helped in the process.

Echo- Is there anything you feel like you need to talk about?

Brad- See I just had little tiny speakers inside my head and they made loud noises that were starting hurt and so now I'm saying things that I don't know about but I feel much better now. Thank you for playing.

Echo- So what about groupies? Do you have a lot of groupies?

Chad- Tons.

Pete- Tons and tons.

Brad- You just can't stop them.

Echo- So what do you look for in a groupie?

Chad- Just sex.

Pete- A nice body.

Brad- Yeah, strictly. You gotta love groupies.

Echo- Alright, I'll spread the word.

Brad- "The faint at heart need not apply." I think that's on our groupie application.

Chad- Yeah, I think it is. We go through about a hundred applications a day.

Brad- We only accept five a day in our groupie program.

Chad- Guys, girls, horses, sheep, whatever.

Echo- Actually our president has a pot-bellied pig, do you think we could get him in?

Pete- Get him on stage. We'll roast him. Man, in the morning we get bacon and BLTs.

Brad- It was weird, we actually had some groupies that wanted to be groupies, like a bunch of them and that was awful.

Pete- That was awful, we had to bring tanks.

Chad- Their applications were horrible.

Pete- Their essays were so... blurred.

Brad- I don't want to relive this, it was awkward.

Chad- It was painful to read their writing.

Brad- I dunno, we read it just for the halibut, it wasn't a big deal.

Dispatch took the stage in a sold-out Page Commons Room around 10:00 p.m. and played for almost two hours. The band played a great mix of old material and new songs from their CD "Who Are We Living For?" The show climaxed with the pseudo Colby anthem, "The General," at which point the whole crowd was jumping, dancing, and just generally making merry. It was one of those moments when you look around, smile, and think to yourself, "Damn, I love this place." Dispatch finally made it back after not playing here since the spring of '98, when the band used to crash with

Urmston's younger brother who lived on the first floor of Dana. The show was fantastic and made me want to kick myself for not savoring the old days when "One Fell Swoop" played Last Day of Loudness behind Bob's, before they were rock stars.

For more information on Dispatch, check out their website at: [www.dispatchmusic.com](http://www.dispatchmusic.com)

## This Week's EVENTS

### Thursday, 12/7

Social Science and Humanities Colloquium Series - Philson Lounge  
Cotter Union 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Math Department Faculty/ Student Weekly Lunches - Hurd Roberts  
12:00-1:00 p.m.

Flu Shots - Marson Lounge Cotter Union 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Kickboxing & Step Aerobics - Alford Athletic Center Aerobics Room 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Senior Pledge Meeting (UPDATED) - AMS Party Space (ANTH 020)  
Anthony 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Colby Improv - Runnals Union Strider Theater 7:00-8:30 p.m.

31st Annual Service of Carols and Lights - Lorimer Chapel 7:00-9:00 p.m.

SGA Films - "The Original Kings of Comedy" - Lovejoy 100 8:00-10:00 p.m.

### Friday, 12/8

Stress Buster Fair - Marson Lounge Cotter Union 12:00-4:00 p.m.

SGA Films - "The Original Kings of Comedy" - Lovejoy 100 7:00-9:00 p.m.

31st Annual Service of Carols and Lights - Lorimer Chapel 7:00-9:00 p.m.

SGA Films - "The Original Kings of Comedy" - Lovejoy 100 9:30-11:30 p.m.

### Saturday, 12/9

31st Annual Service of Carols and Lights - Lorimer Chapel 4:00-6:00 p.m.

SGA Films - "The Original Kings of Comedy" - Lovejoy 100 7:00-9:00 p.m.

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Mari Stylez - Mary Low Coffeehouse 8:00 p.m.

SGA Films - "The Original Kings of Comedy" - Lovejoy 100 9:30-11:30 p.m.

### Sunday, 12/10

Swing Dance Club - Alford Athletic Center Aerobics Room 7:00-9:00 p.m.

## Orchestra and Chorale combine for beautiful sound in Chapel

By RACHEL ROKICKI  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Last Sunday, Dec. 3, the Colby Symphony Orchestra and the Colby College Chorale presented a superb combined performance in Lorimer Chapel. The concert, part of the 2000-2001 Music at Colby series, was well received with boisterous applause.

The Chorale, under the direction of director Paul Machlin, the Arnold Bernhard Professor of Music, and the Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of conductor Jonathan Hallstrom, associate professor of music, selected a wide range of musical selections from the 18th century through the 20th century. Maine's largest college orchestra, the Colby Symphony Orchestra includes student, faculty, and community musicians. The Colby College Chorale is the College's largest singing group and features more than 70 Colby students. The festive music was a prelude to the season and demonstrated the versatility of these groups.

The program began with a beautiful orchestral rendition of Henry Purcell's "Symphony from the Fairy Queen," and highlighted the talents of four accomplished soloists (Matt Riportello-Croce '03, Elena Morgenroth '04, Jarod Vigogni '04, Hilary Jansen '02.) This was shortly followed by Debussy's "Trois Nocturnes." The women from the chorale joined the ensemble for the third movement, "Sirens."

After a brief intermission, the concert commenced with two pieces illustrating the English choral tradition. The quality of the performance was heightened by Benjamin Britten's Ceremony of Carols. The music, taken from texts in old English, included both sacred and secular carols for the holiday season. It featured harpist Molly Hahn, whose fingers moved effortlessly to create rich, ethereal sounds. Lauren Schaad '01, a former chorale member stated, "the guest harpist was a welcome addition to the musical ensemble." This piece, divided into many different carols, also highlighted the talent of singers like Amy Ackerman '01, Katherine Ennis '04, Benjamin Falby '03, Katherine Swayne '03 and Alex Gelbard '03. Written during Britten's voyage from England to the United States, these carols reflect a wide range of emotion. Mike Montgomery '96 reflected with enthusiasm, "My favorite song was 'There is no rose.' It's such a great piece."

The concert continued with George Frederick Handel's coronation anthem, "The King Shall Rejoice," which resonated throughout the chapel with luxurious sound. David Wiggins '60, frequently drives to Colby to hear great music performances. He said, "I love coming back to Colby, and I thoroughly enjoyed this performance."

Despite a few minor problems with rhythm and timing, the orchestra and chorale have a lot to be proud of. Concerts like these illustrate the depth and breadth of events that Colby has to offer.

For more information on Music at Colby events contact Diane Kadyk at (207) 872-3236.

## DEVILISHLY ANGELIC



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The Colbyettes sing Faith Hill's "Breathe" at their Acapellathon Saturday, Nov. 18 in Given Auditorium. The group was joined by the Brandeis Voice Male and the Connecticut College CoCo Beaux. The soloist is Vicky Hayes '04.



# Sirens sing a doozy—rock the Chapel



The Sirens performed in Lorimer Thursday night. They will be part of this weekend's Carols and Lights.

By ZACK KAHN  
A&E EDITOR

Last Thursday night, Lorimer Chapel was the site of yet another in a series of interesting, music filled affairs known as Sirens concerts. This particular one was opened by Colby's spectacular African Drummers. The Drummers, who have been performing together since last year,

have developed into one of the best musical acts at Colby. They play wonderfully together and really sound better and better every time I hear them. They even got some kind hippies dancing along with the drum rhythms and chanting.

The Sirens emerged, decked in what can only be described as official Colby disco wear: gold, silver, floral prints were the rule. Nine

members strong the girls started the concert off with "Seven," a song by the artist once again known as Prince. This piece was done without a solo, as was almost every other song the Sirens did, giving the group a distinction from other Colby a cappella groups. This group dynamic was best expressed with numbers like "Goodbye Blue Sky" by Pink Floyd, "Girl From the Gutter," by

Kina, and "Take Me Coco" by Zap Mama. On these pieces, "Take Me Coco" especially, the Sirens group dynamic and beautiful voices blended together and came out as a wonderful eclectic sound. Zap Mama is a little known African/Hip Hop group, and the Sirens did them justice on that song.

Two other types of numbers also stood out as noteworthy. "Going the Distance" by Cake was definitely a piece most a capella groups would not have tackled, but one that the girls managed to pull off. Also a song that I truly enjoy is the solo by Caroline Rosch '01 on Dar Williams "As Cool as I Am." For me, one of the Sirens signatures will always be Rosch's belting out "I will not be afraid of women." Along with Rosch the Sirens are Stacy Reid Erickson '01, Mairead Carney '02, Becky Sharp '02, Sally Hall '02, Lindsey Mahoney '03, Courtney Smith '03, Jenny Grace '03, and Lindsay Grossman '04. Olivia Robbie '02 is abroad for the year and Sarah Roberts '03 has taken a leave of absence.

The girls are losing their three juniors and so will be holding auditions early next year for new members. The concert was fun and the crowd enthusiastic (Ghetto Superstar) and I look forward to the Sirens' next performance at Carol's and Lights this weekend.

## Collegium Musicum celebrates Bach at Lorimer Chapel

By MICHAEL GREENBERG  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Collegium Musicum sent its audience back to the late 1600's last Saturday night with an all-Bach program in honor of the 250th anniversary of his death. The program, highly unique for the Music at Colby series, showcased a variety of musical mediums, including choral, solo vocal, instrumental chamber, solo instrumental, and choral with strings. Judging from the smiles and peaceful expressions in the audience, the concert was enjoyed by all.

Eva Linfield, director of the group, opened the concert with a brief synopsis of Bach's life, including the enormous admiration felt by his contemporaries for his virtuosic organ playing. Both halves of the program appropriately opened with an organ solo, Organ Chorale BWV 661 and Organ Chorale BWV 659, and the first included an added treat: 14 year-old organist, Tom Muller, played a piece.

Following Muller's performance, a combo of students and professionals performed Bach's Sonata in G no. 1038, though Linfield noted the mystery surrounding that particular work. It was probably not written by Bach, in fact many believe it to be

written by his eldest son or one of his more prized students. The players, including Elyssa Ford '03 on flute and Sara Gross '01 on harpsichord, performed beautifully.

The programs' two halves each showcased a longer work by Bach, complete with strings, organ, vocal solos, and the full chorale. In the first half, Collegium performed one of Bach's holiday pieces, this one intended for Christmas Day, the Magnificat in D. Only selections from this major work were played, including Et misericordia for alto, tenor, 2 violins, viola, and basso continuo. The second longer work, Cantata BWV 61, closed the program with numerous solos, chorales, instrumental movements, and a classic "Amen." Featured vocal soloists of the evening included Amy Ackerman '01, Sharlin Mikhaila Noble '02, Sarah Goodrich '01, Cynthia Malik '04, Clinton Johnson '02, and Dan Thomas '02.

Bach is often considered the musician's composer, known more for his mastery of theory than for emotion, but Collegium Musicum proved Bach to be the people's composer. Saturday night's turnout was comparable to that of the other campus groups' concerts, and as a listener next to me said of the concert, "that was a really solid performance."

# Mario and Link duke it out with the WWF this Christmas

By MELV LADERA  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In the light of the holiday gift-giving season, we will all find ourselves scrambling to find the perfect presents for our loved ones. Among those included on many our lists are those hard-to-shop for younger siblings. Luckily there is a market that is booming with new and appealing products for the young and the young at heart. This innovative market is the video game industry.

It can be expected that this Christmas season will show a lot of competition between the major video game companies. Various releases from all of the major companies are estimated to increase revenues. The fact that sales are expected to rise may even be an understatement because with the release of the Playstation 2 and sequels of top-selling video game franchises, it is possible to see sales skyrocket. There is also enough variety to appease any consumer. Whether it may be the innovation of Sega and its Dreamcast, the arguably superior technology of Sony's Playstation consoles, or the classic fun that resonates from Nintendo's 64 and Gameboy, each console has plenty to offer this Christmas season and here are just a few suggestions.

One of the most recognizable icons in the video game industry is Nintendo's lovable plumber Mario. The latest installment in the Mario Bros. franchise is the smashing "Mario Tennis" for the Nintendo 64. This was originally released in the early fall, but is still doing well in sales. "Mario Tennis"

AS FUN AS SINGLE PLAYER CAN BE, I THINK THE BEST ASPECT OF THIS GAME IS THE MULTI-PLAYER MODE WHERE UP TO FOUR PLAYERS CAN BATTLE IN DOUBLES MATCHES.

continues Mario's exploration into different areas of entertainment. The game is following in the footsteps of the other successful Mario games, which include "Mario Kart," "Mario Party," and "Mario Golf." This game simulates tennis using a variety of characters that have appeared in previous Mario games. Although "Mario Tennis" may seem kiddy with all of the cartoonish characters, it is actually addictive and fun. The controls are simple. Basically, only three buttons are used on the controller throughout the whole game. Single player mode offers various tournaments and challenges and they are played on a choice of four different courts. There are also hidden characters and courts that can be found over the course of completing the various tournaments. As fun as single player can be, I think the best aspect of this game is the multi-player mode where up to four players can battle in doubles matches. "Mario Tennis" becomes twice as fun when you include a friend because the head to head battles can become more intense.

Another franchise that is releasing new installments for this holiday season is the World Wrestling Federation. The WWF has three new releases in circulation, which are all manufactured by the Electronics Company

THQ. These three brawling games are "WWF No Mercy" for the Nintendo 64, "Royal Rumble" for Sega Dreamcast, and "Smackdown 2" for Sony Playstation.

"WWF No Mercy" is created with the same base as THQ's other Nintendo 64 successes, "Wrestlemania 2000" and "WCW/N.W.O. Revenge." The differences that "No Mercy" boasts over its predecessors include: an enhanced create-a-wrestler section, a Smackdown Mall where you can buy moves, items, costumes, and characters using the money that you earn for winning matches in single-player mode, and an all new ladder match. The controls are moderately easy to learn. For anyone that is familiar with the controls in "Wrestlemania 2000" and "Revenge" the controls are pretty much exactly the same. With an expanded single-player mode and 70+ characters to master, "No Mercy" is definitely a game that will keep the player entertained. "No Mercy" can also include up to four players in multi-player mode. The game includes characters that range from the Rock and stalwart Triple H to the high-flying diva Lita and the under-appreciated Taka Michinoku.

"Royal Rumble" for the Dreamcast also has relatively easy controls and it boasts incredible lifelike graphics that the other two games lack. "Royal Rumble" also has a feature that involves having up to nine wrestlers in the ring at once; in "No Mercy" only four can be in the ring. The only problem is that the game has a small selection of wrestlers to choose from. How do you expect to simulate WWF's traditional 30-man Royal Rumble if you only have 20 wrestlers to choose from? The fun doesn't last long seeing the same

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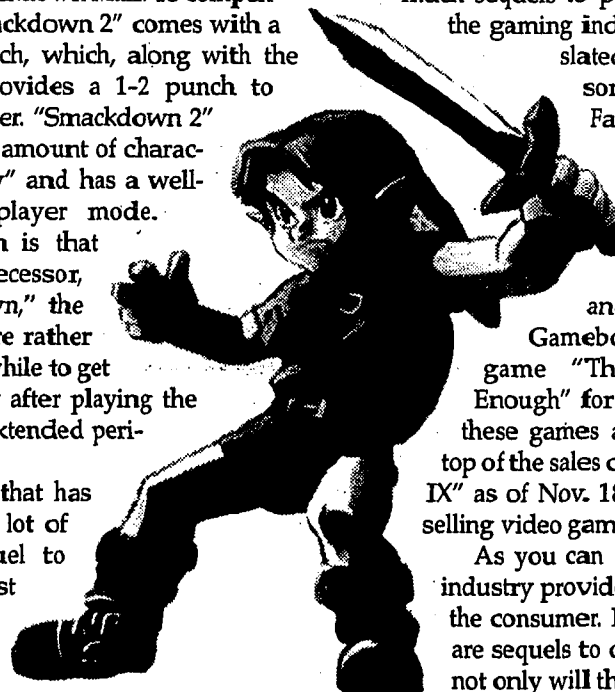
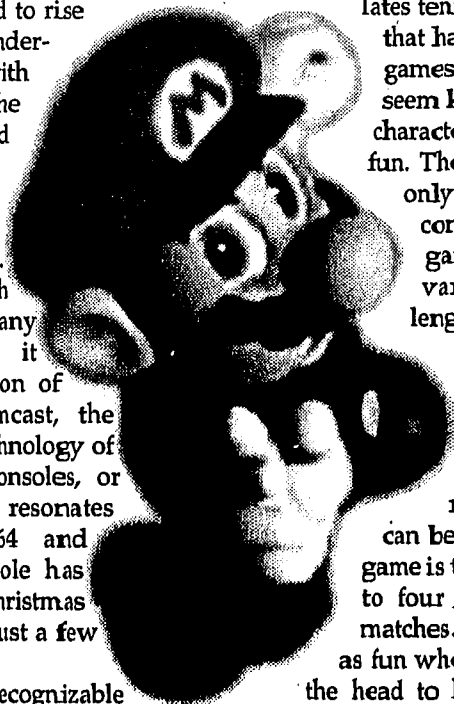
"WWF Smackdown 2" for the Playstation has almost everything that "No Mercy" has except for the Smackdown Mall. To compensate for that, "Smackdown 2" comes with a Hell-in-a-Cell match, which, along with the ladder match, provides a 1-2 punch to please the consumer. "Smackdown 2" includes the same amount of characters as "No Mercy" and has a well-designed single-player mode. The only problem is that like its predecessor, "WWF Smackdown," the game's controls are rather tricky and take a while to get used to, especially after playing the other two for an extended period of time.

Another game that has premiered with a lot of buzz is the sequel to Nintendo 64's best selling game, "The Legend of Zelda: Majora's Mask" is expected to repeat the success of its predecessor, Ocarina of Time. According to PC Data's console sales charts, "Majora's Mask" is ranked fifth in sales among all video games and second for Nintendo 64 games, just under the previously mentioned "WWF No Mercy" game. It looks like the game is on its way to completing its task. "Majora's Mask" is a great installment with an intriguing new storyline, which introduces a new feature that involves the use of masks that grant new abilities to the main character, Link.

The controls and graphics seem unchanged from Ocarina of Time.

The general theme of most of the expected top-selling games is that they are all pretty much sequels to previous successes in the gaming industry. Other sequels slated for release this season include "Final Fantasy IX" for the Playstation, "Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 2" for the Playstation, "Pokémon Silver and Gold" for Gameboy, and the Bond game "The World is Not Enough" for Nintendo 64. All of these games are currently on the top of the sales charts. "Final Fantasy IX" as of Nov. 18 is the number one selling video game.

As you can see, the video game industry provides a lot of variety for the consumer. Most of these games are sequels to our past favorites, so not only will they provide plenty of finger-numbing fun for your siblings, they can also rekindle our own memories of old school Mario and Zelda. If you wish to get any of these suggested products for your siblings or even for yourself, be sure to get to the retailers as soon as you can. These titles are selling like hotcakes. I went to seven different stores before I could find "Mario Tennis" and "WWF No Mercy" and "Final Fantasy IX" look to be running scarce on the shelves of department stores. Retailers are complaining that there is no big toy like the Furby or an Elmo that has a lot of hype for this Christmas season; they must have overlooked the video game industry. With the Playstation 2 and all of these video game choices, it will not be difficult to find something special for the young and us young at heart.



## Mrs. Warren's (oldest) profession

By KELLY STOOS  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Imagine discovering that your mother is not only a prostitute, but owns and maintains a chain of brothels across Europe; this is the basis of George Bernard Shaw's play Mrs. Warren's Profession. With a simple, fairy tale-like set and traditional Victorian costumes, the theater and dance department's production of "Mrs. Warren's Profession" depicted a lost age of refinement intermingled with modern themes. Rather than making Mrs. Warren's Profession a simple "disadvantaged woman's success story," director professor Richard Sewell, strove to make his production more insightful and intellectual. By drawing from Shaw's original revolutionary thinking that defied Victorian conventions, more meaning was brought to both the language and action of the play. Though set in the Victorian era, "Mrs. Warren's Profession" remains relevant to today's audience because of its themes of feminism and unethical business practices.

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point in the life of Vivie Warren (Christina Wallace '03), a headstrong young woman who has received a college education and is now determined to develop a successful, money making business. She was raised apart from her mother, Mrs. Kitty Warren (Sylvie Griffiths '03), who paid for her education and continues to support her. Her mother's lifestyle and her father's identity remain a mystery to Vivie and she is hoping that these things will be revealed in Kitty's upcoming visit.

Through people surrounding Kitty, her business partner Crofts (Jared Eggers '03), her friend Praed (Jonathan Allen '03) and finally from Kitty herself, Vivie discovers that her mother owns several houses of prostitution. Disgusted, not by Kitty's prostitution but by her exploitation of young women for profit, Vivie makes the decision to cut off her relationship with her mother and suitor, Frank Gardner (Jesse Randzio '01) and simply devote herself to business.

This truly unconventional ending and context shocked Victorian audiences, causing the play to originally be banned in England. In a society where we are so used to tidy, happy endings this play continues to shock modern audiences. Wallace and Griffiths portrayed their roles in accordance with Shaw's intentions for the piece; neither Vivie or Kitty was designated as the hero or villain, it was simply two very human characters emerged and finally divided by a personal moral debate. Allen also performed wonderfully as Mr. Praed, embodying the character in both stature and dress. Overall, the production was well thought out and fun to watch.

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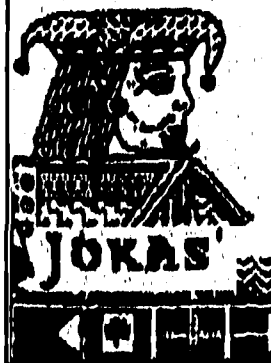


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## Women's hoops hopes to improve on 4-2 start

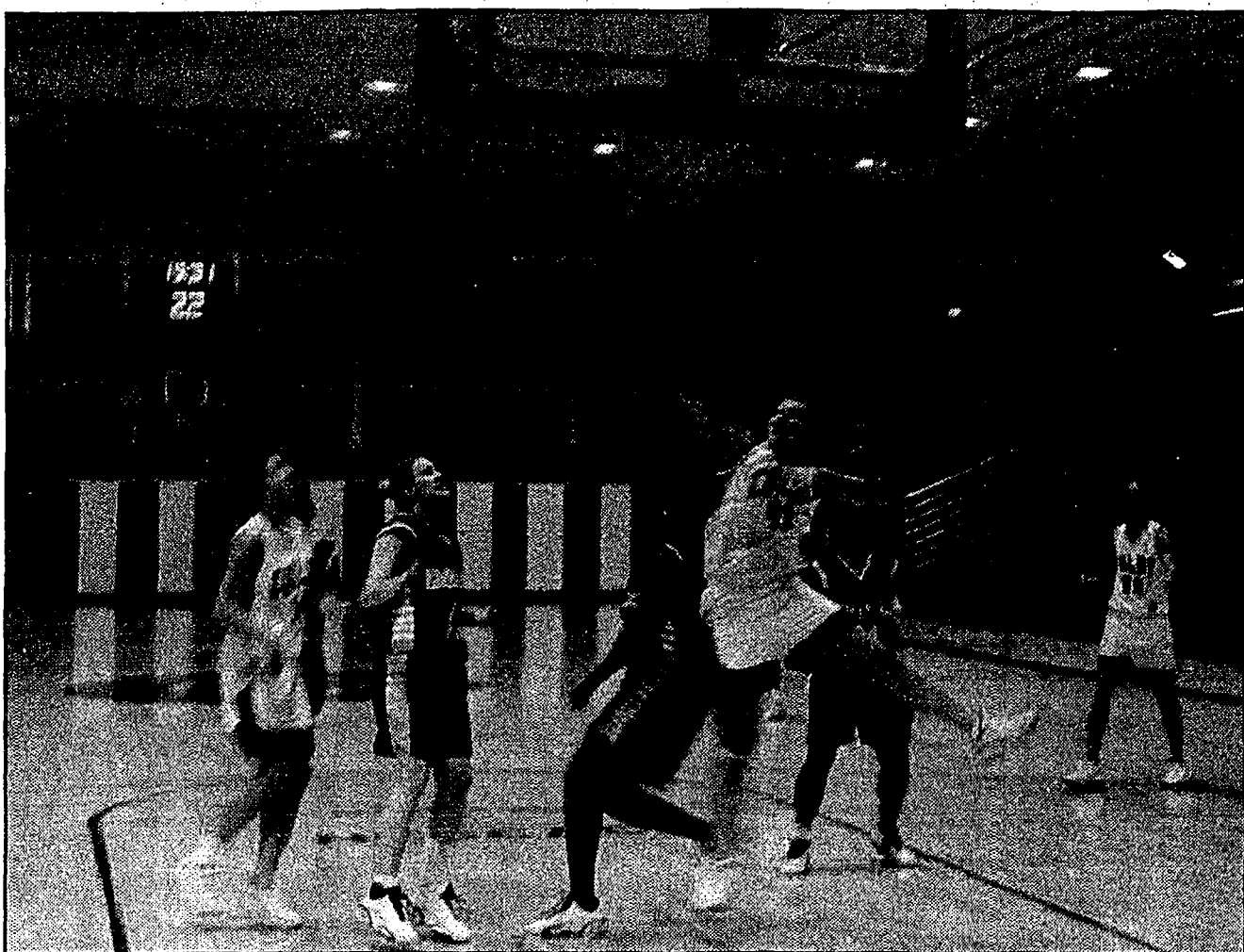
By JONATHAN ECK  
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's basketball team opened their season with a win Friday, Nov. 17 at their own event, the Tip-Off Tournament. The first game pitted the White Mules against the Golden Bears from Western New England College. The team could not get anything started during the opening eight minutes of the game. However, after opening 0-11, the shots began to fall and a stifling Mule defense began to take form. Colby went on a 23-2 run before closing out the half with a 32-19 lead.

A rejuvenated WNEC squad hit the floor for the second half and fought back to within nine points before the Mules slammed the door and finished the game with a 66-52 victory. Co-captain Kim Condon '01 (18 points, five rebounds) and Sarah Walsh '03 (eight points, ten rebounds) posted the best numbers for the Mules. Colby's Bianca Belcher '03, Caitlin Bourque '04, and Jasmine Ashe '03 also turned in strong performances.

Saturday, the club advanced to the championship game against the Plymouth State College Panthers. Colby played tough, but fell short to the Panthers 81-73. Condon (18 points) and Walsh (17 points, 16 rebounds) came up big again, and both were selected as tournament all-stars.

The Mules closed the month of November with wins against Thomas College, 89-55, and Gordon College. With a more spread-out scoring attack, the Mules finished the game with four players in double figures against Gordon. Colby jumped out to a 37-23 halftime lead and never looked back, winning the game 86-52. Again, Walsh (17 points, eight rebounds) and Condon (16 points) led the club. Ashe (13 points) and Carli Parisella '03 (12 points) also regularly knocked their



Sarah Walsh '03 hits the glass in Wadsworth. Walsh has been instrumental in Colby's strong 4-2 start.

shots down. Ashe was big from downtown, hitting three three-pointers. The win gave Colby a 3-1 record.

Noting the extremely high quality of play coming from Sarah Walsh, head coach Patricia O'Brien said, "As a sophomore, Sarah is playing very well. She has improved her outside shooting. Combine that with her ability to put the ball to the floor and she can be unstoppable," she said. "Sarah is also finishing more shots this year, which is improving her shooting percentage. When we get the ball to her on the block, good things happen."

Emmanuel College knocked off the White Mules last Saturday, 81-69. Going into halftime with an 11-point lead, Emmanuel gave Colby few chances to sneak back into the game. Nevertheless, Walsh (23 points, 13 rebounds) fought hard as she starred for Colby. Belcher (13 points) and Condon (six points) also attempted to spark the Mules and turned in solid performance during the evening contest.

Sunday, Dec. 3 Colby dominated Pine Manor College in a 90-45 win. Walsh (13 points, seven rebounds) posted the top numbers, while Mandy Cochrane '01 and Katy Lawson '02 both added 12.

Colby burst out of the starting gate with a 45-21 lead and continued on at that pace for the remainder of the game. The Lady Mules now stand at 4-2. Colby heads back onto the court Wednesday night as they place

host to the University of Southern Maine Huskies at 5:30.

"Our team is struggling defensively and we have yet to put the pieces together for a complete game," said O'Brien. "We have two exceptionally strong opponents coming up with the University of Southern Maine, who finished number two in the nation last season, and Salem State, another traditional final four team. These games will provide a true test of where our team is at this point in the season and how far we have to go to reach our goals."

The Mules played University of Southern Maine Wednesday, and travels to Salem State Dec. 9 for their last game before winter break. Colby will travel to Maryland for a tournament in early January and then return to the northeast for eight conference games to close out the month.

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Patricia O'Brien  
Head basketball coach

## Mules kick off to a 4-1-1 start

By BILL YOUNKER  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The men's ice hockey team opened up the season Friday, Nov. 17 in Saratoga Springs, NY against Skidmore College. Mule goalie J.D. Hadjaris '02 and Skidmore keeper Jon Olsen each recorded 37 saves, but Colby proved to capitalize on more of its opportunities with a 4-1 win. Mike Higgins '02 led the Mules with two goals, as Colby got three in the third period to put away Skidmore for good.

The next stop for the men was the following day, only a few hours drive to Clinton, NY to face the Continentals of Hamilton College. Co-captain Fred Perowne '01 got the first goal of the game when he took a pass from Jay Goebel '03 and found the back of the net at 4:42 into the first period.

Perowne and Marc McEwen '01 assisted co-captain Evan Kearns '01 on a power play goal at the 4:04 mark of the second period to give Colby a 2-0 lead. However, Hamilton would answer with only 27 seconds left in the second period when the Continentals' Tim Canfield scored.

The third period remained scoreless for 13:29 until Hamilton scored again. Bobby Nagle '02 provided the heroics in the overtime period when he took a feed from James LaLiberty '02 and beat Hamilton's goaltender with only 50 seconds left in the overtime period. Hadjaris played another

great game, tallying 38 saves.

The men loaded up the bus and headed over to Bowdoin Saturday, Nov. 25, to play Brockport in the first of their two games in the Face Off Classic. Despite two power-play opportunities for the Mules in the first period, the teams headed into the second period scoreless.

**NAGLE FLIPPED IN A BACKHANDER AT THE TOP OF THE SLOT ON ASSISTS FROM LALIBERTY AND PEROWNE TO MAKE THE SCORE EVEN AT 2-2 WITH ONLY 27 SECONDS REMAINING IN THE GAME.**

Perowne got Colby on the board with assists from Mike Dalton '01 and Sean O'Grady '03 on a power-play goal. However, Brockport was quick to answer when they scored a power-play goal 35 seconds later. Dalton struck next, when he lit the lamp 10:43 into the second period. Head coach Jim Tortorella had no worries as his team got another two quick goals at the end of the third period from LaLiberty, (Nagle) and Kearns (Paul Nahigian '02), to make the score 4-1 and give the Mules a 3-0 start to the season.

The following day, the team returned to Waterville to host Rochester Institute of Technology for the squad's first home match of the year at Alfond Arena. Higgins took a feed from Nagle at the 9:30 mark in the first period, but it would be downhill from there on in for the Mules. RIT's squad would score seven unanswered goals over the next two periods until Nagle put one in on a pass from LaLiberty with 5:39 remaining in the third period. RIT would score one more time to make the final a score of 8-2, and handing the Mules their first blemish of the season.

The team rested up and worked hard for its game Friday, Dec. 1 against University of Southern Maine. It was another scoreless first period, but then USM jumped out to grab the lead, scoring 12:30 into the second period. USM took another one with a few minutes remaining to take an early 2-0 lead.

However, the Mules were not about to suffer back-to-back losses as Nick Meintel '04 and LaLiberty assisted Steve Cunningham '01 on a power-play goal at 1:58 into the third period. LaLiberty factored in the scoring again when he and Ross Macmillan '04 assisted Higgins for the equalizer. LaLiberty picked up the playmaker when he and Meintel assisted McEwen with 3:10 left in the third period on another power-play goal to give Colby the 3-2 win.

The men hosted Salem State the following day. The teams were deadlocked for the first two periods, until Salem State jumped out to a 1-0 lead at 3:34 into the third period. Nahigian and Goebel assisted on Macmillan's goal to tie up the game, until Salem State's Jay McCabe scored. Time was running out when Nagle flipped in a backhand at the top of the slot on assists from LaLiberty and Perowne to make the score even at 2-2 with only 27 seconds remaining in the game. The game ended in a tie due to a scoreless 5-minute overtime period.

The Mules took their 4-1-1 record to rival Bowdoin Tuesday night and will face U18 National Team on Saturday, Dec. 9.

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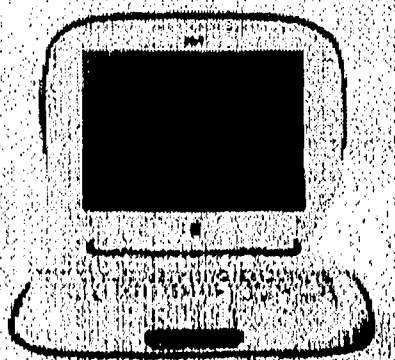
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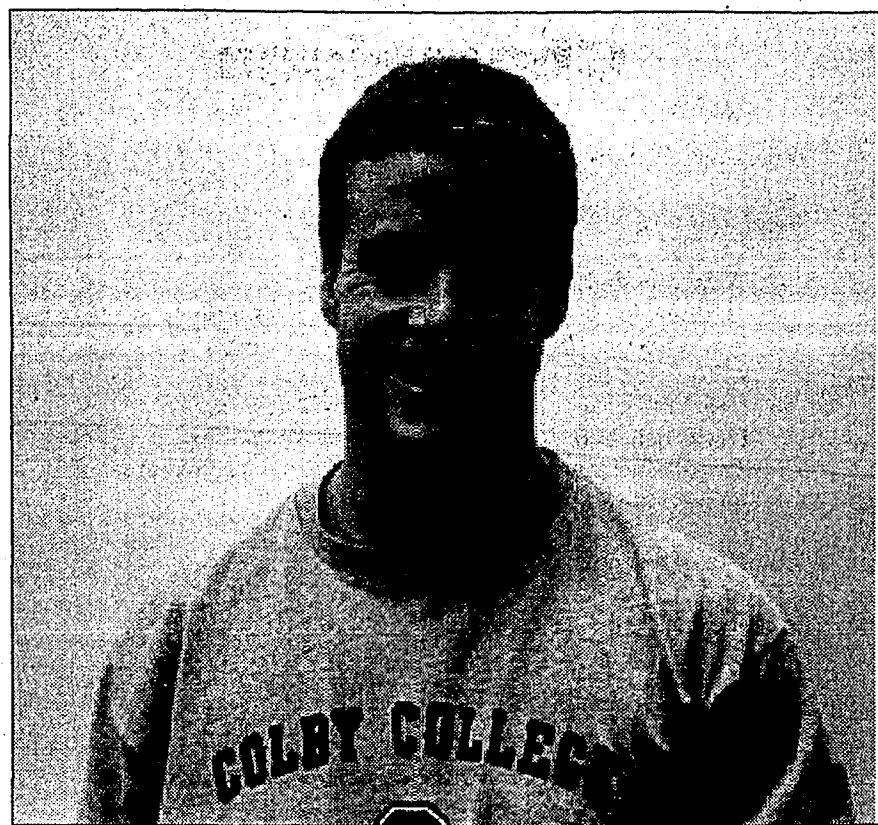
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## DEVASTATOR OF THE WEEK

Steve Feldman '01

Feldman qualified for the NCAA Swimming and Diving National Championships in the one-meter and three-meter diving competitions at this past weekend's meet at MIT. Both his one-meter and three-meter scores shattered his previous school records by more than 40 points each.

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## Feldman flips toward Buffalo

By SARAH BLASK  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The swimming and diving team played host to the Coast Guard Academy Nov. 18. The women dominated the visiting team 151 points to 79, while the men struggled against a larger Coast Guard team, losing 148-92.

Carolyn Plant '04 provided a spark for the women by dominating in the 200-yard freestyle as she finished in 2:01.5, and easily cruising to victory in the 100 backstroke, with a time of 1:04.27. Women's tri-captain and diver Jess Alex '01 also won both of her events, finishing with personal lifetime bests of 185.45 and 197.4 from the one and three-meter boards respectively. Tri-captain Amy Millett '01 blazed to victory in the 50 freestyle (25.66), Blake Hamill '02 took the 200 Individual Medley (2:20.64), Sarah Jasinski '04 won the 100 freestyle (58.0), and the 200 freestyle relay team of Jess Knight '02, Hamill, Millett, and Plant took home top honors (1:43.95). Colby women won 9 of 13 events against a Coast Guard team that featured a 2000 National Champion breast-

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Tom Burton  
Head swim coach

ker. The men's side was lead by co-captain Steve Feldman '01 and Jonathan Eck '03. Both were winners in two events. Feldman claimed both of the diving events with a new school record of 244.0 from the one-meter board and 220.1 from three meters, while Eck won the 200 Individual Medley in 2:03.20 and the 500 freestyle in 5:02. First year N i c k Walendziak '04 also came up big with a 22.49 in the 50 freestyle. Said head coach Tom Burton, "It was a great first meet. All of our first years did well in their first collegiate experience. From a coaching point of view, I'm very pleased with where we are at the beginning of the year."

Saturday, Dec. 2 the swimming and diving team traveled to Boston to compete against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. While both the men and women fell short against MIT in the point race, the day was highlighted by an amazing demonstration of diving by Feldman.

After finishing a few tenths shy of a National Championship Meet

berth last year, Feldman made good on his vows to qualify for the big event. The senior diver tallied enough points to qualify from both the one and three-meter boards.

Burton said, "The MIT meet was a nice second step into the season."

This year's times indicate that the team is further along as a group than they were last year.

Highlights on the women's side included Plant winning huge races against two of MIT's top swimmers. Said Burton, "That was quite a statement for a first year." Millett and Knight continued to shine in the sprint events, while Jiggetts and Jasinski are continuing to make improvements each week.

The Mules had a chance to clinch victory against MIT. However, a disqualification in the final race of the afternoon made that an impossibility. "While the final relay was a major disappointment and left a sour taste in our mouths, it can be looked at as a learning experience from which the team might actually be better off in the long run," said Burton.

As Feldman impressed from the boards, first year Walendziak dominated from lane four and was said to

**"I asked the team to go into this meet thinking about racing. We handled these situations really well."**

Tom Burton  
Head swim coach

be "outstanding" in his individual races and relay leg. The MIT pool is not known to be especially fast, yet Walendziak lit the Alumni Natatorium ablaze with a 48.1 in the 100 freestyle, 21.9 in the 50 freestyle, and a 21.1 relay split. If he can continue to push in practice, he should have an exciting February and March.

Ben Shreiner '01 and Clay Smith '03 also stood out for the men. Shreiner had a great 200 Individual Medley and his best 100 freestyle of the year, while Smith notched his best 100 freestyle time of the season.

The men's team struggled as a result of the numbers game. The MIT team was able to field the maximum number of athletes in each event, while the Mules were short-handed at times. Nevertheless, the team handled the issue in a mature manner and had a successful day on the individual level.

"I asked the team to go into this meet thinking about racing. At the meet, we handled those situations very well," said Burton. The team heads to Ft. Lauderdale for a winter vacation training trip before returning to Waterville to train for January meets against Middlebury, Norwich, Clark, Bates, and Bowdoin.

## High drama on the hardwood: Colby men's hoops off to 5-0 start



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Mules practice in Wadsworth.

By BOBBY FLEISS  
STAFF WRITER

The dramatic 75-69 win over the Continentals of Hamilton College pushed the Colby men's basketball team to a perfect 5-0 start on the season and earned the Mules the championship plaque from this past weekend's invitational tournament.

Said head coach Dick Whitmore in regards to the early season success, "To be 5-0 at this time of the year, it becomes now more special every single time because our guys respect what they've done now, and I think they will work even harder to get better."

Saturday's overtime victory featured drama from the tip-off to the final buzzer. Early on it appeared that the favored Hamilton team, which had received a bid to last season's National Collegiate Athletic Association's Tournament, might be too much to handle. The Continentals' balanced attack, which featured three players in double digits, cruised with a sizable lead early. Yet a late-first-half run left Colby down just one going into the break.

Once again, in the second half the Mules were slow out of the gates, allowing Hamilton to compile a 14-point lead with only five minutes to play in regulation. But co-captain Sam Clark '01 and an inspired group of seniors refused to be denied.

"You looked out at the court at the end of the game and we had five seniors out there and that's unquestionably what won the game for us," said Whitmore.

Clark led the charge. The 6'5" center

dropped a career-high 33 points for the Mules. Clark shot three for three from behind the arc and brought the crowd to its feet with two rim rattling dunks. His nine boards and six assists rounded out the mammoth effort. Clark also drove to the basket and laid the ball in the hoop to tie the game and send it into overtime.

**"The credit goes to all the guys who were on the floor down the stretch."**

Sam Clark '01  
Co-captain

Clark emphasized the important role of his teammates Jake Civiello '01, Dave Forsyth '01, Kirk Allen '01, and Zeb Davis '01.

"The credit goes to all the guys who were on the floor down the stretch," he said. "All those fellows played with a whole lot of heart, and Zeb, he was out of his mind."

Davis finished the contest with 21 points after scoring 24 the night before in Colby's first-round victory over Notre Dame College.

Friday night's lopsided victory, though sloppy from time to time, featured a more balanced scoring attack highlighted by 23 points from Damien Strahorn '02 and 10 from Kevin Crosman '03. Clark also turned in another solid performance.

After this weekend, on top of early season victories over USM, Husson, and Clark, the team has a lot to be confident about.

**Congratulations goes to Colby head football coach Tom Austin, who received the 2000 Division II/III College Coach of the Year Award.**

## Squash enjoying its winning ways

By GARRETT KEPHART  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The men's and women's squash teams are off to an incredible start so far this season as they finished this past weekend with an undefeated record in conference play. This past weekend the Colby men beat both Wesleyan and MIT by a score of 8-1, but lost to the University of Cape Town by a score of 1-8 on their home court here in Waterville. The women, on the other hand, were on the road at Wesleyan and beat Hamilton 10-0, Hobart 9-1, Saint Lawrence 6-3, and Wesleyan 10-0.

The White Mules came into the season with high hopes for and confidence in their returning players and have been blessed with a group of freshmen that have so far torn up the courts this season.

For the men's squad, Todd Hunsdorfer '04 kept his undefeated record intact after three matches this weekend. Hunsdorfer helped Colby blank Connecticut College 9-0 before Thanksgiving break, and won all three matches this past weekend against the likes of Wesleyan, MIT, and the University of Cape Town. Hunsdorfer was the only White Mule to win a match against the men from South Africa.

"Cape Town was good," Hunsdorfer said. "They play a different style of squash than we do. But, they weren't outstanding, though. In each spot they were just a little better than us."

Captain Preston Amos '01 remarked that "Todd had a great weekend. He was the only person

the win all three matches. He played really well."

Hunsdorfer also commented on his individual success so far this season.

"I finally got my game together. I felt that I controlled the point and I finally felt like it all clicked."

Amos said that, "the men's team is looking forward to the usual rivalries with Bates and Bowdoin." Amos also thought that "the team is looking forward to a great season; everything is going great so far."

For the women, Maura Myers '04 has helped Colby to an early 4-0 record. Myers, who dropped only four points during the entire tournament at Wesleyan, was complemented by Heather Finn '03, who only lost three points, and Morgan Pratt '04, playing at the two spot as a freshman, who went 3-1 for the weekend.

Captain Whitney Dayton '01 spoke of the women's performance.

"The freshmen were impressive. This is the strongest Colby has ever come out at this tournament. Usually we are the underdogs." Dayton believed that the team can only get better with three players returning from being abroad later this season. "Hopefully, we can finish at least at 10th instead of 12th place as we did last year. Middlebury and Amherst are two very strong teams that we really want to beat."

There are no matches before break for the White Mules, but both squash teams are ready to continue their conference winning streak in January.

## Young Nordic team looks to compete

By MICHAEL SHEA  
STAFF WRITER

Colby's Nordic skiing team looks to do well this coming winter with a group of strong freshmen and the leadership of a few upperclassmen. The season is comprised of six weekend carnivals, with two races each weekend. The Mules will be hosting one at Sugarloaf the weekend of Jan. 19. Colby skis in an extremely competitive Division I conference, the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association.

The men's team is led by captains Chris Cogbill '02 and Andrew Jaspersohn '02. Adam St. Pierre '04, Colin Witherill '04, and Eric Fitz '04 round out the squad. Captain Annie Eisinger '01 leads the women's team. Anna Carlson '03, Anna Carvill '03, and Kimberly Niederberger '03 along with newcomers to the team are Sarah Getchell '04, Jordan Burke '04, Gretchen Black '04, and Becky Evans '04 round out the squad.

Cogbill emphasized that both teams are very young, but said, "the freshmen definitely look promising."

Ward and Black both qualified for the Junior Olympics last year and will be important to the team this season

and in the future. Both have high levels of racing experience. All of the first-years have endured rigorous dryland training during the fall.

Despite losing two of their top male skiers, the Mules look to the upperclassmen to place well this winter.

"Andrew Jaspersohn has made a big jump in his performance," said teammate, rival, and roommate Cogbill. Jaspersohn said that he is looking forward to a competitive season.

Head coach Tracy Theyerl said that the returning women have also trained extremely hard during the off-season and looks for Carvill and Carlson to do very well.

There has been a rise in the level of dedication among all skiers on this very young team. Most of the teams that Colby will be facing this season in the EISA will be comprised of juniors and seniors.

The Mules look to place high in the middle of the pack. Rivals Bates and St. Lawrence are Colby's teams to beat.

"Give this team a couple of years and we'll be competing for the top spots," said Theyerl.

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## 2000 Fall Mule Pack



From left to right:  
Bottom Row: Sari Gilbert '04, Britt Palmado '03, Jenny Grace '03.  
Middle Row: Becca Bruce '02, Marcia Ingraham '02, Sara Lovitz '01, Maria Mensching '02.  
Top Row: Danny Noyes '02, Katie Rowen '01, Christine O'Donnell '03, Nat Brown '04.  
Not Pictured: Carey '01, Cuiffo '02, Lue '03, Conley '03, D'Ambrosio '01, Johnson '01, Tripp '01, Bixby '01.

### Reagan Carey '01 women's volleyball

Carey has been named to the Maine State First Team the last three years. She was awarded a spot on the Johnson and Wales All-Tournament Team, and she was selected to the All New England Senior Classic. Over her Colby career, she amassed 1010 total kills. Carey holds the school records for the highest hitting percentage in every category (per match, per season, and per career). Said Coach Candice Parent, "Reagan's presence on our team has truly been unmatched. She is someone who leads by example and the team will really miss her leadership next season, not to mention her offense!"

### Marcia Ingraham '02 women's field hockey

Ingraham was the Colby MVP and one of the captains. She is a three-time All-NESCAC Second Team honoree, and a three-time NFHA Regional All-American. Ingraham was the Mules' second leading scorer for the 2000 campaign. She has started at midfield for the past three seasons.

### Drew Johnson '01 football

Johnson was named to the All-NESCAC second team for his defensive accomplishments. He was co-captain of the team. Said coach Tom Austin, "Without the captains' leadership and inspiration, our success this year never would have happened."

### Jamie Lue '03 men's soccer

Lue was the team's leading scorer with nine goals and four assists (5th in NESCAC). His accomplishments earned him recognition as a member of the NESCAC All Conference 2nd team. Said Coach Mark Serdjenian '73, "Jamie not only personifies soccer as 'the beautiful game', he is also a very effective player."

### Becca Bruce '02 women's field hockey

Bruce is a two-time All-NESCAC Team member and the Mules' leading scorer for the 2000 season. Bruce has been elected captain for the 2001 season.

### Sara Lovitz '01 women's soccer

Lovitz is a two-time All New England selection, a two-time All-NESCAC selection, a co-captain, 2000 team co-MVP, a three-time All-NESCAC Academic selection, 2000 All-NESCAC honoree, and a four-year starter. Her teams qualified for post-season play in each of the four years she played, receiving NCAA tournament bids two of those years.

### Katie Rowen '01 women's soccer

Rowen was a co-captain, 2000 team co-MVP, and a four-year starter. Her teams qualified for post-season play in each of the four years she played, receiving NCAA tournament bids two of those years.

### Nat Brown '04 men's cross country

Brown was NESCAC Rookie of the Year, and an All-New England, All-ECAC, All-State, All-NESCAC, and a National qualifier.

### Christine O'Donnell '03 women's soccer

O'Donnell led the Mules in scoring the past two years and was a two-time All-NESCAC honoree. Currently, she ranks as 4th on the tallies for goals in a Colby career. For the second straight season, O'Donnell finished as the NESCAC's regular-season leading scorer.

### Maria Mensching '02 women's cross country

Mensching placed 2nd at States, achieved All New England status, was consistently the Mules' #1 runner all season, and qualified for Nationals. Mensching received the NESCAC All Academic Award for the 2000 season.

### Mark D'Ambrosio '01 football

D'Ambrosio was named to the All-NESCAC first team and All-ECAC second team. D'Ambrosio was a four-year starter at strong safety. He finished his Colby career with 64 tackles, three forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and two interceptions during the 2000 season. He was a co-captain for the team.

### Andy Tripp '01 football

Tripp was the team's punter and second leading receiver. His leadership and on-field contributions were critical to the team's success.

### Pat Conley '03 football

Conley was the top quarterback in the NESCAC conference. Conley amassed 1,996 yards, completing 139 of 250 passes. He also finished with 14 touchdown passes. Both feats were school records. Conley was named to the All-NESCAC first team.

### Danny Noyes '02 football

Noyes was an All-NESCAC first team selection, All-ECAC first team, and a member of the 2000 New England Football Writers Div.II/III All-Star team. Noyes led the NESCAC in receptions with 54 and receiving yards with 872. Noyes rushed the ball 57 times for 386 yards and three touchdowns. He finished the year with 1,258 all-purpose yards (NESCAC record) and a total of 10 touchdowns.

### Scott Bixby '01 men's golf

Bixby was the captain for men's golf team. Bixby's combination of leadership and skill made him an invaluable member of the team. His top finish of the year was 10th

at the Sidd Farr Invitational. Said Coach Tortorella, "Bixby was by far and away the best captain we've had for Colby golf."

### Britt Palmado '03 and Jenny Grace '03 women's tennis

Palmado and Grace were Colby's #1 doubles team and finished the season with a 6-3 record. Defeating a highly respected Tufts team was their season highlight.

### Sari Gilbert '04 women's field hockey

Gilbert was the Colby Rookie of the Year for the 2000 campaign and one of only two first year players to start this season. She finished the season as the fifth leading scorer for the Mules.

### Amanda Cuiffo '02 women's volleyball

Cuiffo was named to the Maine State First Team the last three years and the All-NESCAC Second Team. Cuiffo became the first player in Colby volleyball history to achieve more than 1000 kills and 1000 digs in a career. This season, she broke school records for most kills in a three-game match and most aces in a five-game match. Said Coach Parent, "Amanda is an incredible player that is only going to get better. She struggled through a tough injury this season and still remained our 'go-to' player. I look forward to her having a healthy senior year, as I am positive she does!"

## Winter track squads enthusiastic about upcoming season

By SUZANNE SKINNER  
BUSINESS MANAGER

Starting the season with relatively young teams, the Colby men's and women's track teams are uncertain to how the season will go. Both teams will miss the talented graduates, but at the same time, the squads are ready to embrace the new freshmen and are looking toward a strong rebuilding year.

The men's winter track team is looking toward a successful season. The Mules did lose a lot of seniors last year. However, said head coach Jim Wescott, "We filled some gaps we had in the past. Hopefully, those kids will step up and score." Losing Jamie Brewster '00, Nate Laing '00, and Emil Thomann '00 was a terrible blow to the throwing and sprinting components of the team, but they should have a strong distance component to pick up the slack.

"We have a really solid distance team, which is one of the things that has hurt us

in the past," said captain Brendan Gavin '01. Most notably, Nathaniel Brown '04, who went to the Cross Country National Championships, will be joining the team.

The other members of the track team should be able to win points, as well.

"We have a well-rounded team," said Wescott. "There are individuals in every meet that can score."

Captain Jared Beers '01 currently holds the Colby record in both the 400 individual race and the 4x4 relay. Another member of the record-holding relay, Koji Watanabe '01, is also returning this season. Wescott is confident that captain Lee Rankin '03 can pick up where Brewster and Laing, who both qualified for Nationals last year, left off. Last year, Rankin beat Brewster's freshman-year record.

"If people perform up to their abilities, we have the talent for it to be a rebuilding year," said Dan Martin '01.

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throwing the 35lb weight 52' 1", Rankin beat Brewster's freshman-year record.

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Last year the White Mules placed fourth. However, "Bates graduated a lot of seniors," said Gavin. "They took a much bigger hit than we did."

University of Southern Maine should be running at the same pace that they were last year. Unfortunately, "Bowdoin might be out of our league right now," said Gavin.

The women are also looking at a season full of hope, talent, and uncertainty.

"I think this is going to be a rebuilding year," said captain Shannon Corliss '03. "We won't know where we are until January and it depends on how strong our freshmen are."

Coach Debra Aitken agrees: "This will definitely be a rebuilding season. We graduated 14 seniors last year."

The distance medley relay team, which placed fourth at Nationals last year, was made up of entirely seniors. The White Mules also lost Sarah Toland '00, "who was basically unbeaten in the 1500 and 300," said Aitken.

The Mules will also miss many of the current juniors, including Maria Mensching '02, who was the number one runner on the cross country team this season.

All is not lost for the Mules. They will be regaining some talent runners, as well. Tiffany Frazier '01, Kate Isley '01, and Molly Franke '01 will all be returning to the track team after taking some time off. There are also many talented freshmen that will be joining the team.

"We have more sprinters and jumpers than we've had in the past, but it is hard to depend on freshmen," said Aitken.

So, at this point in the season it is unclear of how the White Mules will place.

Aitken, however is not counting her team out. Corliss, who was a consistent scorer in the triple and long jump last year,

will be returning. Elizabeth Frederick '03, who was able to clear 9' 1 1/2" in the pole vault will be returning as well. Although they will need to work extremely hard, "to place second at States is certainly a realistic goal," said Aitken.

Both the men and women's winter track teams will need to work hard to come together as a team. It is still early to make any concrete predictions, but both teams are enthusiastic about both the new and returning talent. Although it will be a difficult season in the beginning, as they try to meld as a team, hopefully toward the end, they will be seeing some good results.

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