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Welcome Class of 2009!

COOTers get dirty, make friends



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COOTers hike rigorously on a trip last year, while still enjoying the view.

Welcome from President Adams

By WILLIAM D. ADAMS
COLBY COLLEGE PRESIDENT

I'm grateful to *The Echo* for giving me this space in which to welcome new students to Colby.

As I mentioned in my letter to you this summer, you have joined two wonderful communities—here on Mayflower Hill and in Waterville. I hope you will make time to explore both.

On Mayflower Hill you will find a community of teachers and learners, and you will find that community everywhere you turn—in labs and classrooms, on the playing fields, in extracurricular activities and in your residence halls. Although almost all Colby alumni/ae say that the close student-faculty interaction and the influence of individual faculty members were the keys to their positive experiences at the College, they also tell us that they learned profound lessons from fellow students. Those lessons involve deep friendships, intellectual and social kinship, learning to appreciate unfamiliar cultures and learning how to relate civilly to those whose

views are radically different from your own. They are worth imbibing at this singular, irreplaceable time of your life, in preparation for a lifetime of work and relationships in a diverse world.

You may have arrived at the College knowing little about the small city that surrounds you, but I hope you will become an active member of the Waterville community. Waterville and Colby nourish each other and work with each other on many important fronts, and there are almost limitless opportunities to become involved in the city. Students can pursue those opportunities through programs of the Colby Volunteer Center and Colby Cares About Kids, courses that include a civic engagement component, and, of course, more casually, by patronizing local businesses, joining community organizations that interest you or simply spending time in town and in the surrounding areas for recreation. You will find more information about Waterville and about ways to connect yourself to the region at the annual Student Activities Fair on Sept. 8.

You will hear from me frequently



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President Adams at home.

and will have opportunities to share your thoughts with me throughout your time at the College. Once you have been assigned a Colby e-mail address you will begin to receive my monthly newsletter for students, *FSI: For Student Information*, and I will be

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Message from the editors: it's cool to be awkward

Feeling a bit less so

By KATIE HAMM
ONE EDITOR IN CHIEF

I'm envious of everyone arriving at Colby today. As I drove up Mayflower Hill 10 days ago, it hit me that I was entering my senior year, and I started thinking about the things I would have done differently in the past three years. Not driving my Toyota Corolla down a dirt hill with eight inches of snow on it (for reference, it costs \$40 to get towed out) definitely falls into that category.

But more importantly, I wish I had entered college with more confidence. Or perhaps I had confidence when I got here, but lost it somewhere towards the end of the first semester. Either way, it took me a while to feel comfortable with who I am, particularly in the context of Colby social life.

Today is probably one of the more awkward, unsettling days of your life. Everyone just wants to fit in, or at least have someone with whom to eat lunch. Yet throughout all the hum-

bling interactions you'll have in the next few days, remember to be yourself, even if that feels different from everyone else. You'll soon learn that Colby just can't get enough of diversity—so contribute to it in your own way by being comfortable with yourself and adding your own unique personality to the community. If you're secure with who you are, you'll have more fun and get a lot more out of

Still in that awk-mode

By STEVEN WEINBERG
ANOTHER EDITOR IN CHIEF

There is nothing wrong with being in your first year of college, and this isn't just because everyone else once was in their first year too.

No, the reason there is absolutely

nothing wrong with being in your first year of college, and this isn't just because everyone else once was in their first year too.

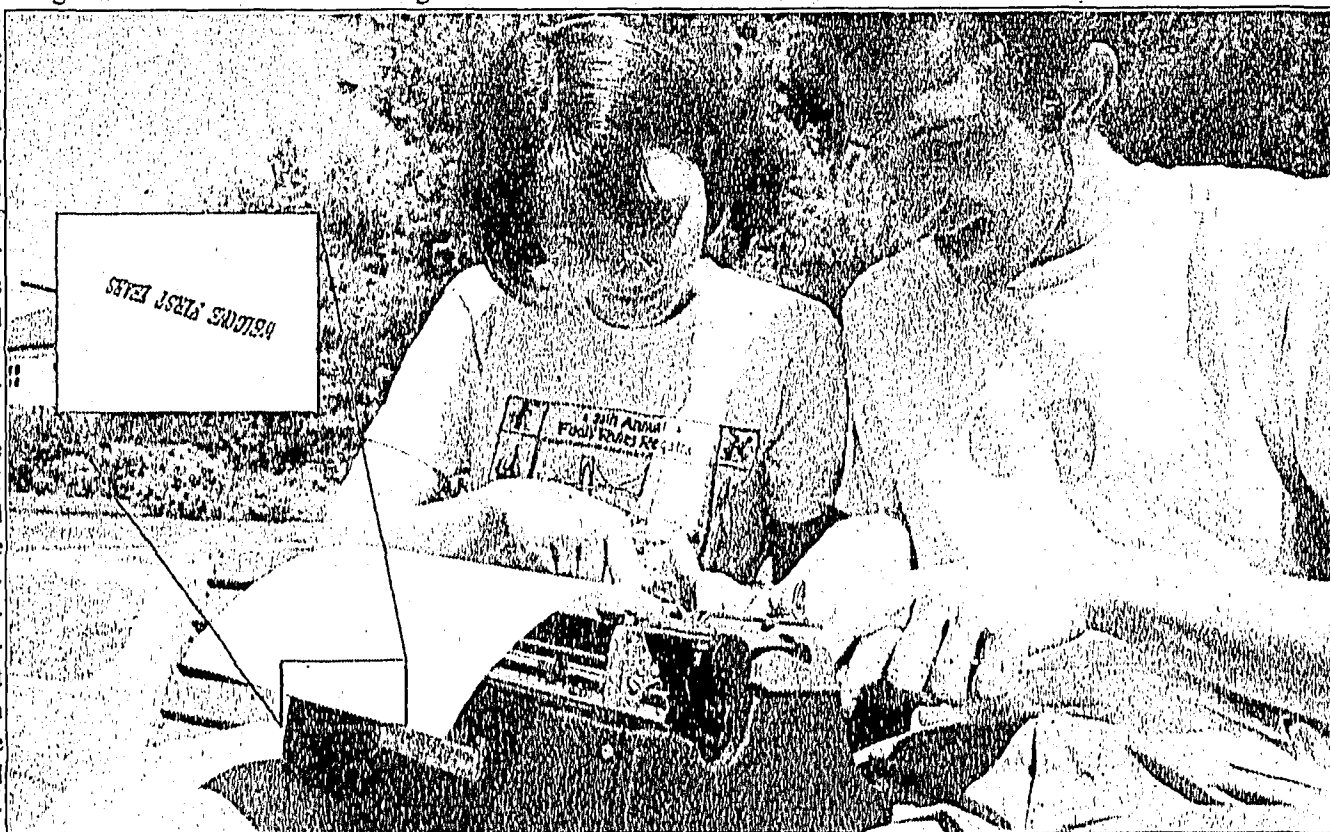
stumble through nearly every possible social encounter to the extent that people are willing to ignore the first (second, third, fourth?) impressions of you with the understanding that this is a "difficult period" of your life?

Relish these weeks while you can be that "that Freshman" who left his clothes in the washing machine for three days, caused the massive slipping incident in Foss because you can't balance one of those big glasses of orange juice on a dining hall tray, or slept on the lounge sofa because your sweet roommate found someone to bring home. Collect these painful experiences, build them up into a catalogue of funny stories and one day, maybe around Thanksgiving break, you might seem endearing, or at least funny, to some worthwhile friends/romantic interests.

Until then, just read the *Echo* a lot for the off chance you don't have a good story to tell your soon to be

friends/romantic interests. You'll always be able to fall back on guessing who broke the Piper window listed in our weekly security blotter.

Or, better yet, write the stories yourself and join *The Echo*. We will be accepting new writers before and after Thanksgiving break.



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Luckily, we now have higher technology in The Echo offices.

your relationships.

Be genuine from the start and good luck today, and for the next four years. And when you do have those awkward moments, embrace them. They make for some of the funniest times and best memories.

nothing wrong (almost that there is something terribly right) is that for the next few weeks you are about to enter a period of unbridled, completely socially acceptable, awkwardness. Consider it, how many times in your life are you so expected to

SGA eager to start year, greet students

By DONNIE O'CALLAGHAN
and ROMEO RAUGEL
SGA PRESIDENT AND
VICE PRESIDENT

Oh college, that promised land of higher education. Yes 2009, you have

eriment? Wait. Weren't they the ones who planned all those terrible high school dances? Don't the people who participate in it suck? Well, we intend to stay as far away from that conception of student government as possible. What we do want to do is repre-



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SGA Vice President Romeo Raugel '06 and President Donnie O'Callaghan '06 ready to conquer Mayflower Hill.

finally arrived. On behalf of the Student Government Association, and the rest of the students here at Colby, we welcome you!

Now you may be wondering who the ambiguous 'we' is that extends you this welcome. We are Donnie and Romeo, the president and vice president of the Student Government Association. We're aware you might be thinking to yourself, 'Student gov-

sent your opinions and advance your interests. Although we have goals of our own for the year, we recognize our primary job is to be a catalyst for improvement and change regarding the things you deem important.

As you move in you'll find Hall Presidents in your residence halls, providing you with an immediate connec-

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The Echo encourages letters from its readers, especially those within the immediate community. Letters should not exceed 400 words and must pertain to a current issue or topic at Colby. Letters are due by Sunday at midnight for publication the same week. Letters should be typed and signed and include an address or phone number. The Echo will not, under any circumstances, print an unsigned letter.

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Security: a joint effort

By **PETER CHENEVERT**
DIRECTOR OF SECURITY

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Colby College and to wish you success with your individual endeavors.

Colby College and its surrounding community offer a quality of life that is widely appreciated and valued by nearly all who live here. Much of what we value so greatly contrasts

sharply with life in the nation's urban centers. Because our community is safer than many others, it is all too easy for members of the Colby community to be complacent or careless about their safety and to assume that crime does not occur here.

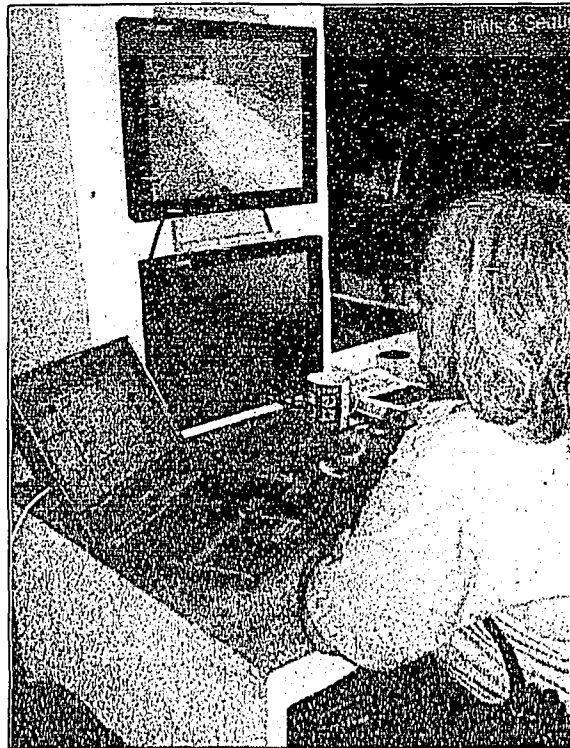
Crime does exist at Colby.

Members of the College community are rudely awakened to this reality when they find themselves victims. The comments of these victims are often the same: "I didn't think things

like this happened here!"

The responsibility of crime prevention does not rest solely with the Department of Security; it is shared by you and all the members of the College community. Your awareness is the most important factor in crime prevention. The success of prevention depends largely on your following sound security practices, recognizing and immediately reporting suspicious or criminal activity.

Please see the booklet "Colby Security and You," available at the Security Office in Roberts, for security suggestions.



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A Colby security guard on the watch.

Enjoy Colby and all of it's multicultral and diverse events

By **SAMMIE ROBINSON**
ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS FOR
MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

Welcome, to all the new students at Colby! My name is Sammie T. Robinson and I am the Associate Dean of Students for Multicultural Affairs. My responsibilities include: overseeing the Pugh Center and the organizations housed there; advisor to the

Pugh Community Board; counseling students of color and GLBT (gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender) students; programming multicultural events for the campus; academic advising; serving as Dean on Call; and other duties as well.

My advice to the first year students at Colby is to get involved with student activities. Get out of your room

and meet the students. It may not feel comfortable to join people you don't know in the cafeteria at lunch or dinner but once you do it, it gets easier. Students always ask about diversity at Colby but seldom socialize with people who are different from their friends. Go socialize at Queer Tea or at the Coffeehouse with the international students. If you have never been

involved with theater, now is a good time to discover Colby Improv. The Broadway Musical Revue (BMR) might be a wise choice if you want to sing and you enjoy Broadway musicals. There are many opportunities to get involved in student government. Then there is the Outing Club, athletics, dance and a host of multicultural organizations in the Pugh Center.

One of the activities not to be missed is the Student Activities Fair where you can learn about many of the clubs on campus. Keep your eyes and



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Associate Dean Sammie Robinson.

ears open for the different lectures, performers, discussions and movies on campus.

I am not suggesting that you can do everything at Colby, but start off by doing something. Don't fall into the trap of just doing what feels comfortable or what you did in high school. You can try some new things. Of

course, I do realize that you have classes, but time management is a critical skill that you will need to learn. Keep in mind that you will have four years at Colby College in which to grow, experiment and explore.

Serdjenian, the Sarge in charge

By **MARK SERDJENIAN**
ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS FOR
ACADEMICS

Welcome to Mayflower Hill and the Colby family!

As Associate Dean of Students for Academics, I work primarily with students with academic concerns and questions. Should I drop a class? Should I take time off? Do I seem to be headed toward a major? Why am I clueless and is anyone else? These, among others, are questions I am asked on a daily basis.

I also work with students with learning differences and with those who would like guidance in study habits, time management and the adjustment to life in college. Call ext. 3104 if you already need an appointment!



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Mark Serdjenian.

In addition, I coach the men's soccer team and hope that you'll come watch both the men's and women's teams in action this fall at the field across from Johnson Pond.

Recommended treats: a walk up Runnalls Hill, a slush at the North Street Dairy Cone and a meal out at Pad Thai or Buen Apetito with friends.

My wife and I both went to Colby and we have three children (21, 25 and 29) and three small, yet amazing dogs.

Good luck and have a great first semester!

Dine in, dine out, dine at Colby!

By **VARUN AVASTHI AND JOE KLAUS**

DIRECTOR OF DINING SERVICES AND
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF DINING SERVICES

Your dining services team welcomes you to the best food on any campus. We have three dining halls—Dana, Roberts and Foss—and three retail outlets—The Spa, The Street Coffee and The Blue Light Pub.

Dana Dining Hall is the largest in seating capacity and offers the "Ultimate Dining" concept featuring food on demand. No old, parked food sitting for hours, but food being prepared in front of you as you walk up to the counter. Dana is managed by Paul Boucher with Mike Hemingway (Production Manager) and Debbie Rutman (Food Service Manager). They can be reached at ext. 5485 or 5487.

Roberts Dining is closed for the first semester and is slated to open in February '06. You will get regular updates on the construction project via e-mail and a website dedicated to the renovation project of Roberts.

Foss Dining is the place where students gather to enjoy the various ethnic and organic foods offered on campus, with a beautiful dining room with tall ceilings and a stately feel. Foss is managed by Terry Landry and his team and can be reached at ext. 5490 or 5491.

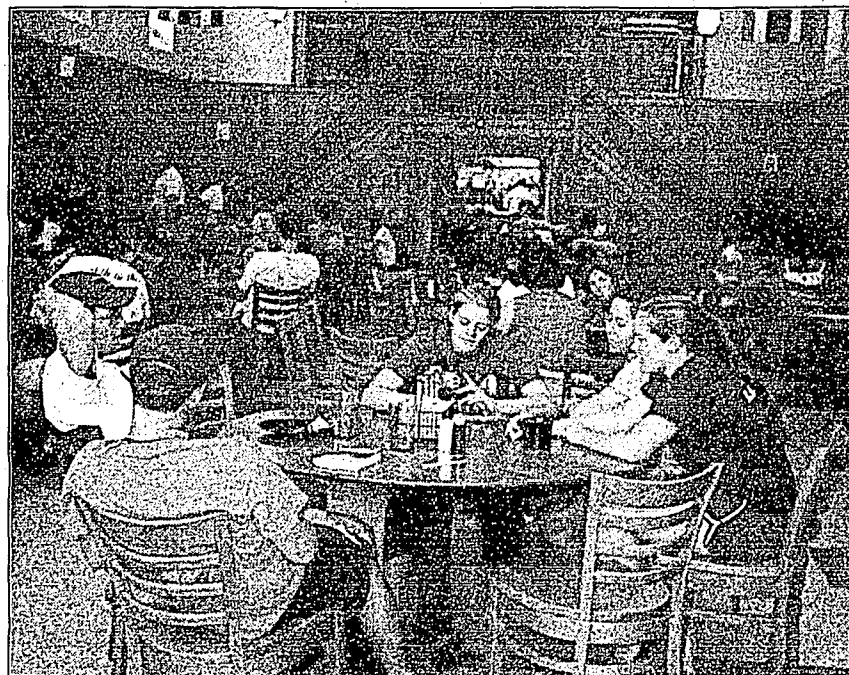
At the Joseph Family Spa you can't get a massage or a mud bath, but you can get the best panini sandwiches and awesome late night pizza, burgers and nachos. As a special arrangement for easing the rush at

lunch time, we will be offering a Grab and Go option in the Lower Spa for the first semester only. You will be able to use a meal credit to grab a sandwich or salad along with a beverage from the menu that will be posted on our website. The Street Coffee offers coffee during the afternoon and night for that extra caffeine kick while studying.

The Blue Light Pub is for students 21 and over and is open six nights a week. There are strict rules and regu-

Coffeehouse is Sandra Schramm and you can reach her at ext. 5470 for any assistance or related matters.

All dining halls offer a wide variety of food and include vegetarian options. Dining Services has its own bakeshop that prepares all the cookies, brownies and other baked goods on campus. The Dining Services web page is the most widely visited and records the highest number of visits of any site at Colby. Please visit us at <http://www.colby.edu/dining.serv/>.



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Students enjoy a relaxed lunch in Foss Dining Hall.

lations about using the pub and Maine State Liquor laws are strictly enforced by the staff to keep all students and the college safe. Your contact for The Spa, The Pub and The

We hope you enjoy our food as much as the upperclassmen that have given us a 97 percent overall satisfaction rating.

Colby's Iron Lady speaks

By **JANICE KASSMAN**
VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS
AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

Welcome, Class of 2009. All of us in the Student Services Support Team are ready and eager to assist you, as you begin your own four-year Colby adventure.

As Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students, I have the pleasure of working closely with all of the caring professionals in: the Dean of Students Office, Academic Affairs, Residential Life, Housing, Multicultural Affairs, International Affairs, Student Activities, Outdoor Leadership and Support, Health Center, Counseling Center and Chaplains' Office. I also work collaboratively with the Security Department and Dining Services.

You will find the Student Services team all across campus. They can be found handling daily tasks in their offices, attending sporting events, musical performances, presentations and even working out in the fitness center or enjoying the beauty of the

campus by walking, skiing, biking or visiting the arboretum.

You have embarked on a wonderful time in your life in which you will immerse yourself in a stimulating learning environment both inside and outside the classroom. The best



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Dean Janice Kassman.

advice I can offer is to open your minds and hearts to new opportunities, friendships, academic pursuits and ideas.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW FOR THE FALL SEMESTER:

SEPTEMBER 7TH:
FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

SEPTEMBER 8TH:
ACTIVITIES FAIR

SEPTEMBER 12TH:
ECHO INFORMATIONAL
MEETING, WHITNEY
ROOM BOBS 9 P.M.

OCTOBER 28-30TH:
FAMILY HOMECOMING
WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 23-27TH:
THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER 14-19TH:
FINAL EXAMS

Nemo was made of some kind of device, but so was Bambi



I'M NEVER GOING TO RETIRE

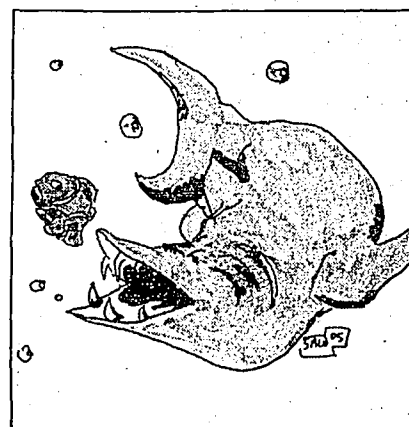
By **C.W. Bassett**

As I quickly ruffle through the numbers, one point becomes increasingly clear: for the most part, I'm 55 years older than your average freshman (I hate "first-years," but who am I to challenge a phalanx of politically correct deans). In fact, it's better not to talk to deans at all, unless you have set afire the curtains in The Heights and smoke thicker than a mule (sometimes donkey) dung ensues.

Ruffling further through the numbers (I have been doing some serious services for the college since 1969 as a named professor of English) I try not to compare students across the years. Or, I only do so at my peril—see this all too typical conversation:

ALUMNI: They aren't as smart as we were, Huh!

BASSETT: Well, several people, unavailable because of retirement, know the answer to that question. So don't push me, dude!



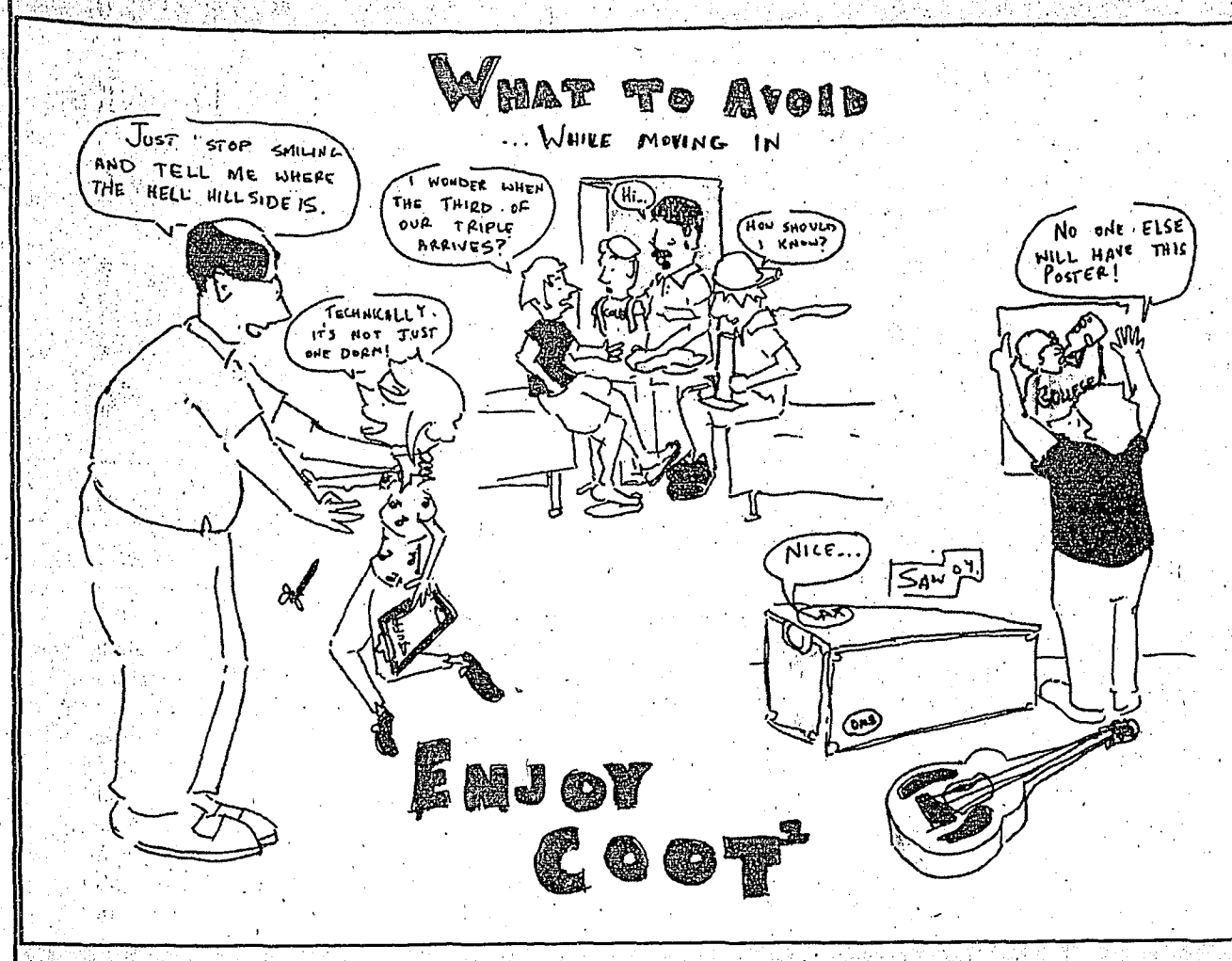
As a matter of fact, most of you '09ers have watched, heard, or just plain absorbed more information through TVs, CDs, DVDs, 33-RPM discs than I have read since I began with the classic children's literature primer "Poppy the Puppy Pees on my Shin." Whatever, I am surrounded by snapping machines, who do indeed make me feel as if I'm in a Disney movie (my granddaughter thought me more Nemo than shark). I still sure as hell FEEL like Nemo.

Perhaps our ages could be mutually helpful. I would teach you what I know about the semicolon, and you would teach me how my snapping machines work. But slowly... 'cause I won't remember what you said. I had to call my son to "fix" the new hoty-totsy TV he gave me (push 03). Why is it that people dumber than bait (not my son, who like everyone else who graduated from Williams, does things to other people's banking errors), why can't us literary types get along? Why can't we just get along with two machines?

Be sure to sign up for all kinds of activities, activities that you will later not have time for. You'll be sending your EN115 papers to your instructors via e-mail—a practice I think is aimed at me and people like me. But you can write and broadcast and kick and tickle the ivories for a while. Do some good stuff for the 20th best college in the U.S.A.

But don't sit around, like the homesick '54 I was 55 years ago, and cry into your canned apricots. I certainly felt like Nemo, you will too, even with odds (96 to 1) that you will graduate. By the way, Mr. Hemingway, aka Nick Adams, carried apricots in his pack into the wilderness on "The Big Two Hearted River." What an idiot!

Who wants cake? by Steve Weinberg



Alfond: a place to learn and grow

By KEEGAN ALBAUGH
TEEN COORDINATOR, ALFOND YOUTH
CENTER AND SOUTH END TEEN CENTER

Did you know that Waterville is home to the first combined site of both the YMCA and the Boys & Girls Club nationwide? The Alfond Youth Center offers a safe place for kids to go from grade school until high school graduation. The large facility has a swimming pool, computer lab, cafeteria, gymnastics room, rock wall, three basketball courts and dance studios, in addition to a teen center and daily after school program. In fact, when Colin Powell visited he called it the "finest youth center in the nation."

In addition to the main facility, the Alfond Youth Center also shares ownership of the South End Teen Center. There are volunteer opportunities at both of these sites in both the teen centers and after school program.

Know how to play guitar? Know how to cook? If you like to teach, these kids love to learn. Enjoy playing board games? Do you like air hockey, pool, or are you just really awesome at Mario Kart and want some new opponents? There are a wide variety of

games to participate in with the kids, and they're always ready to play.

I have been working as the Teen Coordinator at the Alfond Youth Center and South End Teen Center for a year now, and it has been the best job I have ever had. Relationships with these children grow quickly, and soon you feel like many of them are a

part of your own family. Even if it's just an hour a week, your time makes a huge difference in the lives of Waterville's youth, not to mention your own. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at galbaugh@colby.edu. I look forward to seeing a lot of new faces as volunteers this year, so please get involved.



Adam Bajpai plays Dance Dance Revolution at the Teen Center.

From parties, to speakers, to concerts, SPB leads your way

By RILEY DOYLE
SPB PRESIDENT

The Colby Student Programming Board (SPB) would like to welcome the Class of 2009. SPB is the central event planning organization on campus. SPB hosts a variety of events on and off campus such as dances, speakers, concerts and comedians, most of which are free to members of the Colby community. In the past few years, SPB has brought Ben Folds, the Roots, Jurassic 5, Razzel, Margaret Cho and Keller Williams to

perform at Colby.

SPB is composed of six divisions: Coffeehouse, Concerts and Live Music, Cultural Events, Publicity, Social Events and Special Events. The Coffeehouse Committee, chaired by Jason Hayes '08, books a variety of artists, who perform in the Marylow Coffeehouse. The Concert and Live Music Committee, chaired by Adam Geringer-Dunn '08, sponsors mainstream and eclectic musical acts throughout the year. The Cultural Events Committee, chaired by Jonathan Ashcroft '06, organizes lec-

tures, dinners and activities inspired by the cultural traditions of New England and the world beyond. The Publicity Committee, chaired by Julia Stuebing '08, is the marketing and public relations division of SPB; members use their artistic abilities to inform the campus of the activities available each weekend. The Social Events Committee, chaired by Meghan Fitzgerald '08, plans a range of events from all-campus parties to shopping and paintball trips throughout Maine. The Special Events Committee, chaired by Kate Braemer

'07, implements Colby's traditions such as the Mr. Colby Pageant and the Johnson Pond Regatta. Treasurer Alan Ozarowski '07 manages the finances of SPB and its co-sponsoring funds. Secretary Laurel Todesca '06 serves as a liaison to the campus and as Director of Communications for SPB.

The different committees are managed by a chief executive, the SPB President. I am the third President of SPB since its reorganization into the modern, centralized SPB. I have been a member of SPB since my first year at Colby as both a member and later

chairman of the Social Events Committee.

First-year students are particularly encouraged to apply for SPB membership; they are an invaluable part of SPB. Our organization not only provides an excellent opportunity to become involved in campus life, but also serves as a means to learn valuable leadership skills in a fun and engaging format. If you would like more information on SPB visit the website at www.colby.edu/SPB or email spb@colby.edu.

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in touch about my open office hours for students and about my schedule of dining hall lunches to which all students are invited. As the opening of school draws closer, information about those schedules will be available on the President's Office Web site, at www.colby.edu/president/.

I look forward to seeing you all during orientation and for our convocation on Sept. 6.

Yet more recommendations on how to live your life

Hey, ignore my advice

By CHARLIE HALE
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Greetings to what is surely the smartest, best looking and most talented class to have ever matriculated here at Colby College. You will far surpass the classes that have come before you and be the greatest thing to grace Mayflower Hill since 1813.

Despite my apparent sarcasm, you really are much loved and warmly welcomed. Unlike some schools, first-year students are embraced at Colby by upperclassmen. We won't torment you, patronize you, make you "rush" or make you do stupid stuff while holding a beer and telling us we're beautiful. Charlie Hale '06 ready for action. So welcome to the Colby community, a place where you're invited to any party, club or activity you please, and where your freedom to be a member of this school is always on the march.

Now that you've settled in, I'll offer some words of wisdom from a typical Colby student: 1) Leave. No, not really, but do go abroad. This is maybe the one time in your life when it's legitimate for you to sketch off for a year



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and live on the Zambezi River. Why wouldn't you do that? 2) Take advantage of your upperclassmen neighbors for advice. Find out the best professors, take classes with them and do research for them. 3) Join the Woodsmen Team. You won't get many girls, but at least you'll know how to chop wood. 4) Get involved, evaluate and then downsize. Colby presents staggering options. You

may be asking yourself, "Which cool, hip a capella group should I join? Which political club throws the best party? Can I join The Bridge even if I don't know what it is?" The answers: Improv's Creamy Goodness; the Colby Democrats; and yes, join The Bridge.

Feel free to do as much as you can at first, determine what you enjoy most and then cut back. You'll

get the most out of Colby when you find a niche and explore it. 5) Finally, Don't listen to advice from people like me. Although everything I've said is the absolute truth, this is your college experience. Remember that you have the support of your COOT leaders, your HR's, professors and friends, so venture out and enjoy yourself. Good luck!

Take that, log! Now, take my words of wisdom

By KATE BRAEMER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Across Johnson Pond and out of view from the academic quad, sounds of chainsaws, flying chips of wood and rowdy folks can be heard from the Colby Woodsmen Team Field. Never having picked up an axe before my arrival on campus from the city of Philadelphia, I am proud to be a member of one of the most unusual groups on campus and captain of the women's team. We spend our afternoons wielding axes and saws, singing offensive songs, and wrestling in mud puddles. Our team is small and we chop all year long, even in the frozen month of January. We compete with local and Canadian schools. We are a very talented team that has a lot of fun. A team that chops together stays together.

Social events on campus are organized by the Student Programming Board. As chair of the Special Events Committee I plan campus wide parties, races across Johnson Pond, and giant scavenger hunts. My committee and I work hard to give you fun and FREE events all year long.

While I'm not chopping or plan-

ning events I spend my time at the nearby Hume Center in Sidney, ME crafting bowls, spoons and a love seat. I am also involved with Colby Cares About Kids, mentoring a current high school first-year who I have had the pleasure of getting to know since she

began 7th grade. I am a COOT leader and I have also led for ICED COOT in January for your soon to be classmates, the Feb Fresh.

I've heard that my voice is quite distinguishable and my laugh even more so, but don't be frightened, I'm really just

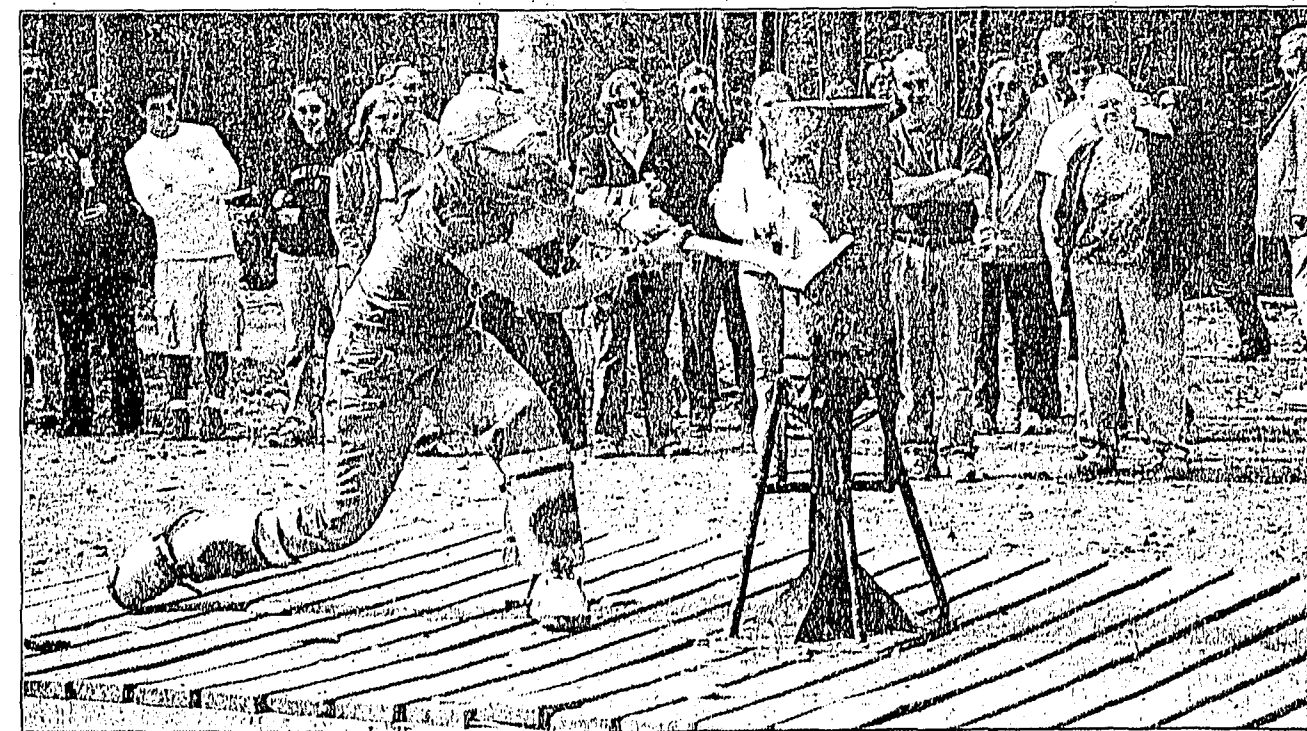


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Kate Braemer '07 chops down the competition at a Woodsmen's event.

300 words that all boil down into one; read on

By MICHAEL KLAUS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

You will hear this a lot this week, but welcome to college. I only have one helpful tip for surviving college and making the most of your time here:

Live. I know "living" might be a strange piece of advice to give, but I think it is the single most important thing you can do in college and at Colby more specifically. No one is going to be looking over your shoulder to see if you are eating right, doing your homework, going to class or keeping your room clean. You are responsible for making these kinds of decisions now and facing the consequences of the decisions you make. There is no one but you to blame for your failures or successes at Colby, though I do admit

it is really fun to blame others.

Living also means taking classes and doing activities that you want to do. At Colby, you don't have to do anything.

When I got here, I had played both the bassoon in the band and tennis for my school. Now, I play ultimate Frisbee, am a sports commentator for the radio station and sit on student government. If you are interested in something and you have

never had the chance to try it, do it in college. Colby is a small enough school that you are never put to the side just because you are a first-year

student. If you want to do something, do it because you want to, not because you have to. No one at Colby is going to criticize you for choosing an activity that you have never done before.

For me, living also means getting what you want out of the school. If you see something that is missing or that is wrong, change it. The burden is on you to make the school better, not just for yourself, but for others who might also benefit from your idea. The framework to make these changes already exists, and if you are persistent enough, you can easily create a legacy that will last a long time. I am exceeding my word limit, so I encourage you to take as much out of Colby as possible and live. Good luck!



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Michael Klaus '07 "lives."

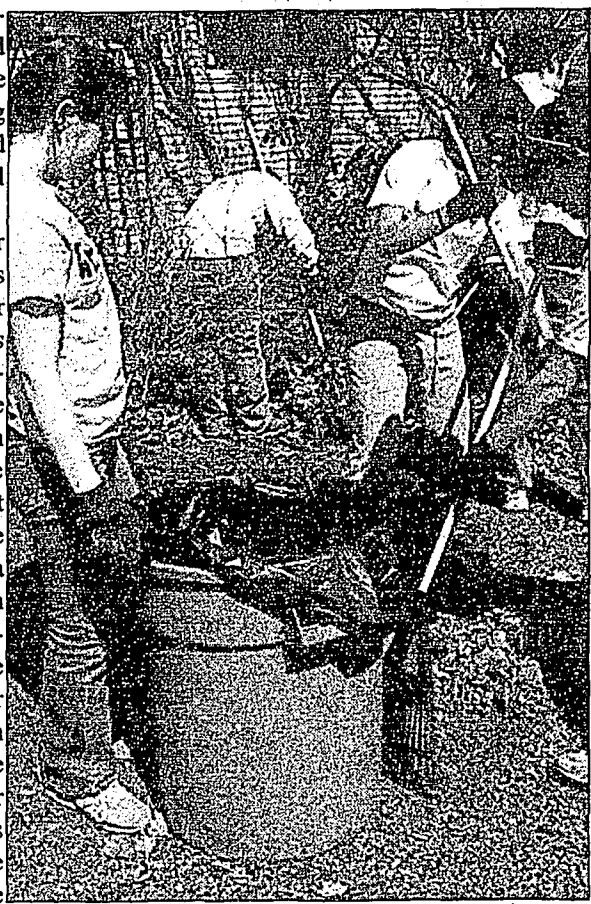
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Volunteers needed

By CASEY DUNTON
DIRECTOR, THE COLBY VOLUNTEER
CENTER

The Colby Volunteer Center, also known as the CVC, is a student run community service center on campus. The assistant director, Zach Haas '07, and I are looking forward to a great year. With over a dozen programs the Center aims to provide opportunities for all Colby students to volunteer in ways that suit their interests. The programs offered vary widely from tutoring and mentoring Waterville students to grooming and training cats and dogs at the local animal shelter.

The Volunteer Center also sponsors and runs other annual events for the entire Colby campus in order to promote volunteerism and positive interactions between Colby and the Waterville community. The first main annual event is the Halloween Extravaganza in October, during which children from the community come to the Colby campus to 'trick or treat' and enjoy fun Halloween games in the residence halls. Another major annual event is Colby Cares Day in late April, for which the Center recruits student volunteers to do a few Colby students clean up at Colby Cares Day.



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hours of volunteer work in the community. All students will get opportunities to sign up for the annual events as they approach.

Any students who would like to join or receive more information about other Volunteer Center programs should sign up at the Activities Fair booth. Everyone is also invited to visit the CVC office on the first floor of Eustis, or to reach the Volunteer Center at ext. 3442.

Colby Emergency Response to the rescue

By TODD DIXON
PRESIDENT, COLBY EMERGENCY
RESPONSE

Colby Emergency Response (CER) is a student-run, volunteer rescue squad that operates on campus. CER provides 24-hour emergency medical response during the academic year, working in conjunction with Colby Security. The rescuers are all students who are trained at the Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT-B) level or higher. The club also provides social, training and educational opportunities for all members of the Colby community.

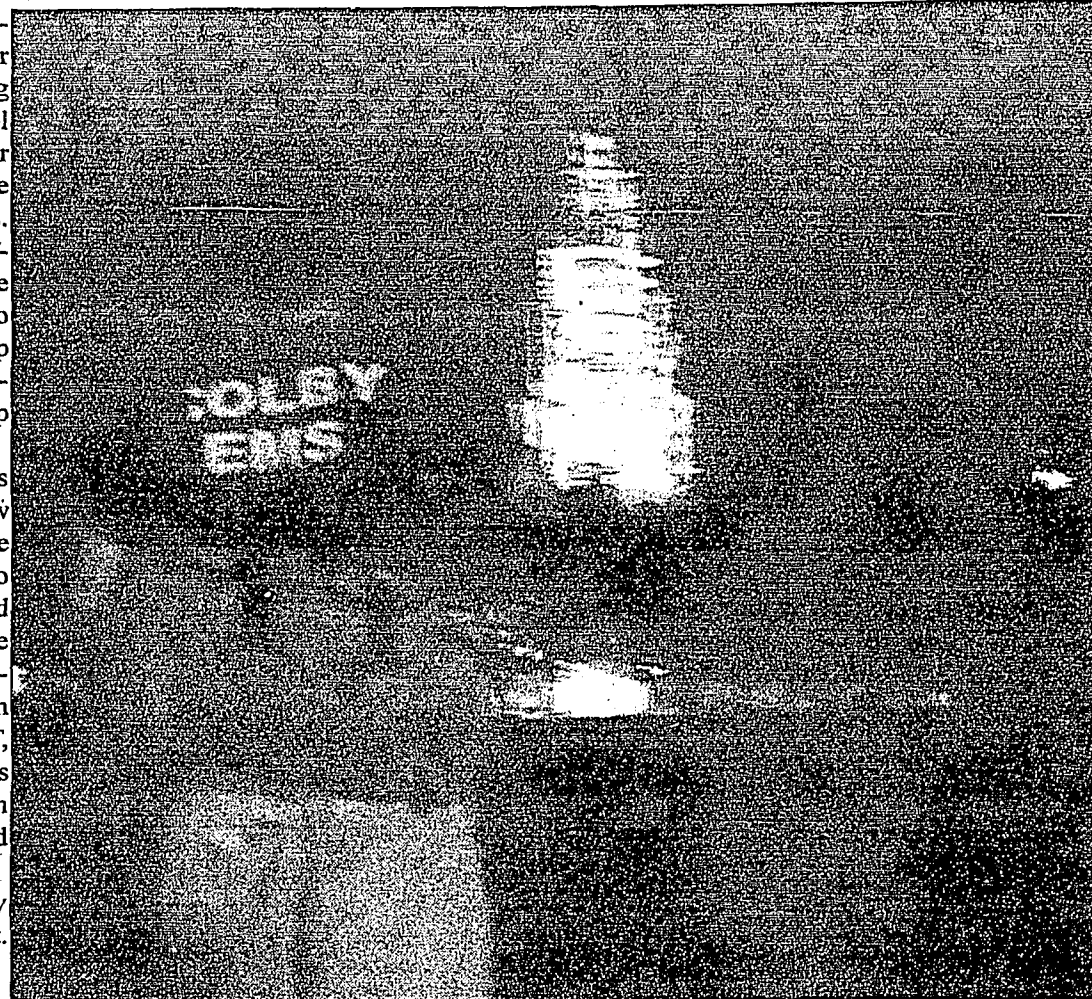
CER is a strictly confidential organization. The patient's privacy is of paramount importance and patients' names and details of calls are never discussed. Students should not be concerned that a friend will get in trouble by calling CER. CER is non-punitive. The patient's interest and access to appropriate healthcare is our objective.

Our training and educational sessions are open to all members of the club and community regardless of whether one is trained as an EMT. Every month we have healthcare professionals on campus to give lectures and provide hands-on training on top-

ics such as emergency care for patients with drug and/or alcohol intoxication or emergency care for sports injuries. Our training sessions introduce new members to the club and help keep current members' skills sharp with mock calls.

We always encourage new members to join the Club. Those who are interested should contact me at tbdixon. For people interested in becoming an EMT, look for details about the Jan Plan EMT class offered on campus.

For emergency dispatch, dial ext. 3911.



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Wherever campus emergencies may be, brave CER students will be there to help.

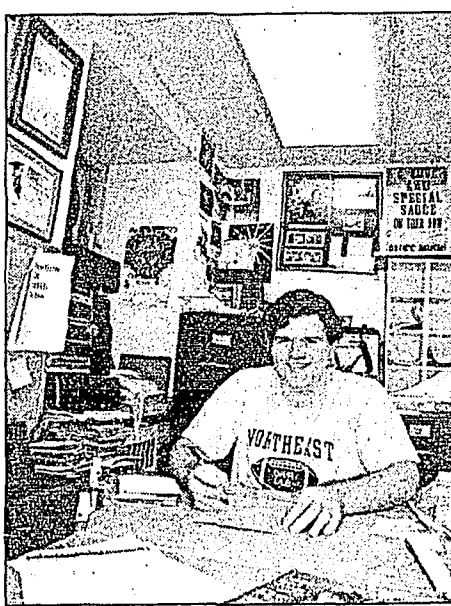
College radio rocks campus and the world

By DAN BURKE
WMHB GENERAL MANAGER

Greetings first-years! My name is Dan Burke and I am the General Manager of the Colby College radio station, WMHB. I have been a DJ here since February 2003 and I have been GM since March 2004. I initially got involved with WMHB because, basically, I love radio. I get to play the music I want, it only takes two hours a week out of my busy schedule and overall, it's fun. I can guarantee that throughout the years, every person who has been a DJ here has felt the same way.

WMHB is one of the oldest and largest student organizations on campus. It has been broadcasting since 1949 and has been going strong ever since. We started out with a 10 watt antenna and could only be heard within a one mile radius. Now our

antenna is 110 watts and can be heard anywhere on campus and in the local areas. Additionally, we now



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Dan Burke '06 at work in the office.

broadcast over the Internet from our website at www.colby.edu/wmhb and have many listeners worldwide.

This has made WMHB, in my opinion, one of the best college radio stations in the northeast.

September is always our craziest



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WMHB radio show "Back to Baywatch" rocking.

time of year because of the planning and preparation it takes to begin the fall season. It is also our best time of year because the incoming first-year class always brings us new talent. We're always looking for enthusiastic and dedicated people to join the WMHB family. DJs can play any type of music, host talk shows, read the national news and broadcast Colby sports games.

Seek us out at the Activities Fair, visit us in the basement of Bob's, visit our website or e-mail us at wmhb@colby.edu if you have any questions.

Embrace internationalism; it's everywhere!

By EMILIA TJERNSTROM
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The International Club brings together students from all over the world who want to share their cultures, traditions and opinions with the Colby community. American students are most welcome to join—as far as the International Club is concerned, everyone is international.

Throughout the year, the International Club sponsors events promoting international understanding, awareness and fun. The yearly International Extravaganza is a

sparkling, colorful collection of performances from many different corners of the world: students sing, dance, perform skits, and read poetry, among other things. The "Iclub" also helps organize a yearly international food festival, arranges dances with music outside the mainstream and shows outside-the-box movies. For example, film maker Greg Berger came to Colby last year with "Dispatches from Rebel Mexico." His film is a vivid firsthand account of contemporary Mexico's social movements, rich in imagery and information.

The president of the International

Club 05-06 will be Juan "Jani" Jung, a junior who is coming back from a semester abroad. He has many ideas about how to make Waterville more international and a more exciting place to be. Most members join by signing up at the Activities Fair held at the beginning of every semester. They are then kept informed about the events that the executive group is planning, as well as international events taking place on other college campuses in New England.

Get ready for a vibrant and

international year, and remember, everyone is international!



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Students enjoy international food.

Whatever your label, The Bridge is for you

By GERONIMO DESUMALA
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

[GAY] Okay, that caught your attention because you are (insert preferred label or non-label here) or are curious (no pun intended). If you're reading this, chances are this club is for you.

It's either because you're queer, gay, lesbian, bi, trans, a homo or even straight! The Bridge is Colby's inclusive community catered towards queer issues. We plan social, political and visibility activism that lasts from mere minutes to weeks, and if we

dare, lifetimes. Projects range from Pride Week, dinner discussions, speakers, movie marathons to parties and field trips. We promise some good queer fun, all the while battling homophobia, oppressive mainstream dominant cultures and Barbie. We are also your resource to queer related publications and films as well as the hottest club space on campus for the hottest club members in Central Maine. That's hot. Watch out for posters and flyers. We promise free food and drinks, maybe a T-shirt, and of course, some lube.

Sex is great and we work to keep it that way

By ASHLEY HUNT
SASA MEMBER

Students Against Sexual Assault (SASA) is a group of students on campus committed to providing information about sexual assault issues and ultimately making our campus a safer place. Ours is an open group and we welcome new people. We like to think of ourselves as a group that promotes healthy, mature sexual relations. Our short-term goals include:

- Increasing awareness of the issue itself as well as the use of date-rape drugs on campus.

- Create a reporting process that is more clear and comfortable for students.

- Advocate more strongly for homosexuals and males who have been sexually assaulted.

Over the course of the year, we will be receiving formal training from the Waterville Rape Crisis and our long-term goal is to transition into an advocacy group for victims of sexual assault while continuing to educate the community. If you are interested in participating or would like to learn more, please contact me at aahunt@colby.edu.

Questions? Comments? Need someone to talk to? Colby College Counseling services are available in the Health Center and are happy to address any problems you may have, no matter how big or small. Appointments may be scheduled through the front desk either in person or at ext. 3394. Waterville Rape Crisis Assistance and Prevention also runs a toll-free hotline 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-800-871-7741. I am also a Rape Crisis Advocate willing to answer any questions on the subject and provide confidential advice. Trust me, I've been asked pretty much anything and everything, so please feel free to come to me at any time.

Fact: It happens here.

- One out of every six college women are raped while in college.
- Female college first-years are at the highest risk for sexual assault between the first day of school and Thanksgiving Break.
- 51-60 percent of college men report they would rape a woman if they were certain that they would get away with it. One out of twelve college men surveyed had committed acts that met the legal definition of rape; 84

percent of these men said what they did was DEFINITELY not rape.

Fact: Rapists are not masked men hiding in bushes.

- 80-95 percent of the rapes that occur on college campuses are committed by someone known to the victim.

Fact: Alcohol and drugs increase the chances of sexual assault.

- Up to 90 percent of all sexual assaults involve the use of alcohol
- 16 percent of male college students admitted to giving or encouraging the use of drugs or alcohol to obtain sex.

Fact: Most rapists do not get caught.

- 98 percent of all sexual assault survivors will never see their attacker caught, tried and imprisoned.
- 84 percent of rapes go unreported; 46 percent of survivors of acquaintance rape and 27 percent of stranger rape survivors never tell anyone.

Facts from <http://www.dccc.org/facts.html> and <http://www.rainn.org/statistics.html> and <http://www.purdue.edu/PUSH/INC/SAP/resources/facts.html>.



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Hunt '07, looking out for sexual miseducation.

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The College Museum of Art isn't just for stodgy tour groups, come in!

By THE ART MUSEUM STAFF

On your path from the Cotter Union to the gym you are likely to pass by the Colby College Museum of Art, adjacent to the Bixler Art and Music Center.

We hope in the years to follow on Mayflower Hill you will wander in on more than rare occasion (not just when you sign the book with Bro) and come to think of this special resource as one of your greatest treasures: a source of inspiration, of unanticipated pleasures, epiphanies, a place to contemplate and think, a refuge where you might hide away and study, hang with a friend, socialize or participate in the cultural and social events that will be organized for you (and we hope in many cases by you).

Some of you may filter into the museum in relation to the courses you are taking. It is one of our goals to serve as a resource that speaks to your interests across the curriculum, whatever your intellectual enthusiasms and professional goals. Some of you, we hope, may find your way to intern-

ships here or to opportunities for work-study. On other occasions we hope you will find it a place to have fun, interact with friends and faculty, feel at home or just "be."

There's a lot here for you to take in, enjoy and in which to find inspiration, from the rotating special exhibitions to the remarkable works that belong to our permanent collection: from Richard Serra to Mary Cassatt, Winslow Homer to Georgia O'Keeffe, antique weather vanes to contemporary sculptures fabricated from raw automobile parts. In your time here, we hope that many of these works will become familiar friends and visual analogues for your own experiences of the world around you.

We hope finally that you will no longer think of museums as austere and unfriendly public spaces through which as a child you were tediously dragged by your teachers or parents. You're part of the "real world" now, and we hope to encourage you to make works of art a familiar part of that "reality."

We want you to feel comfortable

here and justly assume the privilege of ownership. This is your museum, and we hope that you will count it among your greatest privileges and pleasures at Colby, a thrill and not a

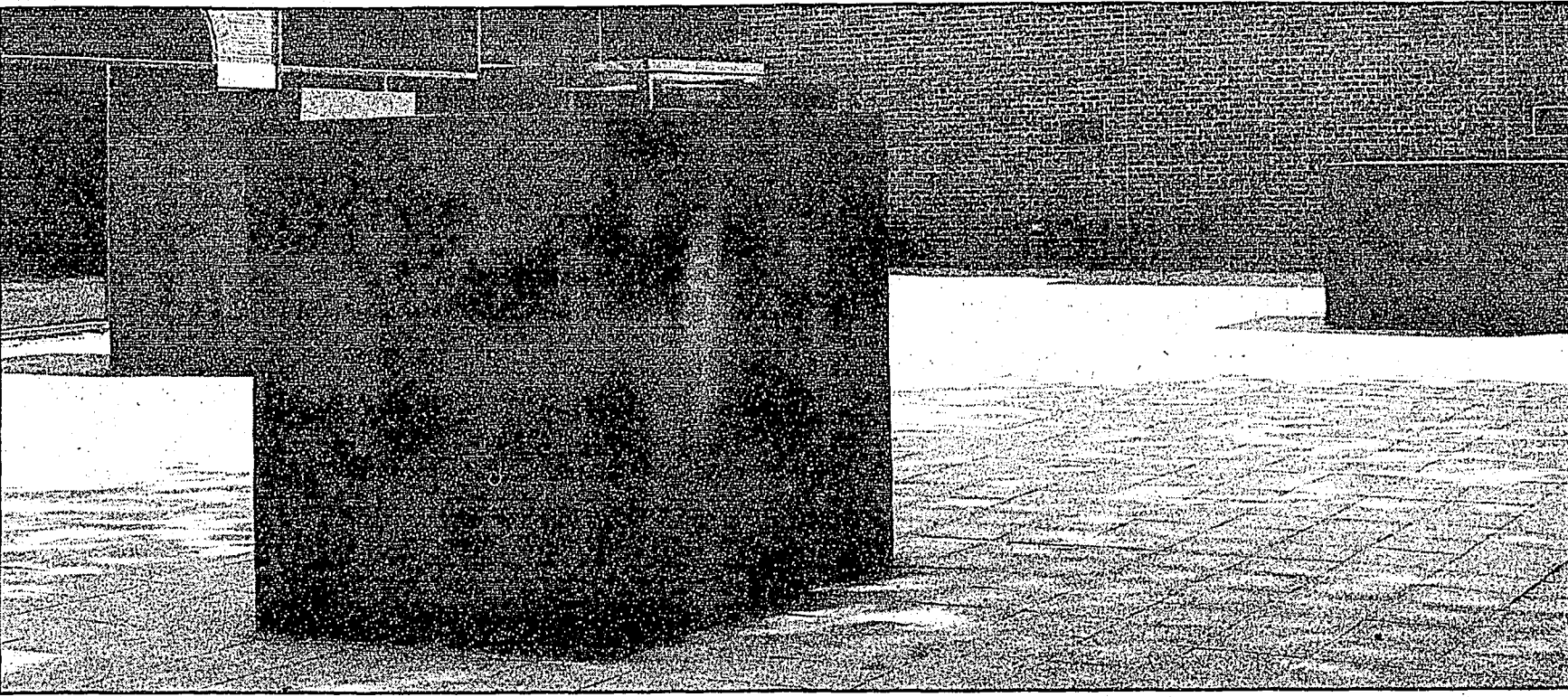
burden to endure. Introduce yourself to the staff who are here to assist you and encourage you.

Make yourself known. Let us know what you think. And when it's

all said and done, as a part of the legacy of your experience at Colby, whatever path you may travel, we hope that you will come to assume that works of art form a meaningful

and integral part of your daily life—something to live for rather than to endure.

We wish you the best for the year ahead.



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Richard Serra's "4,5,6" that sit in front of the Art Museum are great to sit by themselves, try to study with them while the weather holds.

Guide to your health...

By DR. PAUL BERKNER
HEALTH CENTER DIRECTOR

The staff of the Garrison-Foster Health Center would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Colby College. We are excited that you have chosen to attend Colby and look forward to meeting all of you over the next four years.

As I was thinking about this article I was going to tell you all of the wonderful services that are available at the health center, the high quality of the center (we just had a major facelift this summer) and the superb personnel that work here. Then I realized that when I went to college I wanted to know just three things regarding the health center, which I have verified with an extensive survey of incoming college students (sample size of one). So here they are:

1. What services are available at the Health Center?

We offer a full array of services much like any other physicians office. We have on our staff physicians, PA, Nurse practitioner, physical therapist, athletic trainers, nutritionist, lab tech, counselors, psychiatrist and two wonderful individuals who work in our front office. We see patients from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. everyday. In addition we also provide care 24 hours a day/7days a week during the school year. There is always a nurse in attendance that is available to assist you.

2. How much does it cost?
The care provided at the health center is FREE for all students at Colby no matter what kind of insurance you

have. Immunizations/medications cost money, so please be ready to pay for them at the time you receive them.

3. What happens if I am taken to the Health Center and I have been drinking?

First of all you will be cared for, as we do all other students and medical problems, in a confidential, caring manner. You will be evaluated and cared for based on your medical needs. If we feel you are medically unstable we will refer you to the emergency room. Alcohol poisoning (being drunk is alcohol poisoning) is a medical problem that we take very seriously. Additionally we will refer



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The Garrison-Foster Health Center.

you to our substance abuse counselor if we feel it is necessary.

If you have any further questions stop by and say hi or visit us on line at www.colby.edu/health.serv.

...to your happiness ...

By PATTI NEWMEN
DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING SERVICES

Welcome to Colby from the staff of the Counseling Services Department!

Entering college is a time of great excitement for most students. A new environment, new people, new experiences all await you. However, for most, if not all, it is also a time of apprehension. Will you get along with your roommate (or roommates)? Will you be successful academically, socially and in extra-curricular activities? And what about all of the special people you are leaving behind—family, friends, "girlfriends" and "boyfriends"—how will those relationships change now that you are at Colby? As you grapple with this time of transition in your life, the counselors are available to offer support and a safe and confidential space where you can talk about your feelings. We invite you to utilize our services at any time during your Colby career.

Students seek counseling for a wide variety of issues. Some students have seen therapists or counselors before and want to continue in a counseling relationship at college. Many students come seeking help in dealing with feelings of anxiety or depression. Sometimes students just need an objective adult with whom they can talk through concerns about relationships, family problems or other personal situations. Time management, stress

reduction and difficulties with food or body image are other issues that students often address in counseling sessions. Any concern that interferes with the quality of your life at Colby is an appropriate topic for a conversation with a counselor. If we are unable to help, we will make every effort to direct you to someone who can. When appropriate we refer students to the medical practitioners for assessment for medication. The department also has the services of a consulting psychiatrist who is on campus one day per week.

The Counseling Department has three staff members, all of whom are Licensed Clinical Counselors: Patti Newmen, Jan Munroe and Jing Ye. The services of the Counseling Department are free to students. You can make an appointment by calling the Health Center Receptionist at ext. 3394. Appointments are scheduled during the day from Monday through Friday. The counseling offices are located in the Health Center, but have a separate waiting area to maintain confidentiality. There is always a counselor on-call whenever the College is in session. If there is an emergency, the counselor on-call can be reached by the nurse in the Health Center or by Security.

This is an exciting and challenging time in your life. We in Counseling Services welcome you and hope that you will not hesitate to seek us out whenever you think our help might be of benefit to you.

...and to good exercise

By MARCELLA ZALOT
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

The Department of Physical Education and Athletics welcomes the class of 2009 and would like to extend our best wishes for an exciting and productive first year. The department has offerings for all levels of athletes and invites you to participate in any level of your choosing.

The intercollegiate program is for the competitive athlete who wants an intense intercollegiate experience. Colby belongs to the Division III level of the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association). On the conference level we compete in NESCAC (New England Small College Athletic Conference), arguably one of the best Division III conferences in the country. Colby sponsors 32 intercollegiate sports: 16 for women, 15 for men and 1 coed team. For information on the intercollegiate programs offered, please see our web site at www.colby.edu/athletics. If you are interested in trying out for a team, the names, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the coaching staff are also on the website.

The department also offers an intramural program during the fall, winter and spring. There are two levels of intramural competition: a recreational league and a competitive league. Intramural offerings include soccer, field hockey and flag football in the fall; volleyball, broomball and basketball in the winter and softball in the spring. Special events take place

throughout the academic year and in the past have included a triathlon, a home run derby and a squash tournament. Sign ups for intramurals occur through Student Activities or through your residence hall, so watch for these announcements.

The department oversees club sports that have an athletic component. Club sports are student run and are offered if there is enough student interest to sustain the club. Club sports that have had sustained student interest recently include men's and women's rugby, the woods-men's team, badminton, sailing, frisbee, bicycling, water polo, men's volleyball, fencing and equestrian.

Finally, the Harold Alfond Athletic Center is open over 12 to 15 hours a day throughout the academic year. We invite you to come down and use the facilities at your convenience. The facilities include an ice hockey rink, squash courts, basketball courts, indoor track, indoor tennis courts, saunas, climbing wall, pool and an aerobic studio. The Alfond Fitness Center offers free weights, selectorized equipment by Bodymaster and over 25 pieces of cardiovascular equipment. Workshops will be offered on how to use the equipment and develop a fitness program tailored to your needs.

Good luck in the upcoming year and all the best as you embark on your Colby experience.

Don't forget to wear your sunblock on COOT

The Goldfarb Center, a growing social science hub at Colby

By L. SANDY MAISEL

WILLIAM R. KENAN JR. PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT AND DIRECTOR OF THE GOLDFARB CENTER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

The Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement, a two-year old initiative at Colby, has been successful in building a community of students, faculty, administrators and

local citizens who are interested in studying and shaping the affairs of our community, the state, the nation and the international community.

The Center knows no disciplinary boundaries, though most of the upper classmen and faculty involved are in the social sciences or inter-disciplinary programs that feature social sci-

ences. What we are about is embracing an interest in public affairs and in civic engagement.

What does that mean? We run programs—many designed and organized by students. We invite speakers to campus and assure that students meet with those speakers, one-on-one and in small groups, not just as a big name

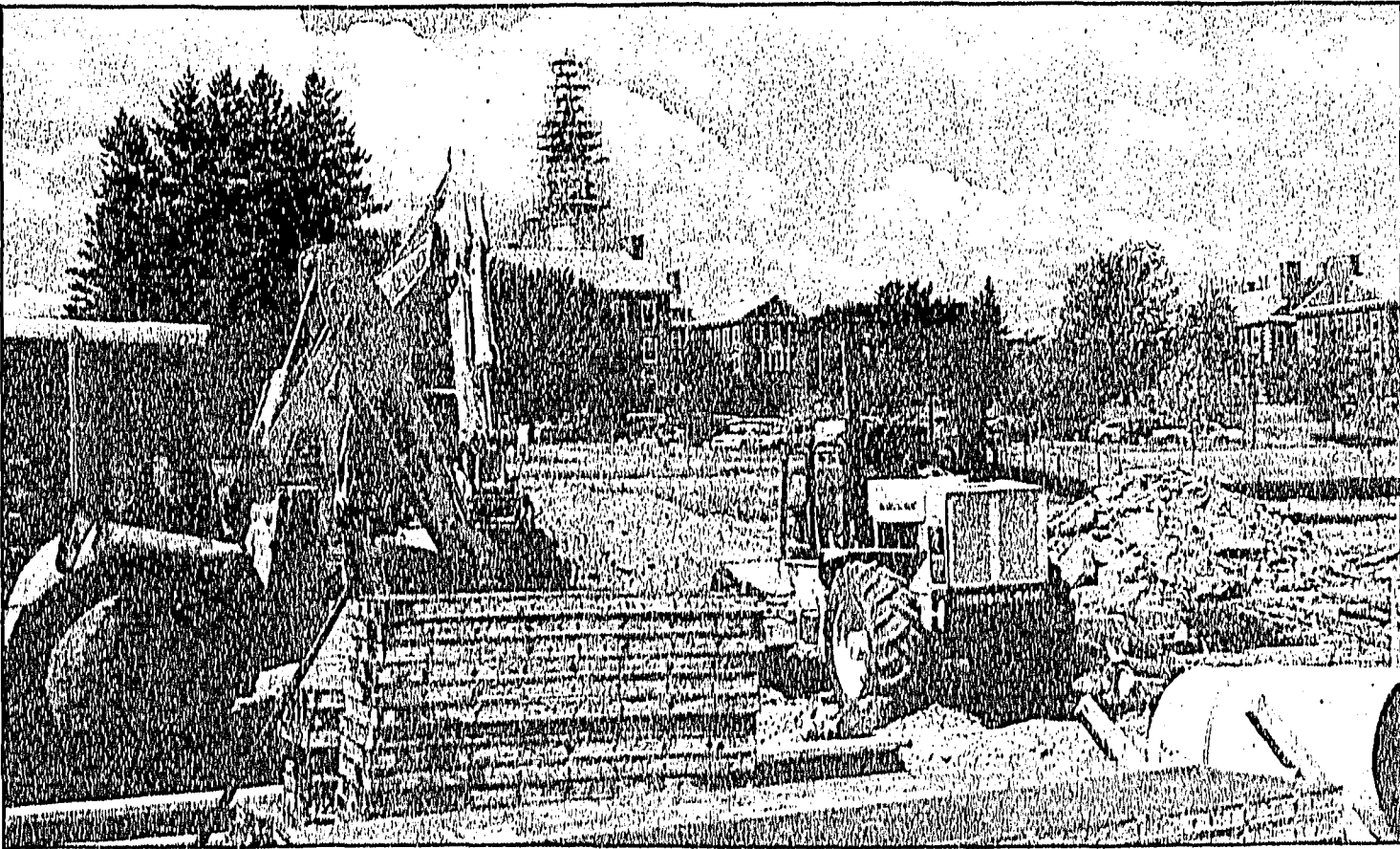
behind a lectern. We sponsor informal meal-time seminars in which faculty and students come together to discuss topics of mutual interest; last year seminar groups looked at topics as diverse as the Red State-Blue State Divide, Corporate Social Responsibility in Latin America, and Community Involvement in the Waterville area. We have run debates on what types of counter-terrorism techniques are ethical and on the future of social security. We ran a two-week conference on Fighting Terrorism that including lectures, panels, films and plays. A common theme with all of our events is that students are heavily involved; faculty and students from more than one department come together to make all of these events happen.

The Center is also responsible for Colby's civic engagement courses (which you will learn about from some of your professors.) We also provide administrative oversight for the Colby Cares About Kids (CCAK) Program and the Colby Volunteer

Center. We encourage and support the ideas and initiatives of students who have their own ideas about civic engagement, like those who ran the tremendously successful voter registration drive last year.

I could go on about our other activities—but that would defeat the point. Because an important part of the Goldfarb Center is to be what students want it to be. The Center has a prominent national advisory board and local liaison boards in Maine, Boston, New York and Washington D.C.—comprised mostly of alumni who want to help Colby students get involved with what they do. Helping to find and offer internships is an important example. We also have a Faculty Steering Committee.

But our most important "governing" body is our Student Advisory Board. Shortly you will be asked if you are interested in joining the Center's Student Advisory Board. First years are very welcome. There are only two criteria for admission: interest and commitment to participation. To learn more about the Goldfarb Center, visit our website at www.colby.edu/goldfarb or talk to one of the leaders of the Student Advisory Board, Maddy Horwitz '06 and Claire Walsh '06, or to one of the Center's other leaders: co-directors Professors Ariel Armony and Sandy Maisel, Associate Director Kate O'Halloran, Assistant Director Alice Elliott or the CCAK coordinator Lisa Sweet.



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SGA PRESIDENTS: Have a fantastic first year

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tion to SGA and ready to help if you need it. We also plan to stay connected with the Head Residents in order to keep things running smoothly in the halls. Finally, we will keep you informed of what is happening on campus and how we're trying to make college life just that much more fun for you. What we ask of you in return is that you keep us informed so that we can serve you best; if there's something you'd like to change or celebrate, we'll try and make it happen. We're looking forward to what this year has to offer. As president and vice president we are very excited about the opportunities this coming year holds for everyone here at Colby, especially you.

Now we're sure that in the weeks leading up to this day, the day that you would finally be independent, everyone has been offering you advice. We can't resist the opportunity to do the same and throw a few pearls of wisdom at you. Some of our advice is probably obvious, but nevertheless, through personal experience, we figure it should be said. For instance, if you're not a morning person, and math is not your forte, then taking a calculus course that meets every day at 8 a.m. might not be a good idea. The important thing to take from this is that there will inevitably be more classes you want to take than classes you actually can take, so make the most of it while you can. Challenging yourself is great, and if you want to take the early morning class in a subject where you don't excel, that's awesome, but do it because you want to and not because you feel like you're supposed to.

Secondly, we're aware that some of you may be skeptical of our mascot,

Learn to love it for what it is. College offers an amazing chance to create and define your own identity, and we urge you to find a place in your emerging identities for the mule and the silliness, uniqueness and weird sort of greatness that it embodies. And finally, our most important piece of advice, try not to have four years worth of fun in four weeks. Trust us, it goes by fast, so take it slow.

College is an interesting place, with interesting people and you're bound to have unique, crazy, and wonderful experiences here. Please let us do whatever we can to make your first year all that you wanted and more.

Stay classy, stay safe and unless you want a thousand dollar fine - stay out of the pond.

Meet the rest of the SGA Executive Board:



Tom Testo '07:
Secretary



Justin DePre '06:
Treasurer



Zach Russem '06:
Parliamentarian

Miller, Olin, Bixler: learn about your new homes

By MARILYN R. PUKKILA AND CLEM GUTHRO
HEAD OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES
AND DIRECTOR OF COLBY LIBRARIES

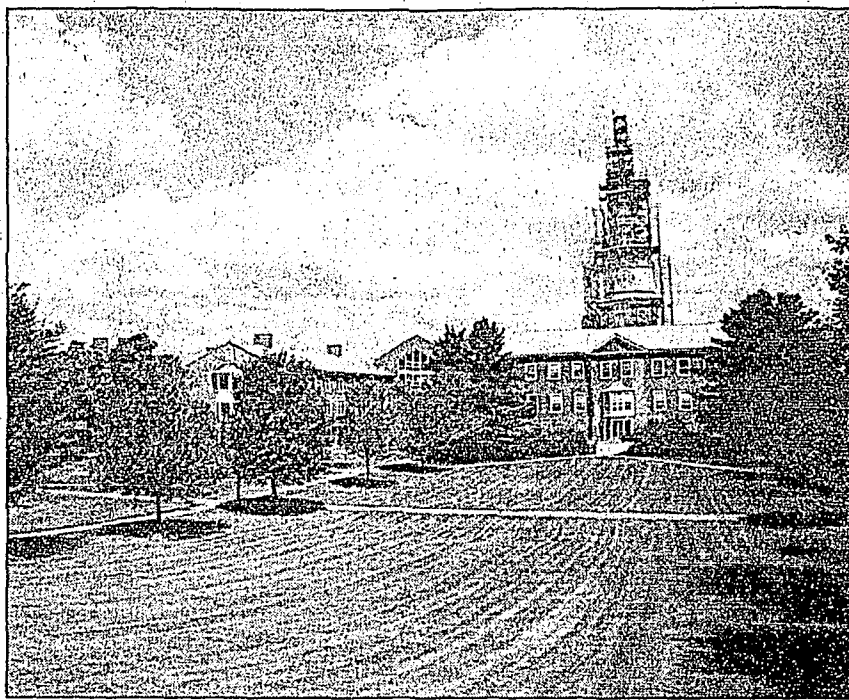
The Colby Libraries will be one of the center pillars of your education at Colby. Miller Library, the big building with the clock tower is the largest library; it contains the humanities and social science collections. The Bixler Library has a great collection of art and music books and journals and a music CD collection. The Olin Library specializes in supporting the sciences. Each of the libraries provide study and socialization space, a wealth of paper and Internet-based academic resources and most importantly personalized help in finding the information you need. The librarians and support staff from the three campus libraries are here to help.

Each of the libraries has great hours and good computer resources. Bixler has three public terminals, a 12 station MAC lab with software for music projects, a wireless network and five wireless laptops available for check out. Olin has a cluster of public PCs, Ethernet ports to every desk, a wireless network and five wireless laptops. Miller has a wireless network throughout the building, a teaching lab with 25 PCs and 15 wireless laptops that can be checked out and used in the building, as well as Ethernet ports scattered throughout the building. If you have your own PC, you can check out an Ethernet cable at the Circulation Desk at all three libraries and connect to the campus network.

Not sure how to use our Web catalog (<http://library.colby.edu/search/>)? Need some articles for a presentation? Looking for a picture, statistics, data sets or books? Feel clueless about research in general? You are

not alone. In Miller, talk to Reference Librarians Chuck Lakin, Mike McGuire, Peggy Menchen, Marilyn R. Pukkila, and Sara Prah. Be sure to talk to Marilyn R. Pukkila at Bixler for research help with Art

Libraries is Special Collections, located in Miller Library, which holds literary manuscripts, rare books and periodicals, photographs, and other graphic materials suitable for individual and group research projects. Subjects cov-



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Miller Library at the head of the academic quad.

and Music, and Suzi Cole in Olin for help with any of the Sciences. ASK-US 24/7 allows you to e-mail questions to the librarians and received personalized help.

Need something Colby doesn't own? Check Maine InfoNet to borrow books from Bates, Bowdoin, and the University of Maine campuses or NExpress for books from Bates, Bowdoin, Northeastern, Williams and Wellesley. Still need something else? Submit an Interlibrary Loan request and Kathy Corridan and Robin Wiggins will work on borrowing materials for you, whether it is from across the country or around the world.

Another feature of the Colby

er in Special Collections include women's studies, multicultural studies, Maine and regional history, 19th and 20th century American and British literature and Irish literature from the 1880s to the present. It also has a Colbiana section which documents many fascinating aspects of Colby's history. Patricia Burdick, Special Collections Librarian, claims there are many College stories just waiting to be revealed to the curious. Stop by and ask her or her co-workers Maggie Libby and Karen Gillum what incunabula are—they've got some!

Make sure you get also get to know the library support staff in the buildings. They are valuable col-

leagues in helping make your time in the library productive. They help with checking out books, collecting fines (not that you'll have any!), locating your reserve readings, or wrestling with recalcitrant photocopies, and at least a dozen other things. They also have many years of Colby experience and are great people with whom to talk. You're most likely to see Eileen Fredette and Bob Heath in Miller, Penny Ruckznis in Bixler and Charlotte Gifford in both Olin and Miller.

Planning to watch a video this weekend? Check out our video and DVD collections on the main floor of Miller Library or in the branch libraries. Want to listen to something besides music on your afternoon jog or your next long car trip? Look in our audio books collection right next to the Miller videos. With both fiction and non-fiction titles, we might even have a few of your class books on tape.

Do you have special needs? A brilliant suggestion on how to improve library services? Talk to Peggy Menchen, Assistant Director for Public Services, or to Clem Guthro, Director of Libraries. Wonder who orders, catalogs and processes all the books, journals, videos and electronic resources that are available in the catalog and on the library website? Our Technical Services staff: Toni Benner, Joanne Curtis-Allen, Toni Katz, Claire Pronnicki and Linda Roy provide the information infrastructure that helps you find and retrieve the materials you need. Who keeps all our computers running smoothly? Larry Brown and his team of student workers. Questions? Try the Library Web site: www.colby.edu/library/. Better yet, come to one of the libraries and say hi.

Practicing religion at Colby

Catholicism—Newman

By TU-QUYEN "QUEENIE" NGUYEN
NEWMAN COUNCIL MEMBER

The Newman Council is Colby's student-run Catholic organization on campus providing and encouraging both Catholic and non-Catholic students to develop and share their faith. Colby "newbies" hail from all around the world, coming from different families, backgrounds, cultures and societies, but regardless of our differences many of us are united in one faith, one community and one family - the Roman Catholic Church. Newman hosts several events throughout the year from dinners, retreats, study breaks during midterms, interfaith events, as well as fundraising for local charities. With an office located on the second floor of the Pugh Center stu-

dents can meet at any time to share and learn more about Catholicism through informal discussions. Additionally, students are able to access the many resources such as books, newsletters and information about upcoming events in the office. Newman is fortunate to have two campus ministers who serve the students—Fr. Phil Tracy and Deacon Dean LaChance—who are available to meet with students throughout the year and assist the club leaders in organizing events between the campus and the wider Waterville community. If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions and/or would like to be a part of the Newman Council please stop by our desk at the Activities fair. We would love to meet you!

Christianity—CCF

By CHRISTABEL KWABI
CCF MEMBER

The Colby Christian Fellowship is a club representing a wide range of Christian denominations, interests, and cultures. It aims to provide Christians of all theological and personal backgrounds with a place to find

fellowship and facilitate dialogue with each other, as well as spreading news of Jesus Christ throughout the campus and beyond. Our many activities include weekly Bible studies and worship events, plus weekend retreats, campus-wide events and a yearly spring break service trip.

Judaism—Hillel

By REBECCA SHORT, JULIE MILLER AND EMILY JUDEM
HILLEL MEMBERS

Like Challah? Matzah balls? Maneschewitz? Join Hillel and get involved with Jewish life at Colby!

Don't worry, we know what you're (most likely) thinking: "Mom and Dad told me to join Hillel so I don't want to." Okay, valid point. But believe us when we say we are not your run-of-the-mill Hillel. We even have a foosball table, which is not exactly part of the ordinary Jewish organization's paraphernalia. (And yes, we do have tournaments.)

Hillel holds Shabbat candle lighting every Friday night and runs other celebrations: Rosh Hashanah dinner, Yom Kippur Break Fast, hamentaschen baking and Megillah reading and our annual Passover seder. We also have movie nights, challah baking parties

and matzah ball soup nights.

We are always looking for new ideas and new faces. We know every Colby student is spectacularly busy, so whatever level of involvement you wish to give—from leadership to the occasional Shabbat dinner—is warmly welcomed. We would love your input on how we can improve and shape Hillel to your liking.

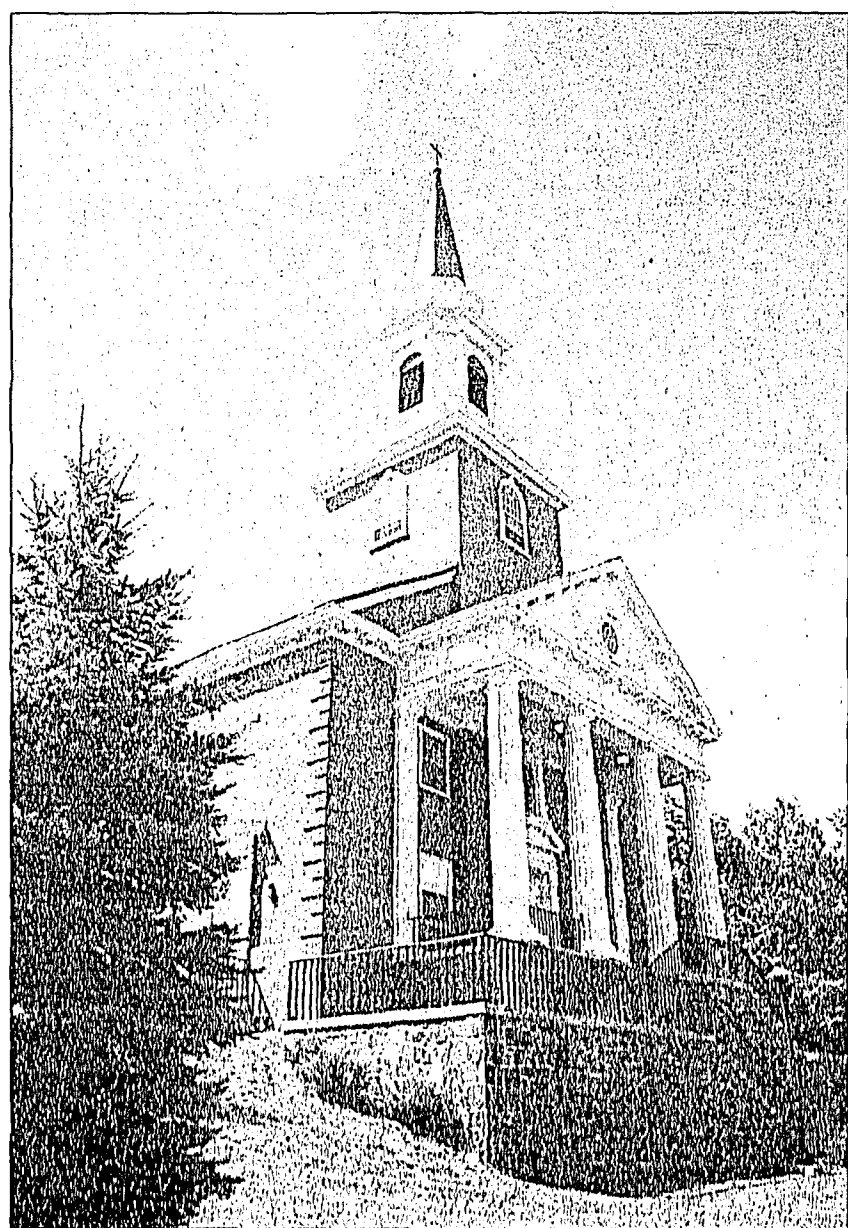
So, if you are sad about missing mom's homemade noodle kugel, no more worries. We will update you soon about our first candle lighting of the year and information about High Holiday services and observance. Come find us at the Activities Fair. The Hillel room is located on the second floor of the Pugh Center; the door is always open. E-mail us with any questions and we would happy to answer them.

Service times:

Protestant Chapel Service, 1 p.m. on Sundays

Catholic Mass, 4:30 p.m. on Sundays

Shabbat candle lighting, Friday evenings



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Lorimer Chapel holds services for various denominations.

WHAT WILL YOU DO ON TUESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL?



Come and work for The Echo. Write about news, sports, arts, yourself...we try to cover anything and everything. Who knows, maybe one day you'll be working with us on Tuesday nights while we layout the paper?

Echo Informational Meeting:

Monday, September 12th - 9 p.m.
Whitney Room, Bobs

Contact:
echo@colby.edu

People to know in the Dean of Students and Student Activities offices



KELLY WHARTON
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Kelly assists in the coordination of clubs and organizations and advises student leaders when planning large or small campus events. She also serves as the advisor to the Student Government Association and the Pugh Community Board, as well as the senior class representatives. Kelly

organizes new student Orientation, Mid Year Orientation, provides alcohol training for students, reviews contracts and riders, and serves as a resource when student leaders need advice or direction in "getting things done" on campus.



SUE McDOUGAL
ASSOCIATE DEAN-INT'L AFFAIRS

Sue serves as the Associate Dean for International Affairs. She works primarily with the international population at Colby and is responsible for campus wide international programming. Some events her office puts on each year are the weekly International CoffeeHour in MaryLow Coffee House, the annual International Food

Festival and the International Extravaganza, which takes place each spring. Every event planned by her office is open to all Colby students regardless of where they call home.



PAUL JOHNSTON
SENIOR ASSOCIATE DEAN

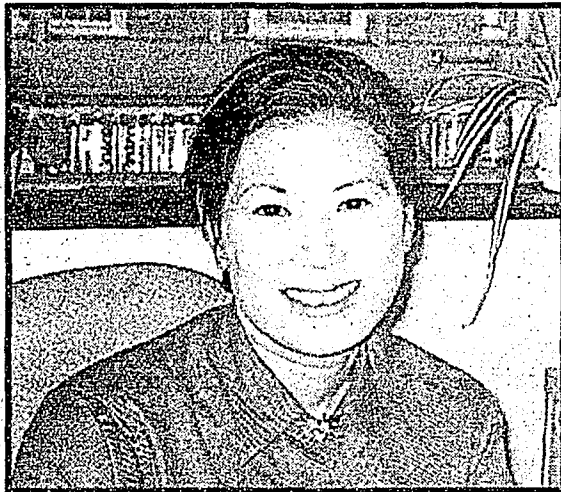
Paul is responsible for Colby's residential life program, including Colby's faculty resident and faculty associate programs, supervision of the Hall Staff and coordination of the Spotlight Event series of lectures and performances. One significant focus of his work has been to take important aspects of Colby's academic life

beyond the classroom and into the residence halls. Recent initiatives in residential life include the Take a Professor to Lunch program, a series of residence hall seminars taught by professors over dinner and a book list created by the faculty as a gift to graduating seniors.



JONATHAN MILNE
DIRECTOR OF OUTDOOR SAFETY

Jonathan directs the COOT Program by coordinating trips, itineraries, COOT leader interviews and training. He also assists the Colby Outing Club, Colby Mountaineering Club, and coordinates outdoor leadership and risk management courses.



SUI KIM CHEAH
DIRECTOR OF HOUSING

Kim Cheah works closely with the room draw committee in coordinating the room selection process. She also oversees major residence hall renovations and counsels students with rooming concerns.

What to do before it gets really really cold:

1. Sleep out on Runnals Hill.
2. Take a walk through the Arboretum.
3. Go swimming at either the Hume Center or the Outing Club Cabin.
4. Play backgammon with a friend or study by Johnson Pond.
5. Take a daytrip to Popham Beach.
6. Eat lunch outside at Foss.
7. Go applepicking—dude do you dislike applepicking?!
8. Barbeque on a residence hall balcony.



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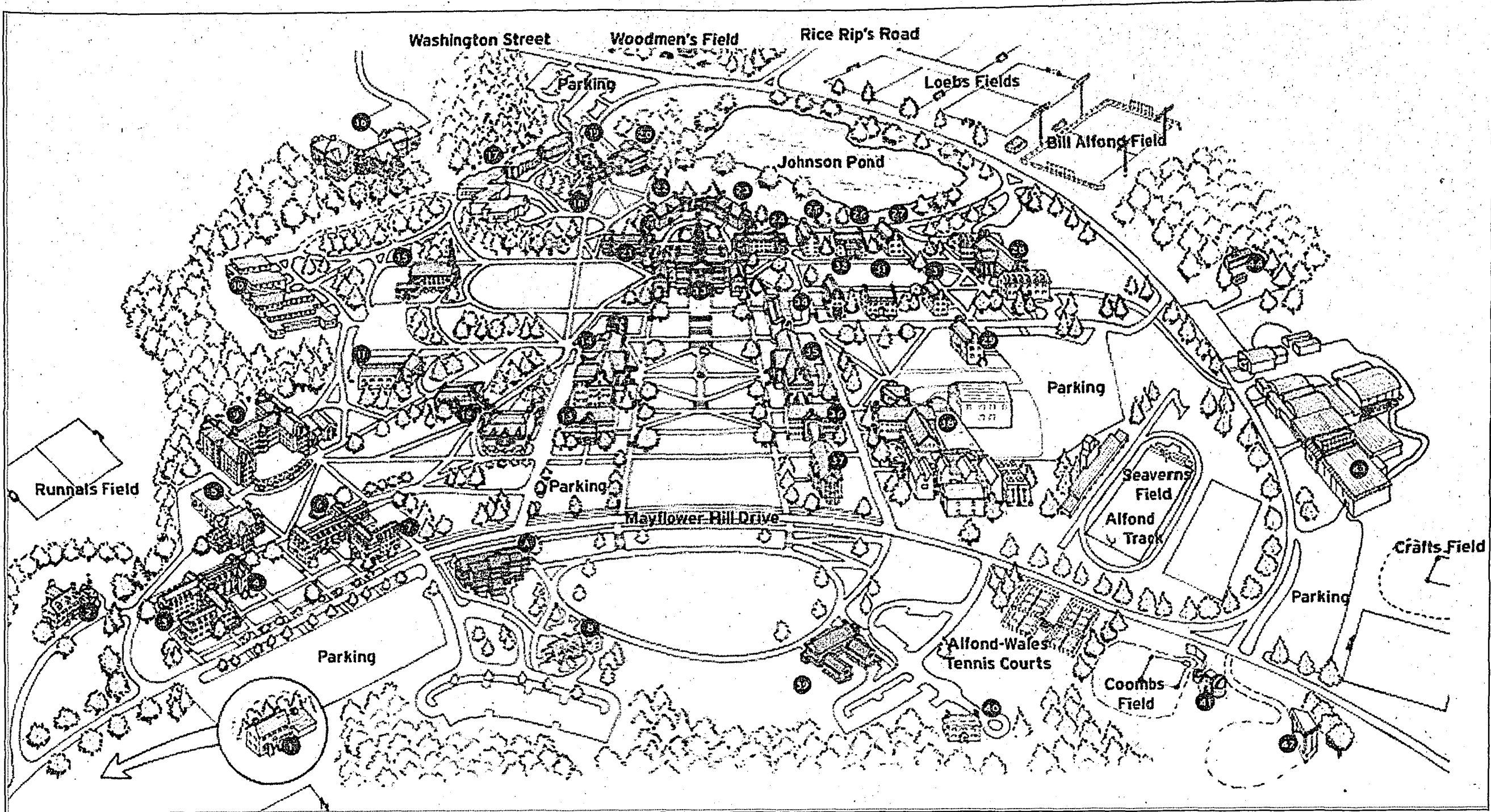
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Welcome to Mayflower Hill: your home for the next four years, at least



College Buildings	13. Career Services	12. Lorimer Chapel	39. Schair-Swenson-Watson	9. Dana	32. Perkins-Wilson
13. Administration (Eustis)	6. Coffeehouse	44. Lovejoy (Classrooms)	Alumni Center	26. Drummond	31. Pierce
8. Admissions Office	41. Collins Observatory	2. Lunder House (Admissions and Financial Aid)	12. Spa	23. East Quad	25. Piper
43. Alfond Ice Arena	14. Computer Services	12. Miller Library	5. Strider Theater	4. Foss	22. Robins
1. Millet House	8. Cotter Union	44. Mudd (Science)	11. Student Financial Services	27. Goddard-Hodgkins	19. Schupf
38. Museum of Art:	35. Eustis (Administration)	2. Off-Campus Studies	Residences	29. Grossman	23. Small
Lunder Wing,	15. Garrison-Foster Health Center	12. F.W. Olin Science Center		24. Heights	17. Sturtevant
Jette and Davis Galleries,	14. Given Auditorium	28. Page Commons Room	20. Anthony	17. Hillside	17. Taylor
The Paul Schupf Wing	8. Gould Music Shell	5. Physical Plant Department	21. Ayerill	24. Johnson	30. Treworgy
43. Harold Alfond Athletic Center	33. Guest House (Hill Family)	39. President's House	23. Butler	17. Leonard	22. West Quad
36. Bixler Art and Music Center	34. Harold and Bibby Alfond Residence Complex	12. Pugh Center	23. Champlain	17. Marriner	17. Williams
28. Bookstore	13. Information (Lunder House)	28. Roberts	22. Chaplin	6. Mary Low	3. Woodman
11. Business Office	37. Keyes (Chemistry)	5. Runnals (Performing Arts)	7. Coburn	18. Mitchell	A. Diamond Building
				22. Pepper	

Campus Lingo

AMS: three interconnected dorms located adjacent to Johnson Pond. Translation: Anthony, Mitchell, Schupf.

Apartments: Alfond senior apartment complex.

Arboretum: several hundred acres of trees on the Admissions side of Mayflower Hill

Band Shell a.k.a. The Shell: grassy knoll next to the baseball field. Site of all-campus BBQs and some concerts.

The Beach: well, not a beach per se. Rather, a large, terrace-like landing outside the first floor of Dana.

Bob's: nickname of Roberts Union.

Bro: President William D. Adams

Camp Colby: The time period between arriving and classes.

CBB: term used to refer to Colby, Bates and Bowdoin. We are first in the list because we are by far the best school in Maine.

Coffeehouse: on first floor of Mary Low, hosts live music performances. Despite name, rarely serves coffee.

Colby ID Card Box Locations: Cotter Union, basement of Eustis, first floor of Bob's (see above), inside Miller Library. Use these to put cash on your ID card for laundry machines, food at the Spa (see below), the student post office and Eustis, the Bookstore and the Health Center.

Colby Card office: where you go if you lose or break your Colby ID card. Located across from the business office in the Garrison-Foster Health Center building.

Colby Gardens
Class overflows lead to a convent-turned-dormitory for a few lucky sophomores.

Co-op: located in Mary Low. Home of a handful of students who choose to have meal plans completely independent of Dining Services.

Echo office: The coolest spot on campus.

Feb-fresh: an antiquated term referring to the first years who arrive on campus in January after being abroad for the

first semester in Salamanca or Dijon.

Frat Row: two rows of nine small dorms that used to be fraternity houses, stretching from the Street (see below) to Bob's (see above): Piper, Drummond, Go-Ho (see below), Grossman, Treworgy (see below for pronunciation), Pierce and Pe-Wi (see below). Fraternities were barred in the late 1980s.

Fishbowl: semicircle room with red couches off of Cotter Union.

Go-Ho: abbreviation for Goddard-Hodgkins dorm on Frat Row (see above).

Hillside: cluster of five white dorms behind AMS: Taylor, Sturtevant (see below for pronunciation), Leonard, Marriner and Williams.

HR: head resident. Called an RA at other schools.

Hume Center: owned by Professor Hume and his wife. Crew team practices on the lake here. Great for swimming, sunbathing or just relaxing. Also, a venue for blacksmithing and carpentry during Jan Plan.

Jan Plan: January on campus. You take one class and ski the days away. Required for first years.

Jitney: campus shuttle service.

Keyes: pronounced K-EYE-Z. Classroom building, mostly for sciences.

Loudness: during the first and last weekends of each semester, there are no quiet hours and the campus turns into one big party.

NESCAC: New England Small College Athletic Conference. Includes Colby, Bates, Bowdoin, Tufts, Amherst, Williams, Hamilton, Wesleyan, Trinity and Connecticut College.

Outing Club Cabin: if you belong to the Outing Club, you can use this facility, which, like the Hume Center (see above), is also on a lake.

Pe-Wi: abbreviation for Perkins-Wilson dorm (see above).

Runnals Hill: home of I-play games, sledding, cross-country skiing and some rugby practices.

Spa: campus snack shop run by the

Joseph family, also serving sandwiches, coffee, etc. See the Dining Services web page for menus and hours.

Security office: located on the first floor of Bob's.

Sledding spots: Runnals Hill, Bro's front lawn (see above), the swamp (see below).

The Street: walkway underneath Miller Library. You'll appreciate this when winter hits.

Sturtevant: pronounced STER-DUH-VINT. One of the Hillside dorms.

The Swamp: home of Colby rugby. Located across the street from President Adams' house.

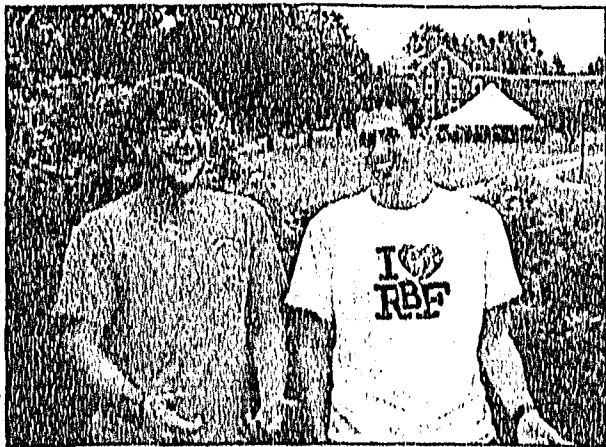
Treworgy: pronounced TROO-OR-GEE. Another Frat Row dorm (see above).

West Quad/East Quad: there are three connected dorms within each Quad
West: Robins, Chaplin, Pepper.
East: Small, Champlin, Butler.

WMHB: campus radio station: 89.7 f.m., located in the basement of Bob's.

Upperclassmen on campus early

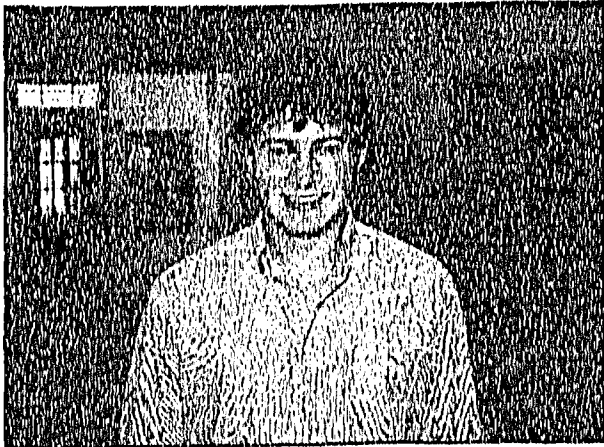
How will you greet arriving first-years?



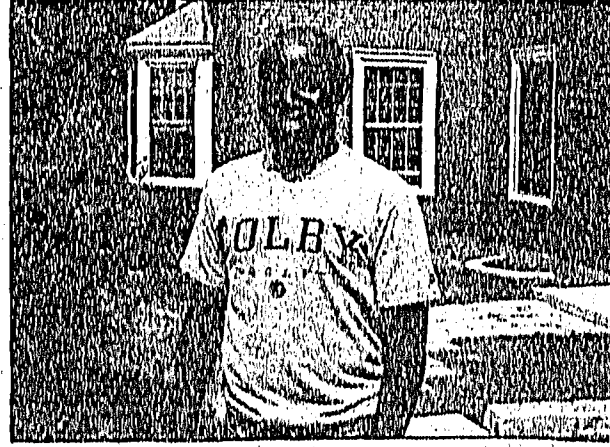
"A tire fire on West Quad lawn."
—Isaac Needell '08 and Justin Hilt '08



"With the best piggy back ride of their lives."
—Lijah Barasz '06 and Stefan Ruiz '06



"With an ice cold beverage."
—Blake Foster '07



"I am going to say 'jambo'* to them."
—Kip Kiprop '07
*Editor's note: "Jambo" is a Swahili greeting.